



THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR  
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The Honorable Mike Dunleavy  
Governor of Alaska  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Governor Dunleavy:

I am pleased to provide you with the enclosed copy of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Certificate of Apportionment for the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) State and Local Assistance Program that distributes funds to the 50 States, American Samoa, District of Columbia, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands for priority outdoor recreation projects to benefit communities throughout the Nation.

On March 12, 2019, President Donald J. Trump signed the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act into law (Public Law 116-9 or Dingell Act). The Dingell Act serves to protect and conserve public lands through conservation, recreation, historic preservation, and cultural resource protection in Alaska and across the country. Included in the Dingell Act package of bills was permanent reauthorization of the LWCF. For FY 2019, the 116th Congress demonstrated its strong support for the State and Local Assistance Program by again appropriating \$100 million for LWCF projects. This funding will help your State make important investments for the close-to-home public park and recreation areas that are such a vital component of our Nation's infrastructure and that help your State's communities create and sustain much-needed jobs.

The State of Alaska's FY 2019 apportionment is \$1,548,962. This total is derived from appropriations from the LWCF and from revenue derived from oil and natural gas exploration and development in the Outer Continental Shelf, motorboat fuel taxes, and surplus property sales. The amount distributed to each State is determined by a formula pursuant to the LWCF Act of 1965, as amended (54 U.S.C. § 200301 et seq.). The formula is then applied to the total appropriated and revenue amounts.

Under the LWCF, each State must designate a State Liaison Officer (SLO) to represent and act on the State's behalf in working together with the National Park Service (NPS) to execute the State and Local Assistance Program. This designation is a statutory prerequisite for participation in the program, unless such designation is already contained in State law. States that have a new Governor and/or a new SLO since the 2018 apportionment (sent September 2018) must submit a new designation in writing to the NPS if this has not yet been done.

On behalf of the President, thank you for your continued partnership in the State and Local Assistance Program and for sharing our goals to meet outdoor recreation needs across America.

Sincerely,

Secretary of the Interior

Enclosures

cc: Director, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation