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I haven't lived in Anchorage for many years, but I still live in southcentral alaska (talkeetna,) and i know how fortunate we are to have an opportunity to remove the dam and restore water to the eklutna river. In fact, I thought the decision had already been made to do so. one of the problems with dams is that they reduce or completely eliminate water from the river and, if water is released, temperatures are radically different than natural temperatures. It was my understanding that removing the dam was going to happen and that The conservation fund and trout unlimited would fund the removal. i fully support complete removal of the dam in a timely fashion. I've heard a 10 year time-line, and while not ideal for the fish and wildlife, it would give the project members time to plan and implement other projects. In the meantime, it is imperative to choose an alternative that provides enough water be released that water will flow all the way to knik arm as soon as possible. A true eklutna fish & wildlife program will meet these objectives.