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Commissioner
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Re: SAFETEA-LU Section 4407 Memorandum of Understanding
Forest Service Agreement No. 06MU-11100100-151
State of Alaska Agreement No. ADL 107516

Dear Commissioners MacKinnon and Feige:

Commissioner MacKinnon, thank you for your letter dated December 17, 2018 confirming that it is the State's desire to extend the above-referenced Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). As I expressed in my December 11, 2018 letter to you, I am interested in a collaborative effort to update the MOU to reflect the current law and to address some issues that have arisen. In light of your interest to have a MOU in place while we discuss any changes that may be mutually agreeable, I propose to extend the current MOU by two years with the acknowledgement that we are now implementing Section 4407 as it was amended in 2015, rather than the original version passed in 2005. Pursuant to Paragraph 14 of the MOU, modifications may be made by mutual consent of the parties, by the issuance of a written modification, signed and dated by all parties. As your predecessors noted in their November 20, 2018 letter, pursuant to Paragraph 17, the MOU may be extended by mutual written consent. We are sending two copies of this letter with my signature. If you both consent to the following proposed change and extension, please sign both copies and return one to James King, Director, Recreation, Lands, and Minerals, Alaska Region.



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By my signature below, I agree to an extension of the above-referenced MOU to December 31, 2020 with the following modifications:

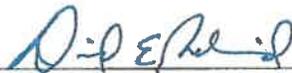
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A. PURPOSE

The purpose of this MOU is to establish a framework and process for granting the reciprocal rights-of-way and easements described in Section 4407 of Public Law 109-59, 119 Stat. 1144, 1777, as amended by section 1446(c) of Pub. L. 114-94, 129 Stat. 1312, 1438 ("Section 4407") which provides as follows: "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the reciprocal rights-of-way and easements identified on the map numbered 92337 and dated June 15, 2005, are granted."

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17. Commencement/Expiration. This MOU is executed as of the date of the last signature below and is effective through December 31, 2020. The MOU may, however, be extended by written mutual consent of the parties to this MOU.



David E. Schmid, Regional Forester
Forest Service, Alaska Region
United States Department of Agriculture

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John MacKinnon, Commissioner
Department of Transportation and Public Facilities
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