

MANAGEMENT UNIT 1B

Goldstream Creek

MANAGEMENT INTENT

General. A portion of this unit is designated agriculture and may be offered for sale. The remainder of state land is retained in public ownership for multiple use management. The emphasis is on recreation and maintaining fish and wildlife habitat. Agricultural disposals will be closed to new mineral entry at the time of sale. The remainder of state land is open to mineral entry.

Agriculture. Agriculture is designated a primary use in Subunit 1B2. Approximately 17,350 acres may be offered for private ownership.

Goldstream I Agriculture (1B2)	5,735 acres
Goldstream II Agriculture (1B2)	6,615 acres
Goldstream III Agriculture (1B2)	5,000 acres

This project includes a large percentage of the total state-owned agricultural soils in the Fairbanks North Star Borough. This project should be sold in phases over several years to ensure that agriculture land is available to residents beyond just the short term.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is designated a primary use in subunits 1B1 and 1B3. The Goldstream Creek riparian zone is a special use area for black bears, most furbearers, small game, and moose (B-1 habitat; see Appendix A, *Glossary*). The riparian habitat should be maintained.

Trapping and sport hunting are very important activities in this unit. These uses, as well as wildlife viewing and trail use, should be maintained. Open space close to Fairbanks will become increasingly important as population increases.

Forestry. Forestry is designated a primary use in Subunit 1B3, and a secondary use in Subunit 1B1. Subunit 1B3 is adjacent to the Parks Highway, the Tanana Valley State Forest, and the Bonanza Creek Experimental Forest. This subunit is especially suited to small scale operations and forest research.

Recreation. Recreation is designated a primary use in subunits 1B1 and 1B3. Recreation should be facilitated by developing trails and trailheads along creeks and at railway and highway intersections. Foreground scenery along the Alaska Railroad should be maintained in a natural state.

Settlement. The 1990 TBAP Update redesignated the Left Fork Homestead project (Subunit 1B2; 120 acres) from settlement to forestry (Subunit 1B3). It will not be offered for settlement.

MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

Management guidelines that apply to all state land are listed in Chapter 2. Some or all of those guidelines may apply to uses in this unit.

LAND-USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY
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Subunit	Primary Surface Uses	Secondary Surface Uses	Subsurface ¹	Prohibited ² Surface Use	Comments
1B1	Public recreation Wildlife habitat	Forestry	Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	Goldstream Creek
1B2	Agriculture	Improved pasture grazing Public recreation Wildlife habitat	Closed prior to sale Closed to coal	Remote cabins	Plan map legend: 1B2 - Goldstream Ag
1B3	Forestry Public recreation Wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	

¹ Subsurface designations refer to locatable minerals. All areas are available for leasing for leasable minerals, except as noted for coal.

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