

MANAGEMENT UNIT 7A

Shaw Creek

MANAGEMENT INTENT

General. This unit will be retained in public ownership and managed for its forest resources and the protection of water quality, wildlife habitat, and public recreation values. This unit is open to mineral entry.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is designated a primary use in this management unit. Moose and waterfowl extensively use the area.

Forestry. Forestry has been designated a primary use in Subunit 7A2. This subunit is comprised of upland mixed spruce and hardwoods, similar to adjacent upland stands in the State Forest. Forest resource development shall be conducted in a manner that minimizes adverse impacts to the wildlife habitat within the Shaw Creek Flats.

Recreation. Recreation is a primary use of this unit. The existing trail network shall remain available for recreational access. Establishing new access trails

for recreational use or to reach other state land and resources must be compatible with maintaining the overall habitat value of this unit. The material site at Mile 81 will be managed for public recreation.

Other Resources. Material disposals may occur where consistent with and not detrimental to the primary management intent. Generally materials are available for highway and pipeline right-of-way maintenance when established sources are too distant for reasonable hauling costs.

Mining development plans for proposed material sites and sales must, at a minimum, designate overburden disposal methods, provisions for visual buffer retention, and site rehabilitation.

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 MANAGEMENT UNIT 7A: *Shaw Creek*

Subunit	Primary Surface Uses	Secondary Surface Uses	Subsurface ¹	Prohibited ² Surface Use	Comments
7A1	Public recreation Wildlife habitat		Open	Land sales Remote cabins	
7A2	Forestry Public recreation Wildlife habitat		Open	Land sales 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.