



REGIONAL FORESTERS UPDATE

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Staffing updates

New Staff

- Tok Area Forester – Kato Howard
- Fairbanks AFMO – John Dibert

Vacancies

- Tok FMO
- Tok Admin assistant
- Delta Operations foreman
- Fairbanks Prevention Technician



Fire and Fuels - Coastal

- Fuels Reduction projects
 - Southwest –
 - MTNT - shaded fuel breaks and mitigation around community refuse sites. 196 acres protecting 560 homes.
 - Mat-Su –
 - Hidden Hills Road - 200 foot shaded fuel break protecting the community of Caswell. 320 acres
 - Kenai –
 - Morgans landing, Kenai Peninsula College campus and city of Kenai, Russian River campground (RSA) – 100 acres

Personal Use Firewood

- Starting to see the normal seasonal increase in personal use permits.
- August – November activity
 - 187 permits, 691 cords mostly coming from Fairbanks, Mat-su and Delta.





Mat-Su beetle salvage

2 DPO's submitted for spruce salvage of beetle killed timber.

- 48 acre sale on Yoder road near Talkeetna
- 100 acre sale near Wasilla

Timber Bridge

- USFS announced that it will cease harvesting old growth timber in SE.
- State to offer 14MMBF/ year over the next 5 years
- Staffing is a challenge
 - Acting positions
 - Non-perms
 - Contractors



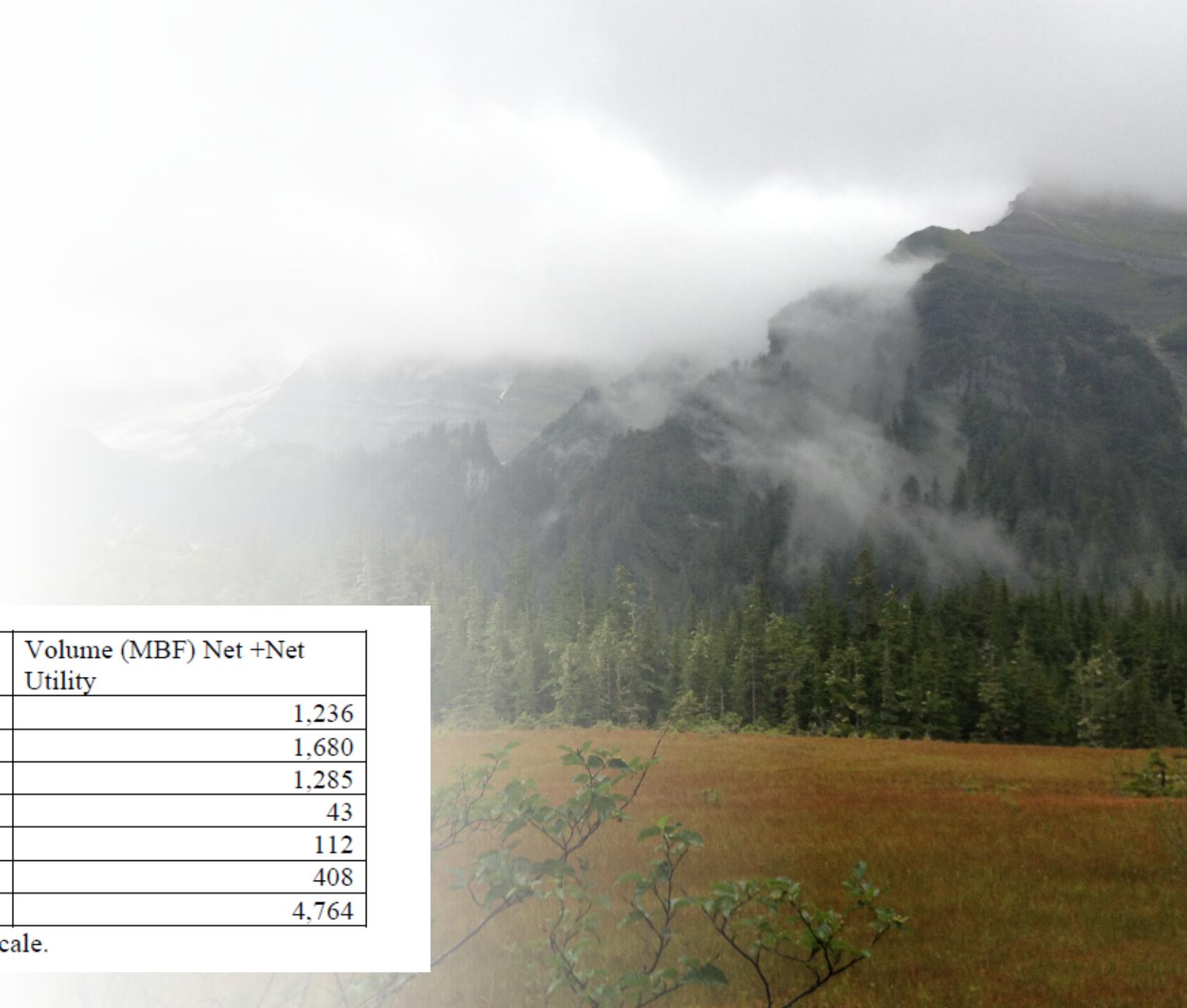


Edna Bay Parlay One

- 168 Acres in 2 units
- 4.7 MMBF
- Bids due by Nov 16

Species/ Type	Volume (MBF) Net +Net Utility
Old Growth Sitka Spruce	1,236
Old Growth western hemlock	1,680
All western red cedar	1,285
Young Growth Sitka Spruce	43
Young Growth Western Hemlock	112
Small log and utility	408
Total all types	4,764

*MBF= one thousand board feet Scribner log scale.



NR Active Sales

- 2 small fuelwood sales sold since last BOF meeting. One in Delta and one in Fairbanks
- 44 active sales serving 36 businesses
- 3336 acres under management



NR Pre-Sale



Area	Spruce	Birch	Acres
Fairbanks	7	2	298
Delta	4	0	190
Tok	5	0	250
Total	16	2	1,268

Forest Inventory

- FIA – southwest unit complete
 - – 200 plots installed
- FHM/ Evaluation Monitoring Grant
 - 17 Mat-Su CAFI plot remeasurement
- McIntire Stennis Capacity Grant
 - Birch regeneration and site preparation
 - 12 units complete (181 plots)
 - Proposal for CAFI remeasurement
 - 5 plots planned
- Fort Wainwright Forest Inventory
 - 45 plots completed, Added FGA, TFTA
- Levels of Growing Stock
 - Bonanza Creek site complete
 - Tok site next year





TVSF management plan update

- Kick off meeting October 4th with core management group
- Internal issues identified, working on plan format
- Public Scoping to start in December

