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Forest Land Use Plan

Northwest Coffman Timber Sale
SSE-1395 K
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Abbreviations

ADEC	Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation
ADF&G	Alaska Department of Fish and Game
ADNR	Alaska Department of Natural Resources
BIF	Best interest finding
DMLW	Division of Mining, Land and Water
DFFP	Division of Forestry & Fire Protection
FLUP	Forest Land Use Plan
FRPA	Alaska Forest Resources and Practices Act
FYSTS	Five-Year Schedule of Timber Sales
MBF	Thousand board feet
OHA	Office of History and Archeology
POG	Productive old growth
POW	Prince of Wales
POWIAP	Prince of Wales Island Area Plan
ROW	Right-of-way
SESF	Southeast State Forest
SESFMP	Southeast State Forest Management Plan
UA	University of Alaska
USFS	United States Forest Service

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I. Introduction

Project File Number: SSE-1393 K

Division of Forestry & Fire Protection Office: Southeast
Coastal Regional Forester: Greg Palmieri
Forest Practices Geographic Region (AS 41.17.950): Region I

This Forest Land Use Plan (FLUP) covers forest operations on approximately 350 acres of land on Prince of Wales Island, located on state lands between Grassy Lake and Coffman Cove on Prince of Wales Island. It is intended to provide the best available information regarding the proposed harvest of timber, and management of other non-timber uses in compliance with AS 38.05.112 and AS 41.17.060 and must be adopted by the DNR before the proposed activity can occur.

This Forest Land Use Plan is for timber sale(s) which have been determined to be in the best interest of the state pursuant to AS 38.05.035 (e) and AS 38.05.945. 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 Best Interest Finding and are not appealable under this FLUP.

A draft of this plan was distributed to the Alaska Department of Fish & Game (ADF&G) and the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) for their review and comments relevant to the consistency of this proposed project with the statutes governing forest land use plans (AS 38.05.112) and the requirements of the Alaska Forest Resources & Practices Act (AS 41.17) and its Regulations (11 AAC 95).

This Forest Land Use Plan was made available for public comments; the review period ended on November 9, 2026. After public and agency review of the draft FLUP, the DNR reviewed comments (Appendix D) and made no substantive changes to the Forest Land Use Plan operational content.

This Forest Land Use Plan is procedurally adopted by the Department of Natural Resources. Site specific compliance with the Alaska Forest Resources and Practices Act and the Regulations, as well as the Final Finding for this proposed project are reflected in this Forest Land Use Plan and will be implemented in the Timber Sale Contract. An eligible person affected by this decision, and who provided timely written comment or public testimony to the department, may request reconsideration of the decision to the DNR Commissioner per AS 44.37.011 and 11 AAC 02.

Other Documents are referenced in this FLUP. This timber sale is designed to be consistent with the management intent of the following documents:

- Alaska Forest Resources & Practices Act
- Prince of Wales Island Area Plan
- Southeast State Forest Management Plan
- NW Coffman Timber Sale Best Interest Finding SSE-1395-K

The administrative record for this sale is maintained at the Division of Forestry & Fire Protection Southeast Area Office filed as SSE-1395 K.

A. Location, Access, and Legal Description

The sale area is located west of the community of Coffman Cove on Prince of Wales Island. The access to the area is via the POW road system, specifically the USFS Road 3030500 off the Coffman Cove Highway. The timber sale area is found within Sections 33, 34, & 35 Township 67 South, Range 81 East and Sections 2, 3, and 4 Township 68 South, Range 81 East, Copper River Meridian. The sale area is found within the Petersburg A-3 USGS quadrangle. See Appendix A1, Northwest Coffman Timber Sale SSE–1395 K, Area Map.

B. Operational Period

Approximately Winter 2026 through end of 2030.

C. Timber Disposal

The timber is sold to Viking Lumber Company, and the contract is administered by the State.

D. Objectives and Summary

1. To follow the Alaska Department of Natural Resources' (ADNR) constitutional mandate to encourage the development of the State's renewable resources, making them available for maximum use consistent with the public interest;
2. To help the State's economy by providing royalties to the State in the form of stumpage receipts, an infusion to the State's economy through wages, purchases, jobs, and business.
3. To help the local economy of the communities within southern Southeast Alaska by creating additional jobs due to the combination of road building, logging, trucking and potentially milling.

II. Affected Landowners/Jurisdictions

A. State

Activity on ownership:	Access Easement	Harvest	Written Representative Approval
☒ Southeast State Forest	☐	☒	☐
☒ Other state land managed by DNR	☐	☒	☒
☐ University of Alaska	☐	☐	☐
☐ Mental Health Trust	☐	☐	☐
☐ School Trust	☐	☐	☐

B. Other Land Interests

Land Interest, Representative: USFS (3030500 Road).

III. Harvest Methods, Silvicultural Actions, and Management of Non-timber Resources

Forest operations will be designed to:

- Protect fish habitat and water quality in compliance with the best management practices in 11 AAC 95.260-.370,
- Manage for the other land uses and activities identified in AS 41.17.060 and the Best Interest Finding for this timber sale, and
- Ensure prompt reforestation and maintenance of site productivity in compliance with AS 41.17.060(c) and 11 AAC 95 .375-.390 in consultation with the primary DNR land manager, as required.

Harvest and Silvicultural Methods:

The silvicultural actions are described in this document, and no prescription was written or is necessary.

A. Timber Stand Description and History

The proposed harvest area is primarily composed of commercial forest with old growth characteristics. Western red cedar and western hemlock make up most of the commercial species along with minor components of Sitka spruce and Alaska yellow cedar. The timber identified in this sale is largely on poorly drained organic soils with steeper areas composed of metamorphic rock with igneous intrusions. The larger and better-quality timber is located on the well-drained soils with moderate terrain.

B. Timber Harvest Activities

Timber Harvest Activities are displayed in Table 1.

Table 1. Timber Harvest Activities

Unit-Setting ID	Acres	Topography	Silvicultural Action	Logging Method
1	112.3	Irregular Slopes	Even-aged Management	Shovel Logging
2	34.4	Irregular Slopes	Even-aged Management	Shovel Logging
4	133.1	Irregular Slopes	Even-aged Management	Shovel Logging
10	37.3	Irregular Slopes	Even-aged Management	Shovel Logging
11	18.4	Irregular Slopes	Even-aged Management	Shovel Logging
12	3.5	Flat	Even-aged Management	Shovel Logging
13	6.7	Flat	Even-aged Management	Shovel Logging
Total	345.8			

C. Site Preparation and Conditions

Site preparation will not be necessary. There will be sufficient soil disturbance by logging to forgo the need for additional ground scarification.

D. Slash Abatement

Scatter slash; accumulations will be kept to less than 2 feet in height. The operator will use slash for puncheon in shovel logging trails to protect soil from displacement, erosion and compaction. Accumulated slash not dispersed within the harvest area and exceeding 2 feet in height will be disposed of by the operator.

