

12/19/2012

REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT

Purpose of SUP: OASIS Environmental is in the process of conducting a Phase II Site Assessment on Tax Lot 3504, Section 35, T1S, R1E, F.M. This assessment will focus on collecting 9 soil borings and placing 9 temporary groundwater monitoring locations 25 feet north of the Haines-Fairbanks pipeline that is in the Alaska Railroad right-of-way. OASIS has been told by the Ft. Wainwright Dept. of Public Works that the CANOL pipeline was adjacent to the Haines-Fairbanks line in this location. USACE provided OASIS with an original drawing of the CANOL pipeline placing it along the Old and New Richardson Highways in Section 35. The USACE has no other information regarding the status of the CANOL pipeline in this area. Most of the CANOL pipeline was placed on the surface of the ground but in a limited number of locations it was buried. No record remains of where the buried sections are located.

In an attempt to locate a possible buried section of the CANOL pipeline, OASIS plans to use ground penetrating radar in the area indicated by USACE along the highway. If a buried pipe cannot be located, no further action will occur. If buried pipe can be located, 8 soil borings will be collected and 8 temporary monitoring wells will be placed 10 feet to the east/northeast of the CANOL pipeline.

OASIS plans to conduct these activities as soon as we issue a Special Use Permit. The ground penetrating radar activities will consist of two people on a snowmachine pulling a sled with the GPR unit in the area where the CANOL pipeline ran. This activity will take approximately ½ day. If ground sampling were to occur, it would consist of a drill rig and crew of about 4 people working in the area for up to 4 days. Only about 25 percent of this time period would be within the ROW (+/- 1 day).

Location: Northeast side of the New Richardson Highway at approximately 354.5 Mile and the northeast side of the Old Richardson Highway east of Rivers Wood Products.
Latitude: 64 47' 03"; Longitude: 147 30' 06"
Latitude: 64 47' 14"; Longitude: 147 30' 18"
Por. NW1/4, Sec. 35, T1S, R1E, FM
(see attached maps)

Applicant: Anne Kranawetter, Environmental Scientist
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The issuance of a Special Use Permit necessitates review from all sections with the department. **Please submit your review comments by January 4, 2013.**

You may submit your comments via return e-mail and I will copy and paste it into the comment sheet below. Please "Reply to All" so that all reviewers can see your comments.

Please call with questions and we will do our best to get your questions answered.

Glenn Potts
451-5462
Right of Way Agent

RIGHT OF WAY: Pete Eagan
Recommend approval. Pete

DESIGN: Tim Woster
Glenn,

Design has no objection to the permit. If the work advances to drilling, the permit should require the company to provide actual locations of borings, a description of procedures and what facilities may be left in place for monitoring, and a description of measure taken to clean up drill cuttings, etc. If they will be working in the clear zone a traffic control plan should be required.

This area is within the project limits of Richardson Highway MP 353-357 Access Improvements project. If the permitted work will include borings and monitoring wells, or other facilities left in place, that information should be shared with the Design Manager, Sarah Schacher.

Tim

TRAFFIC & SAFETY: Pam Golden
Traffic and Safety recommends a 36x36 CW21-5 "Shoulder work" sign if drilling becomes necessary. Workers' vehicles should not be parked along the roadway.

PLANNING: Jeff Roach
Hi Glenn,

No comment on this one. Thank you.

Linda

MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS: Dan Schacher
Glenn,

M&O would like our ROW left as close to existing conditions as possible. If drilling is required, measures should be taken to clean up the spoils. Monitoring wells should be clearly marked while in place and should be removed as soon as they are no longer useful.

Thank you,

Dan Schacher

UTILITIES: Gail Gardner
Glenn,

There are underground comm. lines in this area along the Old Rich. The old RCA line (aerial comm.) is also here and is pretty low. They need to call for locates if they drill.

Gail Gardner, P.E. | State of Alaska | NR – DOT & PF | ROW Regional

HYDROLOGY: Jeff Stutzke
Hydraulics has no objection.

ENVIRONMENTAL: Brett Nelson
No objections from Environmental. Please let me know if plans change.

Thanks,
Brett