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

DRAFT MINERAL ORDER No. 1282

X Closing Lands to Mineral Entry Opening Lands to Mineral Entry

I. Name of Mineral Order: Boehl Preference Right Noncompetitive Sale – ADL 109277

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:

Juneau State Land Plan (adopted 1993); and

Preliminary Decision, Proposed Noncompetitive Sale to Preference Right Applicant – ADL 109277, August 8, 2023, and the subsequent Final Finding and Decision for same.

III. Authority: AS 38.05.185 Generally and AS 38.05.300 Classification of Land.

IV. Location and Legal Description: Located within DNR's Southeast Region, within the City and Borough of Juneau, more specifically described as:

Tract M-1, containing 0.280 acres, more or less, of Alaska State Land Survey No. 81-204, LADS No. 0334-83-3-2 (Taku River), according to the amended survey plat recorded in the Juneau Recording District on September 27, 1982, as Plat No. 82-85.

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 the 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:

Christianna Colles, Director Division of Mining, Land and Water Department of Natural Resources Date

Approved:

John Boyle, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources Date

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DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE FINDING MINERAL ORDER NO. 1282 Closing Lands to Mineral Entry

Boehl Preference Right Noncompetitive Sale

Pursuant to *AS 38.05.035 Powers and Duties of the Director*, the State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land, and Water (DMLW) proposes to issue a Final Finding and Decision to convey State-owned land into private ownership within the Boehl Preference Right Noncompetitive Sale (ADL 109277). As noted in the Preliminary Decision – Proposed Noncompetitive Sale to Preference Right Applicant, issued August 8, 2023, the subject parcel is within Unit 14a – Taku River, Subunit 14a24 of the proposed amendment to the *Juneau State Land Plan*. In accordance with the area plan, DMLW proposes to close the entire subject parcel to mineral entry. The attached mineral order includes the legal description of the area to be closed to mineral entry.

DMLW requests the mineral estate of approximately 0.280 acres, identified in the attached mineral order, be closed to mineral entry and location in accordance with *AS 38.05.300 Classification of Land* for a land disposal. Mining activity on the subject parcel would be incompatible with the current and proposed land estate uses. The land contains no 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 Notice*. Review of comments will be addressed in the final document.

In accordance with AS 38.05.185(a) Generally and AS 38.05.300 Classification of Land, I find that the best interests of the State of Alaska and its residents are served by the 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. 1282.

Approved:

John Boyle, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources

Date