

MANAGEMENT UNIT 1W

Little Chena

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 maintaining fish and wildlife habitat and protecting future agricultural development.

Agricultural disposals will be closed to new mineral entry at the time of sale. The remainder of state land in this unit is open to mineral entry.

Agriculture. Agriculture is designated a primary use in Subunit 1W1. Acreage that may be offered for private ownership has not been determined.

Little Chena Agriculture (1W1)

Subunit 1W4 may have some potential for agriculture. This subunit is designated resource management and will be managed for multiple uses until reevaluated and the plan amended.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is designated a primary use in subunits 1W2 and 1W3. These subunits are prime-rated for moose and furbearers (B-1 habitat; see Appendix A, *Glossary*).

Forestry. Forestry has been designated a primary use in Subunit 1W3. Much of this management unit is black spruce, but some commercial timber values can be found adjacent to existing timber sales.

Recreation. Because of its close proximity to Fairbanks, this management unit receives much recreational use. Dog sledding, cross-country skiing, and hunting are some of the most common uses in this area. Many heavily used trails are located within this management unit, including the Chena Hot Springs Winter Trail.

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.

Agricultural disposals. Before disposal of land designated for agriculture within the Little Chena Management Unit, an on-site evaluation of each tract proposed for sale will be conducted to confirm the parcel's suitability for agricultural use. The Division of Agriculture will be responsible for this review. The review should be done in consultation with the Soil Conservation Service, the Division of Land, and the Department of Fish and Game.

Trails. Trail easements need to be reserved when designing the agricultural disposals planned for this management unit. A minimum of 200 feet (100 feet either side of centerline) will be retained in public ownership where the Chena Hot Springs winter trail passes through agricultural disposal projects.

LAND-USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY
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Subunit	Primary Surface Uses	Secondary Surface Uses	Subsurface ¹	Prohibited ² Surface Use	Comments
1W1	Agriculture		Closed prior to sale	Remote cabins	Plan map legend: 1W1 - Little Chena Ag
1W2	Wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	
1W3	Forestry Wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	
1W4	High value resource mgmt. -agriculture -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.