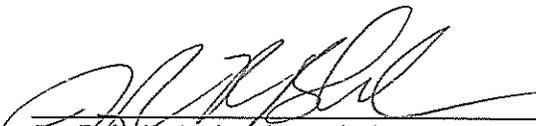


**2013 DETERMINATION OF RECLASSIFICATION and PLAN AMENDMENT
to the 2005 BRISTOL BAY AREA PLAN**

The Commissioner of Natural Resources finds that the 2013 Determination of Reclassification and Plan Amendment to the 2005 Bristol Bay Area Plan (BBAP) meets the requirements of AS 38.04.065, AS 38.05.300, and other applicable statutes, as well as the requirements of 11 AAC 55.010 -.280 pertaining to revision of area land use plans and classification and reclassification of state land. I further find that the Determination of Reclassification dated January 4, 2013, as modified by the List of Approved Revisions dated September 2013, makes suitable land classification determinations and provides an appropriate basis for the land classification revisions included in the 2013 Plan Amendment.

A Public Review Draft Determination of Reclassification (Determination) and Plan Amendment to the 2005 BBAP was released for public comment on January 4, 2013 for a 120 day review period. Comments received during the public review period are summarized, evaluated, and responded to in the Issue Response Summary. The List of Approved Revisions identifies all of the approved changes to the Public Review Draft of the Determination of Reclassification and Plan Amendment to the 2005 BBAP. Listed changes include land use classifications as well as other aspects of the Determination and Plan Amendment, such as unit designations, statements of management intent, and unit boundaries.

The Department of Natural Resources will manage those areas of state land affected by the 2013 Plan Amendment consistent with this Amendment. This Plan Amendment supersedes applicable portions of the 2005 Bristol Bay Area Plan and shall be the basis for state management decisions for affected areas. Except as modified by the 2013 Plan Amendment, all other aspects of the 2005 Bristol Bay Area Plan (BBAP) remain unchanged and state land management will continue to be guided by the 2005 BBAP.



Joe Balash, Acting Commissioner,
Department of Natural Resources

9/5/13

Date

A person affected by this decision may request reconsideration, in accordance with 11 AAC 02. Any reconsideration request must be received in writing 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. 7th Avenue, Suite 1400, Anchorage, Alaska 99501; or faxed to 1-907-269-8918; or sent by electronic mail to dnr.appeals@alaska.gov.

If reconsideration is not requested within the time allowed, or the commissioner does not order reconsideration or takes no action within 30 calendar days after issuance of this decision, this decision goes into effect and is a final administrative order and decision of the department on the 31st day after issuance. Failure of the commissioner to act on a request for reconsideration is an automatic denial of the request for reconsideration. This decision may then be appealed to Superior Court within a further 30 days in accordance with the Alaska 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.