

State of Alaska Comments – Pebble Project Preliminary Draft EIS, Chapter 2 – Alternatives

Agency	Comment No.	Section, Paragraph, and Page #	Cooperating Agency Comment (and Purpose of Comment)	Proposed Resolution (Additions or Deletion of Text)	Response
ADF&G	53	2.2.2.4, pg 43	"The pipeline will be buried in a trench adjacent to the road prism"	EIS should describe how the pipeline will be buried, particularly if blasting will be necessary as well as associated mitigation.	The requirement for blasting along the transportation corridor and a description of how the pipeline would be buried has been added to Chapter 2.
ADF&G	54	2.2.2.4, pg 43	The project description says that the pipeline will use HDD to enter Cook Inlet but does not indicate how it will leave Cook Inlet.	EIS project description should describe how the pipeline will leave the West Side of Cook Inlet.	HDD or trenching would be used. This has been clarified in Chapter 2.
ADF&G	55	2.2.2.4, pg 44	For river crossings, the pipeline would either use HDD or be attached to the bridge structures. Does not mention open-cut for pipeline stream crossings yet Figure 2-35 references an open-cut typical.	If project intends to use open-cut to cross stream, they should indicate it in the EIS.	This has been clarified in Chapter 2.
ADF&G	56	2.2.2.4, pg 44	The project description says that the pipeline transitions and burial through Iliamna Lake will be similar to the Cook Inlet Crossing but only describes the transition on the east side of Cook Inlet.	EIS project description should describe how the pipeline will leave the West Side of Cook Inlet as well as specifically describe the transition and burial through Lake Iliamna.	HDD or trenching would be used. This has been clarified in Chapter 2.
ADF&G	57	2.2.3.4, pg 74	From Diamond Point port, the pipeline would be buried in a trench that follows the general Alternative 3 north access road alignment with minor.	Unclear what "with minor" refers to. EIS should finish the sentence.	Text edited to complete the sentence.
ADF&G	58	2.2.2.4, pg 74	Section does not describe how the proposed pipeline will cross streams.	EIS should include language in this section on how the proposed pipeline will cross streams.	A description of pipeline stream crossings has been added to Chapter 2.
ADF&G	59		There is no detailed figure on the proposed pipeline infrastructure on the Kenai Peninsula.	EIS should include a figure on the proposed pipeline and associated infrastructure on the Kenai Peninsula.	A figure has been added to Chapter 2 showing the pipeline on the Kenai Peninsula.

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ADF&G	60	Figure 2-16	There is no attached pipeline on the bridge typical.	There should be a bridge typical drawing that includes the natural gas pipeline.	The typical section on this figure (Draft EIS Figure 2-17) shows the pipe rack with the bridge. PLP's Pebble Project Department of the Army Application for Permit POA-2017-271 (dated January 2019; available for download on the project website) includes plan, profile, and typical sections for each proposed bridge crossing.
DNR	4	Figure 2-27, Alt 1 Amak Port	there is a typo in the document name - "Alterantive"	suggest fixing typo	Typo fixed.