Mineral Order 1274

STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF MINING, LAND AND WATER
MINERAL ORDER 1274

__X__ Closing Lands to Mineral Entry _____ Opening Lands to Mineral Entry

I. **Name:** Copper River Basin Area Plan
Land Classification Order SC-19-001

II. **Reason for Mineral Order:** This Mineral Order is based on the attached Commissioner's Administrative Finding and Copper River Basin Area Plan.

III. **Authority:** Alaska Statute (AS) 38.05.185 and AS 38.05.300.

IV. **Location and Legal Description:** This order affects lands in management units classified as Settlement Land or Agricultural Land.

See Map C-1, Lands to be Included in Mineral Order 1274, for reference.

V. **Mineral Closing:** This mineral order is subject to valid existing rights and is issued under the authority granted by AS 38.05.185 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 closing to mineral entry under the mineral location and mining laws of the State of Alaska, the land described in this mineral order. The above-described lands are hereby closed to entry under the locatable minerals and mining laws of the State of Alaska, concomitantly with the adoption of the Copper River Basin Area Plan.

Concur: _____ 10/27/2026
Christianna Colles, Director
Division of Mining, Land, and Water
Date

Approved: _____ 10/27/2026
John Crowther, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources
Date

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COMMISSIONER'S ADMINISTRATIVE FINDING
MINERAL ORDER 1274
Closing Lands to Mineral Entry
AS 38.05.185 (a)

COPPER RIVER BASIN AREA PLAN

The Copper River Basin Area Plan (CRBAP), developed in accordance with AS 38.04.065, proposes closing land in Units designated either Settlement or Agriculture and classified as Settlement Land or Agricultural Land in the Copper River Basin Area Plan (2025), and as listed in Table D-1 and depicted in the plan maps. Units identified as 'part' means that parts of a unit are closed to mineral entry under a current mineral order. The lands subject to this order refers to those parts of management units not closed to mineral entry at the date this order is approved and to the entirety of those units not identified by 'part'.

The Division of Mining, Land and Water requests the mineral estate of approximately 306,400 acres, identified in the attached mineral order, be closed to mineral entry and location, in accordance with AS 38.05.300 for future land disposals. 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.

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 1274. This order is subject to valid existing rights.

John Crowther — 10/27/2026

John Crowther, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources

Date

Table C-1: Units Affected by MO 1274

MO#	ACRES	MAP	Management Units	MTRS
1274	306,376	C-1	C-1, C-7, H-3, H-14, H-20, H-21, H-22, H-26, H-27, H-32, H-34, H-38, H-43, H-46, H-47, H-48, H-50, H-51A, H-51B, H-55, H-57, N-4, O-6, O-9A, O-10, W-14, W-16B, W-21	C001N001E6-8, 17-21, 27-33, 36 C001S001E25, 36 C001S002E19-21, 28-34 C001S004W19, 20, 25-33 C002N001E18 C002N001W12, 13 C002N006W1-4, 9-17 C002N007W1-19, 30 C002N008W1, 2, 3-5, 8-36 C002S002E1-10, 17-19 C002S003W3-11 C002S004W1, 2, 5-8, 10-12, 14-22, 27, 28, 30, 31, 33, 34 C002S005W24, 25, 36 C003N001W17, 18, 20, 28, 29, 33-35 C003N006W1, 2, 9-31, 34-36 C003N007W23-26, 31-36 C003N008W35, 36 C003S001E11-14, 23, 24, 26 C003S002E18, 19 C003S004E12 C003S004W3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15, 16, 21, 22 C003S005W1, 12 C004N001W7, 18-20, 29, 30 C004N002W20-23, 27-29 C004N005W30 C004N006W4-8, 18, 25-27, 29 C004N007W1-3, 10, 15 C004S007E10, 11, 14, 15 C005N001W17-20, 29-31 C005N002W13, 24 C005N007W1, 4, 9, 12-14, 16-29, 33-36 C005N008W13, 24, 25 C005S013E31, 32, 35, 36 C005S014E34-36 C006N001W28, 33 C006N004W3-10, 15-22 C006N005W1, 12, 13, 24 C006N007W1-36 C006N008W1-36 C006S014E2, 3 C007N004W3-10, 15-18, 20-22, 27-29, 33, 34 C007N005W1, 12, 13, 24 C007N007W1-36 C007N008W1-36 C008N007W1-36 C008N008W1-36 C009N004E3, 16 C014N004E24, 25 C014N005E7, 16-19, 21, 29, 30 F020S011E25, 36 F022S016E1, 24, 25