

STATE OF ALASKA
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Mining, Land and Water
550 West 7th Ave., Anchorage, AK 99501

Public Notice
Proposed Long Term Designation of Material Sites
and
Decision to Designate Material Sites for Short Term Use

The Division of Mining, Land & Water (ML&W) proposes to designate existing material sites on state-owned lands for which MLW either has,

- 1) since **January 1, 2000**, issued, or have had in place, a material sale decision on, or a sale contract for, the extraction of various amounts, quantities and types of materials under previous statutory authorities,
- 2) in place a valid existing authorization allowing another state or federal agency to use or manage a site as a material extraction source, or
- 3) in place a valid existing authorization allowing a federal, local government entity or another public or charitable entity to use the site as a material extraction source under AS 38.05.810(a), as

Designated Material Sites under AS 38.05.550(b) for the Long-term use as sites for the sale and extraction of materials. 505 sites have been specifically identified state-wide, ranging in size from 2 to 920 acres, as well as all other sites covered by the above conditions. ML&W has prepared a preliminary finding under AS 38.05.035(e), including a detailed list of material sites proposed for designation for public review.

Pursuant to AS 38.05.945, the public is invited to comment on the proposed decision to designate these sites as long-term material sites. The preliminary finding and decision is available for review online at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/hottopics/index.cfm>. The preliminary finding and decision, and the administrative record, by DNR office of authority, are available for review at the following addresses:

South Central Regional Office, Suite 900, 550 West 7th Ave., Anchorage, AK, 99501, 907-269-8560
Northern Regional Office, 3700 Airport Way, Fairbanks AK, 99709, 907-451-2740
South Eastern Regional Office, P.O. Box 111020, Juneau, AK, 99811, 907-465-3400

Any comments, objections or expressions of interest must be received at one of the addresses above address no later than **5:00 PM, September 20, 2012**. To be eligible to appeal, a person must provide written comments during the comment period. A copy of the final decision will be sent to any person who comments on the preliminary finding and decision. Please direct any questions to Joe Joyner, Natural Resource Manager, at joe.joyner@alaska.gov or 907-269-8511.

Interim Designation of Existing Material Sites, State-wide

Additionally, ML&W has designated those existing material sites identified in the preliminary finding and decision as **Interim Designated Material Sites** under AS 38.05.550(b) for the Short-term use as sites for the sale and extraction of materials. ML&W will sell material from these sites under this interim designation from the date of this notice until December 31, 2012. During this interim designation period, sales and operations from the interim Designated Material Sites will be subject to the certain conditions contained in the designation decision. The final interim designation decision is attached to the preliminary, Long-term designation finding and decision.

The Division reserves the right to waive technical defects in this notice.

Brent Goodrum, Director, Division of Mining, Land and Water

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