

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

**AREA PLAN AMENDMENT**

**Tanana Basin Area Plan Amendment No. 90-002A56**  
Little Chena Management Unit, Subunit 1W4

related to the  
Proposed Two Ponds Subdivision - ADL 418281

The Commissioner of the State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources (DNR) finds that the following amendment to the Tanana Basin Area Plan, described more fully in the Attachment hereto, meets the requirements of AS 38.04.065 Land Use Planning and Classification and 11 AAC 55.010-030 Land Planning and Classification for Land Use Plans and hereby adopts the amendment. DNR will manage State-owned lands within the area of the revision consistent with this designation and management intent.

- Designation: Settlement
- Management Intent: Parcel is appropriate for disposal.

*(Note: This amendment to Management Unit 1W, Subunit 1W4 only affects an 80-acre parcel, within the N½SE¼ Section 1, Township 1 South, Range 1 East, Fairbanks Meridian.)*

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Concurrence by: Brent Goodrum  
Director  
Division of Mining, Land, and Water  
Department of Natural Resources  
State of Alaska

July 23, 2012

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Date

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Approved by: Daniel S. Sullivan  
Commissioner  
Department of Natural Resources  
State of Alaska

October 26, 2012

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Date

### **Reconsideration Provision**

A person affected by this decision who provided timely written comment or public hearing testimony on this decision may request reconsideration, in accordance with 11 AAC 02 Appeals. Any reconsideration request must be received within 20 calendar days after the date of "issuance" of this decision, as defined in 11 AAC 02.040 (c) and (d) and may be mailed or delivered to Daniel S. Sullivan, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, 550 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., Ste. 1400, Anchorage, Alaska 99501; faxed to 907.269.8918; or sent by electronic mail to [dnr.appeals@alaska.gov](mailto:dnr.appeals@alaska.gov).

If reconsideration is not requested by that date or if the commissioner does not order reconsideration on his own motion, this decision goes into effect as a final order and decision on the 31st day after issuance. Failure of the commissioner to act on a request for reconsideration within 30 days after issuance of this decision is a denial of reconsideration and is a final administrative order and decision for purposes of an appeal to Superior Court. The decision may then be appealed to Superior Court within a further 30 days in accordance with the rules of the court and to the extent permitted by applicable law. An eligible person must first request reconsideration of this decision in accordance with 11 AAC 02 before appealing this decision to Superior Court. A copy of 11 AAC 02 may be obtained from any regional information office of the Department of Natural Resources.

# ATTACHMENT

to the  
**TANANA BASIN AREA PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 90-002A56**

**Portion of Little Chena Management Unit, Subunit 1W4**

related to the  
Proposed Two Ponds Subdivision - ADL 418281

Name: Two Ponds Subdivision

Authority: The authority to revise plans derives from AS 38.04.065 (b) Land Use Planning and Classification; 11 AAC 55.030 (f) Land Use Plan defines when a revision constitutes a plan amendment.

Current Plan: The primary designated use within this subunit is High-Value Resource Management. Management intent specific to Subunit 1W4 provides that Subunit 1W4 may have some potential for agriculture, and that the subunit is designated Resource Management and will be managed for multiple uses until reevaluated and the plan amended.

Proposed Plan Amendment: The primary designation for the 80-acre parcel ADL 418281 is Settlement to allow the offering of the Two Ponds project area.

Explanation: The 80-acre parcel described as the proposed Two Ponds Subdivision project area was formerly used as a material extraction site (ADL 403936). The material extraction operation is completed, the closure of the material site is scheduled, and the parcel is appropriate for disposal to private individuals as provided in the Preliminary Decision for the Two Ponds Subdivision dated March 30, 2012. Therefore, the designation needs to be updated to Settlement.

Assessment: There are no other alternatives other than to designate the parcel as Settlement in order to effectuate the land disposal. The parcel is no longer valuable for material extraction and the soils and amenities of the area are better suited to Settlement than to Agriculture designation. The designation of this parcel as Settlement and the disposal to private ownership will help meet the demand for Settlement lands, provide income for the State of Alaska, and help mitigate ongoing land management issues in the project area.

Requirements of AS 38.04.065 (b): The factors identified in this section of statute have been considered in the Preliminary Decision for ADL 418281, issued on March 30, 2012 and the proposed action is consistent with that portion of the statute.