

Haines State Forest Resource Management Area

Management Plan Amendment 2024



STATE OF ALASKA
DIVISION OF FORESTRY & FIRE PROTECTION



Haines State Forest

Mission & Purpose

- The **primary purposes** for the establishment of the Haines State Forest Resource Management Area are the utilization, perpetuation, conservation, and production of the land and water including but not limited to the **use of renewable and nonrenewable resources through multiple-use management *and* the continuation of other beneficial uses including traditional uses and other recreational activities.** (AS 41.15.300(a))

Sustained Yield

The achievement and maintenance in perpetuity of a high level annual or regular periodic output of the variable renewable resources of forest land and water without significant impairment of the productivity of the land and water but does not require that timber be harvested in a non-declining yield basis over a rotation period (AS41.17.950(17))



Multiple Use Management

The term “multiple use” as defined by the Alaska Forest Resources and Practices Act (FRPA) (41.17.950 (8)) means

1. The management of all the various resources of forest land so that they are used in the combination that will best meet the needs of the citizens of Alaska, making the most judicious use of the land for some or all of these resources or related values, benefits, and services over areas large enough to provide sufficient latitude for periodic adjustment in use to conform to changing needs and conditions;
2. That some land will be used for less than all of the resources; and
3. Harmonious and coordinated management of the various resources, each with the other, without significant impairment of the productivity of the land and water, with consideration being given to the relative values of the various resources, and not necessarily the combination of uses



The Haines State Forest Management Plan

Chapter 1

- Description of the Management Plan and its relationship to other plans

Chapter 2

- Description of the land base
- Summary of forest resources
- Management policies coordinating use of multiple resources

Chapter 3

- Identifies management units and management policies for each unit

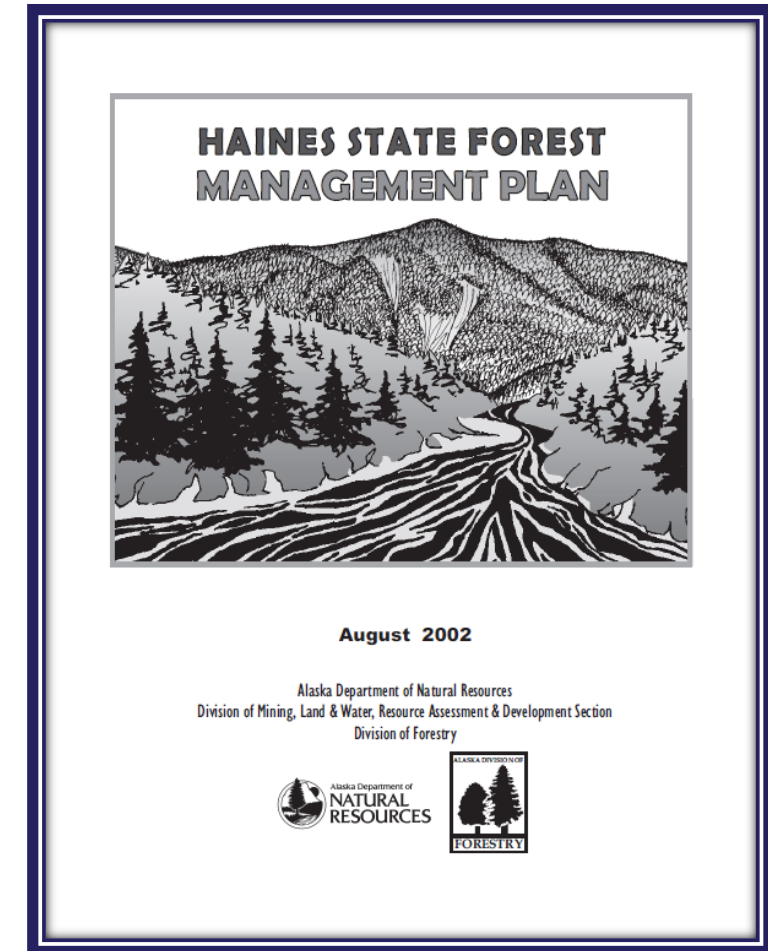
Chapter 4

- Summary of actions necessary to implement the plan
- Plan modification procedures

Appendices

- Definitions, land classification records, special uses, etc.