E. Soil Stability/Erosion/Mass Wasting

There are no indicators of unstable areas.
Maximum percent slopes are ≤50%

Percentage of sale area with slopes >50%: 5%

F. Site Preparation and Conditions

Timber Harvest—Surface Water Protection

☒ Known surface waters and protection measures are described in Table 3 below. *Locations are included in the operational map in the Appendices.*

Table 3. Protection for Known Surface Waters

Unit	Waterbody Name	AS 41.17.950 Classification	ADF&G AWC #	Required Riparian Protection	Site-specific actions to minimize impacts on riparian area
All	Numerous and Unnamed	Non-classified surface waters	NA	Follow Best Management Practices (BMPS)	Split yard, site specific crossing approval of DFFP
1, 4, 11	Numerous and Unnamed	Resident Fish	NA	Follow BMPS.	Split yard, fell timber away from streams. Fish Habitat permit from ADFG required at crossings
1-2, 4, 10-13	Numerous and Unnamed	Non-Cataloged Anadromous	NA	100 ft	Retain timber per AS 41.17.118(a)1(A) and B. Fish Habitat permit from ADFG required at crossings

Surface waters listed above were reviewed by the Department of Fish and Game:
☒ During the timber sale planning process
☒ During the agency review conducted for the Best Interest Finding for this sale
☒ During the drafting of this Forest Land Use Plan
☒ Stream Crossings (Title 16) Permits are needed per ADF&G Division of Habitat
Surface waters listed above were reviewed by the Department of Environmental Conservation:
☒ During the timber sale planning process
☒ During the agency review conducted for the Best Interest Finding for this sale

Non-classified surface waters are subject to applicable BMPs in 11 AAC 95.

Notes:

G. Wildlife Habitat

Wildlife species and allowances for their important habitats were addressed in writing by the Department of Fish & Game during the Best Interest Finding review.

Silvicultural practices to be applied to minimize impacts to wildlife habitat or wildlife management:
Snag Retention- snags or isolated trees left for cavity nesting species.
Other actions

Notes: To the extent that safety permits, Snags and obvious cull trees without Dwarf Mistletoe may at the purchaser's discretion be left standing at a density of three per acre. The intent is to provide bat roosting and bird habitat. Cull western red and yellow cedar snags are preferred over western hemlock. Recommendations for fisheries and wildlife habitat protection by ADF&G to the proposal of activities in the BIF resulted in changes to the proposed harvest unit configurations. In several locations due to the extent and orientation of the tributaries, identified during the FLUP process as non-cataloged anadromous streams, additional timber outside the regulatory minimums has been identified to be retained. All road crossings of anadromous habitat made in this harvest design will require a permit from ADF&G. Harvest boundaries were adjusted to protect important wildlife habitat.

H. Cultural and Historical Resource Protection

This project was reviewed by the State Historic and Preservation Office (SHPO).
No artifacts have been reported within the proposed timber sale.

I. Other Resources Affected by Timber Harvest and Management

☒ There are other resources and areas of concern besides surface water, fish habitat, and wildlife habitat that may be affected. Mitigations actions were addressed in the Best Interest Finding.

Table 4. Other Affected Resources / Areas of Concern

Impacted Resource	Reviewing Agency	Impact/ Mitigation Actions
Scenic	DFFP	None
Safety	DFFP	Public proximity/see notes

Notes: Warning signs shall be posted where harvest activity such as falling, yarding, or trucking are occurring adjacent to the existing road system.

J. Reforestation

Harvest type as it relates to reforestation requirement:
Even-age

Season of harvest:
All-season harvest

Regeneration type:
Natural regeneration

List species: Sitka spruce *(Picea sitchensis*), western red cedar *(Thuja plicata*), western hemlock *(Tsuga heterophylla*), and Alaska yellow cedar *(Callitropsis nootkatensis)*.

IV. Roads and Crossing Structures

A. Road Design, Construction, and Maintenance

Roads will be designed, constructed, and maintained to prevent significant adverse impacts on water quality and fish habitat (AS 41.17.060(b)(5)), and site productivity (AS 41.17.060(c)(5)). Roads will comply with the best management practices in the Forest Resources and Practices Regulations (11 AAC 95.285 – 95.335). All roads used in this timber sale will conform at a minimum to the Division of Forestry Road Standards, site specific design may supersede this standard and will typically be specified and applied through the timber sale contract.

Roads or other means required for the access and removal of this timber from the harvest area(s) or unit(s) are listed in Table 5A and 5B.

Table 5A. Road Reconstruction

Road ID	Segment	Harvest Unit	Mile**	Road Class	Reconstructed By	Maintained By
3030505	10	All	0.233	Spur	Purchaser	Purchaser
3030506	10	All	0.408	Spur	Purchaser	Purchaser

Table 5B. New Road Construction and Use

Road ID	Segment	Harvest Unit	Mile**	Road Class	Maximum Grade %	Constructed By	Maintained By
3030506	20	All	0.619	Spur	15	Purchaser	Purchaser

Road ID	Segment	Harvest Unit	Mile**	Road Class	Maximum Grade %	Constructed By	Maintained By
3030506	30	1, 2, 10-13	0.343	Spur	15	Purchaser	Purchaser
3030506	40	1, 2, 10-13	0.826	Spur	18	Purchaser	Purchaser
3030506	50	2, 10-13	0.995	Spur	18	Purchaser	Purchaser
3030506	60	10 & 11	0.197	Spur	15	Purchaser	Purchaser
30305061	10	1	0.114	Spur	18	Purchaser	Purchaser
3030507	10	1 & 4	0.944	Spur	18	Purchaser	Purchaser
3030507	20	4	0.035	Spur	5	Purchaser	Purchaser
3030507	30	4	0.276	Spur	5	Purchaser	Purchaser
30305075	10	4	0.111	Spur	15	Purchaser	Purchaser
30305075	20	4	0.073	Spur	5	Purchaser	Purchaser
30305076	10	4	0.032	Spur	15	Purchaser	Purchaser
30305077	10	4	.189	Spur	18	Purchaser	Purchaser
Blue Whale Road	10	10	.407	Spur	18	Purchaser	Purchaser
Total			5.80		18	Purchaser	Purchaser

Road Class is as defined in the DOF Road Standards.
**Note: Roads must be less than 20% grade per 8 AAC 61.1060 Additional Logging Standards.*
*** One station equals 100 feet. One mile equals 5,280 feet.*

Notes:

B. Road Erosion / Mass Wasting

Maximum percentage slopes of roads: 25%

☒ Maximum percent side slopes are ≤50%

C. Crossing Structures

Are you removing or replacing drainage structures? ☐ YES ☒ NO

Crossing structures will be placed in access roads as described in the table below:

Table 6. Required Drainage and Crossing Structures on Known Surface Waters

Road ID	Segment	Mile/ Station or Point Label	Bridge Length (ft.) or Culvert Diameter (in.)	Structure Type	AS 41.17.950 Stream Classification	ADF&G AWC Number	Duration of crossing structure in place
3030505	10	00+00	18 IN	CPP	Ditch Line Surface Water	NA	Ten years after timber harvest (*)
3030505	10	06+08	18 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
3030505	10	08+32	24 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
3030505	10	10+12	18 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
3030506	10	02+22	36 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
3030506	10	07+50	24 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	10	13+11	18 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
3030506	10	18+23	18 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
3030506	20	26+83	48 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	20	27+45	60 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	20	28+32	60 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	20	31+32	36 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
3030506	20	37+39	18 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	20	47+59	18 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	30	60+65	24 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	30	63+11	18 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	30	66+13	18 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*

Road ID	Segment	Mile/ Station or Point Label	Bridge Length (ft.) or Culvert Diameter (in.)	Structure Type	AS 41.17.950 Stream Classification	ADF&G AWC Number	Duration of crossing structure in place
3030506	30	71+41	18 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	30	71+99	18 IN	CCP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	40	81+19	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	40	82+13	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	40	82+96	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	40	83+47	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	40	86+58	18 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	40	88+24	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	40	99+02	36 IN	CPP	Uncatalogued Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	50	126+34	18 IN	CCP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	50	139+26	18 IN	CCP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030506	50	143+13	18 IN	CCP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	50	151+23	24 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	50	154+65	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	50	155+61	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	50	157+07	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	50	159+61	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	50	167+55	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	60	168+66	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030506	60	171+83	48 IN	CPP	Resident Fish	NA	*

