

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

FINAL FINDING AND DECISION

for
Reconveyance of Alaska Native Allotment Case File
ADL 419419
BLM F 002401

This Final Finding and Decision (FFD) complements and updates the Preliminary Decision (PD) for ADL 419419, issued on July 1, 2025.

I. Recommended Action

On July 1, 2025, the State of Alaska (State), Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Division of Mining, Land and Water (DMLW), Land Conveyance Section (LCS) proposed to voluntarily reconvey to the United States of America a parcel of wrongfully conveyed state land located within Sections 3 and 10, Township 4 South, Range 8 West, Fairbanks Meridian. The parcel is described as Tract 38, U.S.R.S. Township 4 South, Range 8 West Retracement and Survey, Alaska, according to the plat accepted by the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage, Alaska, on April 18, 2019, and officially filed on January 27, 2020, containing 82.62 acres, more or less, in the Nenana Recording District. The parcel is claimed by Winefred Cambl (deceased) as her Native Allotment. There are no changes to the stipulations outlined in the attached PD.

II. Authority

This reconveyance is being adjudicated pursuant to Alaska Statute (AS) 38.05.020 Authority and Duties of the Commissioner, AS 38.05.035 Power and Duties of the Director, AS 38.05.830 Land Disposal in the Unorganized Borough, 11 Alaska Administrative Code (AAC) 67.930 Purpose and Procedure, and the settlement authority of the Attorney General in accordance with the Stipulated Procedures for Implementation of Order, *Ethel Aguilar v. United States of America*, 474 F. Supp. 840 (D. Alaska 1979) (herein cited as *Aguilar*). The authority to execute this Final Finding and Decision has been delegated to the Section Chief, LCS, DMLW, DNR, pursuant to AS 38.05.035(b)(1) Power and Duties of the Director.

III. Public Notice

Pursuant to AS 38.05.945 Notice, a public notice announcing the PD for the proposed Native allotment reconveyance along with the solicitation for public comment was published and distributed in compliance with the above statute in the following manner:

- Posted on the State of Alaska Online Public Notice and the LCS website from July 1, 2025, to August 12, 2025, per AS 38.05.945(b)(3) Notice;
- Mailed, with a request to post for 30 days, to the postmasters in Nenana, Anderson, and Clear per AS 38.05.945(c)(4) Notice;
- Mailed to the regional and village corporations per AS 38.05.945(c)(2)-(3) Notice (Toghotthele Corporation and Doyon Limited); and
- Mailed to the heirs of Winefred Cambl (allottee), Tanana Chiefs Conference, Nenana Native Association, Alaska Legal Services Corporation, Bureau of Land Management, and Bureau of Indian Affairs.

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The public notice stated that written comments must be received by 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 12, 2025, in order to ensure consideration and eligibility to appeal. For more information, refer to the attached PD.

IV. Comments Received

One public comment was received during the public comment period from the Alaska Mental Health Trust Land Office. They had no objection to this reconveyance.

V. Traditional Use Finding

This parcel is in the Unorganized Borough and a traditional use finding is required pursuant to AS 38.05.830. No information was received concerning traditional use outside of the use by the Native allottee.

VI. Modifications to Decision and Stipulations

The recommended action has not been modified from the original proposed action described in the PD of July 1, 2025. Title Report No. 23583, was received on June 10, 2025. No new information was discovered. This parcel is described as:

Tract 38, U.S.R.S. Township 4 South, Range 8 West Retracement and Survey, Alaska, according to the plat accepted by the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage, Alaska, on April 18, 2019, and officially filed on January 27, 2020, containing 82.62 acres, more or less.

Situated in the Nenana Recording District.

It is in the best interest of the State to reconvey the land to the United States subject to the reservations, exceptions, and restrictions, as stated below. This will allow the heirs to the Native allottee to obtain title to the land while the State will retain public access on the property as prescribed by statute and thus avoid title recovery litigation by the federal government. The State may proceed with the reconveyance of this parcel to the United States of America subject to the following easements, reservations, exceptions, and restrictive covenants:

Subject to:

- (a) A right-of-way easement fifty (50) feet in width along each side of the surveyed section line common to Sections 3 and 10, Township 4 South, Range 8 West, Fairbanks Meridian, pursuant to AS 19.10.010 Dedication of Land for Public Highways, 11 AAC 51.025 Section Line Easements, and AS 19.25.010 Use of Rights-of-way for Utilities;
- (b) An easement fifty (50) feet in width for public access, upland, abutting, and running in common with the ordinary high-water mark along the Tanana River within Tract 38, U.S.R.S. Township 4 South, Range 8 West Retracement and Survey, Sections 3 and 10, Township 4 South, Range 8 West, Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska, pursuant to AS 38.05.127 Access to Navigable and Public Water, 11 AAC 51.045 Easements To and Along Navigable and Public Water; and
- (c) All other valid existing rights, including reservations, and exceptions in the U.S. Patent, or other state or federal conveyance, and in acts authorizing the issue

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thereof; easements, rights-of-way, covenants, conditions reservations, notes of the plat, and restrictions of record, if any.

