

MANAGEMENT UNIT 6A

Gardiner Creek

MANAGEMENT INTENT

General. State land in this unit is retained in public ownership for multiple use management. The management emphasis is on maintaining fish and wildlife habitat.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is designated a primary use in Subunit 6A1. The headwaters of Gardiner Creek is a wintering area for the Fortymile caribou herd. Lowland areas are prime-rated black bear habitat and important-rated furbearer and moose habitat. (B-2 habitat; see Appendix A, *Glossary*).

State land will be managed to maintain the caribou winter range and other habitat values.

Minerals. This area has potential for mineral development, but there are no active mining operations now. There are intrusive rock outcrops with potential for gold, silver, tin, tungsten, and molybdenum deposits. All state land in this management unit is open for mineral entry.

MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

Management guidelines that apply to all state land are listed in Chapter 2. Some or all of those guidelines may apply to uses in this unit.

LAND-USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY MANAGEMENT UNIT 6A: *Gardiner Creek*

Subunit	Primary Surface Uses	Secondary Surface Uses	Subsurface ¹	Prohibited ² Surface Use	Comments
6A1	Wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	

¹ Subsurface designations refer to locatable minerals. All areas are available for leasing for leasable minerals, except as noted for coal.

² Other uses such as material sales, land leases, or permits that are not specifically prohibited may be allowed. Such uses will be allowed if consistent with the management-intent statement, the management guidelines of this unit, and the relevant management guidelines listed in Chapter 2.