Road ID	Segment	Mile/ Station or Point Label	Bridge Length (ft.) or Culvert Diameter (in.)	Structure Type	AS 41.17.950 Stream Classification	ADF&G AWC Number	Duration of crossing structure in place
3030507	10	04+94	18 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030507	10	10+38	18 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030507	10	18+93	18 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
3030507	10	32+31	24 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030507	10	40+45	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030507	10	41+42	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030507	10	42+02	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030507	10	49+41	18 IN	CPP	<12% Tributary to Anadromous	NA	*
3030507	30	52+57	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030507	30	53+39	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
3030507	30	60+27	18 IN	CPP	Surface water	NA	*
30305075	10	00+84	18 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	End of Harvest
30305075	10	05+57	18 IN	CCP	Surface Water	NA	End of Harvest
Blue Whale Road	10	06+14	18 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
Blue Whale Road	10	08+45	18 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
Blue Whale Road	10	09+46	24 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
Blue Whale Road	10	12+30	18 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*
Blue Whale Road	10	17+94	18 IN	CPP	Surface Water	NA	*

Corrugated Plastic Pipe (CPP)

D. Road Closure

Roads constructed for the timber sale that are left open will be subject to maintenance standards under 11 AAC 95. 315. Otherwise, roads constructed for the timber sale will be closed, subject to standards under 11 AAC 95.320.

Table 7. Road Closures

Road ID	Segment	Unit	Closure Type All Season/Winter	Estimated Closure Date	Projected Road Use after Timber Harvest
30305061	10	1	FRPA Closure	Timber Sale Termination	Firewood/Shake/Shingle Salvage
30305075	10	4	FRPA Closure	Timber Sale Termination	Firewood/Shake/Shingle Salvage
30305075	20	4	FRPA Closure	Timber Sale Termination	Firewood/Shake/Shingle Salvage
30305076	10	4	FRPA Closure	Timber Sale Termination	Firewood/Shake/Shingle Salvage
30305077	10	4	FRPA Closure	Timber Sale Termination	Firewood/Shake/Shingle Salvage

E. Material Extraction

☒ Material extraction and associated overburden disposal will be located outside of riparian areas and muskegs. Material extraction and disposal will be in a manner that prevents runoff from entering surface waters. All material sites will require the submittal of site plans and prior approval of the DFFP. Where feasible rock borrow for the road construction shall be developed from adjacent to the access roads constructed and used to access the timber sale.

**Other:
Rock used in the construction of the roads shall be preapproved by the DFFP. Rock samples from a proposed pit, or the designated rock source identified in the BIF, must be cleared of acidic leeching minerals according to required standards before a material can be approved for use on the road system. As a result, all pits developed associated with this sale are subject to site specific approval by the DFFP.

F. Other Resources Affected by Roads or Material Extraction

List resources other than water, habitat or cultural resources potentially impacted by road construction, and indicate how impacts will be mitigated. Other affected resources could be, but are not limited to mining claims, scenic areas, recreational trails, etc.

Table 8. Other Affected Resources

Impacted Resource	Reviewing Agency	Impact / Mitigation Actions
USFS Managed 3030500	USFS	Degradation of surface and traffic safety precipitated from heavy slower truck traffic/

V. Approvals

This Forest Land Use Plan has been reviewed by the Division of Forestry & Fire Protection and provides the information necessary to be adopted by the Department of Natural Resources as required by AS 38.05.112.

John Cothran — 11/19/2026

Commissioner
Alaska Department of Natural Resources

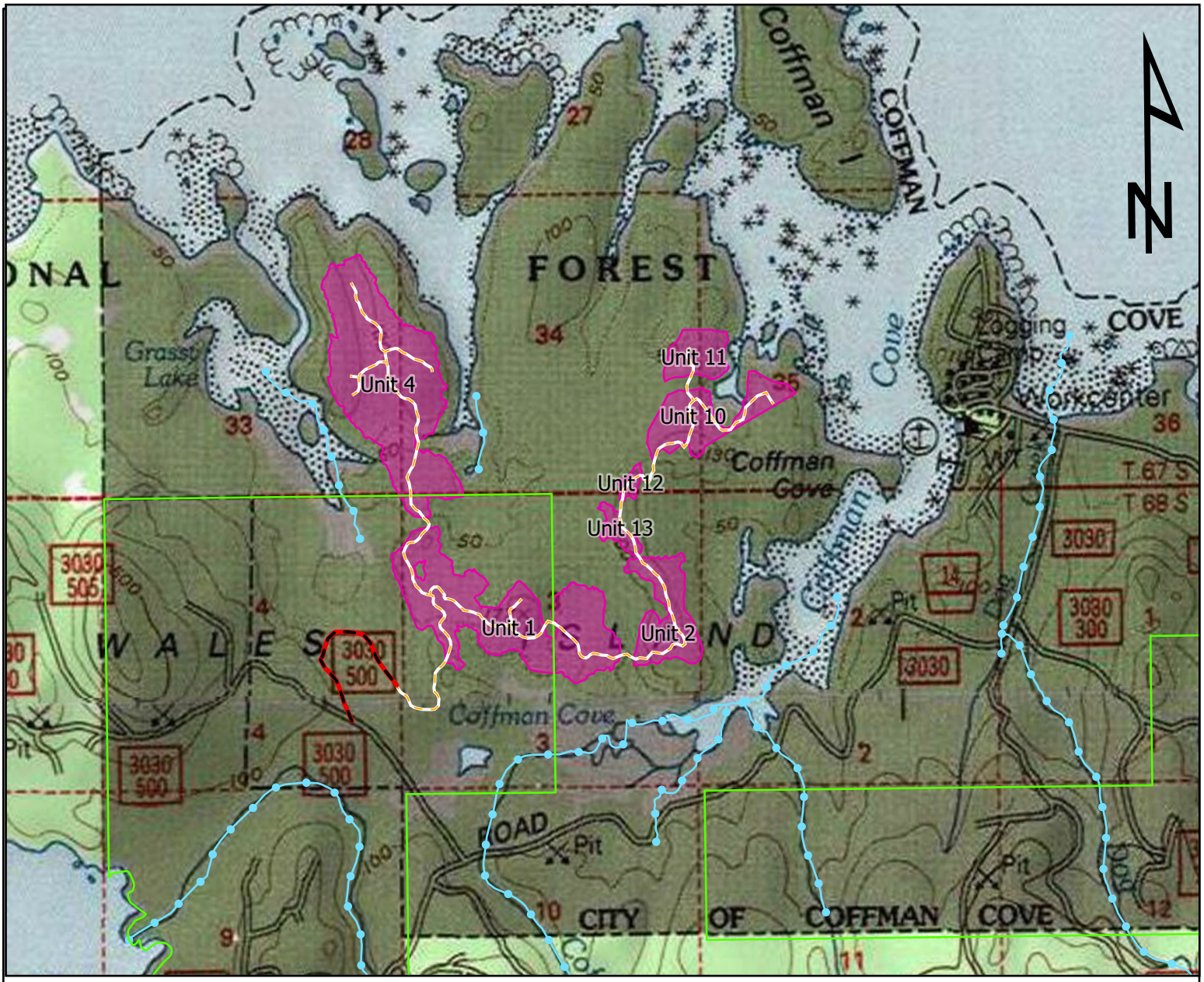
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If you have any questions, please contact the Southern Southeast Area Office at (907) 225-3070 or e-mail dnr.dof.sse@alaska.gov.