The Division of Oil and Gas and DMLW have determined that it is not in the State's best interest to retain the mineral estate. The mineral estate will not be retained pursuant to AS 38.05.035(e) Powers and Duties of the Director. The State will receive an acreage credit for the land.

Any reservations in the patents the State received from BLM will merge with the title once the land is conveyed back to the United States.

Recommendation and approval of the Final Finding and Decision follow.

VII. Final Finding and Decision

LCS recommends proceeding with the proposed action as described in the Preliminary Decision. This action is undertaken pursuant to relevant authorities. Public notice has been accomplished in accordance with AS 38.05.945 Notice, and comments received were considered. The case file has been found to be complete and the requirements of all applicable statutes, regulations, and court orders have been satisfied.



April 2, 2026

Recommended by: Kathryn Young
Native Allotment Coordinator
Land Conveyance Section
Division of Mining, Land and Water
Department of Natural Resources
State of Alaska

Date

Under the authority of the applicable statutes and *Aguilar*, it is hereby found to be in the best interest of the State of Alaska to proceed with the recommended action as described and referenced herein.



April 2, 2026

Approved by: Hannah Uher-Koch
Section Chief
Land Conveyance Section
Division of Mining, Land and Water
Department of Natural Resources
State of Alaska

Date

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Appeal Provision

An eligible person affected by this decision, and who provided timely written comment or public hearing testimony to the department, may appeal the decision to the DNR Commissioner per AS 44.37.011 and 11 AAC 02. Any appeal must be received within twenty (20) calendar days after issuance of this decision under 11 AAC 02.040. An eligible person must first appeal a decision to the Commissioner before seeking relief in superior court. The Alaska Court System establishes its own rules for timely appealing final administrative orders and decisions of the department.

Appeals may be mailed or hand-delivered to the DNR Commissioner's Office, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1400, Anchorage, Alaska, 99501; or faxed to (907)-269-8918; or sent by electronic mail to dnr.appeals@alaska.gov. Appeals must be accompanied by the fee established in 11 AAC 05.160(d)(1)(F), which has been set at \$200 under the provisions of 11 AAC 05.160 (a)-(b). A copy of 11 AAC 02 is available on the department's website at <https://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/pdf/DNR-11-AAC-02.pdf>.

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

**Proposed Reconveyance of an
Alaska Native Allotment in the Unorganized Borough**

PRELIMINARY DECISION

**ADL 419419
BLM F 002401**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ENDS 3:00 P.M., TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025

I. Proposed Action

Preliminary Decision: Winefred Cambi Native Allotment – ADL 419419

Attachment A: Vicinity Map

Attachment B: Public Notice

Attachment C: U.S.R.S. F4S8W Retracement and Survey, Tract 38

Proposed Action: The primary proposed action of this Preliminary Decision (PD) of the State of Alaska (State), Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Division of Mining, Land and Water (DMLW), Land Conveyance Section (LCS) is to voluntarily reconvey to the United States of America, Tract 38, U.S.R.S. F4S8W Retracement and Survey, containing 82.62 acres, more or less, of wrongfully conveyed state land. See *Attachment A:* Vicinity Map for a depiction of the project area.

The subject parcel is an Alaska Native allotment, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Serial No. F 002401 claimed by Winefred Cambi (deceased). The claim is being settled in accordance with the Stipulated Procedures for Implementation of Order approved by the Court to implement the decision in *Ethel Aguilar v. United States of America*, 474 F. Supp. 840 (D. Alaska 1979) (herein cited as *Aguilar*) and Alaska Statute (AS) 38.05.035(b)(9) Powers and Duties of the Director.

Public Notice of Proposal: In accordance with AS 38.05.945 Notice, during a period of at least 30 consecutive days, the public will have the opportunity to submit written comment on this proposal.

See **Section XVI. Submittal of Public Comments** at the end of this document and *Attachment B:* Public Notice for details on how to submit a comment for consideration. If, after consideration of timely, written comments, DNR DMLW LCS moves forward with the proposal, a Final Finding and Decision (FFD) will be issued.

