

# Tanana Valley State Forest

Management Plan Revision 2024

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STATE OF ALASKA  
DIVISION OF FORESTRY & FIRE PROTECTION

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## Mission & Purpose

- The **primary purpose** in the establishment of state forests is **timber management** that provides for the **production, utilization, and replenishment** of timber resources **while allowing other beneficial uses** of public land and resources. (AS 41.17.200)
- The **wildlife management objective** of the Tanana Valley State Forest is the production of wildlife for a high level of sustained yield for human use through habitat improvement techniques to the extent consistent with the primary purpose of a state forest under AS 41.17.200.

### 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))



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# 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 Tanana Valley State Forest Management Plan

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

## 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

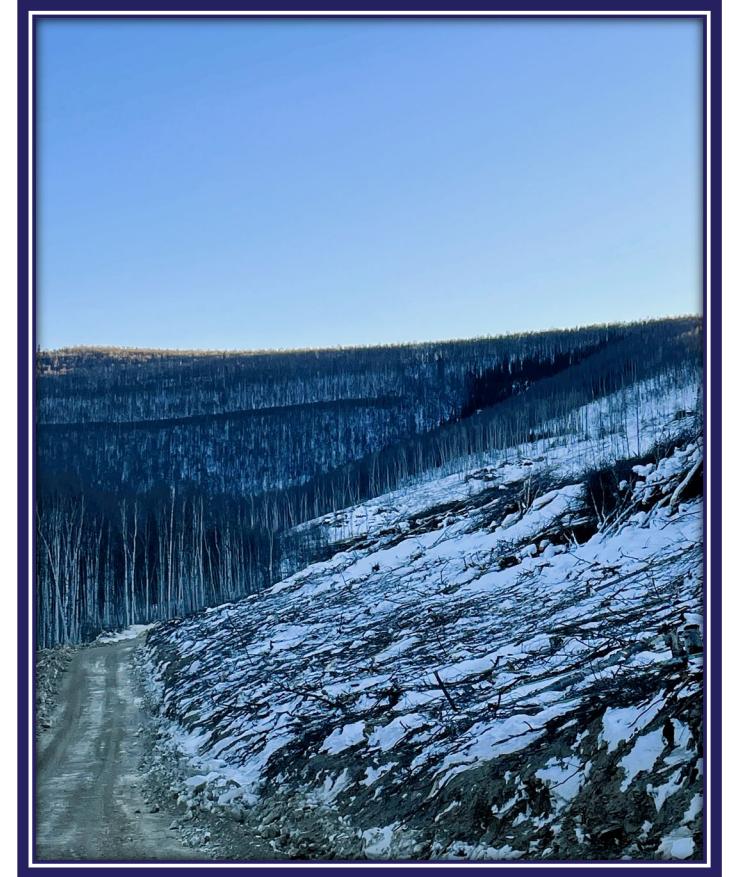
## Appendices

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



# What a Forest Management Plan is

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



**“If \_\_\_\_\_ project were proposed in 2034, what considerations would help foresters at that time make an informed decision?”**

# What a Forest Management Plan *is not*

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

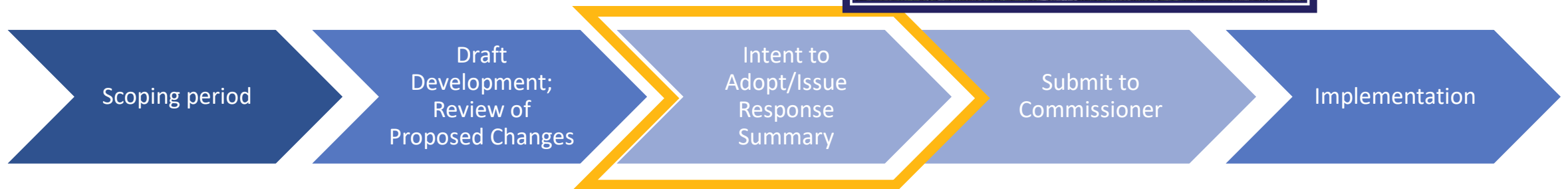




# 2024 Revision to the TVSF Management Plan

## Goals for ITA Period

- Allow the public to see changes made to the draft plan.
- Share responses to public comments that were submitted in Fall-Winter 2024
- Provide a final opportunity for feedback



# Moving Forward

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## Release of Intent to Adopt Package

- Review period ends  
4/18/25

## Submit to Commissioner's office for Signature:

- Plan Draft
- Recommended revisions
- Land Classification Order

## Summarize Comments & Recommended Revisions

The final draft and  
recommended revisions will be  
released to the public when  
they are submitted for  
approval.



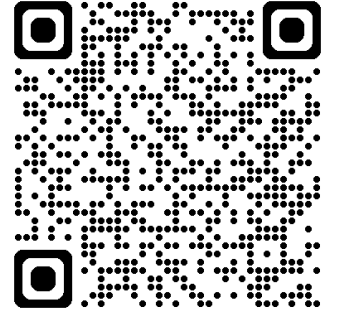


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# THANK YOU

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**Please submit your comments in writing  
by 5:00pm, Friday, April 18, 2025**

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