

Goals

Goals are general conditions DNR attempts to achieve through management decisions. The goals listed here are consistent with the Alaska Constitution (Article VIII), Alaska Statutes (Title 38), and the legislation that directed preparation of this area plan (CSSS HB 346, Chapter 143, SLA 1990). Goals are listed alphabetically. No single goal has a priority over the others.

Economic development

Provide opportunities for jobs and income by managing state land and resources to:

- A. support a vital, self-sustaining local economy,
- B. generate net revenues to the state, and
- C. benefit the economic well-being of the state as a whole.

Fiscal costs

Minimize the need and the fiscal cost to provide government services and facilities, such as schools and roads. Locate settlement where there is a sustainable economic base and where necessary services can be efficiently provided.

Public health and safety

Maintain or enhance public health and safety for users of state land and resources.

Public use

Provide and enhance diverse opportunities for public use of state lands, including uses such as hunting, fishing, boating, and other recreation.

Quality of life

Maintain or enhance the quality of the natural environment, including air, land, water, and fish and wildlife habitat. Protect heritage resources. Preserve the character and lifestyle of local communities and provide lifestyle choices for all Alaskans.

Settlement

Provide opportunities for private ownership and leasing of land currently owned by the state.

Sustained yield and multiple use

Maintain the long-term productivity and quality of renewable resources including timber, fish and wildlife, and recreation and tourism opportunities. DNR will manage state lands for multiple uses, subject to the management intent of this plan, which may indicate a preference among uses in particular subunits.