

E. GUIDELINES

1. MINING

a. Maintenance of Scenic and Fisheries Values. Because the major uses in this unit are scenic viewing and intensive recreational activities, mining surface use receives closer than average public scrutiny. Thus, consultation with DNR will be required prior to erecting structures or doing bulldozer work on the claims for roads or site clearing. The mining plan will clearly describe how viewshed guidelines are being met. Riparian habitat along the Little Susitna River shall be preserved wherever possible; development plans shall be reviewed by DNR & ADF&G, for purposes of minimizing impact on the wildlife and fisheries values and water quality.

b. Structures. Structures not directly related to mining will not be authorized; this includes housing and tourism-related facilities, signs, and parking. On-site consultation with the Division of Mining [AND GEOLOGY] and the Division of Land and Water Management will be utilized when staff time permits prior to placement of structures on the claims. These structures will be removed when they are no longer being utilized for the authorized purpose.

c. Minimize Visual Impacts. Any authorized structure, such as a storage shed, will be screened from view of the Hatcher Pass Road if possible. All structures authorized in the treeless, upper areas must be designed to reflect the historic building style or blend with the environment. Siting and design of buildings will be approved prior to construction by DNR. On-site preplanning will be required.

d. Access. Prior to construction of access roads, on-site consultation between the Division of Mining [AND GEOLOGY] and the Division of Land and Water Management will be conducted, staff time permitting, to plan the least impact access route.

e. Gold Panning. Tourism gold panning businesses cannot be conducted on a mining claim without surface use authorization from the Division of Land and Water Management.

2. GRAZING

a. Grazing in Recreational Use Areas. Summer grazing will be [ENCOURAGED] allowed in winter recreation use areas to keep grass height down. This will allow early season participation in winter sports. However, domestic livestock grazing is not expected to be a use within the four-season resort lease boundaries.

b. Priorities for Grazing Use: (See Map 11 in original plan for location of sites.)

(1) Establish a horse grazing area near Archangel Road. Use relocatable or "drop-down fencing" or tether horses.

(2) Establish a horse use area south of the Mother Lode Lodge below the Fishhook trail and above the Hatcher Pass Road. Use relocatable or