



STATE LAND USE FOR WIND POWER PROJECTS

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION CHANGES DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The Department of Natural Resources proposes to change regulations on the issuance of permits and leases used for Wind Power projects on state land. DNR also proposes to change regulations to provide for fees and rental rates for these types of land use authorizations and to make minor technical correction to it fee regulations.

The Department of Natural Resources proposes to adopt regulations dealing with leasing and permitting of state-owned lands for Wind Power Projects in Title 11 of the Alaska Administrative Code, including the following:

- (1) 11 AAC 05 is proposed to be changed to provide for new fees and rental rates for the use of state land associated with the use of state land for Wind Power Projects, and to make technical corrections to the departments fee regulations.
- (2) 11 AAC is proposed to be changed as follows:

A new chapter is proposed to be adopted that will address the use of state land for the development of Wind Power Projects. This new Chapter will spell out requirements and standards for the issuance of land use permits for site studies. The chapter will also prescribe the requirements and standards regarding the issuance of land leases for Wind Power Projects.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to the Department of Natural Resources, attn: Joe Joyner, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1070, Anchorage, AK 99501-3579 or by e-mail to dnrmlw@alaska.gov or by fax to 907-269-8904. The written comments must be received by the department no later than **5:00 p.m. on Friday, on November 21, 2014.**

A copy of the proposed regulations is available on the on the Alaska Online Public Notice System, and at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/hottopics>, or write to the Director's Office, Division of Mining, Land and Water, Department of Natural Resources, Attention Joseph Joyner, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1070, Anchorage, Alaska 99501-3579; or call 907-269-8511 for a paper copy.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Joseph Joyner at 907-269-8511 no later than November 7, 2014, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

After the public comment period ends, the Department of Natural Resources will either adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. **YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.**

Statutory Authority: AS 38.05.020; AS 38.05.070; AS 38.05.850; AS 38.05.945

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 38.05.020, AS 38.05.035, AS 38.05.070; AS 38.05.073, AS 38.05.075, AS 38.05.080, AS 38.05.810, AS 38.05.850; AS 38.05.945

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

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