DOF is required by statute to adopt a Forest Management Plan for each State Forest (AS 41.17.230).



What a Forest Management Plan is

- A Broad-scale, long term conceptual document
- A planning tool
- Written to keep possible uses as open and flexible as possible
- Bound by expectations written in Alaska Statute
- Description of management principles



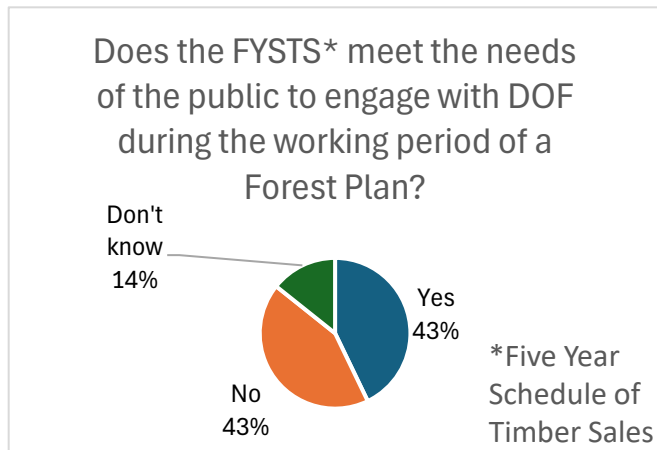
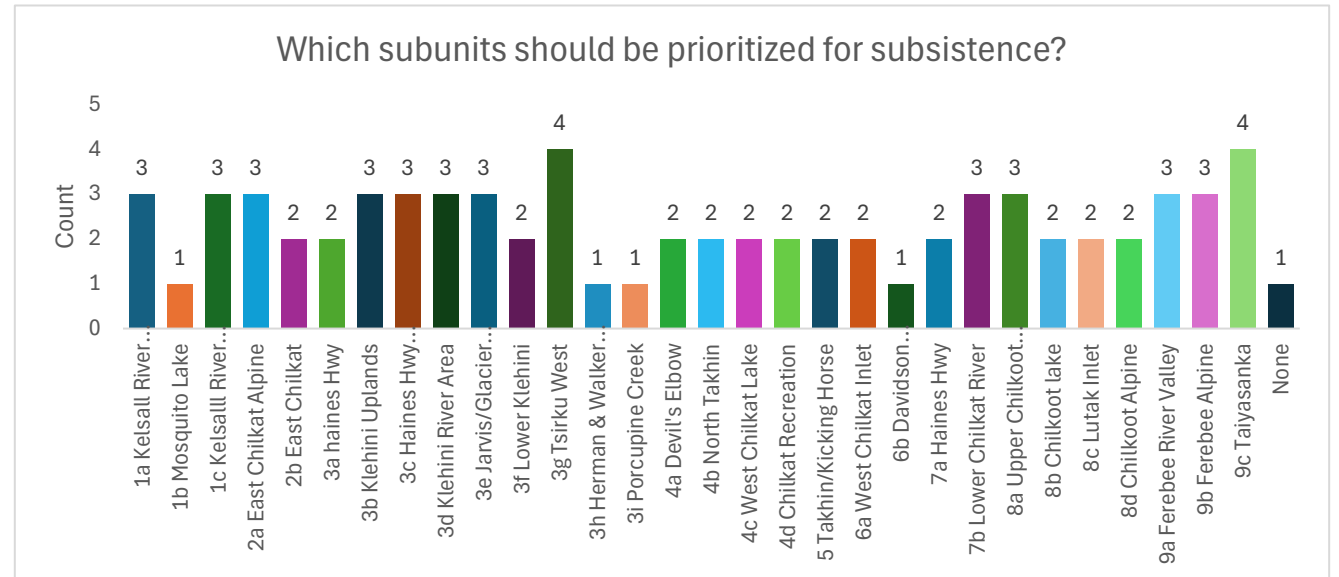
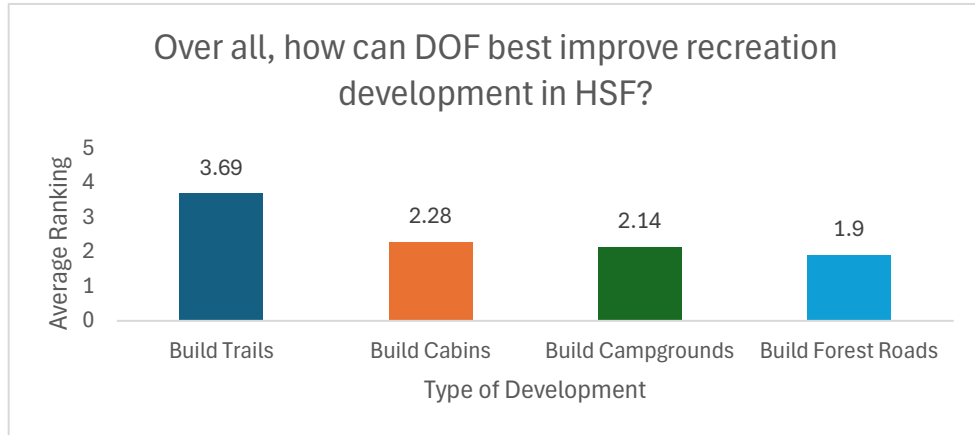
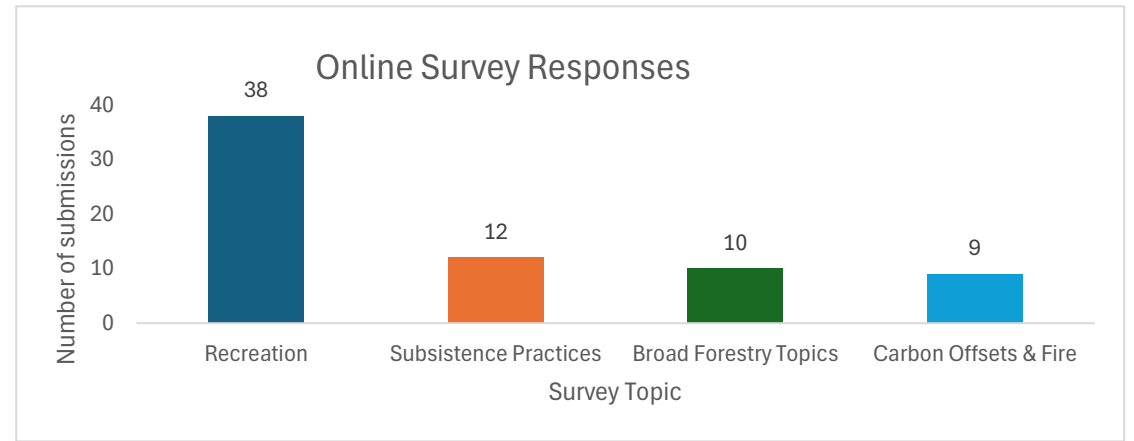
“If _____ permit were applied for in 2034, what considerations would help foresters at that time make an informed decision?”

What a Forest Management Plan *is not*

- A decision document
- Prescriptive
- Specific to any one project or objective
- An outline of intended projects or developments



Scoping surveys, May-October 2024



Thank you for taking time to participate!

2024 Amendment to the HSF Management Plan

Goals for 2024 Amendment

- Include carbon offset projects as a potential use on forest classified lands
- Editorial changes to increase consistence throughout the document
- Technical updates including updated forest inventory data, ADF&G contributions, and land status changes



Scoping period

Draft
Development;
Review of
Proposed Changes

Issue Response
Summary

Submit to
Commissioner

Implementation

October 2024



Moving Forward

Release of draft plan for public Review: **December 15, 2024**

- Review period will last 60 days

Planners review and consolidate comments

Submit to Commissioner's office for Signature: **April 15, 2025**

Public meetings

- Haines: February 5, 2025
- Klukwan: February 6, 2025

Release of Issue Response Summary: **March 15, 2025**

- Final, 30-day review period



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