MANAGEMENT UNIT 2F

Tolovana Hot Springs Dome

MANAGEMENT INTENT

General. State land in this unit is retained in public ownership for multiple use management. The emphasis is on minerals, forestry, maintaining fish and wildlife habitat, and protecting future agricultural development opportunities.

Agriculture. Subunit 2F1 may have potential for agriculture. Most of this subunit is too steep, but small areas along Moose Creek may be suitable. This subunit is designated resource management and will be managed for multiple uses, especially agriculture, habitat, and minerals, until reevaluated and the plan amended. The feasibility of agriculture may be further reduced if there is a substantial increase in mining activity.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is designated a primary use in subunits 2F2 and 2F3. The area traversed by Manley Hot Springs Road west of Tolovana Hot Springs is important-rated habitat for many wildlife species (B-2 and C habitat; see Appendix A, Glossary). This area is also heavily used for big and small game hunting.

Forestry. Forestry is designated a primary use in subunits 2F2 and 2F3. Timber values are located in the uplands east of Minto and along the Tolovana River, and will be managed for commercial and personal use.

Minerals. Minerals has been designated a primary use in Subunit 2F3. All state land in this unit is open to mineral entry.

Recreation. Recreation has been designated a secondary use in Subunit 2F2. The most notable feature is Tolovana Hot Springs Dome, owned by the federal government, in Subunit 2F2. Although currently not heavily used, the hot springs could get more use if developed and the present trail upgraded. Access to Tolovana Hot Springs will be protected.

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.

Traditional Uses. Traditional fishing, hunting, and harvest of other resources for personal use is one of the principal uses of state land in this unit. Decisions to authorize land use activities will consider the effect on and minimize significant conflicts with traditional uses of fish and wildlife resources.

LAND-USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY MANAGEMENT UNIT 2F: Tolovana Hot Springs Dome

Subunit	Primary Surface Uses	Secondary Surface Uses	Subsurface ¹	Prohibited ² Surface Use	Comments
2F1	High value resource mgmtagriculture -minerals -wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	
2F2	Forestry Wildlife habitat	Public recreation	Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	
2F3	Forestry Minerals 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.

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.