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Identifier: HB006CS(RLS)-DNR-MLW-12-7-17
 Title: JONESTOWN PUBLIC USE AREA
 Sponsor: RAUSCHER
 Requester: House Rules

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)

	FY2019	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2019 Request	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2019	FY 2019	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
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	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None								
Total	0.0	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	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2018) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2019) 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 12/31/25

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Updated form for new legislative session.

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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, Department of Natural Resources (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 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. Regulations will be written following the completion of a management plan.