

Department of Natural Resources

Division of Mining Land & Water Northern Regional Land Office

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Mr. Goyette,

The Northern Regional Land Office has completed its review of your proposed upgrades to the section line easement along the common section line of Sections 7 and 18, T. 1 S., R. 2 W., F.M, commonly referred to as Blind Moses Road.

We have determined that the majority of the property along the section line is not owned by the State of Alaska. AS 19.10.010 allows development of a section line easement for access. The project you are considering appears consistent with the use for which section line easements were created. However, easements were not established for all section lines, and therefore the Division of Mining, Land and Water will not conclusively verify that an easement exists on these particular section lines. Before you proceed with any development:

- You should contact a registered land surveyor or a land consultant to determine if a section line easement exists where your proposed project is located;
- You must contact all other land owners on this section line, as the resources on this land belong to them;
- You must accurately locate the boundaries of the section line easement within a survey;
- You must secure all other required local, state, and/or federal authorizations;
- You must plan the development of your driveway in a reasonable manner commensurate with the scope of your project. Locate the road as close to the centerline of the easement as is practical, in order to avoid waste of public resources and impacts to the land and nearby residents. Width of clearing and site preparation work should not be greater than is necessary to develop a reasonable driveway.

A copy of Northern Region forest road standards is enclosed, to provide you with information and development guidelines for design and construction. These guidelines are intended to compliment, but not to replace or supersede any development requirements set forth by other managing authorities such as the US Army Corps of Engineers, State of Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities, or the Fairbanks North Star Borough. Landowner permission must be secured prior to deviating beyond the boundaries of the section line.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 907-451-2777.

Sincerely,

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Permits and Easements Team

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