

# Protecting Waterways

A history of EPA vetoes under section 404(c) of the Clean Water Act.



EPA has initiated the 404(c) process for Bristol Bay, but no veto has been issued.

Section 404(c) gives the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency authority to veto permits for the discharge of waste and fill material into lakes, streams and wetlands. The agency has used this authority 13 times since the passing of the Clean Water Act.

