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To: Amy Miller, Program Manager, Southwest Alaska Network (SWAN)

From: Eric Veach, Superintendent, Kenai Fjords National Park

Re: Handling of protected natural resource data for Kenai Fjords National Park

My staff and I have reviewed guidance from the Inventory & Monitoring Division, dated February 26, 2018, for documenting protected data. We recognize that access and distribution of data related to natural resources that are rare, threatened, endangered or commercially valuable could lead to harm, theft, or destruction, if released to the public. In reviewing the scope of the SWAN's Vital Signs Monitoring Program within Kenai Fjords National Park, we find the following cases in which public access to natural and cultural resources data should be limited. The following rules must be followed when disseminating natural resource information collected through inventory, monitoring, or other related scientific activities:

Type of Data	Data Source	Level of Protection	Rules for Dissemination
Other species (non-T&E)			
Bald eagle nests - locations	SWAN	Legally protected	Protected from release to public, indefinitely; restrict data to number of nest sites, by bay.
Mountain goats - locations	KEFJ	Operationally protected	Protected from release to public, indefinitely; restrict data to fuzzed locations.
Black bears - locations	KEFJ	Operationally protected	Protected from release to public, indefinitely; restrict data to fuzzed locations.
Other resources - Location Data			
Springs - locations	KEFJ	Operationally protected	Protected from release to public, indefinitely; restrict data to fuzzed locations.
Mine entrances - locations	KEFJ	Operationally protected	Protected from release to public, indefinitely; restrict data to fuzzed locations.
Cave entrances - locations	KEFJ	Legally protected	Protected from release to public and NPS staff, indefinitely; restrict data to number of cave sites, by bay.

Cultural resources - locations	KEFJ	Legally protected	Protected from release to public and NPS staff, indefinitely; redacted.
Shoreline data showing cultural sites - Lidar	KEFJ	Operationally protected	Protected from release to public and NPS staff, indefinitely; redacted.