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### **AMHS Reform Draft Report Released**

The AMHS Reform Initiative draft report has been posted on the project website and public comment is invited. Recommendations address a broad range of ferry operations and governance issues.

“The Marine Highway is at a critical juncture,” said Dennis Watson, chair of the statewide Steering Committee appointed to guide the project. “We must act now to preserve essential transportation and economic opportunities.”

In May, Elliott Bay Design Group was commissioned to take an independent look at the state-owned ferry system and chart a course for sustainability. McDowell Group and KPFF Consulting Engineers participated in the project.

Project sponsors included nearly 40 communities, businesses, and economic development organizations throughout Alaska.

The draft report and other background information can be found at [www.amhsreform.com](http://www.amhsreform.com). Project findings and recommendations will also be a central focus of the Southeast Conference Annual Meeting, September 19-21 in Haines.

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