State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry and Fire Protection Southeast Area Office Draft Forest Land Use Plan

February 21, 2025 Forest Land Use Plan Amended

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Fire Protection (DOF), gives formal notice per AS 38.05.945 that the Division proposes to adopt a site-specific Forest Land Use Plan (FLUP) under AS 38.05.112 and the administrative standards of AS 41.17.060 for the commercial timber sale: Edna Bay Parlay Three Timber Sale (SSE-1342-3).

This timber sale is located on Kosciusko Island, centered approximately two miles west of the City of Edna Bay. The legal description of the sale area is within Sections 1 and 2 of Township 69 South, Range 76 East, all in Copper River Meridian. Access to the sale area is by a log transfer facility in Section 34 and from existing road systems.

The harvest units total approximately 166 acres and contain approximately 4,757 MBF of timber. This volume will be sold under the provisions of AS 38.05.120, in the form of one sale.

The FLUP is intended to provide the best available information regarding the proposed timber harvest on 166 acres and the management of other non-timber uses in compliance with AS 38.05.112 and AS 41.17.060, and must be adopted by the DOF before the proposed activity can occur. This FLUP does not determine whether or not to access and sell timber within the timber sale area, nor the method of sale. Those decisions have been made previously in the March 9, 2017 Best Interest Finding and are not appealable under this FLUP.

The draft forest land use plan (FLUP) noticed on February 6, 2025 for the Parlay Three timber (SSE-1342-3) sale has been amended. The original comment period has been extended.

The public is invited to comment on the FLUP. Comments can be submitted by mail or by email using the contact information listed below. Comments must be received at the Division of Forestry office no later than **March 24, 2025**, in order to be considered in the adopted FLUP. To be eligible to appeal the adopted FLUP a person must have provided written comment by **March 24, 2025**.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT COMMENTS CONTACT:

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Copies of the FLUP are available for review at the division's Area Office, the division's web site along with the community libraries in Craig, Thorne Bay, Edna Bay, Ketchikan, Petersburg and Wrangell and at the State Online Public Notice System at http://notice.alaska.gov/218367.

The following is a summary of changes to the original FLUP document:

- III. Harvest Methods, Silvicultural Actions, and Management of Non-timber Resources
- **B.** Timber Harvest Activities

- Total acreage increased from 114 acres to 166 acres
 - Added 38 acres to Unit 1
 - o Added Unit 2, 14 acres

E. Soil Stability / Erosion / Mass Wasting

• Maximum percent slope changed from 55% to 100% after further site evaluation. Steep slopes are less than 100 feet in run and are associated with rock outcrops.

IV. Roads and Crossing Structures

A. Road Design, Construction, Reconditioning, and Maintenance

- New road construction increased from 0.62 miles to 0.86 miles
 - o Spur 1520201-100 added to access timber on south end of Unit 1

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