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Subject: Support for Movi testing

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Dear Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation,

I am a passionate sheep and mountain goat hunter and also a part time hunting guide. My family not only relies on the income I get from guiding, but we also rely on sheep hunting to help us in our physical, emotional, and spiritual health. There is a great threat to our wild sheep and goat populations in the form of the Movi pathogen, which is introduced into our wild sheep populations from domestic animals being brought into Alaska. Wild sheep populations in the lower 48 have seen devastating effects from this disease which causes pneumonia and the die off virtually most of some wild sheep populations. As much as I believe in limited government intervention, this is a place and an issue where government needs to be involved. All domestic sheep and goats need to be tested to ensure they are free from of Movi before entering Alaska. I also support Movi being added to the Reportable Disease List which requires same day reporting. Thank you for considering my comments here.

Sincerely, Eric Lee Resident of Houston, Alaska 1-907-414-3475