

MANAGEMENT UNIT 3P

Chitsia Mountain

MANAGEMENT INTENT

General. State land in this unit is retained in public ownership for multiple use management. The emphasis is on subsurface resources, maintaining fish and wildlife habitat, and protecting future agricultural development opportunities.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is designated a primary use in subunits 3P1 and 3P2. The area west of the upper Toklat River is important habitat for most wildlife species and prime rated habitat for grizzly bears and furbearers (B-1 habitat; see Appendix A, *Glossary*).

Minerals. Minerals has been designated a primary use in Subunit 3P2. The area has significant mineral potential for base metal deposits. A high grade occurrence grading 3% lead, 1% zinc, and over one

ounce/ton silver was found in oxidized rock on Chitsia Mountain. Extensive low grade mineralization is associated with this high grade zone. All state land in this unit is open to mineral entry.

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.

Remote cabins. State-owned land in Subunit 3P1 may be considered for remote cabin permits. An interagency team will determine areas to be opened and number of permits to be allowed, after a detailed evaluation and public involvement.

LAND-USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY- MANAGEMENT UNIT 3P: *Chitsia Mountain*

Subunit	Primary Surface Uses	Secondary Surface Uses	Subsurface ¹	Prohibited ² Surface Use	Comments
3P1	Wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals	
3P2	Minerals 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.