

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

**MINERAL ORDER No. 1289**

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

I. Name of Mineral Order: Viokoda bay Subdivision – ADL 232390

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:

Kodiak Area Plan, adopted (2004)

Preliminary Decision, Viokoda Bay Subdivision– ADL 232390, February, 2025 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:

Township 26 South, Range 24 West, Seward Meridian

Section 26: That portion of Lot 1 in the SW1/4.

Section 35: Lot 1 excluding the NE1/4 NE1/4.

Section 36: That portion of Lot 1 in the SW1/4 excluding the NE1/4 SW1/4.

Together containing 393 Acres more or less.

According to the plat accepted by the United States Department of Interior in Denver, Colorado on January 9, 1980.

Township 27 South, Range 24 West, Seward Meridian


Section 1: Lot 1

Containing 268 Acres more or less.

According to the plat accepted by the United States Department of Interior in Denver, Colorado on January 9, 1980.

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:



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

3/14/2025  
Date

Approved:



John Boyle, Commissioner  
Department of Natural Resources

18 Mar 25  
Date

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**ADMINISTRATIVE FINDING  
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**VIEKODA BAY SUBDIVISION**

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 Viekoda Bay project area (ADL 232390). As noted in the Preliminary Decision – Proposed Land Offering Viekoda Bay Subdivision– ADL 232390, issued month February, 2025, the project area is within K-09 management unit of the *Kodiak Area Plan* (2004). In accordance with the area plan, DMLW proposes to close the entire project area to mineral entry. 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 661 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. Review of comments will be addressed in the final document.

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. 1289.

Approved:

  
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John Boyle, Commissioner  
Department of Natural Resources

18 Mar 25  
Date