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Re: *State of Alaska v. United States, Dept. of Agriculture*
AG File No.: JU2011200278

Dear Professor Steiner:

On April 5, 2013 you sent an email to Assistant Attorney General Bradley Meyen in which you requested "a calculation of all expenditures made by the state pursuing the forest roadless rule lawsuit." You stated that the Department of Law could either consider this information under the Alaska Public Records Act or the Department of Law could provide the calculation of the total amount spent on the roadless rule case.

Pursuant to your request, the State has calculated all fees and costs expended on the litigation filed in June 2011, in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. This case challenged the validity of the roadless rule. The below numbers are accurate through April 8, 2013.

This matter was handled entirely by Department of Law personnel. Therefore, there are zero outside counsel costs.

The State costs for this litigation consist of \$199,964.74 for personnel, i.e., based on the legal services rate for the assistant attorneys general and paralegals who billed time to this matter, and \$367.40 for costs. The total cost was therefore \$200,332.14.


If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 907-465-5370 or at Tom.Lenhart@alaska.gov.

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Sincerely,

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