

**STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF MINING, LAND, AND WATER**

ATTACHMENT A: PUBLIC NOTICE

**to the
Preliminary Decision**

**for
Proposed Land Offering in an Organized Borough
Two Ponds Subdivision – ADL 418281
AS 38.05.035 (e), AS 38.05.045**

**and its
Proposed Related Actions:**

**Amendment to the Tanana Basin Area Plan
AS 38.04.065**

**Proposed Land Classification Order
AS 38.04.065 and AS 38.05.300**

**Special Exception to the Tanana Basin Area Plan
AS 38.05.065**

COMMENT PERIOD ENDS 5:00 PM, TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2012

The State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Division of Mining, Land, and Water (DMLW), Land Sales and Contract Administration Section (LSCAS) proposes to offer for sale State-owned land for private ownership within the identified project area. Surveyed parcels will be offered for sale in a future, public auction. If the parcels do not sell when offered at auction, they may be offered by another method under AS 38.05.045 Generally [Land for Sale].

Located within the Department's Northern Region, approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ mile northwest of the Nordale Road crossing of the Chena River, 4 miles northwest of North Pole, the project area is within Section 1, Township 1 South, Range 1 East, Fairbanks Meridian, in USGS Quad Fairbanks D-1. The project area consists of approximately 80 acres identified for disposal by this proposed action. This offering may be conducted in phases. For complete details on these proposals and a map, refer to the Preliminary Decision.

There are three related actions with this proposal: an amendment to the Tanana Basin Area Plan, the related Land Classification Order, and a special exception to the Tanana Basin Area Plan. If approved after consideration of public comment, these related actions will be developed as separate actions, accompany the Final Finding and Decision, and be approved prior to approval of the Final Finding and Decision. Public notice is being conducted concurrently with the primary action's Preliminary Decision.

Preliminary Decision

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Additional information on these proposed primary and related actions is available at DNR DMLW's Northern Region Office at 3700 Airport Way, Fairbanks Alaska 99709. For direct inquiries, contact Tim Shilling by phone at 907.451.2734 or email DNR DMLW LSCAS at subdivision.sales@alaska.gov. To request auxiliary aids, services, or special accommodations, contact DNR's Public Information Centers on State work days, Monday through Friday, between 10AM and 5PM in Anchorage by phone at 907.269.8400, TDD at 907.269.8411, or email at dnr.pic@alaska.gov; in Fairbanks by phone at 907.451.2705, TDD at 907.451.2770, or email at fbx-pic@alaska.gov; or in Juneau by phone at 907.465.3400, TDD at 907.465.3888, or email at sero@alaska.gov.

Pursuant to AS 38.05.945 Notice, information will be published in statewide newspapers and posted online at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/landsale/>. The public is invited to submit comment on these proposed actions by fax to 907.451.2751; by mail to DNR DMLW LSCAS, Attention: Subdivision Land Sales Program c/o DNR DMLW Northern Region Office at 3700 Airport Way, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709; or by email to subdivision.sales@alaska.gov. If commenting on more than one proposed action, separate comments should be submitted for each. The comment period ends at **5:00 PM Tuesday, May 15, 2012**.

DNR DMLW will consider all timely comments. If timely written comments received in response to this notice indicate the need for significant changes to the Preliminary Decision, additional public notice for the affected lands will be given. Reducing the amount of land offered and making minor changes to the proposed action will not be considered significant changes requiring additional public notice.

If the proposed action is approved and no significant change is required, the Preliminary Decision, including any deletions, minor changes, and summary of comments and Division responses, will be issued as a subsequent Final Finding and Decision without further notice. To recognize a party's eligibility to appeal a Final Finding and Decision, DNR DMLW LSCAS must receive timely written comment on the Preliminary Decision as set forth herein. Upon approval and issuance of a Final Finding and Decision, a copy of the decision will be made available online at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/landsale/> and sent to any party who provides timely written comment.

DNR reserves the right to waive technical defects in this notice.