II. Authority

This reconveyance is being adjudicated pursuant to AS 38.05.035(b)(9) Power and Duties of the Director, AS 38.05.830 Land Disposal in the Unorganized Borough, and the settlement authority of the Attorney General in accordance with *Aguilar*.

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III. Administrative Record

The DNR case file ADL 419419 and BLM case file F 002401 constitutes the administrative record for this proposed action. Also incorporated by reference are:

- Yukon-Tanana Area Plan (YTAP, adopted January 3, 2014) and associated land classification files; and
- DNR case file MH 32.

IV. Scope of the Proposal

The scope of this proposal, under the statutes described in the preceding **Section II. Authority**, is limited and specific to DNR DMLW's proposal to voluntarily reconvey this land to the United States of America in accordance with the Stipulated Procedures for Implementation of Order approved by the Court to implement the decision in *Aguilar* and AS 38.05.035(b)(9) Powers and Duties of the Director, and whether the reconveyance should be made subject to any stipulations to best serve the interests of the public and the State.

V. Location

Located in DNR's Northern Region and the Unorganized Borough, the subject parcel is on an island in the Tanana River near MP 307, Parks Highway, and within Sections 3 and 10, Township 4 South, Range 8 West, Fairbanks Meridian. The subject parcel consists of 82.62 acres, more or less, identified for reconveyance by this proposed action. See *Attachment A: Vicinity Map* for a depiction of the subject parcel.

USGS Map Coverage: Fairbanks C-5

Borough/Municipality: Unorganized Borough

Native Councils and Corporations: The subject parcel is within the boundaries of Doyon Regional Corporation. Nenana, Anderson, and Clear are within 25 miles of this proposed action. Notice will be sent to the Nenana Native Association, Nagamut Limited, Toghoththele Corporation, and Tanana Chiefs Conference.

VI. Legal Description

Tract 38, U.S.R.S. Township 4 South, Range 8 West Retracement and Survey, Alaska, according to the plat accepted by the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage, Alaska, on April 18, 2019, and officially filed on January 27, 2020, containing 82.62 acres, more or less.

Situated in the Nenana Recording District.

VII. Title

The State received title to the land on May 24, 1963, under Patent 1232047. The State file is MH 32 (BLM F 024515). No third-party interests were identified. The parcel is subject to the reservations, easements, and exceptions contained in Patent 1232047 dated May 24, 1963. A title report has been requested; if any concerns are discovered, they will be addressed in the FFD.

This allotment sits on original mental health grant land and was listed in the 1996 Native Allotment Procedure Memo between the Trust Land Office (TLO) and DNR. This procedure

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memo was issued to comply with the terms of the 1994 Court Settlement Agreement and DNR's Department Order 142. This allotment is listed in this 1996 memo as Native allotment acreage. Therefore, TLO has already received compensation acreage for this allotment and will not receive any additional acreage.

Acquisition: The State filed selection application MH 32 (BLM F 024515) for Township 4 South, Range 8 West, Fairbanks Meridian on November 30, 1959.

Restrictions: The Patent is subject to any vested and accrued water rights for mining, agricultural, manufacturing, or other purposes and rights to ditches and reservoirs used in connection with such water rights, as may be recognized and acknowledged by the local customs, laws, and decisions of courts; and there is reserved a right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States under the Act of August 30, 1890, 26 Stat. 391; 43 U.S.C. 945, and also reserved to the United States a right-of-way for the construction of railroads, telegraph and telephone lines, as prescribed and directed by the Act of March 12, 1914 (38 Stat. 305).

VIII. Background

The following events for this case are:

- Winefred Cambl began her use and occupancy of the subject lands in 1923 according to documentation in DNR case file ADL 419419.
- The Native allotment application was filed on November 20, 1931.
- The State filed selection application MH 32 for Township 4 South, Range 8 West, Fairbanks Meridian on November 30, 1959, and received title by Patent on May 24, 1963.
- BLM determined Native allotment application F 002401 valid on October 16, 1991.
- The State received a request for reconveyance on October 16, 1991.
- BLM surveyed the 82.62-acre parcel and issued U.S.R.S F4S8W Retracement and Survey, Tract 38 in 2020.

