MANAGEMENT UNIT 1I

Vault Creek

MANAGEMENT INTENT

General. State land in this unit is retained in public ownership for multiple use management. The emphasis is on recreation, subsurface resource development, and maintaining fish and wildlife habitat.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is designated a primary use in Subunit 111. The subunit is important-rated habitat for many wildlife species and prime-rated habitat along the Chatanika River for moose and black bear (B-1 habitat; see Appendix A, Glossary). Trapping, wildlife viewing, and small game hunting is high along the Elliott Highway. Access to the back country is important and should continue.

Minerals. Minerals is designated a primary use in Subunit 111. The subunit contains many mining claims. All state land in this unit is open to mineral entry.

Recreation. Recreation is designated a primary use in Subunit 111. This area has several historic mining sites that will be managed to encourage visitor appreciation of the mining heritage of Fairbanks. A few significant sites will be restored and made accessible by a system of recreational trails.

MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

Management guidelines that apply to all state land are listed in Chapter 2. Some or all of those guidelines may apply to uses in this unit.

LAND-USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY MANAGEMENT UNIT 11: Vault Creek

Subunit	Primary Surface Uses	Secondary Surface Uses	Subsurface ¹	Prohibited ² Surface Use	Comments
111	Minerals Public recreation Wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	

¹ Subsurface designations refer to locatable minerals. All areas are available for leasing for leasable minerals, except as noted for coal.

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² Other uses such as material sales, land leases, or permits that are not specifically prohibited may be allowed. Such uses will be allowed if consistent with the management-intent statement, the management guidelines of this unit, and the relevant management guidelines listed in Chapter 2.