A. Appendix A: Timber Sale Maps

Appendix A1 Vicinity Map (1 page)

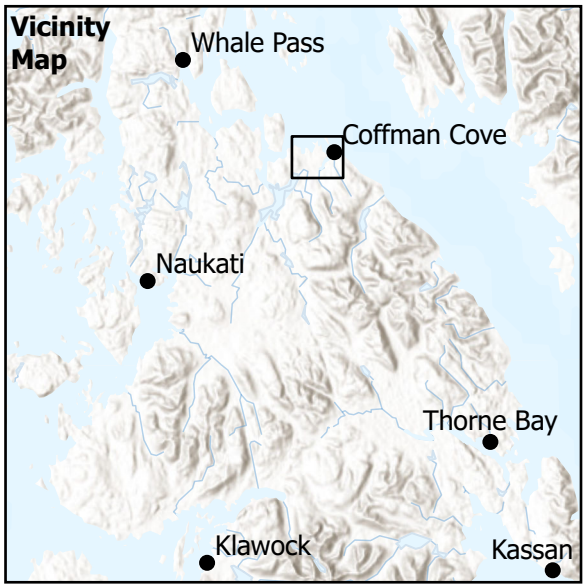
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0 0.5 1 Miles

1 IN = 0.5 mile

T061S R81E & T062S T081E, Copper River Meridian



Vicinity Map: 1 IN = 15 miles

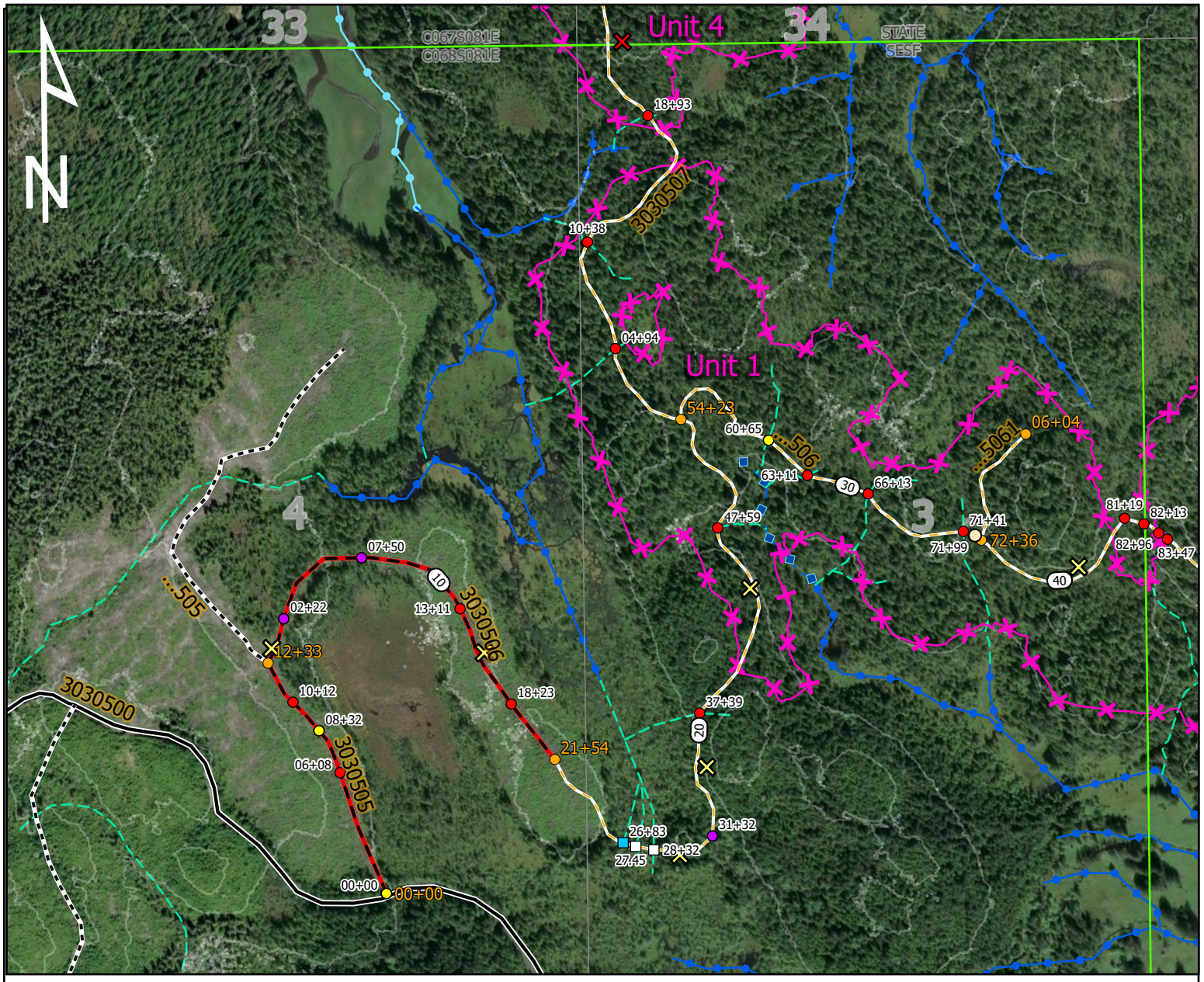
APPENDIX A1
NORTHWEST COFFMAN TIMBER SALE
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AREA MAP

Legend

- Proposed Units
- State Forest
- Proposed Roads
- Road Reconstruction
- Cataloged Anadromous Streams

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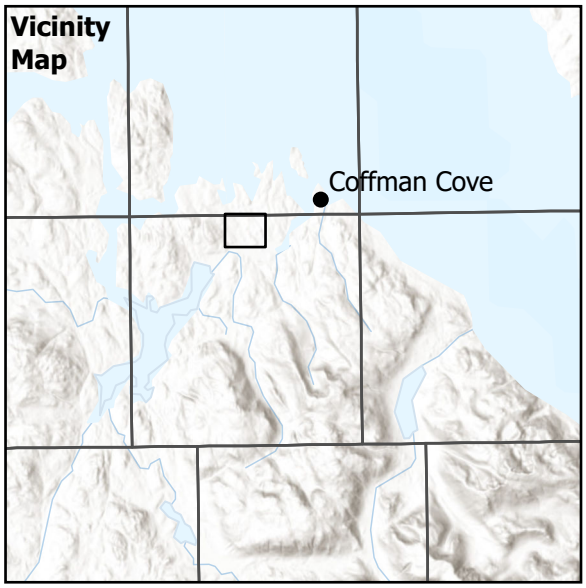
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1 IN = 700 feet

Section(s): 3, 4, 33, 34
T068S R081E, Copper River Meridian

Contour Interval = 40 ft
Source: USFS LiDAR DEM

APPENDIX A2 - 1
NORTHWEST COFFMAN TIMBER SALE
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UNIT 1 WEST



Vicinity Map: 1 IN = 5 miles

Legend

- Proposed Units
- State Forest
- Existing Forest Roads
- Closed Roads
- Proposed Roads
- Road Reconstruction

Streams:

- Cataloged Anadromous Streams
- Non-Cataloged Anadromous Streams
- Resident Fish Streams
- Surface Water

Rock Sources:

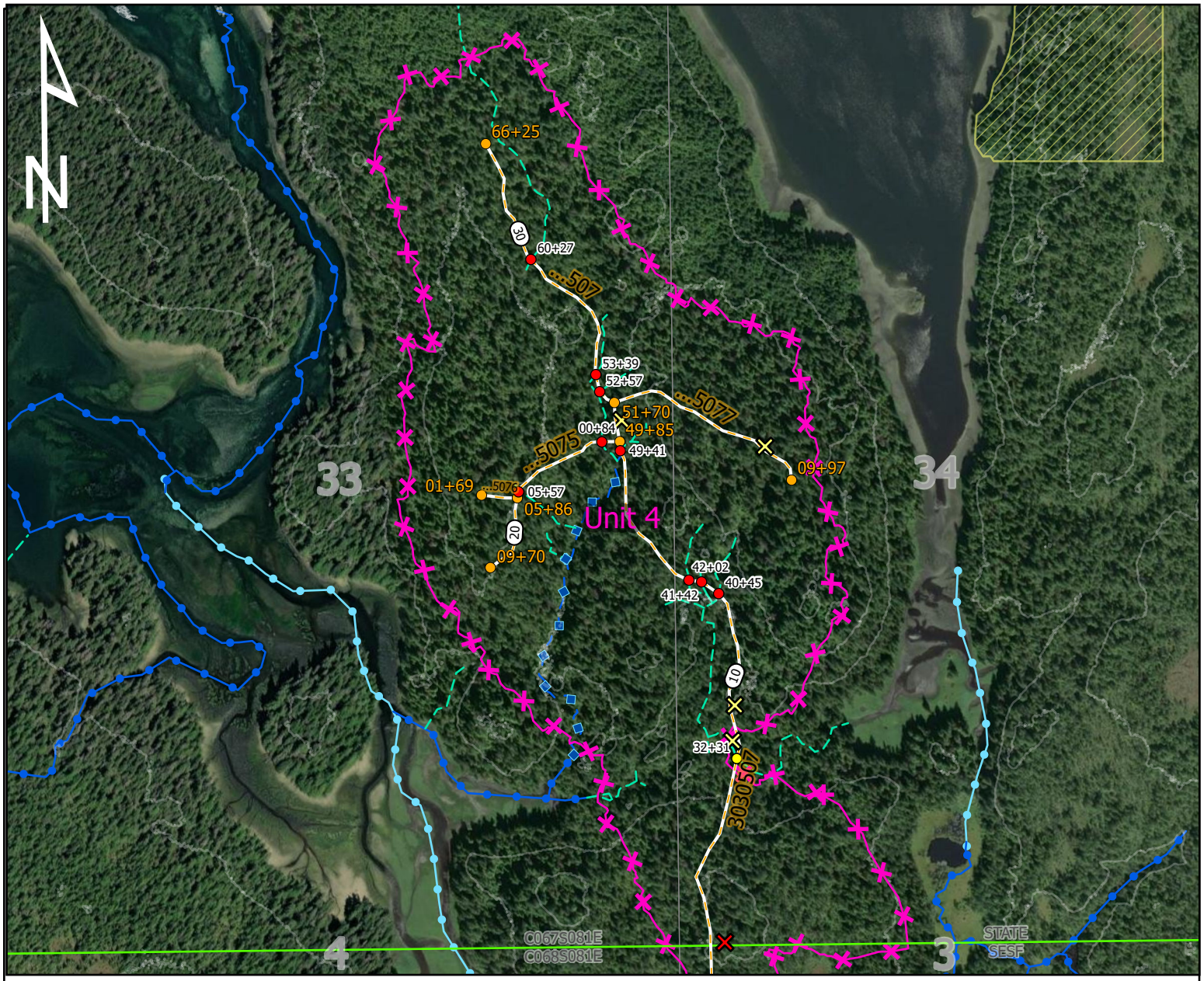
- Possible Rock
- Rock Confirmed

Drainage Structures:

- 18 IN (Optional)
- 18 IN
- 24 IN
- 36 IN
- 48 IN
- 60 IN

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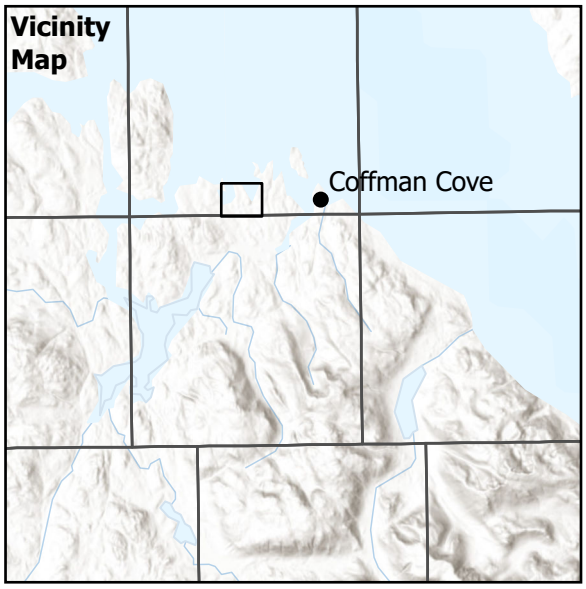
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NORTHWEST COFFMAN TIMBER SALE
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UNIT 4



Vicinity Map: 1 IN = 5 miles

Legend

- Proposed Units
- State Forest
- Subdivision
- Proposed Roads
- Surface Water

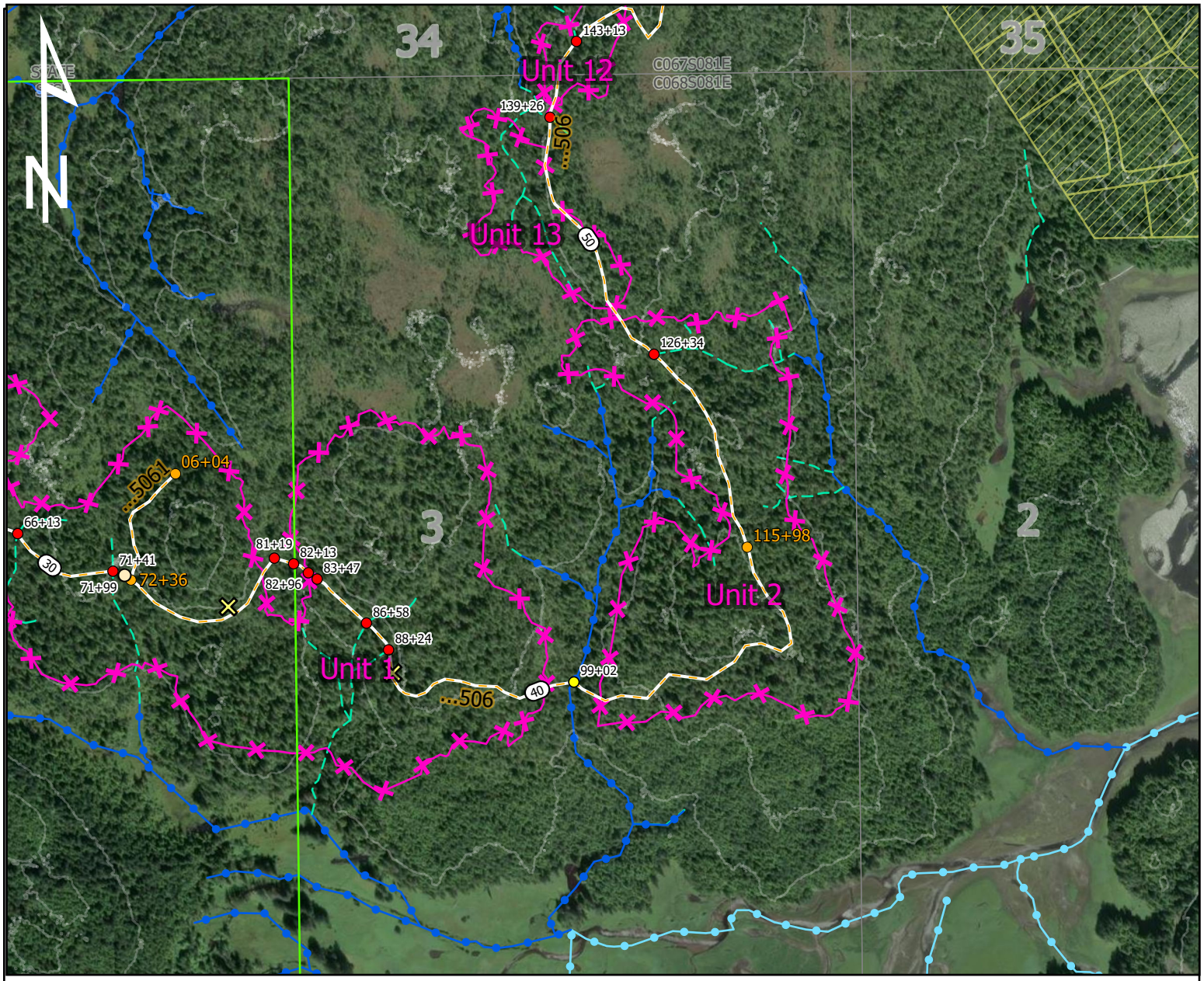
Streams:
- Cataloged Anadromous Streams
- Non-Cataloged Anadromous Streams
- Resident Fish Streams

