



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

*National Marine Fisheries Service*

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Colonel Steven T. Perrenot  
District Engineer, Alaska District  
Army Corps of Engineers  
Regulatory Branch (1145b)  
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RE: Ref # 2-2001-0637  
Waterway: Amalga Harbor 2

Attn: Ms. Susan Hitchcock

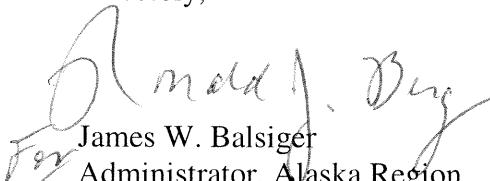
Dear Colonel Perrenot:

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has received a request from Mr. Kriss Hart, Western Marine Construction, to relocate the dredge spoil site for this project from its current location in Favorite Channel to a spot closer to Amalga Harbor. The change is being requested because unfavorable weather conditions in Favorite Channel are posing a risk to personnel safety.

NMFS has identified an alternative disposal area (see attached chart). The impact of disposing of dredge materials at this site should be negligible due to the depth of the disposal site and the relatively small amount of sediment to be disposed. NMFS is requesting that the Corps take whatever action is necessary to allow the permit holder to use this new disposal site.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any further questions please contact Katharine Miller at 907-586-7643.

Sincerely,

  
James W. Balsiger  
Administrator, Alaska Region

cc:

USFWS ADEC, ADGC, ADNR, Juneau  
City and Borough of Juneau, applicant



