

# GET THE FACTS ON BALLOT MEASURE 1

STAND FOR ALASKA



## MYTH

Existing operations would be exempt and would not have to comply with new regulations under the ballot measure.

## FACT

Existing operations would **ONLY** be exempt **UNTIL THEIR CURRENT PERMITS EXPIRE**. After that, they would be required to reapply for permits under the new regulations. Many operations or projects would not be able to comply.

## MYTH

Ballot Measure 1 will fix Alaska's declining salmon runs.

## FACT

Experts agree that salmon runs are declining due to ocean problems. **BALLOT MEASURE 1 DOES NOTHING TO FIX THAT**. Instead, it replaces our world-class fish habitat protections with job-killing regulations.

## MYTH

There are no specific standards or definitions in our current laws.

## FACT

Our current policies use **SCIENTIFIC STUDIES** that are specific to each body of water **TO DETERMINE STANDARDS AND DEFINITIONS**. Statewide definitions and regulations do not allow for the flexibility Alaska's vast geography demands.

## MYTH

Alaska's fish habitat law is 60 years old and needs to be updated.

## FACT

Our state has **MORE THAN 18 STATE AND FEDERAL POLICIES** that address fish habitat protections. These policies have been enacted and/or **UPDATED OVER THE YEARS**, with annual revisions and additions to the list of protected fish habitat.

## MYTH

The ballot measure is funded by Alaskans.

## FACT

The majority of the ballot measure's funding comes from **OUTSIDE ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS, PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS IN CALIFORNIA AND WASHINGTON, DC AND WEALTHY EAST COAST DONORS**.

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# HOW DOES BALLOT MEASURE 1 IMPACT ALASKANS?

## RURAL & COMMUNITY PROJECTS

*Costs for public infrastructure projects will increase dramatically. Some vital projects will not go forward.*

Ballot Measure 1 would make the development of roads, wastewater treatment plants, dams, ports and other infrastructure more difficult or cost prohibitive, particularly in rural Alaska.

## JOBS

*Jobs would be lost as major sectors of Alaska's economy suffer.*

Tens of thousands of Alaskans work in community and resource development, construction and other industries impacted by the proposed regulations. High operating costs and abandoned projects would cost Alaskans jobs.

**Ballot Measure 1 seeks to replace our current, world-class fish habitat protections with untested regulations that threaten our communities, our jobs and the Alaskan way of life.**

## ALASKA NATIVE CORPORATIONS

*Challenges the rights of Native corporations to determine how they develop their land and resources.*

In 2017, natural resource development on Native lands resulted in more than \$232 million in revenue sharing to Alaska Native regional, village and non-village corporation shareholders.

## STATE BUDGET & PERMANENT FUND

*State budget problems would worsen and royalty payments into the Alaska Permanent Fund could decline.*

Ballot Measure 1 would slow down or stop new or existing projects that generate income for the State, local governments and the Alaska Permanent Fund.

## RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

*Threatens the future of existing and new development projects.*

Existing oil and gas infrastructure and hardrock mines would have been difficult, if not impossible, to permit if this measure had been in place when they were developed. The measure will cause delays, add cost and potentially prevent future projects.

## LAND USE

*Alaskans would see their access to land and their ability to build on private land restricted.*

Many projects on private property, from building a bridge over a creek to withdrawing river rock, would require a permit. And, under Ballot Measure 1, permits could be contested by anyone, including non-Alaskans.



On November 6th

**VOTE NO ON 1**

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