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15 Days Left for Fairbanks-Area Timber Sales Comments

(Fairbanks, AK) – The Division of Forestry & Fire Protection invites public comments on three Preliminary Best Interest Findings and five Forest Land Use Plans to consider timber sales in the Fairbanks and Delta areas. Detailed maps are included in the documents to assist in site-specific review of the areas.

“Getting public feedback on timber sale proposals is a crucial part of our forest planning process,” said **Fairbanks Area Forester Andrew Allaby**, “The Fairbanks-Delta Office manages timber sales on all State of Alaska land within an area covering 20.8 million acres, and public comments are indispensable to ensure all relevant factors are considered prior to offering a sale.”

Copies of the drafts are available at forestry.alaska.gov/timber/fairbanks and:

Preliminary Best Interest Findings (BIF):

- [Anderson West preliminary BIF](#)
- [Jenny M Hill Spruce preliminary BIF](#)
- [Little Ag Spruce preliminary BIF](#)

Draft Forest Land Use Plans (FLUP):

- [Jenny M Hill Spruce draft FLUP](#)
- [Little Ag Spruce draft FLUP](#)
- [Middle Chena Spruce draft FLUP](#)
- [Nenana Ridge Mixed draft FLUP](#)
- [Two Rivers Birch draft FLUP](#)

The 30-day public comment period is open through Nov. 20, 2024 per AS 38.05.035(e) and AS 38.05.112. Once the public has an opportunity to provide input, the division intends to proceed with the timber sale proposals and would pursue commercial sawtimber and fuelwood contracts for the proposed areas.

Written comments should be directed to Andrew Allaby with Fairbanks-Delta Area Forestry at 3700 Airport Way, Fairbanks, AK 99709-4669 or andrew.allaby@alaska.gov by Nov. 20, 2024.

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