

HB

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STATE OF ALASKA 1987 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST: _____

Bill Version: HB 13
Publish Date: _____

Revision Date: March 9, 1987

Agency Affected: Natural Resources
BRU: Parks and Outdoor recreation

Title: Willow Creek State Recreation Area

Sponsor: Rep. Larson, Rep. Menard

Components: _____

Requestor: House Resources

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING		-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL		-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This area will not be actively managed until funding for development, as described in the plan for the area, is obtained.

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Division: Commissioner's Office

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Date: 4/9/87

Approved by Commissioner: C. Wilson for JMS
Agency: Natural Resources

Date: 4/9/87

Distribution (by preparer):

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STATE OF ALASKA 1987 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST: _____

Bill Version: HR 93
Publish Date: _____

Revision Date: February 11, 1987
Title: Recreation Rivers

Agency Affected: Natural Resources
BRU: Land and Water Management

Sponsor: Rep. Cotten
Requestor: House Resources Committee

Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES		86.5	86.5			
TRAVEL		2.0	2.0			
CONTRACTUAL		74.7	74.7	66.7		
SUPPLIES		3.0	3.0			
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING		166.2	166.2	66.7		

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND		166.2	166.2	66.7		
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL		166.2	166.2	66.7		

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME		2	2			
PART-TIME		1	1			
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

See attachment

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Approved by Commissioner: James D. Amundson, Deputy
Agency: Natural Resources

Date: 2/11/87

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CONTINUATION of FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

For Bill/Resolution No. HB 93

This bill would require the Department of Natural Resources to do instream flow studies and reservations, and produce management plans for six river areas. The instream flow reservations are to be completed within three years; the management plans are to be completed in two stages, 1989 and 1992. We hope to have the instream flow studies and reservations completed by a contractor over a three year period, for a total cost of approximately \$200,000. The planning team would require a Range 16 Natural Resource Officer II, a Range 12B Natural Resource Technician II, and a half-time Range 8 Clerk Typist III. The team would need approximately two years to complete the plans.

- 100 - Two and one-half positions for two years.
- 200 - Per diem and travel for meetings.
- 300 - Travel and printing expenses for the plans.
- 400 - Supplies and commodities for staff.

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REQUEST: _____

Bill Version: HB 18

Publish Date: _____

Revision Date: February 10, 1987

Agency Affected: Natural Resources

Title: Willow Creek State Recreation

BRU: Parks and Outdoor Recreation

Sponsor: Rep. Larson, Rep. Menard

Components: _____

Requestor: House Resources Committee

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES		33.9	33.9	33.9	33.9	
TRAVEL		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	
CONTRACTUAL		15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	
SUPPLIES		6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING		57.4	57.4	57.4	57.4	

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND		57.4	57.4	57.4	57.4	
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL		57.4	57.4	57.4	57.4	

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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Division: Parks and Outdoor Recreation

Date: 2/10/87

Approved by Commissioner: *Dorothy McBurn*

Date: 2-11-87

Agency: Natural Resources

Distribution (by preparer):

Legislative Finance

Legislative Sponsor

Requestor

Office of Management and Budget

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Senate Secretary

CONTINUATION of FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

For Bill/Resolution No. HB 18

The requested operating funds are to provide staff for the recreation area to begin development of river access trails and control resource degradation, timber cutting, indiscriminate off-road vehicle use and provide basic public services.

100 - Park Ranger I for 6 months; Natural Resources Technician for 5 months.

200 - Travel from Willow to Wasilla and Anchorage offices for site management, coordination and planning.

300 - Vehicle mileage cost and contracted maintenance and janitorial services.

400 - Supplies, tools, cleaning agents, field equipment and office supplies.

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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February 10, 1987

The Honorable Adelheid Herrmann, Co-Chair
The Honorable Sam Cotten, Co-Chair
House Resources Committee
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Representatives Herrmann and Cotten:

Subject: House Bill 18, which would establish the Willow Creek State Recreation Area.

Position: The Department of Natural Resources supports the establishment of the Willow Creek State Recreation Area to assure its continued availability for public use and allow its active management for recreational purposes.

Background: Willow Creek is an intensively used sportfishing area which also provides boating access to the Susitna River. Boating conditions on the creek are dangerous and conflicts between boaters and shore anglers frequently occur.

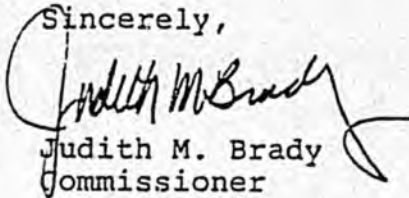
As funds are appropriated, the area would be developed to provide public parking and camping areas, road access to the mouth of Willow Creek, and a public boat launch facility. Once it is fully developed, the area will help to disperse southcentral Alaska recreation users and alleviate the severe congestion of Kenai Peninsula fishing and boating sites.

The Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation has developed a joint plan with the Matanuska-Susitna Borough for management of this 3,581 acre area (2,747 acres of Borough land, 834 acres of state land) and will continue to work cooperatively with the borough for its development and operation.

February 10, 1987

Please let me know if you would like additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judith M. Brady". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Judith M. Brady
Commissioner

cc: Sponsor
Committee Members

Alaska State Legislature

HB 18

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Representative Ronald L. Larson
District 16B

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Sam Cotten
Representative Adelheid Herrmann
Co-chairs-House Resources Committee
FROM: Representative Ron Larson *R.L.*
Primary Sponsor of HB18
SUBJ: Willow Creek State Recreation Area
DATE: February 8, 1987

The intention of HB18 is to create a state recreational area in a highly used area of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. The mouth of Willow Creek is a prime destination for many southcentral residents, especially during the summer sportfishing season.

This bill will only set aside the public land; it will not create any new positions, nor is there a request for any capital improvements within this bill.

The natural theme of the Matanuska-Susitna valley is tourism. We see this bill, as a major step towards that destiny. This concept has been placed high on the local legislative priorities for years.

Successful economic development of this area will be based on proper land management of this valuable area. Therefore, I feel the borough should be in concurrence with the state agencies on the design and management of this area.

As you are aware, this bill has a history dating back several years. Despite its' maturation, I support its' concept and urge your favorable advice and vote.

Curt Menard

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Wasilla, Alaska 99687

Or

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376-5855 Home
465-2679 Juneau



MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 12, 1987

TO: Sam Cotten, Co-Chairman
Adelheid Herrmann, Co-Chairman
House Resources Committee

FROM: Representative Curt Menard

RE: HB 18, Establishing a Willow Creek Recreation Area

Recognizing the intense and growing recreational demands of all Alaskans and because of Southcentral Alaska's accessibility to major population centers and transportation routes, demands on recreational resources are extremely high. There is fierce competition with other land uses such as farming, urban growth, resource development, and habitat protection needs.

Establishing the Willow Creek Recreational Area is a project both beneficial and needed. As early as the territorial days, state officials recognized Willow Creek's significance when they nominated the area for Park status in the 1950s.

Today, the Willow Creek Recreational Area is more important than ever. Not only will local area residents benefit from increased access and the subsidiary benefits of increased tourism, but it will serve to more effectively disperse the tens of thousands who converge during the summer months on the overcrowded Kenai Peninsula.

Even now, Willow Creek serves as a major access point to the Susitna, Deshka, Alexander and Lake Creek areas. In the near future, with effort from Fish and Game and the salmon enhancement program, 1987 will be the first year Willow Creek will see a converging of a greatly increased King and Silver Salmon run. This will turn the Willow Creek into another area for "King Mania"!

