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 From:
 Pam Chapin

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 Subject:
 Canary Grass Control

Date: Thursday, September 3, 2020 8:59:32 AM

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Importance: High

From: John Hudson < john@sawcak.org>
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2020 7:14 AM

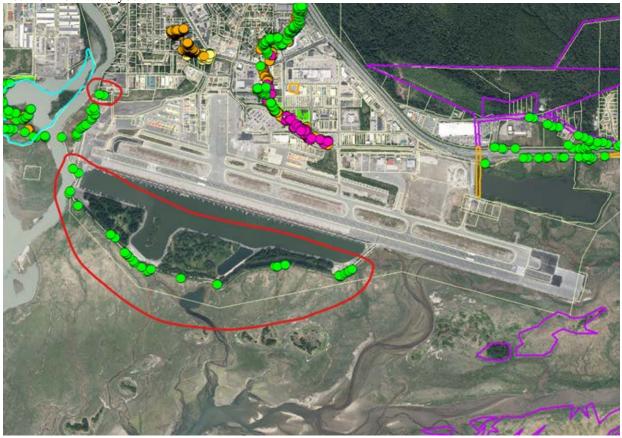
To: Scott Rinkenberger < scottr@jnuairport.com>

Subject: canary grass control

Scott,

I'm going to start controlling reed canarygrass in and adjacent to the refuge starting next month. There are numerous infestations at the Airport Dike trailhead and along the trail on the south and west sides of the airport. With the exception of a large expansive infestation beyond the west end of the runway that gets mowed, I'd like to apply herbicide to the canarygrass in this area (see highlighted infestations below).

Let me know what you think.



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John Hudson Restoration Biologist Southeast Alaska Watershed Coalition john@sawcak.org 907-419-4677 alaskawatershedcoalition.org

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SPECIAL AREA PERMIT FH20-I-0078-SA

ISSUED: August 28, 2020 **EXPIRES:** August 27, 2022

Southeast Alaska Watershed Coalition ATTN: John Hudson 319 Seward St. Suite 10 Juneau, AK 99801

RE: Invasive Plant Control

Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge T 40 & 41S, R 66E, CRM (JUN B-2)

Dear Mr. Hudson:

Pursuant to 5 AAC 95, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) Habitat Section reviewed your proposal to eradicate invasive plants with herbicide in the Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge. This permit supersedes Special Area Permit FH17-I-0057-SA.

Project Description

You will use backpack sprayers and hand wiping to apply Aquamaster (glyphosate herbicide) and Agridex (surfactant) to infestations of reed canary grass, perennial sowthistle, european mountain ash, and european bird cherry in the Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge. You will time work with low tide and dry weather to reduce spreading to non-target species, post signs prior to treatment, and remain on site until the chemical is absorbed into the plants to inform the public.

Legislatively Designated Special Area

The Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge was established at 16.20.034 to protect and preserve the natural habitat and game populations. This project will restore and protect natural habitat and plant communities and is consistent with the goals of the Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge management plan.

In accordance with 5 AAC 95, your project is approved subject to the project description and permit terms.

Permit Terms

This letter constitutes a permit issued under the authority of AS 16.20.060 and must be retained on site during project activities. Please be advised that this determination applies only to Habitat Section regulated activities; other agencies also may have jurisdiction under their respective authorities. This determination does not relieve you of your responsibility to secure other permits; state, federal, or local. You are still required to comply with all other applicable laws.

You are responsible for the actions of contractors, agents, or other persons who perform work to accomplish the approved project. For any activity that significantly deviates from the approved plan, you shall notify the Habitat Section and obtain written approval in the form of a permit amendment before beginning the activity. Any action that increases the project's overall scope or that negates, alters, or minimizes the intent or effectiveness of any provision contained in this permit will be deemed a significant deviation from the approved plan. The final determination as to the significance of any deviation and the need for a permit amendment is a Habitat Section responsibility. Therefore, we recommend you consult the Habitat Section immediately before considering any deviation from the approved plan.

You shall give an authorized representative of the state free and unobstructed access to the permit site, at safe and reasonable times, for the purpose of inspecting or monitoring compliance with any provision of this permit. You shall furnish whatever assistance and information the authorized representative reasonably requires for monitoring and inspection purposes.

In addition to the penalties provided by law, this permit may be terminated or revoked for failure to comply with its provisions or failure to comply with applicable statutes and regulations. You shall mitigate any adverse effect upon fish or wildlife, their habitats, or any restriction or interference with public use that the commissioner determines was a direct result of your failure to comply with this permit or any applicable law.

You shall indemnify, save harmless, and defend the department, its agents, and its employees from any and all claims, actions, or liabilities for injuries or damages sustained by any person or property arising directly or indirectly from permitted activities or your performance under this permit. However, this provision has no effect if, and only if, the sole proximate cause of the injury is the department's negligence.

Pursuant to 5 AAC 95.920, an interested person may initiate an appeal of a decision made under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of AS 44.62.330 - 44.62.630 by requesting a hearing under AS 44.62.370.

Please direct questions about this permit to Habitat Biologist Greg Albrecht at (907) 465-6384 or greg.albrecht@alaska.gov.

August 28, 2020

Sincerely, Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By: Kate Kanouse

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Regional Supervisor

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