IX. Planning, Classification, and Mineral Orders

1. *Planning:* The subject parcel is located within the Kantishna Region of the Yukon-Tanana Area Plan adopted on January 3, 2014. The parcel does not have a unit number, is undesignated and therefore unclassified.
2. *Land Use Classification:* The subject parcel is unclassified. As this reconveyance falls under AS 38.05.035(b)(9) Powers and Duties of the Director, and pursuant to AS 38.05.035(c) Powers and Duties of the Director, this parcel of land may be reconveyed without classification or reclassification under AS 38.05.300 Classification of Land.
3. *Mineral Order:* The parcel is not subject to a mineral order.
4. *Local Planning:* This parcel does not exist within any local planning unit.

X. Traditional Use Finding

In accordance with AS 38.05.830 Land Disposal in the Unorganized Borough, a traditional use finding is required if the subject parcel is within the Unorganized Borough. This parcel is within the Unorganized Borough, and a traditional use finding is required. Information on traditional use is welcome during the public comment period and if this proposal is approved, LCS will

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address the information received in a subsequent FFD. See the **Section XVI. Submittal of Public Comments** at the end of this document and *Attachment B*: Public Notice for details on how to submit comment.

XI. Access, including Access To and Along Public or Navigable Water

Public Access: This parcel has water access via the Tanana River, which is a navigable waterway.

Access To and Along Public or Navigable Waters: In accordance with AS 38.05.127 Access To Navigable or Public Water, DNR will determine if a water body is navigable or public and establish easements or rights-of-way as necessary to ensure unobstructed access to and along the body of water. Regulations dictating the creation of easements or rights-of-way under this statute include 11 AAC 51.035 Determination of Navigable and Public Water, 11 AAC 51.045 Easements To and Along Navigable and Public Water, and 11 AAC 53.450 Buffer Strips, Reserved Areas, and Public Easements.

The subject parcel sits on an island in the Tanana River, which has been determined to be navigable. A review of the subject parcel, the surrounding area, and land ownership shows private land on the south end of the island, the surrounding islands, and along both banks of the Tanana River. Therefore, as allowed by 11 AAC 51.045 Easements To and Along Navigable and Public Water in these circumstances, the AS 38.05.127 Access To Navigable or Public Water easement will not be imposed on the subject parcel.

Easements and Setbacks: Under AS 19.10.010 Dedication of Land for Public Highways, the application of a 50-foot section line easement is required on all protracted or surveyed section or township lines on State land. There are no provisions under the law to exclude this 50-foot section line easement dedication at conveyance or reconveyance back to the federal government. However, an affected landowner may, under 11 AAC 51.065 Vacation of Easements, file a request with DNR to vacate, modify, or relocate a section line easement.

The section lines within this parcel are surveyed. Hence, the exact location of the section line easements can be identified. The estimated location of these easements is shown on *Attachment A*: Vicinity Map.

There are two RS2477 trails in the near vicinity of this parcel, RST 152, Nenana-Tanana Trail, and RST 264, Nenana-Minto Trail. However, neither trail impacts the subject parcel.

The reconveyance will except, reserve, or be subject to the reservations brought forth by the public notice, if any, and the following:

Subject to:

- (a) A right-of-way easement fifty (50) feet in width along each side of the surveyed section line common to Sections 3 and 10, Township 4 South, Range 8 West, Fairbanks Meridian, pursuant to AS 19.10.010 Dedication of Land for Public Highways, 11 AAC 51.025 Section Line Easements, and AS 19.25.010 Use of Rights-of-way for Utilities;
- (b) An easement fifty (50) feet in width for public access, upland, abutting, and running in common with the ordinary high-water mark along the

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Tanana River within Tract 38, U.S.R.S. F4S8W Retracement and Survey, Sections 3 and 10, Township 4 South, Range 8 West, Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska, pursuant to AS 38.05.127 Access to Navigable and Public Water, 11 AAC 51.045 Easements To and Along Navigable and Public Water; and

- (c) All other valid existing rights, including reservations, and exceptions in the U.S. Patent, or other state or federal conveyance, and in acts authorizing the issue thereof; easements, rights-of-way, covenants, conditions reservations, notes of the plat, and restrictions of record, if any.

XII. Reservation of the Mineral Estate

The Division of Oil and Gas (DOG) and DMLW have determined that it is not in the State's best interest to retain the mineral estate. The mineral estate will not be retained pursuant to AS 38.05.035(e) Powers and Duties of the Director. The State will receive an acreage credit for the lands.

XIII. Hazardous Materials and Potential Contaminants

The Department of the Interior, BLM, is expected to inspect the parcel and familiarize itself with the condition and quality of the land. The State makes no representations and no warranties, express or implied, concerning the existence or absence of any hazardous substances, hazardous wastes, contaminants, or pollutants on the land here proposed for reconveyance. The State does not assume any liability for the removal of hazardous substances, hazardous wastes, contaminants, or pollutants, nor for the remediation of the site should such substances ever be identified.