Rock Sources:
- Possible Rock
- Rock Confirmed

Drainage Structures:
- 18 IN
- 24 IN

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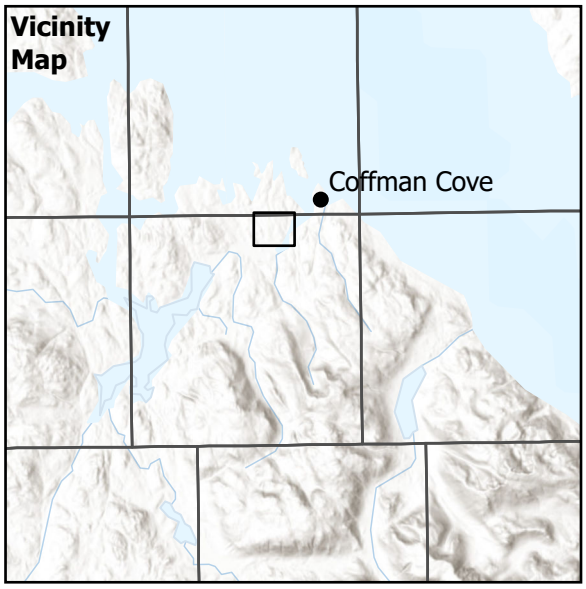
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APPENDIX A2 - 3
NORTHWEST COFFMAN TIMBER SALE
SSE-1395 K
UNIT 1 EAST, UNIT 2, & UNIT 13



Vicinity Map: 1 IN = 5 miles

Legend

- Proposed Units
- State Forest
- Subdivision
- Proposed Roads

Streams:

- Cataloged Anadromous Streams
- Non-Cataloged Anadromous Streams
- Surface Water

Rock Sources:

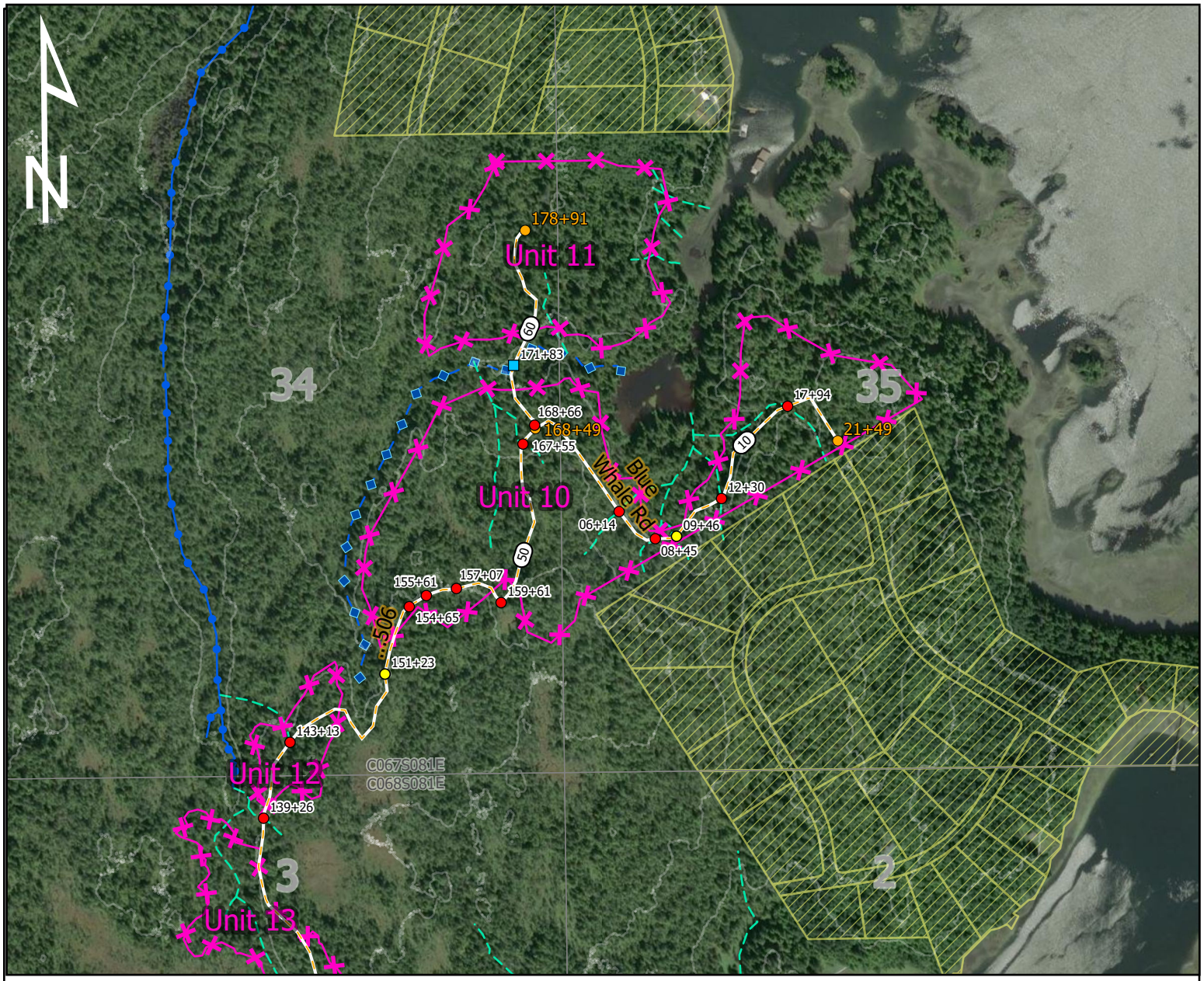
- Possible Rock
- Rock Confirmed

Drainage Structures:

- 18 IN (Optional)
- 18 IN
- 24 IN

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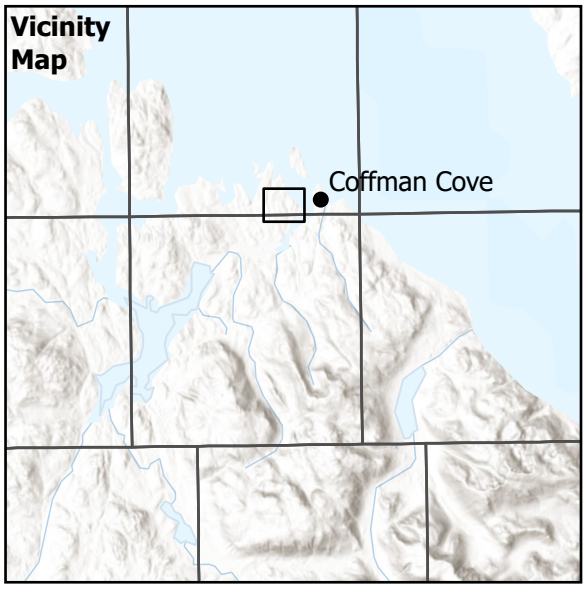
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APPENDIX A2 - 4
NORTHWEST COFFMAN TIMBER SALE
SSE-1395 K
UNITS 10, 11, & 12



Vicinity Map: 1 IN = 5 miles

Legend

- Proposed Units
- Subdivision
- Proposed Roads

Streams:
- Non-Cataloged Anadromous Streams
- Resident Fish Streams
- Surface Water

Rock Sources:
- Possible Rock
- Rock Confirmed

Drainage Structures:
- 18 IN
- 24 IN
- 48 IN

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B. Appendix B: Supporting Information

Note: Silvicultural and stand information has also been described in the BIF.

