

**STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF MINING, LAND, AND WATER  
LAND SALES & CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION SECTION**

**ATTACHMENT B: PUBLIC NOTICE**

**PRELIMINARY DECISION**

**Proposed Change in the Method of Conveyance  
for the Future Reoffer of 691 Parcels Statewide  
*AS 38.05.035 (e), AS 38.05.045***

**COMMENT PERIOD ENDS 3PM JANUARY 6, 2014**

The State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land, and Water issues this Preliminary Decision as an amendment, update, and complement to prior Final Finding and Decisions that originally authorized the sale of various project areas statewide within which 691 parcels identified in the Preliminary Decision are located. The scope of this decision is limited to the following proposed actions:

1. to change the method of conveyance (where needed for uniformity and to conform to current statutes and regulations) and to provide notice to the public of the State's intention to dispose of these parcels in a future reoffering;
2. to identify three parcels (ADLs 201209, 228872, and 228873 in the Beaver Creek Subdivision near Kenai, Alaska) as commercial or industrial land for the purposes of exercising authority under *AS 38.05.055 Auction Sale or Sealed-Bid Procedures* to allow nonresidents and businesses to compete with Alaska residents to purchase the parcels, when next reoffered; and
3. to clarify existing authority under *AS 38.05.055* to exercise discretion to offer land "at not less than 70% of the appraised value".

All of the parcels in this proposal have previously been through a complete decision process that included public notice and review. Many of the parcels encompassed by this decision were offered and contracted for sale through previous State land disposal programs, but were subsequently returned to State ownership through relinquishment or by contract termination. The remaining parcels were identified and surveyed either administratively or after a relinquished or terminated lease period under another land disposal program. The Preliminary Decision and attachments describe the parcels, proposals, and reasoning in detail. To obtain the complete Preliminary Decision and attachments, or to request auxiliary aids, services, or special accommodations, go to <http://notice.alaska.gov> or <http://landsales.alaska.gov>. For assistance in obtaining the documents by an alternative method, contact DNR's Public Information Centers on State work days, Monday through Friday, between 10AM and 5PM in Anchorage at 907.269.8400 (TDD for the hearing impaired: 907.269.8411) or Fairbanks at 907.451.2705 (TDD for the hearing impaired: 907.451.2770), or the Southeast Land Section in Juneau at 907.465.3400 (TDD for the hearing impaired: 907.465.3888), or go to <http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/> for additional contact information. Individuals requesting special assistance must do so from DNR's Public Information Center in Anchorage no later than 3PM DECEMBER 23, 2013.

Pursuant to *AS 38.05.945 Notice*, the public is invited to submit comment on the proposed action(s) for which notice is being conducted concurrently. If commenting on more than one proposed action, separate comments should be submitted for each. **The deadline for public comment is 3PM JANUARY 6, 2014.** Only persons from whom the Division's Land Sales and Contract Administration Section receives timely, written comment during the identified comment period will be eligible to file an appeal of the Final Finding and Decision. Written comment may be received by fax to 907.269.8916, email to [subdivision.sales@alaska.gov](mailto:subdivision.sales@alaska.gov), or postal mail to LSCAS, ATTENTION: POTENTIAL REOFFER PROPOSAL, 550 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite #640, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. For direct inquiries, call Peter Burton in Anchorage at 907.269.8602.

If no significant change is required, the Preliminary Decision, including any minor changes and a summary of comments and responses, will be issued as a subsequent Final Finding and Decision without further notice. A copy of the Final Finding and Decision will be sent to any persons who comments on the Preliminary Decision.

DNR reserves the right to waive technical defects in this notice. **Please post until 3PM January 6, 2014.**