DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

DIVISION OF MINING, LAND AND WATER

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

Subject: Notice: Native Allotment Application Relocation Proposed

Dear Ms. Grimes:

This is in response to your May 12, 2011 notice "Native Allotment Application Relocation Proposed" regarding Alaska Native allotment AA-6231, Parcels A and B, Annie Tyone.

Our records indicate there is a RS 2477 trail that may cross the lands claimed within Parcel A. This trail has been identified as RST 295. RST 295 is also known as the Gulkana – Valdez Creek Summer Trail. It is listed in the 1973 Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Trails Inventory on Map 83 (Gulkana Quadrangle) as Trail #8 and #71, on Map 86 (Mt. Hayes Quadrangle) as Trail #8, and on Map 87 (Healy Quadrangle) as Trail #5 and #3. The documentation of use lists the trail being used as early as 1910 (USGS Bulletin #480).

Since the trail predates the Native allotment applicant's date of claimed use and occupancy the trail should be reserved in the Certificate of Allotment if the allotment is approved and it is determined that the trail crosses the parcel.

Also, the Richardson Highway (FAP Route #71) crosses Parcel B. Since the Richardson Highway was conveyed to the State of Alaska under the Omnibus Act in 1959, the highway must be excluded from the Certificate of Allotment, if the allotment is approved.

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

Sincerely,

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