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Dear Interest Party,

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has initiated the development of the Northeast Alaska Area Plan (NEAAP). When adopted, NEAAP will serve as the basis for management of state land and waters for approximately 4.5 million acres of state-owned and state-selected lands within the plan boundary. DNR is kicking off the process with scoping meetings in Fort Yukon and Fairbanks.

Community	Time	Location
Fort Yukon	Tuesday, August 13 th 3:00-5:00pm	City Hall E. 7 th Avenue
Fairbanks	Wednesday August 14 th 5:30-7:30pm	Noel Wien Library, 1215 Cowles Street

The purpose of these meetings is to seek input on how Alaskans want to use state lands now and in the future; to encourage the public to provide written comments; and to provide the public with information about the planning process and answer questions related to the planning effort. Please come to one of the meetings to tell us how you use state lands, how you would like to see them used in the future, and discuss issues regarding the use of state lands and resources. Your written comments are encouraged during this scoping phase and can be submitted until Friday, September 6th. Comments can be mailed, emailed to the addresses below or submitted online through our website: <https://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/planning/areaplans/neaap/>

The Northeast Alaska Area Plan (NEAAP) covers a large and mostly remote area northeast of Fairbanks that stretches from the Dalton Highway east to the Canadian border and north into the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. The NEAAP includes the communities of Fort Yukon, Venetie, Arctic Village, Circle, Central, Beaver, Chalkyitsik, Coldfoot, Stevens Village, and Wiseman. The Yukon River and Yukon River Flats are prominent features within the center of the planning area. Other notable rivers include the Chandalar, Porcupine, and Charley. Much of the Steese Highway and some sections of the Dalton Highway are within the planning area. Most of the state-owned lands are in the northwest portion near Chandalar Lake and in the southern portion of the planning area, near the communities of Central and Circle.

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