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Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation  
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### **Proposed Regulation Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation**

The Dawson District Renewable Resource Council just recently became aware of the proposed amendments to the Animal Health of Alaska by the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation. We realize that the DDRRC has no say in Alaska's decision-making process, but the Yukon does shoulder against Alaska's eastern border and wildlife movements back and forth across the border are common.

The Dawson District Renewable Resource Council is the primary instrument in managing habitat and wildlife within the traditional territories of Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in First Nation around the Dawson City region. The DDRRC raised the flag to concerns that Movi can pose to our wild sheep populations over ten years ago. Through many meetings and hard work, we are proud to now realize that the Yukon is the front of the line when it comes to dealing with this threat to our wildlife. In January of 2020, the Yukon implemented a Control order that deals with all domestic sheep and goats within the Yukon. We have attached a copy of this Control order with this letter of support.

The DDRRC would like to express our support for Alaska to adopt the DEC's proposal. We have done our part to help protect our wild sheep within the Yukon and since we share a long border line with Alaska and is also a gateway into Alaska; the DDRRC strongly supports the DEC's proposal.

Key points within your proposal that we feel are crucial to ensure protection of wildlife from Movi are as follows.

- support Movi testing of all domestic sheep and goats regardless of age prior to import into Alaska
- support Movi testing through accredited diagnostic laboratories
- support adding Movi to the Reportable Disease List requiring same day reporting



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Thank you for your consideration,

Dawson District Renewable Resources Council