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Dear Assistant Secretary James and Lieutenant General Spellmon:

We are writing today to strongly encourage the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to make available to the public the proposed compensatory mitigation plan recently submitted by the Pebble Limited Partnership.

As you are aware, this proposed Pebble mine project would have significant and widespread degradation on Alaska's Bristol Bay watershed, disrupting up to 2,825 acres of wetlands, 132 acres of open waters, and 129 miles of streams.

The Corps' regulations at 33 CFR 325.3 require the Corps to provide a meaningful opportunity for public comment on the proposed mitigation activities. Moreover, given the public's heightened concern regarding this project and the potential for permanent destruction of essential water resources, we believe it is incumbent upon the Corps to release this plan to the American people without delay.

We appreciate your immediate attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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