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**KASILOF RIVER SPECIAL USE AREA  
NORTH SIDE FINAL SITE PLAN**

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Division of Mining, Land and Water, Southcentral Regional Office (SCRO) has approved a final site plan for the north side of the Kasilof River. The final site plan was developed using public and agency feedback received during the 2015 and 2016 comment periods.

Thank you to everyone that participated by attending public meetings and providing written comments during the public and agency review periods. The initial site concept plan aimed at maximizing parking was released for comment for 45-days on October 15, 2015. The majority of the 43 comments received opposed this concept and specifically requested additional opportunities for public involvement. As a result, the SCRO developed four additional site concept plans and initiated another 33-day public review on February 18, 2016. The SCRO conducted public meetings in Anchorage, Wasilla and Kasilof during this review period and received a total of 62 comments.

The final site plan approved by DNR is a combination of site concept plans 1 and 3 which substantially scales back the proposed development within U.S. Survey 83 based on public and agency feedback. A combination of parking, pedestrian access, dune fencing, and a small wildlife viewing platform are planned along with protecting the wetlands and improving traffic flow for personal use fishers and emergency service vehicles. For additional information, please visit the Kasilof Rivers Public Use Area website at: <http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/kasilof/>. Any questions about the final site plan should be directed to either: Adam Smith at 907-269-8557, [adam.smith@alaska.gov](mailto:adam.smith@alaska.gov) or Christy Colles at 907-269-8116, [christianna.colles@alaska.gov](mailto:christianna.colles@alaska.gov). Thank you for taking the time to participate in this important public project.