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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mary Kay Ryckman

Department of Natural Resources

FROM:

April Simpson, Office of the Lieutenant Governor

465.4081

DATE:

July 31, 2019

RE:

Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Natural Resources

Department of Natural Resources Regulation re: Mining Rental Revision (11 AAC

86.221 - .541)

Attorney General File:

2019200516

Regulation Filed:

7/31/2019

Effective Date:

8/30/2019

Print:

231, October 2019

cc with enclosures:

Linda Miller, Department of Law

Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

Joseph Joyner, Department of Natural Resouces

ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

The attached 3 pages of regulations, dealing with 11 AAC 86.221, the annual rental for mining claims and leasehold locations; 11 AAC 86.313 the annual rental for mining leases made under AS 38.05.205; 11 AAC 86.422 the annual rental for prospecting sites made under AS 38.05.245 and 11 AAC 86.541 the annual Offshore Mining Lease rental, are adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Department of Natural Resources adopts under the authority of AS 38.05.020 and AS 38.05.211 and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

In considering public comments, the Department of Natural Resources paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Date: 24 July 19

Corri Feige, Commissioner, Department of

Natural Resources

April Simpson for

FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Kevin Meyer, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on

 $3 \frac{1}{5}$, 20 19, at 8:359.m., I filed the attached regulations according to the

provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

Lieutenant Governor Kevin Meyer

Effective:

Angust 30,2019.

Register:

23, October 2019

FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, KEVIN MEYER, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

Josh Applebee, Chief of Staff Kady Levale, Notary Administrator April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on December 11th, 2018.

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KEVIN MEYER LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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Register 231, October 2019 NATURAL RESOURCES

11 AAC 86.221(b) is amended to read:

(b) Except as provided in (f) of this section, the amount of the annual rental payment is based on the number of years since a mining claim or leasehold location was first located, as follows:

Number of	Rental Amount for	Rental Amount for	Rental Amount for	
Years Since	Each Quarter-Section	Each Quarter	Each Traditional Mining	
First Located	Size MTRSC	Quarter-Section	Claim or Leasehold	
Location		Size MTRSC	Location	
		Location		
0-5	0-5 \$165 [\$140]		\$40 [\$35]	
6-10 \$330 [\$280]		<u>\$85</u> [\$70]	\$85 [\$70]	
11 or more <u>\$825</u> [\$680]		\$205 [\$170]	<u>\$205</u> [\$170]	

(Eff. 5/18/90, Register 114; am 8/26/98, Register 147; am 4/24/99, Register 150; am 1/19/2002, Register 161; am 8/23/2009, Register 191; am 8/20/9, Register 231)

Authority: AS 38.05.020 AS 38.05.185

AS 38.05.265

AS 38.05.035 AS 38.05.211

11 AAC 86.313(c) is amended to read:

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(c) The annual rental amount is based on the number of acres included in the lease and the number of years since the predecessor claim or leasehold location of the mining lease was first located, as follows:

Number of Years Since	Rental Amount Per Acre		
First Located	for Mining Lease		
0-5	\$1.03 [\$.88]		
6-10	\$2.06 [\$1.75]		
11 or more	\$5.16 [\$4.25]		

Before survey under 11 AAC 86.311, the rent will be based on the number of acres estimated in the lease document. (Eff. 5/18/90, Register 114; am 8/26/98, Register 147; am 4/24/99, Register 150; am 1/19/2002, Register 161; am 8/23/2009, Register 191; am 8/30/2019, Register 23\)

Authority: AS 38.05.020 AS 38.05.185 AS 38.05.211

AS 38.05.035 AS 38.05.205 AS 38.05.265

11 AAC 86.422(b) is amended to read:

(b) The rental required for a prospecting site is \$305 [SET OUT IN AS 38.05.211(a)] and must be paid in accordance with 11 AAC 86.107. The rental for a prospecting site located on state land is due within the time provided by AS 38.05.245(c). The rental for a prospecting site located on state-selected land is due on

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the date the federal government conveys all or a portion of the land within the location to the state, and must be paid within 90 days after that date. Before the date of conveyance, a locator of a prospecting site on state-selected land may submit a \$305 [\$255] payment with the certificate of location, as provided in 11 AAC 86.107. The payment will be considered a non-refundable deposit credited to the required rental payment if the selection is conveyed to the state. (Eff. 1/19/2002, Register 161; am 8/23/2009, Register 191; am 8/23/2019, Register 231)

