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Coordination

Background

There are many areas of overlapping federal, state, and borough and municipal jurisdictions within the PUA. For example, borough and municipality codes apply within their legal boundaries while Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Office of Habitat Management and Permitting, US Army Corps of Engineers, and US Environmental Protection Agency maintain jurisdiction in all or a portion of the PUA at the state and federal level. These entities typically have authority over a specific use or resource but taken together they can greatly affect what can occur within the PUA. In general terms they control or affect to some degree the types of uses that can occur within the PUA as well as the types and location of development.

Because of the interlocking nature of these authorities, it will be necessary to coordinate with a variety of local, state, and federal agencies throughout the planning period. It is likely that there will be two areas of focus in this coordination. These are related to the permitting requirements for new development and violations of laws or regulations. While few developments currently exist within the PUA, recommendations for the development of facilities are included in the plan and it is intended that these projects will be reviewed with other agencies at their conceptual stage. It is also likely that violations of local, state, federal law or regulations may occur, and, depending upon severity, it is intended that DNR will coordinate with state and federal regulatory agencies to determine how to best deal with these issues. Some of the current activities in the PUA may constitute violations of solid and hazardous waste disposal laws and regulations. Other activities may be contributing hazardous fluids and substances to the ground, waterbodies, and the air. Federal, state, and local agencies maintain their jurisdiction regarding these types of violations and activities.

Goals

- Coordinate with other local, state, and federal agencies having jurisdiction within the PUA on the siting and development of future projects.

Management Guidelines

- DNR will work with appropriate federal, state, and local agencies to permit new development.
- Proposed projects will go through the appropriate Best Interest Finding (AS 38.05.035(e) review or Alaska Coastal Management Program consistency determination prior to development, if the latter is required under DNR regulations.

1 **Goal**

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- 3 • Reduce illegal discharge of solid waste, hazardous waste, and other pollutants.

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5 **Management Guidelines**

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- 7 • Work with appropriate federal, state, or local agencies to identify and address
8 violations of environmental laws, regulations, or ordinances.

- 9 • Consult with these agencies on implementation and enforcement programs that have
10 been determined, through interagency review, to be necessary.

- 11 • Contact appropriate federal, state, and local agencies regarding potential violations of
12 soil, water, and air quality.

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