Alaska Forest Practices and Regulations.
http://forestry.alaska.gov/forestpractices

Forest Road Standards.
http://forestry.alaska.gov/Assets/pdfs/resources/forest_road_standard_design_20151231.pdf

C. Appendix C: Appeal Statutes and Regulations

Note: "Appeal" means a request to the commissioner to review a decision that the commissioner did not sign or cosign. "Request for reconsideration" means a petition or request to the commissioner to review an original decision that the commissioner signed or cosigned.

11 AAC 02 Regulations

11 AAC 02.010. Applicability and eligibility.
(a) This chapter sets out the administrative review procedure available to a person affected by a decision of the department. If a statute or a provision of this title prescribes a different procedure with respect to a particular decision, that procedure must be followed when it conflicts with this chapter.
(b) Unless a statute does not permit an appeal, an applicant is eligible to appeal or request reconsideration of the department's decision on the application. An applicant is eligible to participate in any appeal or request for reconsideration filed by any other eligible party.
(c) If a statute restricts eligibility to appeal or request reconsideration of a decision to those who have provided timely written comment or public hearing testimony on the decision, the department will give notice of that eligibility restriction as part of its public notice announcing the opportunity to comment.
(d) If the department gives public notice and allows a public comment period of at least 30 days on a proposed action, and if no statute requires opportunity for public comment, the department may restrict eligibility to appeal or request reconsideration to those who have provided timely written comment or public hearing testimony on the proposed action by including notice of the restriction as part of its public notice announcing the opportunity to comment.
(e) An eligible person affected by a decision of the department that the commissioner did not sign or cosign may appeal the decision to the commissioner within the period set by 11 AAC 02.040.
(f) An eligible person affected by a decision of the department that the commissioner signed or cosigned may request the commissioner's reconsideration within the period set by 11 AAC 02.040.
(g) A person may not both appeal and request reconsideration of a decision.

11 AAC 02.015. Combined decisions.
(a) When the department issues a combined decision that is both a final disposal decision under AS 38.05.035(e) and any other decision, including a disposal decision combined with a land use plan decision, or a disposal decision to grant certain applications combined with a decision to deny others, the appeal process set out for a disposal decision in AS 38.05.035(i) - (m) and this chapter applies to the combined decision.
(b) Repealed 12/27/2012.

11 AAC 02.020. Finality of a decision for purposes of appeal to court.
(a) Unless otherwise provided in a statute or a provision of this title, an eligible person must first either appeal or request reconsideration of a decision in accordance with this chapter before appealing a decision to superior court.

(b) The commissioner's decision on appeal is the final administrative order and decision of the department for purposes of appeal to the superior court.
(c) The commissioner may order or deny a request for reconsideration within 30 calendar days after issuance of the decision, as determined under 11 AAC 02.040(c) - (e). If the commissioner takes no action during the 30-day period, the request for reconsideration is considered denied. Denial of a request for reconsideration is the final administrative order and decision of the department for purposes of appeal to the superior court.
(d) If the commissioner timely orders reconsideration of the decision, the commissioner may affirm the decision, issue a new or modified decision, or remand the matter to the director for further proceedings. The commissioner's decision, other than a remand decision, is the final administrative order and decision of the department for purposes of appeal to the superior court.

11 AAC 02.030. Filing an appeal or request for reconsideration.
(a) An appeal or request for reconsideration under this chapter must
(1) be in writing;
(2) be filed by personal service, mail, facsimile transmission, or electronic mail;
(3) be signed by the appellant or the appellant's attorney, unless filed by electronic mail; an appeal or request for reconsideration filed by electronic mail must state the name of the person appealing or requesting reconsideration and a single point of contact to which any notice or decision concerning the appeal or request for reconsideration is to be sent;
(4) be correctly addressed;
(5) be timely filed in accordance with 11 AAC 02.040;
(6) specify the case reference number used by the department, if any;
(7) specify the decision being appealed or for which reconsideration is being requested;
(8) specify the basis upon which the decision is challenged;
(9) specify any material facts disputed by the appellant;
(10) specify the remedy requested by the appellant;
(11) state the address to which any notice or decision concerning the appeal or request for reconsideration is to be mailed; an appellant may also provide a telephone number where the appellant can be reached during the day or an electronic mail address; an appeal or request for reconsideration filed electronically must state a single address to which any notice or decision concerning the appeal or request for reconsideration is to be mailed;
(12) identify any other affected agreement, contract, lease, permit, or application by case reference number, if any;
(13) include a request for an oral hearing, if desired; in the appeal or request for reconsideration, the appellant may include a request for any special procedures to be used at the hearing; the appeal or request for reconsideration must describe the factual issues to be considered at the hearing; and
(14) be accompanied by the applicable fee set out in 11 AAC 05.160.
(b) At the time an appeal is filed, and up until the deadline set out in 11 AAC 02.040(a) to file the appeal, an appellant may submit additional written material in support of the appeal, including evidence or legal argument.
(c) If public notice announcing a comment period of at least 30 days was given before the decision, an appellant may not submit additional written material after the deadline for filing the

appeal, unless the appeal meets the requirements of (a) of this section and includes a request for an extension of time, and the department determines that the appellant has shown good cause for an extension. In considering whether the appellant has shown good cause, the department will consider factors including one or more of the following:
(1) comments already received from the appellant and others;
(2) whether the additional material is likely to affect the outcome of the appeal;
(3) whether the additional material could reasonably have been submitted without an extension;
(4) the length of the extension requested;
(5) the potential effect of delay if an extension is granted.
(d) If public notice announcing a comment period of at least 30 days was not given before the decision, an appellant may submit additional written material after the deadline for filing the appeal, if the appeal meets the requirements of (a) of this section and includes a notice of intent to file the additional written material. The department must receive the additional written material within 20 days after the deadline for filing the appeal, unless the appeal also includes a request for an extension of time, and the department determines that the appellant has shown good cause for an extension. In considering whether the appellant has shown good cause, the department will consider factors including one or more of the following:
(1) comments already received from the appellant and others;
(2) whether the additional material is likely to affect the outcome of the appeal;
(3) whether the additional material could reasonably have been submitted without an extension;
(4) the length of the extension requested;
(5) the potential effect of delay if an extension is granted.
(e) At the time a request for reconsideration is filed, and up until the deadline to file a request for reconsideration, an appellant may submit additional written material in support of the request for reconsideration, including evidence or legal argument. No additional written material may be submitted after the deadline for filing the request for reconsideration.
(f) If the decision is one described in 11 AAC 02.060(c), an appellant may ask for a stay as part of the appeal or request for reconsideration. The appellant must include an argument as to why the public interest requires a stay.

11 AAC 02.040. Timely filing; issuance of decision.
(a) To be timely filed, an appeal or request for reconsideration must be received by the commissioner's office within 20 calendar days after issuance of the decision, as determined under (c) or (d) of this section, unless another period is set by statute, regulation, or existing contract. If the 20th day falls on a day when the department is officially closed, the appeal or request for reconsideration must be filed by the next working day.
(b) An appeal or request for reconsideration will not be accepted if it is not timely filed.
(c) If the appellant is a person to whom the department delivers a decision by personal service or by certified mail, return receipt requested, issuance occurs when the addressee or the addressee's agent signs for the decision. If the addressee or the addressee's agent neglects or refuses to sign for the certified mail, or if the address that the addressee provided to the department is not correct, issuance by certified mail occurs when the decision is deposited in a United States general or branch post office, enclosed in a postage-paid wrapper or envelope,

addressed to the person's current address of record with the department, or to the address specified by the appellant under 11 AAC 02.030(a)(11).
(d) If the appellant is a person to whom the department did not deliver a decision by personal service or certified mail, issuance occurs
(1) when the department gives public notice of the decision; or
(2) if no public notice is given, when the decision is signed; however, the department may state in the decision a later date of issuance and the corresponding due date for any appeal or request for reconsideration.
(e) The date of issuance constitutes delivery or mailing for purposes of a reconsideration request under AS 44.37.011(d) or AS 44.62.540(a).

