
2. MANAGEMENT INTENT AND GUIDELINES BY MANAGEMENT UNIT

MANAGEMENT UNIT 1 – BROAD PASS

MANAGEMENT INTENT

This management unit is approximately 65% private land (primarily Native or Native selected). It includes most land immediately adjacent to the Parks Highway and railroad from two miles south of Broad Pass north to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough boundary. Generally, state land in this area should be managed to provide public recreation opportunities, and to protect the quality of fish and wildlife habitat. The McKinley Park caribou herd ranges into this area, as do moose and sheep; the area is especially important for winter recreation. All public lands in this unit are available for oil and gas leasing. Public lands in this unit also will remain open to mineral location and be available for coal leasing.

This management unit has been divided into 2 subunits: the primarily private, Native and university land from Broad Pass to Summit (1a), and the four blocks of state land (1b). See the maps at the end of this section for boundaries of these areas and the accompanying chart for a summary of land uses.

Subunit 1a is primarily private land which is not affected by this plan. There are five small parcels of university land in this subunit, all of which border or include land along the Parks Highway. Since there is very little public land on or adjacent to the Parks Highway in this unit, the possibility of trades should be investigated so several public use sites can be retained along the highway.

Subunit 1b will be managed to protect existing public use values — public recreation, scenic values, and wildlife habitat — by retaining land in public ownership.

MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

The complete set of areawide management guidelines is presented in Chapter 2 of this plan. All of the guidelines potentially apply to uses within this management unit; however, those that are most likely to be applicable are indicated with asterisks in the list below.

- Agriculture
- *Fish & Wildlife Habitat
- Forestry

- *Recreation Settlement
- *Subsurface Transportation
- Instream Flow
- *Lakeshore Management
- *Public Access Remote Cabin Permits
- *Stream Corridors
- *Trail Management
- Wetlands Management
- Resource Management

Management guidelines that apply to this management unit only are presented below.

Subunits 1a and 1b (Broad Pass Private Lands and Broad Pass Public Lands)

Public Access

Trails and public access points from the highway and railroad into the backcountry will be protected. Mining or other development will not be allowed to block public access.

Mining

In areas easily viewed from the Parks Highway or Alaska Railroad, stipulations attached to miscellaneous land use permits for mining operations will be designed to minimize adverse impacts on scenic quality. Stipulations should address reclamation; siting of processing facilities, access roads and tailing piles; and other activities affecting visual quality.

Scenic Highways

The study *Scenic Resources along the Parks Highway*, (ADNR, 1981) should be consulted for additional information on scenic resources whenever planning occurs for management activities which are likely to result in significant changes to visual quality along the Parks Highway.

LAND USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY

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SUBREGION North Parks Highway

MANAGEMENT UNIT 1 — Broad Pass

SUBUNIT	LAND OWNERSHIP (GENERALIZED)	LAND USE DESIGNATIONS				PROHIBITED SURFACE USE(S)*	COMMENTS
		SURFACE		SUBSURFACE			
		PRIMARY USE(S)	SECONDARY USE(S)	LOCATABLE MINERALS	LEASEABLE MINERALS		
1a Broad Pass- Private Lands	Native/ Univer- sity	Primarily Private Land	---	---	---		
1b Broad Pass- Public Lands	State	Public Recreation Wildlife Habitat	---	Open	Available for leasing	Remote Cabins Land Disposals	

*Other uses such as material sales, land leases, remote cabin permits, etc., that are not specifically prohibited may be allowed. Such uses will be allowed if consistent with the management intent statement and management guidelines of this unit, and with the relevant management guidelines in chapter 2.