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State Auction Puts Alaskan Land in Alaskan Hands

(Anchorage, AK) – The Division of Mining, Land and Water concluded another successful State land auction this week, with 87 Alaskans winning 108 parcels comprising more than 944 acres of land only available to residents.

Winning bidders offered \$3,304,949 for parcels located across Alaska in the State's 2022 Land Auction #493. The division received 429 total bids during the auction from 286 distinct bidders.

"Alaskans have a special connection to the land within our great State, and many of us have taken advantage of the State auctions to buy residential or recreational parcels," said **Governor Mike Dunleavy**. "By getting more Alaskan land in Alaskan hands, my administration is helping residents own their piece of the Last Frontier."

Division staff conducted the auction online, sharing results of the bid unsealing on the division website and video streaming on Facebook Live. Full results for Auction #493, plus additional information on other state land sales programs, are available at: https://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/landsales/auction/493.

Parcels that did not receive bids Wednesday will be available for purchase through the division's <u>Over-the-Counter</u> land program starting Nov. 2, 2022 at 10 a.m. Parcels unsold in previous auctions may be available for over-the-counter sale as well. Pages 6, 23, and 24 of <u>this</u> <u>brochure</u> have more information. The public may sign up for automatic emails with land sale information at <u>https://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/landsales/</u>.

The division makes land available to Alaskans through several programs:

- Annual land auctions: the State offers selected parcels at auction
- Over-the-counter sales: Alaskans and non-residents may buy land unsold at auction as well as an inventory of other parcels
- Remote Recreational Cabin Staking: Alaska residents may stake a parcel of land in designated areas, lease the land until DNR completes a survey and appraisal, then purchase the land at market value
- Agricultural land sales: Alaskans, corporations and non-residents may bid for parcels specifically designated for and limited to agricultural use

DNR offers competitive, in-house financing for land purchases. For financing and cost details, go to: <u>https://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/landsales/info/financing/</u>

To follow State land sales:

- Facebook: www.facebook.com/alaskaland/
- Twitter: <u>@alaskaland4sale</u>
- Instagram: @alaska_land4sale
- Email subscription: <u>http://landsales.alaska.gov/email</u>
- 907-269-8400 (TYY: 711 or 800-770-8973); weekdays 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

The Department of Natural Resources' mission is to develop, conserve, and maximize the use of Alaska's natural resources consistent with the public interest.

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