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The HPMP also fulfill the requirements of AS 41.23.110, which requires the Commissioner to adopt a management plan for the Hatcher Pass Public Use Area (PUA), and the HPMP is hereby adopted for that purpose as well. State lands and waters within PUA will be managed by the Department consistent with the requirements of this plan.



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