Obviously, the existing fourteen space parking lot and six campsites will be totally unable to handle anything but the smallest fraction of the demand for access by fishermen and tourists. I urge swift passage of this legislation. Thank you.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Sam Cotten
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FROM: Representative Ron Larson
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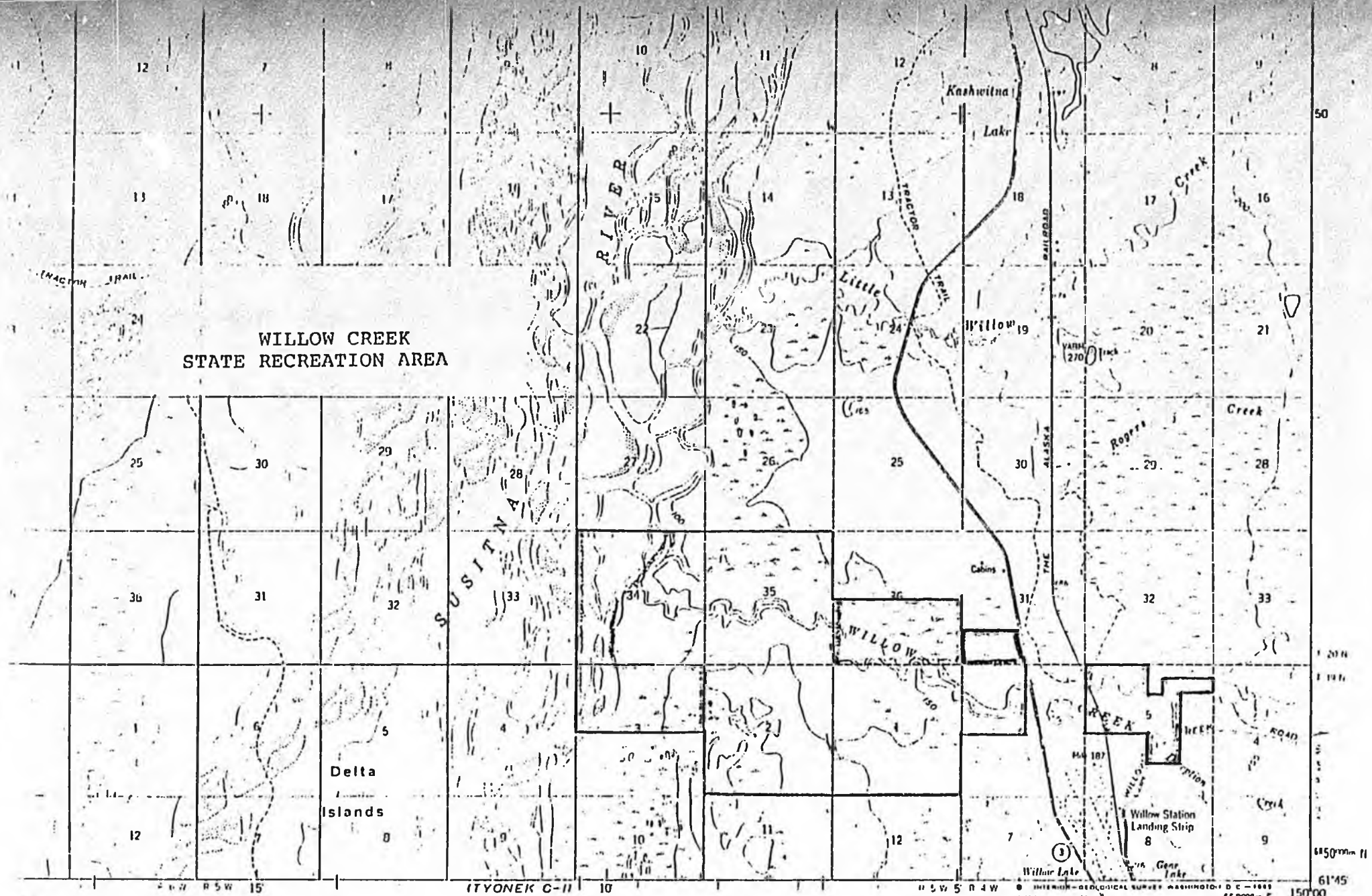
SUBJ: Willow Creek State Recreation Area-Suggested
Amendments

DATE: March 9, 1987

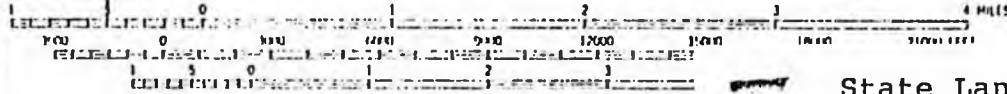
1. AS 41.21.491(a)
Purpose (Page 1, Line 12 and 13)
(2) Emphasize and promote public and private [MANAGE]
recreational uses and associated economic
development activities in the unit;
2. AS 41.21.492(a)
Designation of Management Responsibilities. (Page 2,
Line 18-23)
(a) The land and water described in AS 41.21.491(a) and
the land and water owned by the Matanuska-Susitna
Borough and designated by the borough under AS
41.21.491(b) are assigned to the Department of Natural
Resources, upon adoption of a management agreement by
the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, for control,
maintenance, and development, consistent with the
purposes of AS 41.21.491 - 41.21.496.
3. AS 41.21.494.
Regulations. (Page 3, Line 14 and 15)
(2) allow boating in certain areas only after access is
developed at Willow Creek mouth;
(3) allow for private leasing and development;
(renumber rest of regulations)

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new
provisions*

WILLOW CREEK
STATE RECREATION AREA



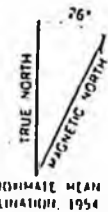
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CONTOUR INTERVAL 50 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

- State Land
- Borough Land
- Mental Health Land

- ROAD CLASSIFICATION
- Medium duty
 - Light duty
 - Unimproved dirt
 - State Route



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Original sponsors: Larson and Menard

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 18 (Resources)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing the Willow Creek State Recre-
7 ation Area; and providing for an effective date."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 * Section 1. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Act is to:

10 (1) designate as a state recreation area the land and water
11 described in AS 41.21.491(a);

12 (2) emphasize and promote public and private recreational uses
13 and associated economic development activities in the unit; and

14 (3) maintain and enhance the fishery and wildlife habitat in the
15 unit.

