STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF MINING, LAND, AND WATER LAND SALES & CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION SECTION

ATTACHMENT A: PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed Change in the Method of Conveyance for the Future Reoffer of 256 Parcels Statewide

AS 38.05.035 (e), AS 38.05.045

COMMENT PERIOD ENDS 4 PM DECEMBER 3, 2015

The State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land, and Water issues this Preliminary Decision as an amendment, update, and complement to prior Final Finding and Decisions that originally authorized the sale of various project areas statewide within which 256 parcels identified in the Preliminary Decision are located. The scope of this decision is limited to the following proposed action:

To change the method of conveyance (where needed for uniformity and to conform to current statutes and regulations) and to provide notice to the public of the State's intention to dispose of these parcels in a future reoffering.

All of the parcels in this proposal have previously been through a complete decision process that included public notice and review. Many of the parcels encompassed by this decision were offered for sale through previous State land disposal programs, but were subsequently returned to State ownership through relinquishment or termination. The Preliminary Decision and attachments describe the parcels, proposals, and reasoning in detail. To obtain the Preliminary Decision and attachments, or to request auxiliary aids, services, or special accommodations, go to http://notice.alaska.gov or http://landsales.alaska.gov. For assistance in obtaining the documents by an alternative method, contact DNR's Public Information Centers on State work days, Monday through Friday, between 10AM and 5PM in Anchorage at 907.269.8400 (TDD for the hearing impaired: 907.451.2770), or the Southeast Land Section in Juneau at 907.465.3400 (TDD for the hearing impaired: 907.451.3770), or go to http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/ for additional contact information. Individuals requesting special assistance must do so from DNR's Public Information Center in Anchorage no later than 4 pm November 25, 2015.

Pursuant to *AS 38.05.945* Notice, the public is invited to submit comment on the preliminary decision. **The deadline for public comment is 4 p.m. December 3, 2015.** Only persons from whom the Division's Land Sales and Contract Administration Section receives timely, written comment during the identified comment period will be eligible to file an appeal of the Final Finding and Decision. Written comment may be received by fax to 907.269.8916, email to landsales@alaska.gov, or postal mail to LSCAS, ATTENTION: POTENTIAL REOFFER PROPOSAL, 550 W. 7th Ave, Suite 640, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. For direct inquiries, call Dan Beutel in Anchorage at 907.269.8594.

If no significant change is required, the Preliminary Decision, including any minor changes and a summary of comments and responses, will be issued as a subsequent Final Finding and Decision without further notice. A copy of the Final Finding and Decision will be sent to any persons who comment on the Preliminary Decision.

DNR reserves the right to waive technical defects in this notice. Please post until 4 p.m. December 3, 2015.