

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

**MINERAL ORDER No. 1243**

  X   Closing Lands to Mineral Entry                      \_\_\_\_\_ Opening Lands to Mineral Entry

I. Name of Mineral Order: Delta Dozen – ADL 421364

II. Reason for Mineral Order: This Mineral Order is based upon the attached *Commissioner's Administrative Finding*, applicable statutes, and the written justification contained in the following:

Eastern Tanana Area Plan, adopted August 28, 2015

Preliminary Decision, Delta Dozen – ADL 421364, issued August 26, 2020 and the subsequent Final Finding and Decision for same

III. Authority: AS 38.05.185 and AS 38.05.300.

IV. Location and Legal Description:

- Lot 6 of Block 2, containing 0.31 acres, more or less;
- Lot 1 of Block 29, containing 0.35 acres, more or less;
- Lot 2 of Block 29, containing 0.36 acres, more or less;
- Lot 3 of Block 29, containing 0.32 acres, more or less;
- Lot 4 of Block 29, containing 0.30 acres, more or less;
- Lot 5 of Block 29, containing 0.30 acres, more or less;
- Lot 6 of Block 29, containing 0.31 acres, more or less;
- Lot 7 of Block 29, containing 0.39 acres, more or less;
- Lot 16 of Block 29, containing 0.53 acres, more or less;
- Lot 17 of Block 29, containing 0.55 acres, more or less;
- Lot 18 of Block 29, containing 0.52 acres, more or less; and,
- Lot 19 of Block 29, containing 0.37 acres, more or less;

of the North Addition, of the North and West Additions to Delta Junction Townsite Subdivision, according to Plat No. 63-7859, filed on November 13, 1963, in the Fairbanks Recording District, 4th Judicial District, Alaska.

V. Mineral Order: This order is subject to valid existing rights and is issued under the authority granted by AS 38.05.185 – AS 38.05.275 and AS 38.05.300 to the Alaska Department of Natural Resources. In accordance with AS 38.05.185(a), I find that the best interests of the State of Alaska and its residents are served by closure of the land described in this mineral order to entry under mineral location and mining laws of the State of Alaska. The above described lands are hereby **closed** to entry under the locatable mineral and mining laws of the State of Alaska.

Concur:	<u>(signature on file)</u>	<u>11/20/2020</u>
	Martin W. Parsons, Director	Date
	Division of Mining, Land and Water	
	Department of Natural Resources	

Approved:	<u>(signature on file)</u>	<u>12/02/2020</u>
	Corri A. Feige, Commissioner	Date
	Department of Natural Resources	

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**ADMINISTRATIVE FINDING  
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**Delta Dozen**

Pursuant to AS 38.05.035, the State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land, and Water proposes to issue a Final Finding and Decision to convey State-owned land into private ownership within the Delta Dozen project area (ADL 421364). As noted in the Preliminary Decision – Proposed Land Offering Delta Dozen– ADL 421364, issued August 26, 2020, the project area is within the Delta Region, Unit D-28 of the Eastern Tanana Area Plan. The attached mineral order includes the legal description of area to be closed to mineral entry.

The Division of Mining, Land, and Water requests the mineral estate of approximately 4.61 acres, identified in the attached mineral order, be closed to mineral entry and location, in accordance with AS 38.05.300 for a land disposal. Mining activity on the project area would be incompatible with the current and proposed land estate uses. The land does not contain any known mineral deposits and was not selected for mineral values. There are no mining claims on the land.

Public notice of the comment period for the proposed mineral order was conducted in accordance with AS 38.05.945. The Department did not receive objections or comments regarding the proposed mineral order from the public or agencies during the comment period.

In accordance with AS 38.05.185 (a) and AS 38.05.300, I find that the best interests of the State of Alaska and its residents are served by closure of the land to entry under the mineral location and mining laws of the State of Alaska as described by Mineral Order (Closing) No. 1243.

Concur:	<u>(signature on file)</u>	<u>11/20/2020</u>
	Martin W. Parsons, Director Division of Mining, Land and Water Department of Natural Resources	Date

Approved:	<u>(signature on file)</u>	<u>12/02/2020</u>
	Corri A. Feige, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources	Date