16 * Sec. 2. AS 41.21 is amended by adding new sections to article 4 to
17 read:

18 Sec. 41.21.491. WILLOW CREEK STATE RECREATION AREA. (a) The
19 surface estate in the land and water owned by the state as of the
20 effective date of this Act and all land and water acquired by the
21 state in the future, including shore and submerged land, lying within
22 the parcels described in this subsection is designated as the Willow
23 Creek State Recreation Area:

24 Township 19 North, Range 4 West, Seward Meridian

25 Section 5: Lot 3, Lot 4, S1/2NE1/4NE1/4, SE1/4NW1/4NE1/4,

26 SW1/4NE1/4, N1/2NW1/4SE1/4, S1/2NW1/4

27 Section 6: Lot 3, Lot 4, Lot 5, SE1/4NW1/4

28 Township 19 North, Range 5 West, Seward Meridian

29 Section 1: SE1/4, W1/2, Tract A, Tract B, Tract C

1 Section 2

2 Section 3: N1/2

3 Township 20 North, Range 5 West, Seward Meridian

4 Section 34

5 Section 35

6 Section 36: S1/2

7 (b) The Department of Natural Resources may agree to manage land
8 owned by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough that is within the parcels
9 described in (a) of this section and that is designated by ordinance
10 or resolution of the borough as a part of the Willow Creek State
11 Recreation Area.

12 (c) Subject to valid existing rights, the land and water de-
13 scribed in (a) of this section are designated as a special purpose
14 area under art. VIII, sec. 7, Constitution of the State of Alaska.

15 (d) Except for oil and gas leasing under AS 38.05.180, the
16 mineral estate in the state-owned land and water described in (a) of
17 this section is closed to mineral entry under AS 38.05.181 - 38.05.-
18 280.

19 Sec. 41.21.492. DESIGNATION OF MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES. (a)
20 The land and water described in AS 41.21.491(a), including land and
21 water owned by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough and designated by the
22 borough in a management agreement under AS 41.21.491(b), are assigned
23 to the Department of Natural Resources for control, maintenance, and
24 development, consistent with the purposes of AS 41.21.491 - 41.21.497.

25 (b) Nothing in AS 41.21.491 - 41.21.497 affects the responsibil-
26 ities of

27 (1) the Department of Fish and Game, the Board of Fisher-
28 ies, or the Board of Game under AS 16 and AS 41.99.010;

29 (2) the Department of Environmental Conservation under

1 AS 46.03; or

2 (3) state agencies and municipalities under AS 44.19.-
3 145(a)(11) and AS 46.40.100.

4 Sec. 41.21.493. COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT PLAN. The commissioner
5 shall develop and adopt a comprehensive management plan for the Willow
6 Creek State Recreation Area with the concurrence of the Matanuska-
7 Susitna Borough.

8 Sec. 41.21.494. REGULATIONS. The commissioner shall adopt
9 regulations under the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) that are
10 necessary to achieve the purposes of AS 41.21.491 - 41.21.497 and to
11 implement the plan adopted under AS 41.21.493. The regulations shall

12 (1) designate incompatible uses and prohibit or restrict
13 them;

14 (2) allow road, railroad, and utility crossing of Willow
15 Creek so as to minimize disturbance to the river's habitat and scenic
16 and recreation values;

17 (3) allow fishery rehabilitation or enhancement practices
18 under terms that are compatible with AS 41.21.491 - 41.21.497;

19 (4) allow the legal taking of fur-bearing animals; and

20 (5) allow for hunting, except where it must be prohibited
21 for reasons of public safety.

22 Sec. 41.21.495. ADDITIONAL LAND. (a) The commissioner may
23 acquire, in the name of the state, title to or an interest in land or
24 improvements on land that is adjacent to or within the boundaries of
25 the Willow Creek State Recreation Area in order to achieve the pur-
26 poses of AS 41.21.491 - 41.21.497. This acquisition may be by lease,
27 purchase, exchange under AS 38.50, bequest, gift, or other lawful
28 means, but not by eminent domain.

29 (b) The commissioner may adjust the boundaries of the Willow

1 Creek State Recreation Area under AS 38.05.295 - 38.05.300 by adding
2 state-owned land and water to achieve the purposes of AS 41.21.491 -
3 41.21.497.

4 Sec. 41.21.496. COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS. The commis-
5 sioner may enter into cooperative management agreements with a federal
6 agency, a municipality, another state agency, or a private landowner
7 to achieve the purposes of AS 41.21.491 - 41.21.497.

8 Sec. 41.21.497. CIVIL ENFORCEMENT. In addition to any other
9 remedy provided by law, the attorney general may seek an injunction
10 and damages, at the request of the commissioner, a violation of a
11 regulation adopted under AS 41.21.494 or a regulation that is applica-
12 ble to the Willow Creek State Recreation Area established under
13 AS 41.21.491.

14 * Sec. 3. The commissioner of natural resources shall adopt the compre-
15 hensive management plan under AS 41.21.493, enacted by sec. 2 of this Act,
16 within two years after the effective date of this Act. Until a boat launch
17 is constructed in the recreation area, the commissioner may not restrict
18 boating activities within the Willow Creek State Recreation Area except to
19 protect public safety.

20 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).
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