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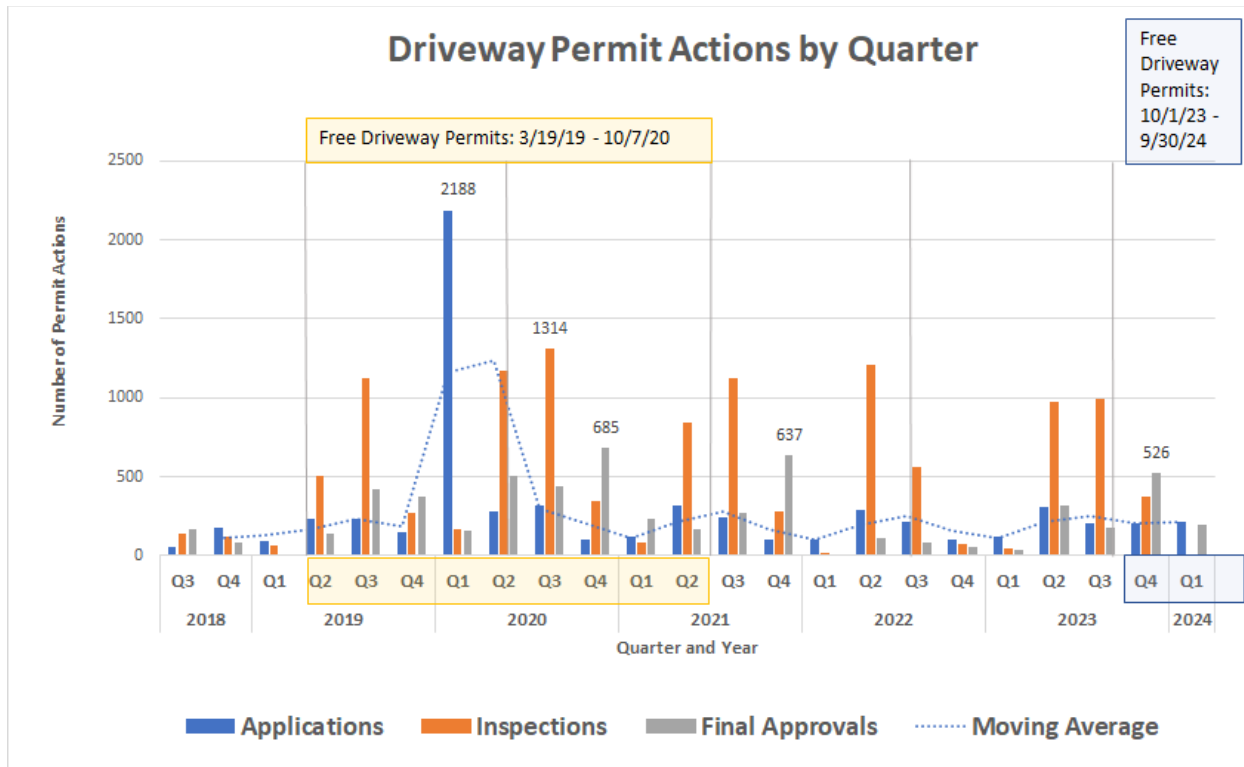
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 3, 2024
 TO: Mayor and Assembly
 FROM: Michael Brown, Borough Manager
 RE: Manager's Weekly Post

Landfill Coupons: Our new process to distribute \$25 landfill discount coupons this year is outlined on the Solid Waste website: <https://solidwaste.matsugov.us/pages/news>. Online applications will be accepted until May 31, 2024, and the coupons will be valid for one year. The reason for limiting the application window is so that staff do not have to dedicate time to validating coupons over the course of an entire year.

Quarterly Driveway Permit Report:



Fish & Wildlife Commission Quarterly Report:

During the first quarter of 2024, the MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC) met five times as follows:

- January 11: Regular meeting

- January 30: Special meeting – *Board of Fisheries Planning, Federal Fishery Management, Susitna Basin Recreational Rivers Plan Update, and Island Lake Float Plane Development*
- February 5: Special Meeting – *Board of Fisheries Planning*
- February 8: Regular Meeting
- March 21: Regular Meeting

The FWC spent much of January and February planning for and participating in the Board of Fisheries (BOF) Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meeting. Members also traveled to Seattle for North Pacific Fishery Management Council meetings regarding federal fishery management in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of Cook Inlet, and to Juneau to advocate for full funding to ADF&G for weirs and scientific studies in our region. Additionally, the FWC has been developing questions to submit to Alaska Department of Fish & Game (ADF&G) ahead of the FWC/ADF&G Game Season Summary meeting that is scheduled in the Assembly Chambers on June 6, 2024. They have also requested a Game Harvest Report along the same timeline. The FWC has discussed and submitted comments regarding the Susitna Basin Recreational Rivers Management Plan update, is currently considering involvement in the 2025 Board of Game meetings to be held in Wasilla and Anchorage next winter, and has had introductory conversations with ADF&G wildlife biologists regarding Moose Safety lighting.

Public Affairs Media Flyover:

Fisheries

- [Governor Dunleavy announces appointees to Board of Fisheries](#)
Press Release

Industry

- [Alaska-owned corporation asks Legislature to borrow \\$300 Million for mining projects](#)
Alaska Beacon
- [MaCabe proposes bonds to finish Port Mac Rail](#)
Frontiersman
- [New Bridge, new road to Susitna all part of the State’s transportation plan](#)
Frontiersman

Library books

- [Federal Judge hears arguments on removal of Library books](#)
Alaska News Source

Environment

- [Waterbody set-back advisory board reviewing draft ordinance](#)
Frontiersman

Community

- [Warming shelter for homeless could open next winter](#)
ADN
- [Opioid Taskforce founder takes on new role to focus on youth](#)
Frontiersman

Schools

- [Two school bonds worth \\$85M could be going before Mat-Su voters](#)
ADN
- [Mat-Su Schools draw down savings to balance budget](#)
Frontiersman
- [School district proposes budget cuts of more than 100 positions](#)
ADN

Videos

- [Mat-Su Defenders of Fish- The Fish and Wildlife Commission](#)