

GENERAL INFORMATION

Land Records, Survey Plats, and Maps

Comprehensive area information can be found by researching various state and federal websites or by contacting or visiting one of the DNR Public Information Centers. A valuable resource developed by DNR and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is <http://dnr.alaska.gov/Landrecords/>, which lists links to many DNR and BLM websites where you can find information such as recorded survey plats, federal surveys, federal master title plats, state status plats, recorded subdivision covenants, mapping/GIS applications, and case file summaries.

Topographic maps may be purchased from the United States Geological Survey (USGS), Earth Science Information Center, Grace Hall, Alaska Pacific University, 4210 University Drive, Room 208, Anchorage, AK 99508-4664, (907) 786-7011; or Map Office, Geophysical Institute, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, 903 Koyukuk Drive, PO Box 757320, Fairbanks, AK 99775-7320, (907) 474-5823; or from numerous other commercial sources.

Full size copies of the recorded survey plats are available at DNR Public Information Centers or the appropriate District Recorder's Office. A nominal fee for the maps may apply. Find the appropriate district Recorder's Office at: <http://dnr.alaska.gov/ssd/recoff/findYourDistrict.cfm>. For more information on finding and using basic parcel information sources like surveys and case files, see the Online Resources section of this brochure or visit one of the DNR Public Information Centers.

Site Inspection

DNR strongly urges anyone wishing to stake and purchase a parcel to first review all information and then personally inspect the land before submitting a lottery application. The land chosen by an applicant/staker is taken 'AS-IS' with no guarantees, expressed nor implied, as to its suitability or fitness for any intended use. The submission of a lease application of a

staked parcel constitutes acceptance of the parcel 'AS-IS' and 'WHERE-IS'. The reader is referred to the No Warranty of Suitability or Fitness section of this brochure for more information. It is the responsibility of all interested parties to fully review this brochure and investigate the parcel before applying for a staking authorization, lease, contract, or purchase.

Multiple Uses

The land disposal described in this brochure is only one of the allowed land uses that may occur in any given area. A variety of other authorized uses, such as mining or timber sales, commercial or personal recreation, trapping or resource harvest, can and do occur on municipal, state, federal, and private lands near or within the offered areas. Such uses not only affect adjacent land, but also routes that are intended for access to those areas. Large truck and heavy equipment traffic may occur, and in some cases, small roads or trails are developed, improved, and maintained to accommodate increased traffic. It is strongly recommended that applicants take this into consideration when applying for the lease or purchase of land through these offerings.

What are the Costs?

There will be costs incurred in the first few years of a Remote Recreational Cabin Site lease. There are costs for surveying and appraising parcels of land in remote areas. There are also lease fees and administrative fees.

Remote Recreational Cabin Sites participants will make quarterly deposit payments during their initial three-year lease term to cover the estimated costs of survey and appraisal. DNR will use these deposits to complete the survey and appraisal of individual parcels. DNR may contract these services out.

Prospective applicants should read the information in this brochure thoroughly and be aware of these costs before deciding whether to participate.