XIV. Survey

The parcel is adequately surveyed for reconveyance to the United States of America. See *Attachment C: U.S.R.S. F4S8W Retracement and Survey, Tract 38.*

XV. DMLW and Agency Review

Information and comments received from multiple sections within DMLW prior to and during agency review have been considered and included in the preparation of this preliminary decision. Agency review was conducted from April 23, 2024, to May 16, 2024. Comments pertinent to this proposed action received during agency review have been considered and addressed below. Additional timely comments received during the Public Notice period will be considered and addressed in a subsequent FFD.

DNR DMLW LCS received brief comments of non-objection from the following agencies:
DNR Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation and Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation.

DNR DMLW LCS response: Thank you for your review of this reconveyance.

Comments from DNR Division of Oil and Gas: DOG has no objection. There are no third-party interests. DOG does not request reservation of the mineral estate as the energy potential around the parcel is minimal to low for gas and none for oil and geothermal.

DNR DMLW LCS response: Thank you for the information. The mineral estate will not be reserved.

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The following agencies were included in the agency review, but no comment was received:

- DNR Division of Agriculture
- DNR Division of Forestry and Fire Protection
- DNR Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys
- DNR State Historical Preservation Office
- Alaska Department of Fish and Game
- Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities
- US Fish and Wildlife Service

XVI. Submittal of Public Comments

See *Attachment B: Public Notice for specific dates and conditions.*

Pursuant to AS 38.05.945 Notice, LCS is issuing public notice inviting comment on this Preliminary Decision.

In accordance with AS 38.05.946(a) Hearings, a municipality or corporation entitled to receive notice under AS 38.05.945(c) Hearings may hold a hearing within 30 days after receipt of the notice. If a hearing is held, the Commissioner (or representative) shall attend the hearing. The Commissioner has discretion whether or not to hold a public hearing.

LCS will consider all timely, written comments received. If analysis of such comments indicates the need for significant changes to the Preliminary Decision, additional public notice for the affected lands will be given. Reducing the amount of land offered and making minor changes to any of the proposals will not be considered significant changes requiring additional public notice.

If the proposal is approved and no significant change is required, the Preliminary Decision, including any deletions, minor changes, and summary of comments and LCS responses will be issued as a subsequent Final Finding and Decision, without further notice.

Only persons from whom DNR DMLW LCS receives timely, written comment during the identified comment period will be eligible to file an appeal of the FFD. Upon approval and issuance of a FFD, a copy of the decision will be made available online at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/landsales/public-notice/> or <https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/> and sent with an explanation of the appeal process to any party who provides timely written comment.

DNR is prepared to accommodate individuals with disabilities by providing auxiliary aids, services, or special modifications in order to participate in this review. Individuals who may need such assistance should contact DNR's Public Information Center. For more information, refer to *Attachment B: Public Notice*.

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENT IS
3:00 P.M., TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025**

XVII. Alternatives

The following alternatives were considered:

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Alternative 1: Reconvey

Reconvey the land to the United States subject to the reservations, exceptions, and restrictions as stipulated in **Section XI. Access, Including Access To and Along Public or Navigable Water**. This will allow the Native allottee to obtain title to the land while the State will retain public access on the property as prescribed by statute and thus avoid title recovery litigation by the federal government. Therefore, it is in the best interest of the State to reconvey the parcel as proposed in this decision, and this is the preferred alternative.

Alternative 2: Retain

Retain ownership and withhold reconveyance. DNR currently does not have a persuasive reason to pursue this option. This alternative may lead to title recovery litigation brought by the United States on behalf of the Native allottee, thus subjecting the State to an uncertain expenditure of resources and an uncertain result of litigation. This alternative is not preferred.

In accordance with the Stipulated Procedures for Implementation of Order in *Aguilar*, BLM reviewed and determined Ms. Cambi's Native allotment application to be valid on October 16, 1991. Based on documentation within BLM's case file and subsequent comments received from agency review, LCS has found no legal reason for denying this reconveyance subject to public notice and a final decision.

For the reasons outlined above, Alternative 1 is the preferred alternative.

Recommendation follows.

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XVIII. Recommendation

This Preliminary Decision for the proposed reconveyance of state lands described throughout this document and its attachments may be within the State’s best interest. Reconveyance under the conditions in Alternative 1 is preferable to title recovery litigation. The State’s reconveyance will allow the BLM to transfer title of the land to the Native allottee and will eliminate any further title recovery action. As represented by the preferred alternative, the PD described above has been reviewed and considered. I find that the recommended action is in the best interest of the State and that it is hereby approved to proceed to public notice.

