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#### DECISION

State of Alaska

Department of Natural Resources

Division of Research & Development

323 East Fourth Avenue

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A-063034

General Purposes Grant

State Selection

## State Selection Application Suspended in Part Lands Proper for Selection Tentative Approval Given

On August 10, 1965, the State of Alaska filed general purposes grant selection application A-063034 under the provisions of Sec. 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act of July 7, 1958, for all the available lands in Tps. 28 S., Rs. 57 and 58 E. and Tps. 29 S., Rs. 58 and 59 E., Copper River Meridian, near Chilkoot Lake, Alaska.

Prior to the State selections, on July 10, 1957, Power Site Classification (PSC) No. 439 withdrew all the lands adjacent to Chilkoot Lake below the 200-foot contour and to a point on the Chilkoot River one-fourth mile downstream from the outlet of Chilkoot Lake and the lands along the Chilkoot River upstream from Chilkoot Lake in T. 29 S., R. 58 E. to a point in Sec. 22, T. 28 S., R. 57 E., Copper River Meridian. The PSC withdrew approximately 4,300 acres under the provisions of Sec. 24 of the Act of June 10, 1920 (41 Stat. 1063), which provided that the lands were reserved from entry, location, or another disposal until otherwise directed. The lands are still segregated from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws by the terms of the withdrawal and are hereby suspended.

It has been administratively determined that Chilkoot Lake located in T. 29 S., R. 58 E., Copper River Meridian, and the Chilkoot River from Chilkoot Lake to the northern boundary of Sec. 22 in T. 28 S., R. 57 E., Copper River Meridian, are the only navigable fresh water bodies in this selection. All tidal waters within the selection area are considered navigable under the Submerged Lands Act (67 Stat. 29, P.L. 31, May 22, 1953). The mean high tide, line will be established at the time of survey.

The remaining lands applied for meet the criteria for compactness. The lands described below are unreserved, are not known to be occupied or appropriated under the public land laws, including the mining laws, are not valuable for hot or medicinal springs, and otherwise conform to the requirements of the Statehood Act of 1958.

In view of the foregoing, the following described lands, aggregating approximately 80,023 acres of unsurveyed and 21.40 acres of surveyed lands are

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1 9 8 1 - 0 0 7 2 considered proper for acquisition by the State and are hereby tentatively approved:

### Copper River Meridian, Alaska

#### Surveyed land

T. 29 S., R., 58 E. Sec. 31, Lot 1 Containing 21.40 acres.

## Unsurveyed land

T. 28 S., R. 57 E. Excluding Power Site Classification 439; Secs. 1 through 21, all; Sec. 22, all, excluding homestead Secs. 23 through 33, all; Sec. 34, all, excluding Native Secs. 35 and 36, all. Containing approximately 19,376 acres. T. 28 S., R. 58 E., all. Containing approximately 21,909 acrès. T. 29 S., R. 58 E., Excluding Power Site Classifications 439: Sec. 1 through 3, all; Sec 4, all, excluding homestead application A-062807; Secs. 5 through 24, all; Sec. 25, all, excluding Native allotment application AA-7065, regional selection application AA-10508, and patented U.S. Surveys Nos. 3707, 3748, and 4514. Secs. 26 through 30, all; Sec. 31, Lot 1, E2, NW2, all, excluding Native allotment application A-061035;

T. 29 S., R. 59 E.

Secs. 1 through 14, all;
Sec. 15, all excluding Native allotment applications AA-6599 and AA-6600;
Secs. 16 through 18, all;
Sec. 19, all, excluding PSC 439;
Secs. 20 through 25, all:
Sec. 26, all, excluding patented U.S.
Surveys Nos. 967, 968, 969, and 976;

Sec. 36, all, excluding patented U.S.

Containing approximately 18,774 acres

Surveys Nos. 974 and 3707.

Sec. 32 through 35, all;

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Sec. 27, all, excluding U.S. Surveys
Nos. 968 and 969;
Secs. 28 and 29, all;
Sec. 30, all, excluding Native allotment
application A-061299; regional selection
application AA-10512, PSC 439, and
patented surveys;
Sec. 31, W½SW¼SW½;
Secs. 32 and 33, all;
Sec. 34, all, excluding U.S. Survey No. 969;
Sec. 35, all, excluding U.S. Surveys
Nos. 969 and 976;
Sec. 36, all.
Containing approximately 19,993 acres.

When the lands are patented to the State, the patent will contain a reservation for canals and ditches under the Act of August 30, 1890 (26 Stat. 391) and a reservation to the United States of a right-of-way for the construction of railroads, telegraph, and telephone lines under the Act of March 12, 1914 (38 Stat. 305).

The Haines Borough filed right-of-way application AA-16676 located in T. 29 S., R. 58 E., Copper River Meridian. The right-of-way was never granted and will not be reserved to the United States in the patent.

Enclosed are current status plats showing the tentatively approved lands.

/s/ ROBERT E. SORENSON Chief, Branch of Lands and Minerals Operations

Enclosures: Plats

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