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Title: JONESTOWN PUBLIC USE AREA
Sponsor: DUNLEAVY
Requester: Senate Resources

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. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2018	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2018 Request	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2018	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? TBD

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Not applicable; initial version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill would have a 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 Public Use Area (KRPUA).

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 Public Use Area as they do in the KRPUA. The enforcement of DNR's regulations in the KRPUA by the troopers is funded through a Reimbursable Services Agreement 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.

Therefore, the department submits a zero fiscal note.