This is a Preliminary Decision, and analysis of subsequent public review may result in changes to the preferred alternative of the proposed reconveyance of state lands. If the decision is approved, a Final Finding and Decision may be issued.



July 1, 2025

Recommended by: Kathryn Young
Native Allotment Coordinator
Land Conveyance Section
Division of Mining, Land and Water
Department of Natural Resources
State of Alaska

Date



July 1, 2025

Approved by: Hannah Uher-Koch
Section Chief
Land Conveyance Section
Division of Mining, Land and Water
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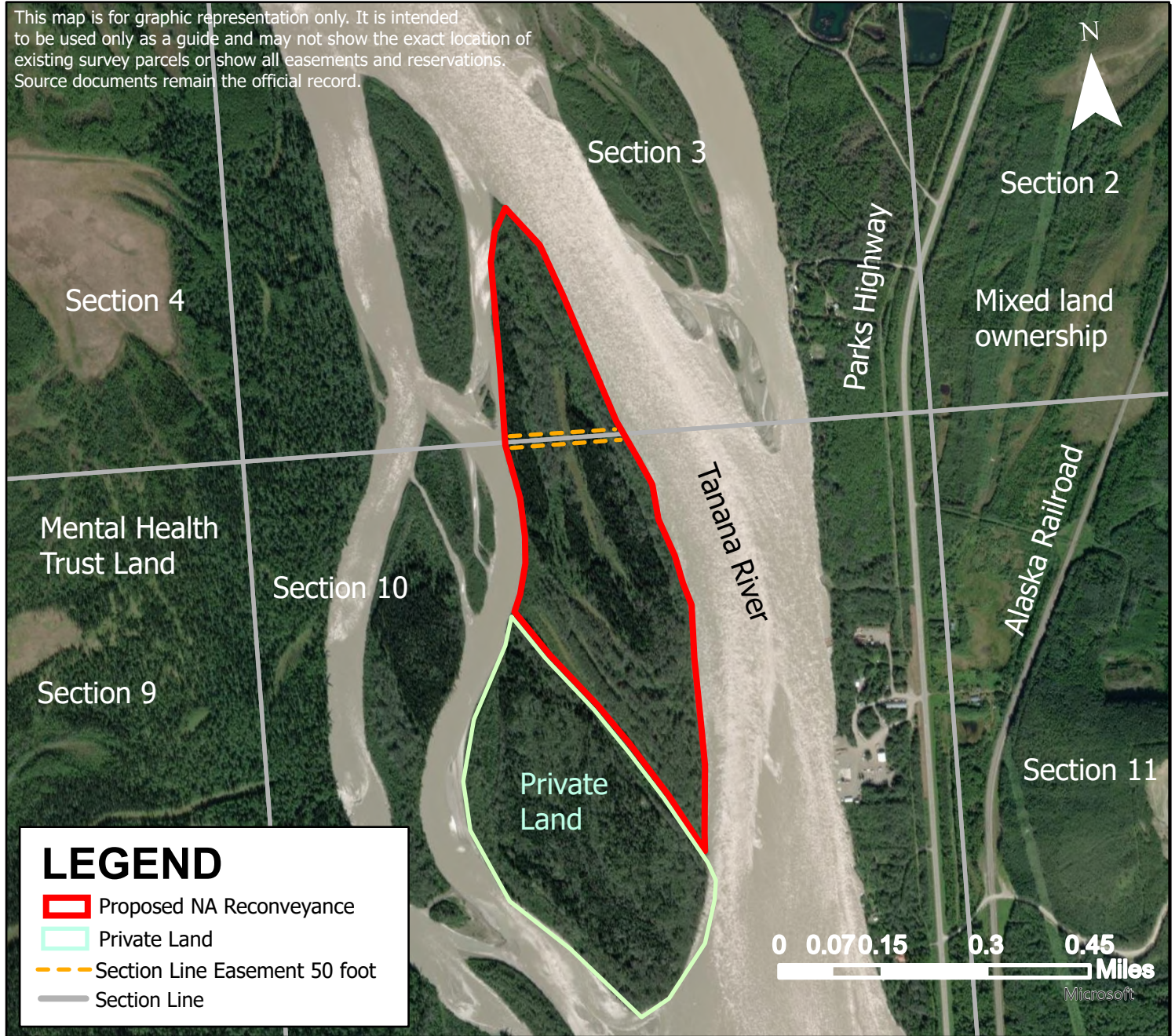
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Attachment A: Vicinity Map

Winefred Cambi Native Allotment, ADL 419419 / BLM F 002401

This map is for graphic representation only. It is intended to be used only as a guide and may not show the exact location of existing survey parcels or show all easements and reservations. Source documents remain the official record.



