STATE OF ALASKA, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Change in Bid, Application, and Auction Dates for 2016 Agricultural Land Sale Brochure and Auction #479

COMMENT PERIOD ENDS 4:00PM, THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 2016

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Division of Agriculture (DAg) in cooperation with the Division of Mining, Land and Water (DMLW), is proposing to hold a sealed bid auction for state agricultural land. The sale will include five parcels near Willow ranging in size from 40 to 303 acres, located in the Willer-Kash agricultural project area (ADL 230825). A description of the auction procedures and timeline can be found on pages; 2, 17, and 60 of the Auction #479 brochure. The change in Bid, Application, and Auction Dates are as follows:

July 21st – Public Notice of Sale, Open for Public Comments

August 25th – Public Comments Due by 4PM.

September 22nd – Brochure Available in Hard Copy, Online & Paper bidding starts at 10AM

September 29th - Preference Right Applications available after 10AM,

October 6th - Preference Rights Applications Due by 4PM,

October 13th – Preference Rights Awarded by 10AM,

October 27th – Online and Paper Bidding Ends at 4PM,

November 3rd – Opening of Sealed Bids for Auction #479 1PM,

January 5th - Purchaser's State Farm Conservation Plans due at 4PM.

To obtain the notice, a copy of Auction #479 brochure, or instructions on submitting comment, go to http://landsales.alaska.gov/ or http://notice.alaska.gov/. For assistance in obtaining the documents by an alternative method, to request auxiliary aids, services, or special accommodations, contact DNR's Public Information Centers on State work days, Monday through Friday, between 10AM and 5PM in Anchorage at 907.269.8400 (TDD for the hearing impaired: 907.269.8411) or Fairbanks at 907.451.2705 (TDD for the hearing impaired: 907.451.2770), or go to http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/ for additional contact information. Individuals who require special assistance must request assistance from the Public Information Center in Anchorage no later than 4:00 PM, August 18th, 2016.

Pursuant to AS 38.05.945 Notice, the public is invited to submit comment on the proposed procedures and timeline for the sealed bid auction #479 for state agricultural land. **The deadline for public comment is 4:00PM, THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 2016.** Only persons from whom DNR DAg receives timely, written comment during the identified comment period will be eligible to file an appeal. Written comment may be received by fax, email or postal mail. Submit comments to ATTN: Auction #479, 1800 Glenn Hwy, Suite 12, Palmer, AK 99645; fax # 907.745.7112; Erik.Johnson@Alaska.Gov. If you have questions, call Erik Johnson at 907.761.3863.

If no significant change is required, a summary of comments and responses will be issued and the Auction #479 will proceed as scheduled without further notice.

DNR reserves the right to waive technical defects in this notice.