

MANAGEMENT UNIT 2J

West Fork of the Tolovana

MANAGEMENT INTENT

General. A portion of this unit is designated settlement and may be offered for sale. The remainder of state land is retained in public ownership for multiple use management. The emphasis is on maintaining fish and wildlife habitat and protecting future agricultural development opportunities.

Agriculture. Subunit 2J3 may have agriculture potential, although part of it may be too steep and high in elevation. This subunit is designated resource management and will be managed for multiple uses, especially maintaining habitat, until reevaluated and the plan amended. Agriculture development may be reduced if there is a substantial increase in mining.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is designated a primary use in subunits 2J2 and 2J7, and a secondary use in 2J6. It is prime-rated habitat for several raptor species. There is a heavy level of big and small game hunting, and intensive trapping along the road system (B-2 and C habitat; see Appendix A, *Glossary*). Tributaries of the Tolovana River, which are prime-rated salmon and resident fish habitat, support several small sport fisheries.

Forestry. Forestry is designated a primary use in Subunit 2J7, and a secondary use in Subunit 2J2. Timber values are relatively low, therefore it should be managed for personal use.

Minerals. The mineral values in this management unit are promising but undeveloped. Precious metal bearing breccias are known and massive sulfide may exist. Strong zinc geochemical samples have been found. Gold bearing bench gravels are known along Lost Creek.

Land disposals will be closed to new mineral entry at the time of sale. Subunit 2J5 is closed to new mineral entry because of conflicts with high recreation values. The remainder of state land is open to mineral entry.

Recreation. Recreation is designated a primary use in Subunit 2J5, Brown Lake.

Settlement. Settlement is designated a primary use in Subunits 2J1 and 2J6. Approximately 1,400 acres may be offered for private ownership.

Cascaden II Subdivision/Westridge Homestead (2J6)	400 acres
Lost Homestead (2J1)	1000 acres

If there is demand for land from Livengood residents within Subunit 2J6, DNR may offer additional lots in Cascaden II Subdivision/Westridge Homestead in 10-lot increments after the initial 10-lot lottery. In deciding whether to offer the land, DNR will evaluate the impact of the offering on the subsistence uses of surrounding villages. As part of the evaluation, DNR will consult with the Department of Fish and Game and the Department of Community and Regional Affairs. In addition, the department will solicit comments from Livengood, Minto, Stevens Village, Rampart, and Allakaket.

In response to public comment, the 1990 TBAP Update reduced the acreage for Cascaden Subdivision (400 acres called Westridge Subdivision in the 1985 TBAP) and Westridge Homestead (6,500 acres in the 1985 TBAP) to a combined total of 400 acres, subdivision or homestead.

Ten lots in Subunit 2J6 have been offered for private ownership. The acreage offered may have been less than the maximum amount shown. A portion of the developable land may be available for additional offerings.

Cascaden I Subdivision	100 Acres
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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.

Oil and gas. Surface entry for oil and gas exploration and development will, to the extent feasible and prudent, avoid Brown Lake recreation area.

Remote Cabins. State-owned land in Subunits 2J2 and 2J4 may be open to remote cabin permits. An interagency team will determine the areas to be opened and the number of permits to be allowed, after a detailed evaluation and public involvement.

Traditional Uses. Traditional fishing, hunting, and harvest of other resources for personal use is one of the principal uses of state land in this unit. Decisions to authorize land use activities will consider the effect on and minimize significant conflicts with traditional uses of fish and wildlife resources.

LAND-USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY
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Subunit	Primary Surface Uses	Secondary Surface Uses	Subsurface ¹	Prohibited ² Surface Use	Comments
2J1	Settlement		Closed prior to sale Closed to coal	Remote cabins	Plan map legend: 2J1 - Lost HS
2J2	Wildlife habitat	Forestry	Open	Land disposals	
2J3	High value resource mgmt. -agriculture -wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	
2J4	Low value resource mgmt.		Open	Land disposals	
2J5	Public recreation		Closed to location Closed to coal	Land disposals Leases Remote cabins	Brown Lake
2J6	Settlement	Wildlife habitat	Closed prior to sale Closed to coal	Remote cabins	Plan map legend: 2J6 - Cascaden II S/ Westridge HS Past project: Cascaden I S
2J7	Forestry Wildlife habitat		Open	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.