INITIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation has applied for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program grant funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to fund the Tonsina Trail Flood Mitigation project, located near the community of Seward, Alaska; with matching funds provided by the State of Alaska, Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. Pursuant to 44 CFR Part 9.12, FEMA gives early notice under Executive Order (EO) 11988, Floodplain Management or EO 11990, Wetland Protection; since this action is located in or affects the floodplain or may affect wetlands.

The project site is located along the Tonsina Trail which connects Lowell Point State Recreation Site and Caines Head State Recreation Area. The purpose of the project is to improve the trail by implementing floodproofing activities such as installing culverts, constructing ditches, trail realignment, and structure armoring. The proposed action includes: Employing engineered strategies to better accommodate flood events and minimize damage to existing facilities.

Comments concerning the proposed action will be accepted from the affected public; local, state and federal agencies; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate alternatives and the environmental impacts of the proposed action. Comments should be made in writing, sent to the point of contact listed below, and postmarked within 15 days of publication of this notice.

Additional information about the project, including a project area map, can be obtained from the applicant contact below.

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Given the nature of the proposed action, if no public comments are received, no further public notice will be conducted for this project.