Section 3 and 10, Township 4 South, Range 8 West, Fairbanks Meridian

USGS Quad 1:63,360 Fairbanks C-5

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

ATTACHMENT B: PUBLIC NOTICE

**Requesting Input for Proposed
Native Allotment Reconveyance - ADL 419419
AS 38.05.035(b)(9)**

COMMENT PERIOD ENDS 3:00 P.M., TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Division of Mining Land and Water (DMLW), Land Conveyance Section (LCS) is conducting a public notice to reconvey the following erroneously conveyed State land to the United States of America for conveyance to the Native allotment applicant. The parcel of land is on an island in the Tanana River, near PM 307, Parks Highway. The legal description for the parcel is Tract 38, USRS F4S8W Retracement and Survey, Alaska, according to the plat accepted by the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage, Alaska, on April 18, 2019, and officially filed on January 27, 2020, containing 82.62 acres, more or less.

To obtain the notice, Preliminary Decision (PD), or instructions on submitting comment, go to <http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/landsales/public-notice/> or <https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/>. For assistance in obtaining the documents by an alternative method, to request auxiliary aids, services, or special accommodations, contact DNR's Public Information Centers on State work days, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in Anchorage at (907) 269-8400 or Fairbanks at (907) 451-2705 or the Southeast Land Office in Juneau at (907) 465-3400 or TTY: 711 for Alaska Relay or 1-800-770-8973 or go to <http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/> for additional contact information. Individuals who require special assistance must request assistance from the Public Information Center in Anchorage no later than 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 5, 2025.

Pursuant to AS 38.05.945 Notice, the public is invited to submit comments on the Preliminary Decision. **The deadline for public comment is 3:00 p.m., TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025.** Only persons from whom DNR DMLW LCS receives timely, written comment during the identified comment period will be eligible to file an appeal of the Final Finding and Decision (FFD). Written comment may be received by fax, email, or postal mail. To submit comments or for direct inquiries, contact Kathryn Young by mail at 550 West 7th Ave, Suite 640, Anchorage, AK 99501 or by fax at (907) 269-8916 or by email at kathryn.young@alaska.gov. If you have questions, call Kathryn Young at (907) 269-8574.

If no significant change is required, the PD, including any minor changes and a summary of comments and responses, will be issued as the FFD, without further notice. A copy of the FFD will be sent to any persons who commented timely on the PD.

