



**Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council**  
**General Restoration, Habitat Enhancement, Habitat Protection, and Facilities Projects**  
**Quarterly Project Reporting Form**

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**Project Number:** Project 23220611

**Project Title:** Big Eddy Restoration and Improvements

**Principal Investigator(s):** Shannon Martin, Kenai River Sportfishing Association

**Reporting Periods and Due Dates:**

<i>Reporting Period</i>	<i>Due Date</i>
February, March, April	June 1
May, June, July	September 1
August, September, October	December 1
November, December, January	March 1

**Submission Date:** September 1

**Project Website:** n/a

Please check all the boxes that apply to the current reporting period.

**Project progress is on schedule.**

**Project progress is delayed**

**Budget reallocation request.**

Not applicable

**Personnel changes.**

Not applicable

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**1. Summary of Work Performed:**

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Work on the project was minimal due to the busy sportfishing season on the Kenai Peninsula. KRSA continued to inform the public of the project, hosting an outreach booth at the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Kenai Peninsula Sport Rec & Trade Show in Soldotna in May. This community event is near the



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Big Eddy Restoration and Improvement project site and over 9,000 people attended the show. The public also offered suggestions which we forwarded onto DPOR Project Managers.

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## **2. Abstract:**

The collective funding will be used to enhance and protect riverbank habitat, as well as to support recreational access and tourism at the 16.7-acre Big Eddy Day Use Area near Soldotna, Alaska. Interpretive displays will also be installed at the site to facilitate redirecting human impact and promote public participation in the long-term success of the project objectives. This project will be constructed in multiple phases over a four-year period.

This project will construct over 1,000 feet of elevated light-penetrating (ELP) walkway and provide river access stairs for habitat protection; restore 150 feet of deteriorating riverbank along the Kenai River; construct a parking area away from the riverbank to meet user demand help prevent haphazard parking in sensitive riparian areas; and will pave the 500-foot section of Big Eddy Road that goes through the park unit and the existing gravel parking area.

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## **3. Coordination and Collaboration:**

### Alaska Department of Fish and Game:

A portion of the work at the Big Eddy Day Use Area has been funded through Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Renovation of the floating boat dock and gangway will be completed with these funds. Funding sources include Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act (Dingell-Johnson/Wallop-Breaux) and State matching funds.

### Kenai River Special Management Area Advisory Board:

The Big Eddy State Rec Site falls within the Kenai River Special Management Area (KRSMA). The KRSMA Advisory Board is composed of land managers, agencies, and local stakeholders who are charged with developing a plan to protect the natural resources and fish and wildlife habitat, manage the river's recreational and commercial uses, and provided public facilities. KRSMA Executive Director Shannon Martin, a KRSMA Advisory Board Member, will continue to inform the group on the status of the Big Eddy project and take input from the KRSMA Advisory Board.

### University of Alaska Anchorage:

The Big Eddy Facility Improvements project was selected by DPOR as a project for collaboration with the University of Alaska Anchorage, School of Engineering Senior Design class. This class provides real-world experience in project design for students about to graduate



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with a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering. Students completed a 35% design and cost estimate by the end of spring semester 2023, some of which may be useful to the final design completed by DPOR. Costs for this community outreach will not be applied to grant funding.



Shannon Martin, KRSA, discusses the project with State Parks Director Ricky Gease & Park Ranger Tom Anthony.

KRSA community outreach booth at the Kenai Peninsula Sport, Rec, & Trade Show May 2023.





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**4. Response to EVOSTC Review, Recommendations and Comments:**

Not applicable

**5. Budget:**

Budget Category:	Proposed FY 22	Proposed FY 23	Proposed FY 24	Proposed FY 25	Proposed FY 26	5-YR TOTAL PROPOSED	QUARTERLY EXPENDITURES	ACTUAL CUMULATIVE
Personnel	\$2,250	\$2,250	\$2,250	\$2,250	\$0	\$9,000	\$869	\$4,480
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contractual	\$0	\$0	\$1,414,100	\$1,414,100	\$0	\$2,828,200	\$0	\$0
Commodities	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Indirect Costs (40%)	\$900	\$900	\$566,540	\$566,540	\$0	\$1,134,880	\$348	\$1,792
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,150</b>	<b>\$3,150</b>	<b>\$1,982,890</b>	<b>\$1,982,890</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,972,080</b>	<b>\$1,217</b>	<b>\$6,272</b>
General Administration (9% of subtotal)	\$284	\$284	\$178,460	\$178,460	\$0	\$357,487	\$110	\$565
<b>PROJECT TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,434</b>	<b>\$3,434</b>	<b>\$2,161,350</b>	<b>\$2,161,350</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,329,567</b>	<b>\$1,327</b>	<b>\$6,837</b>
Other Resources (In-Kind Funds)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,773