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Identifier: HB006-DNR-MLW-01-30-17
Title: JONESVILLE PUBLIC USE AREA
Sponsor: RAUSCHER
Requester: (H) RES

Department: Department of Natural Resources
Appropriation: Fire Suppression, Land & Water Resources
Allocation: Mining, Land & Water
OMB Component Number: 3002

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

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**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

None

Total 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0

**Positions**

Full-time
Part-time
Temporary

**Change in Revenues**

None

Total 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0

**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2017) cost:** 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

*(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)*

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2018) cost:** 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)

*(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)*

**ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS**

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? Yes
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? Unknown

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:
Not applicable; initial version.

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Approved By: Andrew T. Mack, Commissioner Date: 01/30/17
Agency: Department of Natural Resources
This bill would have zero fiscal impact on the department with the following assumptions:

The department would need to develop the management plan with existing staff resources. Given the high workload for our planning staff, and the current queue of projects, such as the ongoing North Slope Area Plan, the Copper River Basin Area Plan update, the Kachemak Bay State Park Management Plan, and others, the department cannot guarantee a timeline for work on the management plan called for by this bill. Without a plan, DNR would not be able to adopt enforcement regulations similar to the Knik River PUA.

Without additional staff and resources, the department will be unable to provide adequate field presence for stewardship and enforcement. The department will look for opportunities to partner with local government, local citizens groups, and the troopers to manage this area. However, without additional revenues, the troopers are unlikely to provide much enforcement support for the proposed Jonesville PUA as they do in the Knik River PUA. The enforcement of DNR’s regulations in the Knik River PUA by the troopers is funded through a RSA of dedicated funds provided to the department. These funds cannot be used outside of the KRPUA.

The department recognizes that in the current fiscal situation, it is unlikely that the necessary funding for the department to fully manage the public use will be available in the near term. However, the creation of the public use area would be the first step in creating a management framework to improve management of this heavily used area.