11 AAC 02.050. Hearings.
(a) The department will, in its discretion, hold a hearing when questions of fact must be resolved.
(b) The hearing procedure will be determined by the department on a case-by-case basis. As provided in 11 AAC 02.030(a)(13), any request for special procedures must be included with the request for a hearing.
(c) In a hearing held under this section
(1) formal rules of evidence need not apply; and
(2) the hearing will be recorded, and may be transcribed at the request and expense of the party requesting the transcript.

11 AAC 02.060. Stays; exceptions.
(a) Except as provided in (c) and (d) of this section, timely appealing or requesting reconsideration of a decision in accordance with this chapter stays the decision during the commissioner's consideration of the appeal or request for reconsideration. If the commissioner determines that the public interest requires removal of the stay, the commissioner will remove the stay and allow all or part of the decision to take effect on the date set in the decision or a date set by the commissioner.
(b) Repealed 9/19/2001.
(c) Unless otherwise provided in a statute or a provision of this title, a decision takes effect immediately if it is a decision to
(1) issue a permit that is revocable at will;
(2) approve surface operations for a disposal that has already occurred or a property right that has already vested; or
(3) administer an issued oil and gas lease or license, or an oil and gas unit agreement.
(d) Timely appealing or requesting reconsideration of a decision described in (c) of this section does not automatically stay the decision. However, the commissioner will impose a stay, on the commissioner's own motion or at the request of an appellant, if the commissioner determines that the public interest requires it.
(e) A decision takes effect immediately if no party is eligible to appeal or request reconsideration and the commissioner waives the commissioner's right to review or reconsider the decision.

11 AAC 02.070. Waiver of procedural violations.
The commissioner may, to the extent allowed by applicable law, waive a requirement of this chapter if the public interest or the interests of justice so require.

11 AAC 02.900. Definitions.
In this chapter,
(1) “appeal” means a request to the commissioner to review a decision that the commissioner did not sign or cosign;
(2) “appellant” means a person who files an appeal or a request for reconsideration;
(3) “commissioner” means the commissioner of natural resources;
(4) “decision” means a written discretionary or factual determination by the department specifying the details of the action to be allowed or taken;
(5) “department” means, depending of the particular context in which the term is used, the Department of Natural Resources, the commissioner, the director of a division within the Department of Natural Resources, or an authorized employee of the Department of Natural Resources;
(6) “request for reconsideration” means a petition or request to the commissioner to review an original decision that the commissioner signed or cosigned.

D. Appendix D: DRAFT FLUP Public Comment

Forest Land Use Plan Northwest Coffman Timber Sale (SSE-1395-K) Comments

Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry & Fire Protection
November 2026

The following commenters submitted input:

- Viking Lumber, Sarah Dahlstrom
- Alaska Forest Association, Executive Director, Tessa Axelson
- Organized Village of Kasaan, Tribal President, Mike Jones

The following comments were received during the public comment period on the Draft Forest Land Use Plan Northwest Coffman Timber Sale (SSE-1395-K) and are organized based on the topic structure of the Draft Forest Land Use Plan.

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Commenter	Comment	Response
Forest Land Use Plan		
	I. Introduction	
Mike Jones, Village of Kasaan	The Organized Village of Kasaan requests that the State suspend or withdraw the Northwest Coffman Timber Sale and undertake a comprehensive cumulative-impact review before making any decision to proceed. That review should address fisheries and salmon habitat, wildlife and subsistence resources, water quality, cultural resources, climate resilience, and the effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable timber activities across Prince of Wales Island. The State should also engage in meaningful government-to-government consultation with affected Tribes early enough for Tribal knowledge and concerns to influence the outcome.	This Forest Land Use Plan (FLUP) does not determine whether or not to access and sell timber within the timber sale area. That decision was made previously in the Best Interest Finding (BIF) adopted 5/27/2026. Concerns with fisheries, wildlife, subsistence resources, water quality, cultural resources, climate resilience, and cumulative impacts of logging were addressed in the BIF. The BIF decision is a public and agency review process allowing the public, agencies, and other organizations and entities to provide feedback on the timber sale contributing to the decision. No change required. Government-to-government consultation is a deliberative federal process required by federal laws and Executive Orders based on a unique legal relationship between the federal government and Tribes. There is not a government-to-government consultation process under Alaska law.
	D. Objectives and Summary	
Sarah Dahlstrom, Viking Lumber	This state timber sale will provide supply to Viking Lumber for approximately 5 months, support 140 rural Alaskan jobs on Prince of Wales Island and be a positive impact to the economy of local communities.	Comment noted, no change required.
Tessa Axelson, AFA	The sale is critical to ensure the survival of the existing forest products industry in southern southeast Alaska, and in particular on Prince of Wales Island. Additionally, the sale is projected to support 140 rural Alaskan jobs and be a positive impact to the local economy.	Comment noted, no change required.
Mike Jones, Village of Kasaan	The proposed harvest of approximately 346 acres of old-growth forest near Coffman Cove threatens resources that are essential to our people, neighboring communities, and future generations.	The decision to sell and harvest the timber was made previously in the BIF. No change required.
	III. Harvest Methods, Silvicultural Actions, and Management of Nontimber Resources	
	G. Wildlife Habitat	
Mike Jones, Village of Kasaan	We are particularly concerned about the cumulative effects of continued old-growth logging. Prince of Wales Island has already experienced extensive timber harvest and road development.	The AK DEC and ADF&G reviewed the DFFP decisions in the development of this timber sale. The DFFP defers to these State agencies with expertise addressing potential impacts to watershed

Commenter	Comment	Response
	Evaluating this sale in isolation would fail to account for the combined effects on watershed stability, water quality, fish habitat, wildlife movement, deer abundance, subsistence access, and culturally important areas.	stability, water quality, fish habitat, wildlife, and subsistence use. Potential impacts were considered in the BIF decision and mitigation measures addressed in the preparation of this FLUP. No change required.
	I. Other Resources Affected	
Mike Jones, Village of Kasaan	The forests and waters of Prince of Wales Island are inseparable from the cultural identity, food security, and traditional way of life of the Kasaan Haida people. Our citizens rely on healthy forests, salmon streams, wildlife, and gathering areas for customary and traditional use. Decisions affecting these lands must recognize our enduring relationship with them and the State's responsibility to meaningfully consider Tribal concerns. Old-growth forests provide habitat and ecological functions that cannot be replaced on a meaningful human timeline. They regulate water, stabilize soils and slopes, store carbon, and support the interconnected systems on which salmon, wildlife, and people depend. Further fragmentation and removal of mature forest increases risks to communities whose well-being depends directly on intact and productive lands and waters.	Other resource use of the harvest area, and potential impacts, were discussed in the BIF for this sale. Unit design addressed important cultural and wildlife habitat identified by restricting harvest activities and creating travel corridors through the sale area. Measures to ensure important fish habitat is protected were developed and implemented in the preparation of this FLUP. Subsistence use and impacts from harvest activities were considered and mitigation measures developed to address those potential impacts were discussed in the decision for the sale of timber. No change required.