

STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF MINING, LAND AND WATER

PRINCE OF WALES ISLAND AREA PLAN AMENDMENT
SE-98-001A09

Unit 12 - Kasaan Bay, Subunit 12b - Hollis

related to the
Clark Bay View Subdivision – ADL 108355

The Commissioner of the State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources (DNR) finds that the following amendment to the Prince of Wales Island Area Plan, described more fully in the Attachment, meets the requirements of *AS 38.04.065 Land Use Planning and Classification* and *11 AAC 55.010-030 Land Planning and Classification* for land use plans and hereby adopts the amendment. The Department of Natural Resources will manage state lands within the area of the revision consistent with this designation and management intent.

- Designation: Settlement
- Management Intent: (no change)

Concur: _____ 3/22/2019
(signature on file) _____
Martin W. Parsons, Director Date
Division of Mining, Land and Water
Department of Natural Resources

Approved: _____ 3/22/2019
(signature on file) _____
Corri A. Feige, Commissioner Date
Department of Natural Resources

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Location and legal description: Located within DNR's Southeast Region, approximately 1 mile North of the Hollis-Clark Bay Ferry Terminal, the project area is within Section 35, Township 73 North, Range 84 East, Cooper River Meridian, within the Unorganized Borough.

Authority: The authority to revise plans derives from *AS 38.04.065(b) Land Use Planning and Classification. 11 AAC 55.030(f) Land Use Plan* defines when a revision constitutes a plan amendment.

Current Plan: Lands within this unit are currently designated Public Facilities, Commercial Recreation, Public Recreation – Developed, Settlement, and General Use.

Proposed Plan Amendment: DNR proposes to amend the Prince of Wales Island Area Plan (POWIAP adopted 1985, revised 1998). The amendment will change the designation of the project to Settlement only. The western portion of the project area within ASLS 79-181 is currently designated Public Facilities, Commercial Recreation, Public Recreation – Developed, and Settlement; that portion outside of ASLS 79 181 is designated General Use. The proposed amendment will designate the project area as Settlement only.

Explanation: The Prince of Wales Island Area Plan was adopted in 1985, and revised 1998. Management intent for the subunit provides that lands may be utilized for a variety of purposes including settlement. The plan amendment is necessary to remove the other designations, and designate the lands as Settlement only for the purpose of the land sale. There is a demand from the public to obtain settlement land in the area. The parcels are appropriate for offering as provided in the Preliminary Decision dated January 3rd, 2019.

Assessment: The following alternatives are being considered:

1. (Preferred) Amend the Prince of Wales Island Area Plan as described above to remove the Public Facilities, Commercial Recreation, Public Recreation – Developed, and General Use designations, and designate the project area Settlement only. Amending the plan is the preferred alternative as it will allow the sale of settlement-classified land, providing the public an opportunity to obtain property in a desirable area.
2. (Status Quo) Do not amend the Prince of Wales Island Area Plan. This alternative is not preferred as it would disallow the offering of settlement-classified land and deny many Alaskans the opportunity to obtain land in this area.

Requirements of AS 38.04.065 (b): The factors identified in this section of statute have been considered in the Preliminary Decision for the proposed Clark Bay View Subdivision – ADL 108355 issued on January 3rd, 2019 and the proposed action is consistent with that portion of the statute.