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Bureau of Land Management
Branch of Adjudication I (962)
Attn: Candy Grimes
222 West Seventh Ave. #13
Anchorage, AK 99513-7504

Subject: FF-12950 (Parcel A), Stephen N. Northway

Dear Ms. Grimes:

This is in response to BLM's letter dated November 8, 2011 requesting reconveyance of lands applied for under Alaska Native allotment FF-12950 (Parcel A). The lands are described as the Alaska Highway, within Lot 2, U.S. Survey No. 5349, Secs. 29 and 30, T. 15 N., R. 19 E., Copper River Meridian.

The Alaska Highway was transferred to the State of Alaska pursuant to the quitclaim deed dated June 30, 1959, and executed by the Secretary of Commerce pursuant to the authority of the Alaska Omnibus Act, Pub. L. 86-70, 73 Stat. 141 (1959).

The Alaska Highway is necessary for public access. Therefore, we decline to voluntarily reconvey.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,


Jerri Sansone
Chief, Realty Services Section

Copies furnished to:

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Anchorage, AK 99503**

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Attn: Realty Program
122 First Ave., Ste. 600
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**cc: John F. Bennett, ROW Chief, Northern Region DOTPF
John Baker, LAW, Anchorage**