MANAGEMENT UNIT 4H East Teklanika

MANAGEMENT INTENT

General. A portion of this unit is designated settlement and may be offered for sale. The remainder of state land is retained in public ownership for multiple use management. The emphasis is on maintaining fish and wildlife habitat, managing forestry, recreation, and mineral development, and protecting agricultural development potential.

The only area with high resource values is the Teklanika River corridor (Subunit 4H2).

Land disposals will be closed to mineral entry prior to sale. The remainder of state land in this unit is open to mineral entry.

Agriculture. Subunit 4H2 may have potential for agriculture, although wet areas may be a potential problem. It is designated resource management and will be managed for multiple uses, especially forestry, agriculture, minerals, and protection of habitat, until reevaluated and the plan amended.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is identified as an important value in subunits 4H2 and 4H3, which are designated resource management. The riparian areas along the Teklanika River in Subunit 4H3 are salmon spawning and bear habitat. The remainder of Subunit 4H3 is low value (C habitat; see Appendix A, Glossary) for most species, although critical breeding habitat for lynx during population lows may exist. Lynx habitat should be protected.

Forestry. Forestry is designated a secondary use in Subunit 4H1 and identified as an important value in Subunit 4H2, designated resource management. Several thousand acres of white spruce occur along the Teklanika River in Subunit 4H2. Timber sales are planned to salvage trees burnt in this area by a 1990 wildfire. Subunit 4H1 contains numerous scattered mixed growth poletimber stands on the drier soils.

Settlement. Settlement is designated a primary use in Subunit 4H1. Approximately 2,500 acres may be offered for private ownership.

Clear Sky II Homestead (4H1) 2,500 acres

One area in Subunit 4H1 has been offered for private ownership. The acreage offered may have been less than the maximum amount shown. A portion of the developable land may be available for additional offerings.

Clear Sky I Homestead

2,500 acres

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.

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Subunit	Primary Surface Uses	Secondary Surface Uses	Subsurface ¹	Prohibited ² Surface Use	Comments
4H1	Settlement	Forestry Public recreation Wildlife habitat	Closed prior to sale	Remote cabins	Plan map legend: 4H1 - Clear Sky II HS
					Past project: Clear Sky I HS
4H2	High value resource mgmtagriculture -forestry -minerals -wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	
4H3	Low value resource mgmt.		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.