MANAGEMENT UNIT 61
Tok North

MANAGEMENT INTENT

General. State land in this unit is retained in public ownership for multiple use management. The emphasis is on forestry, recreation, and maintaining fish and wildlife. All state land in this management unit is open to mineral entry.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is designated a primary use in this management unit. The area near the Tanana River is prime-rated habitat for black bears, furbearers, and moose (B-1 habitat; see Appendix A, Glossary). There is much hunting activity in this management unit. Land south of the river has less valuable habitat and may support multiple uses.  

Forestry. Forestry is designated a primary use in Subunit 611. High forestry values are located along the Tanana River and in the hills south of the river. Forest resources will be managed for personal and commercial use.

Recreation. Recreation is designated a primary use in Subunit 611. There is a moderate level of recreational use in this unit.

Settlement. No residential disposals are recommended in this unit because of the high number of disposals around Tok.

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.

Highway Buffers. A 300-foot buffer from centerline on each side of the Alaska Highway should be managed to maintain or enhance scenic views along the highway. Development activities such as timber harvesting and land-use authorizations may be allowed within this buffer if the activity is designed to maintain or enhance the scenic values of the highway corridor, and to provide opportunities for viewing background scenery. This guideline will not preclude highway maintenance and improvement.

LAND-USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY
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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.