

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

ATTACHMENT A: PUBLIC NOTICE

TWO PRELIMINARY DECISIONS

**1) Proposed Change in the Method of Conveyance
for the Future Reoffer of 173 Parcels Statewide**

**2) Proposed Change in the Method of Conveyance
for the future reoffer of 34 Parcels Statewide and
an associated Mineral Order (Closing) #1165.**

AS 38.05.035 (e), AS 38.05.045, AS 38.05.185

COMMENT PERIOD ENDS 4 PM DECEMBER 4, 2014

The State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land, and Water issues these two Preliminary Decisions and one Proposed Mineral Order as amendments, updates, and complements to prior Final Finding and Decisions that originally authorized the sale of various project areas statewide within which 208 parcels identified in the Preliminary Decisions 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 close to mineral entry land sale parcels in nine subdivisions to prevent conflicts between land and mineral estate users.

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 for sale through previous State land disposal programs, but were subsequently returned to State ownership through relinquishment or termination. The Preliminary Decisions, Proposed Mineral Order, and attachments describe the parcels, proposals, and reasoning in detail. To obtain the Preliminary Decisions, Proposed Mineral Order, 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 4 pm November 25, 2014.

Pursuant to *AS 38.05.945 Notice*, the public is invited to submit comment on the preliminary decisions and the mineral order 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 4 p.m. December 4, 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 Decisions. Written comment may be received by fax to 907.269.8916, email to subdivision.sales@alaska.gov, or postal mail to LSCAS, ATTENTION: POTENTIAL REOFFER PROPOSAL, 550 W. 7th Ave, Suite #640, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. For direct inquiries, call Dan Beutel in Anchorage at 907.269.8599.

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

DNR reserves the right to waive technical defects in this notice. **Please post until 4 p.m. December 4, 2014.**