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Hi all... Sarah is part of the Trout Unlimited/Nature Conservancy crew that has met with us a couple times. She compiled the attached information after one of our meetings.

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From: Sarah O'Neal <sarahlouiseoneal@ak.net>
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Hi Mr. Parkin,

I met you in Seattle back in February when I presented a literature review regarding resources of Bristol Bay alongside several other scientists who have been working to understand the potential risks of large scale mining in the region.

I imagine you've had your hands quite full since then!

We briefly discussed the Fraser River during that meeting as its salmon runs have been compared to those of Bristol Bay of late. I've been working to compile information on the Fraser since then, and we recently finalized the attached fact sheet after receiving comment and review from several US and Canadian academics and professionals. We are gathering additional information on the topic as well. I must say, the more I read on the Fraser, the more convinced I am that comparing it to Bristol Bay at all is like comparing apples to oranges.

I hope you'll find the fact sheet helpful, and I wish you the best of luck with what I know is a contentious and laborious process.

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