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Hi Samantha,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback. I've reviewed the plan and I'm not finding a direct place in it where Drinking Water Source Protection could be involved, but I am interested in being kept in the loop as the plan progresses. I've also included my supervisor, Chris Miller, in the email since I'll be off the grid for most of March.

Drinking Water Source Protection Plans are voluntary in Alaska; therefore, we encourage public water systems to develop and implement an [Endorsed Drinking Water Source Protection Plans \(alaska.gov\)](#). For Anchorage, we've recognized the 1991 Agreement as a protection plan because it prioritized protection of Eklutna Lake. For this reason, my recommendation is to maintain or improve this agreement to keep Eklutna Lake source water protected from sources of contamination.

Regards,

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Hey Gary, Jim, Charley,

As discussed during the quarterly update call on Wednesday, we are distributing the attached draft

year 2 study plans this week for review and comment. Following the process outlined last year by the state agencies involved in the project (including ADEC) we will be requesting ADEC's concurrence later this spring on the scope of work in the year 2 study plans. Therefore, even though I don't think any of you are participating in one of our technical work groups, we would greatly appreciate it if you would take the time to review the attached draft year 2 study plans. Please provide any comments you may have to myself via email at owen@mcmjac.com. The deadline to submit written comments is **March 11, 2022**. Hopefully this makes the concurrence process easier this year.

A series of TWG meetings will be scheduled for the **week of March 21, 2022** to review and address any substantive comments on the draft year 2 study plans that warrant further discussion. If you end up having any substantive comments that you would like to discuss during one of the TWG meetings, just let me know and I'll be sure to forward you the appropriate meeting invite.

Thank you for your continued participation in this process! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Cheers,

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