

STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE PIPELINE COORDINATOR'S OFFICE

ANALYSIS AND PROPOSED DECISION
TRANS-ALASKA PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY LEASE AMENDMENT--ADL 63574
SAGAVANIRKTOK RIVER CHANNEL PLUG EXTENSION
PIPELINE MILEPOST 24.7

The Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources received an application from Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. (APSC), agent for the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS) lessees, for a pipeline right-of-way lease amendment. The purpose of adding this land is to extend the existing channel plug at pipeline milepost 24.7 approximately 400 feet to the north to protect the integrity of TAPS by preventing a side channel of the Sagavanirktok River from encroaching toward the shallow buried pipe. During construction, the lands will be used for material extraction and equipment staging areas. This additional land will be necessary to support the existing pipeline system, as defined in AS 38.35.230(7) and authorized by the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Right-of-Way, ADL 63574.

The lands are generally described as:

East ½ Section 31, Township 7 North, Range 14 East, Umiat Meridian, Alaska, those lands northerly and southerly of and adjacent to the existing TAPS right-of-way boundary at the channel plug, containing approximately 41.5 acres, more or less.

In accordance with Alaska Statute 38.35.080, the Commissioner has prepared an analysis of the application and a proposed decision. The public is invited to comment on the Analysis and Proposed Decision. All comments must be submitted in writing to the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office (SPCO) before 5:00 p.m. on May 31, 2013.

If public comment indicates the need for significant changes in the proposed decision, then additional public notice will be given on or about June 3, 2013. If no significant change is required, then the proposed decision, including any minor changes, will be issued without further notice as the final decision of the Department of Natural Resources after May 31, 2013.

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