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**MIKE NAVARRE**  
**BOROUGH MAYOR**

### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Gary Knopp, Assembly President  
Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Members

**FROM:** Mike Navarre, Borough Mayor *YN*

**DATE:** March 22, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Resolution 2012- 024, approving a Memorandum of Understanding for the Stream Watch Program between the Kenai Peninsula Borough, United States Forest Service/Chugach National Forest, Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, City of Soldotna, City of Kenai and the Kenai Watershed Forum

The Kenai Watershed Forum requests the Kenai Peninsula Borough agree to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Forest Service/Chugach National Forest, Kenai Wildlife Refuge, City of Soldotna, and City of Kenai to provide oversight of the Stream Watch Program through participation on a steering committee. The Stream Watch Program began in 1994 and utilizes volunteers to assist regulatory and land management agencies to protect and conserve natural and cultural resources through hands-on stewardship projects and peer-to-peer education. While the program is currently focused on the Russian and Upper Kenai Rivers, it is intended to expand to other areas within the Kenai Peninsula Borough. The MOU does not require the obligation or transfer of any funds, but requires the Borough to participate in a minimum of two steering committee meetings each year. It is anticipated that personnel from the Kenai River Center will participate on behalf of the Borough.

Your consideration is appreciated.