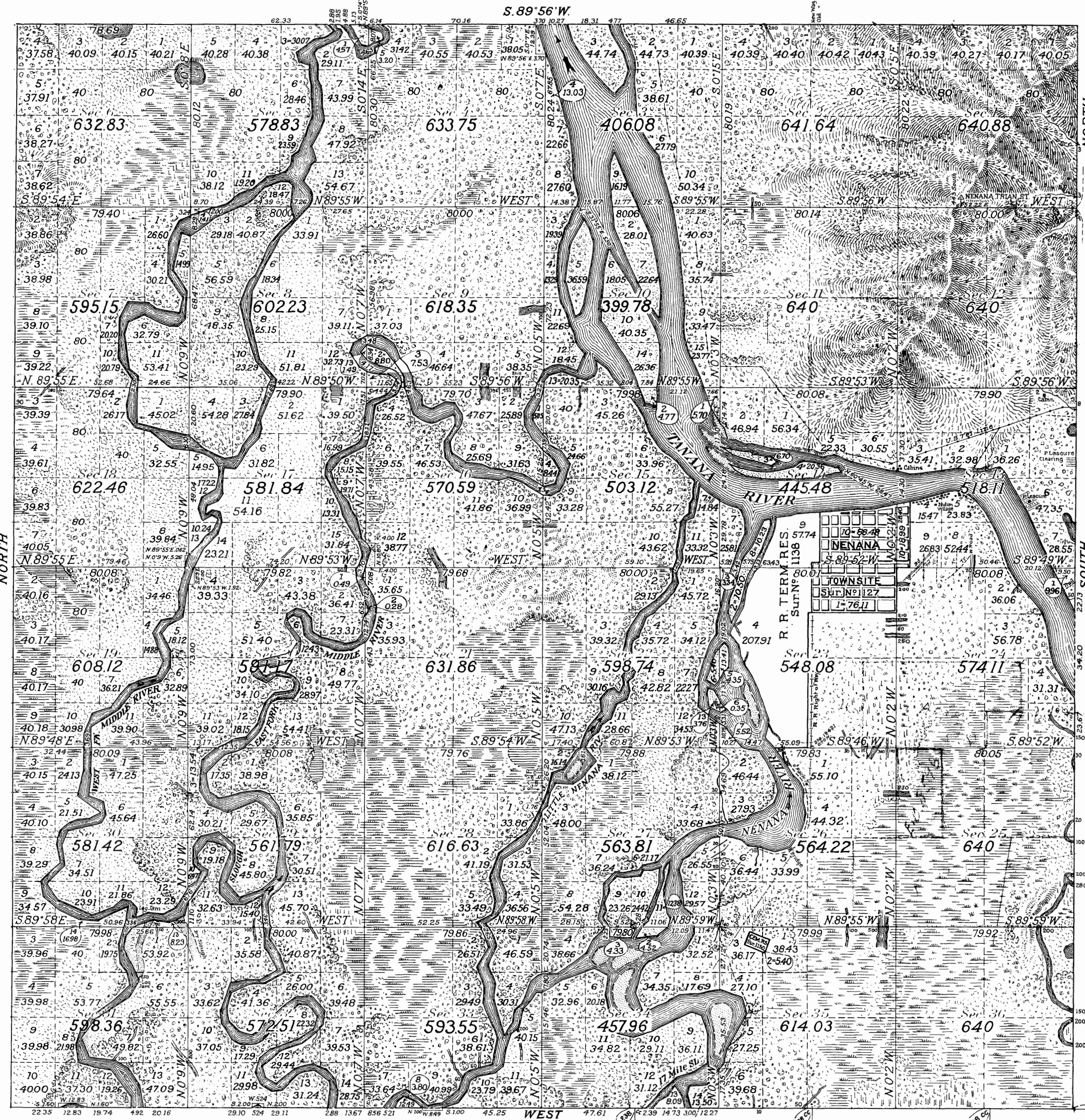
DNR reserves the right to waive technical defects in this notice.

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Township N^o 4 South, Range N^o 8 West of the Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska.

Survey Accepted March 20, 1918 - G.L.O.

G F E D C B A



Lat: 64° 36' 13" N.
Long: 149° 03' W.

Areas in Acres	
Public Land	20,372.85
U.S. R.R. Reservation	265.65
Townsite	183.58
Cemetery	5.40
Water Surface	2209.35
Total Area	23036.83

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Surveys Designated	By Whom Surveyed	Group		Amount of Surveys	When Surveyed			
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North boundary		1	May 6, 1916	5	78	69	May 27, 1916	Sept. 20, 1916
South - 1 st St. Par. South	Woodbury Abbey, U.S.S.			6	00	00		
East "	E.T. Calvin, U.S.T.			6	00	00		
West "				6	00	00		
Subdivisional lines				59	78	78		
Meanders				91	63	81		
Connections				00	33	97		

The above map of Township No. 4 South, Range No. 8 West of the Fairbanks Meridian Alaska is strictly conformable to the field notes of the survey thereof on file in this office, which have been examined and approved

U. S. Surveyor General's Office.
Juneau, Alaska, January 31, 1918

Charles E. Davidson
Surveyor General.

E.T. Calc. & Plot.

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TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 8 WEST, OF THE FAIRBANKS MERIDIAN, ALASKA RETRACEMENT AND SURVEY

The history of surveys is contained in the field notes.

This plat and the field notes represent the retracement of a portion of the line between sections 3 and 10, and a portion of the Water's Edge Subdivision, and the survey of the meanders of Tract 38, Township 4 South, Range 8 West, of the Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska.

All surveyed lines and ties between corners are mean bearings.

This survey was executed by John K. Combs, Cadastral Surveyor, June 5, 2014 through October 5, 2015, in accordance with the specifications set forth in the Manual of Surveying Instructions (2009), and Supplemental Special Instructions No. 1 for Group No. 1084, Alaska, dated December 24, 2013, approved April 16, 2014.

Except as indicated hereon, the lottings and areas are as shown on the plat accepted on March 20, 1918.

This survey was conducted under The Stipulated Procedures for Implementation of Order, Ethel Aguilar, et al v. United States of America, 474 F. Supp. 840 (D. Alaska 1979), and by authority of the Memorandum of Understanding between the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, and the State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources dated September 5, 2000.

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