

# GET THE FACTS ON BALLOT MEASURE 1



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## MYTH

Existing operations would be exempt and would not have to comply with new regulations under the ballot measure.

## FACT

Existing operations would **ONLY** be exempt **UNTIL THEIR CURRENT PERMITS EXPIRE**. After that, they would be required to reapply for permits under the new regulations. Many operations or projects would not be able to comply.

## MYTH

There are no specific standards or definitions in our current laws.

## FACT

Our current policies use **SCIENTIFIC STUDIES** that are specific to each body of water **TO DETERMINE STANDARDS AND DEFINITIONS**. Statewide definitions and regulations do not allow for the flexibility Alaska's vast geography demands.

## MYTH

Alaska's fish habitat law is 60 years old and needs to be updated.

## FACT

Our state has **MORE THAN 18 STATE AND FEDERAL POLICIES** that address fish habitat protections. These policies have been enacted and/or **UPDATED OVER THE YEARS**, with annual revisions and additions to the list of protected fish habitat.

## MYTH

The ballot measure is funded by Alaskans.

## FACT

The majority of the ballot measure's funding comes from **OUTSIDE ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS, PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS IN CALIFORNIA AND WASHINGTON, DC AND WEALTHY EAST COAST DONORS**.

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