Authority: AS 38.05.020

AS 38.05.245

AS 38.05.265

AS 38.05.211

11 AAC 86.541(b) is amended to read:

(b) The amount of the annual rental payment is \$1.03 [\$.88] per acre during the first five years of the lease, \$2.06 [\$1.75] per acre during the next five years of the lease, and \$5.16 [\$4.25] per acre after that. Payments made for an offshore prospecting permit will not be applied against the rent that becomes due after the permit is converted to a lease. (Eff. 5/18/90, Register 114; am 4/24/99, Register 150; am 8/23/2009, Register 191; am 8/20/2019, Register 231)

Authority: AS 38.05.020 AS 38.05.185 AS 38.05.250

AS 38.05.035 AS 38.05.211 AS 38.05.265

MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

Department of Law

To: The Honorable Kevin Meyer Lieutenant Governor

Date: July 26, 2019

File No.: 2019200516

Tel. No.: 465-3600

From: Susan R. Pollard

Chief Assistant Attorney General and Regulations Attorney
Legislation and Regulations Section

Re: Department of Natural Resources

Regulation re: 11 AAC 86.221-.541:

Mining Rental Revision

The Department of Law has reviewed the attached regulations of the Department of Natural Resources against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. Based upon our review, we find no legal problems. This memorandum constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations. The regulations were adopted by the Department of Natural Resources after the close of the public comment period. The Department requests that these regulations be filed in order to be in effective by September 1, 2019, the day that by regulation the mining rental year begins, with payment to be made on or before November 30.

The regulations concern revisions to the annual rental rates for mining claims and leasehold locations, mining leases, prospecting sites, and offshore mining lease rentals. These rental rates are initially established in statute and the commissioner is directed to review and revise the rates every ten years based on the Consumer Price Index. AS 38.05.211. Revisions are to be made by regulation, and will affect existing rentals based on the number of years since first located, except for prospecting sites, which apply for each individual two-year term. The last revision to the regulations was made in 2009.

The public notice and the July 24, 2019, adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.195 is not required.

SRP:sjw

cc: Honorable Corri A. Feige, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources Joe Joyner, Natural Resources Manager, Department of Natural Resources Tom Lenhart, Senior Assistant Attorney General

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Fiscal information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

The proposed regulations provide for user fees for certain elective services or elective uses of stateowned land, but do not establish mandatory permitting or compliance requirements that impose costs on a private person, other state agencies, or municipalities.

Date: June 21, 2019

Division of Mining, Land and Water, Department

of Natural Resources

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION (AS 44.62.190(d))

1.	Adopting agency: Department of Natural Resources		
2.	General subject of regulation: Mining Rentals On State land		
3.	Citation of regulation (may be grouped): 11 AAC 86.221, 11 AAC 86.313, 11 AAC		
	86.422, 11 AAC 86.541		
4.	Department of law file number (if any)		
	Reason for the proposed action:		
	() Compliance with federal law or action (identify):		
	() Compliance with new or changed state statute		
	() Compliance with federal or state court decision (identify):		
	() Development of program standards		
	(X) Other: (identify)Department Initiated		
6.	Appropriation/Allocation:		
	NONE		

7. Estimated annual cost to comply with the proposed action to:

A private person: \$0.00 The proposed regulations provide for user rents for certain elective uses of state-owned land, but do not establish mandatory permitting or compliance requirements that impose costs on a private person. Therefore, these regulations are not expected generate any annual cost to comply with the proposed action.

Another state agency: \$0.00 The proposed regulations provide for user rents for certain elective uses of state-owned land, but do not establish mandatory permitting or compliance requirements that impose costs on any state agencies. Therefore, these regulations are not expected generate any annual cost to comply with the proposed action.

A municipality: \$0.00 The proposed regulations provide for user rents for certain elective uses of state-owned land, but do not establish mandatory permitting or compliance requirements that impose costs on a municipality. Therefore, these regulations are not expected generate any annual cost to comply with the proposed action.

8. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding (in thousands of dollars):

	Initial Year	Subsequent	
	FY <u>20</u>	Years	
Operating Cost	\$0.0	\$0.0	
Capital Cost	\$0.0	\$0.0	

	1002 Federal receipts	\$ 0.0	\$0.0	
	1003 General fund match	\$ 0.0	\$0.0	
	1004 General fund	\$ 0.0	\$0.0	
	1005 General fund/		7010	
	program	\$ 0.0	\$0.0	
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9. Th	e name of the contact perso	on for the regu	ılations:	
	Name Joseph Joyner			
	Title Natural Resource	Manager		
	Address DNR, DMLW, 55		ue Suite	1070
	Anchorage, AK 99		uo, ouito	1010
	Telephone 907-269-8511			
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	E-mail address: joe.joyne	rwaiaska.gov	10	
10.	The origin of the proposed a	ction:		
10.	X Staff of state agency	Ctions.		
	Federal government			
	General public			
	Petition for regulation	ı change		
	Other (identify):			
11. D	ete: July 21, 2019		Prepare	ed by:
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		Name	(typed)	Joseph Joyner
			typed)	Natural Resource Manager
		Telep		269-8511
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AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION AND FURNISHING OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I, Joseph Joyner, Natural Resource Manager III, of Division of Mining Land of Water, Department of Natural Resources, being sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 44.62.190, notice of the proposed adoption of changes to 11 AAC 86.221 dealing with the annual rental for mining claims and leasehold locations; 11 AAC 86.313 dealing with the annual rental for mining leases made under AS 38.05.205; 11 AAC 86.422 dealing with the annual rental for prospecting sites made under AS 38.05.245 and 11 AAC 86.541 dealing with the annual Offshore Mining Lease rental has been given by being

- (1) published in a newspaper or trade publication;
- (2) furnished to every person who has filed a request for notice of proposed action with the state agency;
- (3) furnished to appropriate state officials;
- (4) furnished to interested persons;
- (5) furnished to the Department of Law, along with a copy of the proposed regulation;
- (6) furnished electronically to incumbent State of Alaska legislators;
- (7) posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System as required by AS 44.62.175(a)(1) and (b) and 44.62.190(a)(1).

As required by AS 44.62.190, additional regulation notice information regarding the proposed adoption of the regulation changes described above has been furnished to interested persons and those in (2), (4) and (6) of the list above. The additional regulation notice information also has been posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

Date: 1/22/19

Joseph Joynes, Natural Resource Manager III

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(date)

Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska

[NOTARY SEAL]



AFFIDAVIT OF AGENCY RECORD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

I, Joseph Joyner, Natural Resource Manager III, of Division of Mining Land of Water, Department of Natural Resources, being duly sworn, state the following:

In compliance with AS 44.62.215, the Department of Natural Resources has kept a record of its use or rejection of factual or other substantive information that was submitted in writing as public comment and that was relevant to the accuracy, coverage, or other aspect of the Department of Natural Resources regulation on 11 AAC 86.221 dealing with the annual rental for mining claims and leasehold locations; 11 AAC 86.313 dealing with the annual rental for mining leases made under AS 38.05.205; 11 AAC 86.422 dealing with the annual rental for prospecting sites made under AS 38.05.245 and 11 AAC 86.541 the annual Offshore Mining Lease rental.

Date: 7/24/19

Joseph Joyner, Natural Resource Manager III

Subscribed and sworn to before me at ANCHORAGE, AK, DNR, DMLW

JULY 24 TH, 2019 (date)

Ruth A. Frost

Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska

[NOTARY SEAL]



AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF ALASKA FOURTH DISTRICT

SS.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public, this day personally appeared Crystal Wise, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, says that she/he is an Advertising Clerk of the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner, a newspaper (i) published in newspaper format, (ii) distributed daily more than 50 weeks per year, (iii) with a total circulation of more than 500 and more than 10% of the population of the Fourth Judicial District, (iv) holding a second class mailing permit from the United States Postal Service, (v) not published primarily to distribute advertising, and (vi) not intended for a particular professional or occupational group. The advertisement which is attached is a true copy of the advertisement published in said paper on the following day(s):

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Advertising Clerk

Subscribed and sworn to me this 21st day of June, 2019.

Marena Burnell, Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska. My commission expires December 7th, 2021.

STATE OF ALASKA NOTARY PUBLIC

M. Burnell

My Commission Ends December 7, 2021

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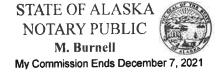
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Director, Division of Mining, Land and Water,

Department of Natural Resources

Publish: June 21, 2019

PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, **STATE OF ALASKA**

Elizabeth A. Ulricksen being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says: That I am and was at all times here in this affidavit mentions, Supervisor of Legals of the Sound Publishing / JUNEAU EMPIRE, a newspaper of general circulation and published at JUNEAU, Alaska, that the advertisement, a printed copy of which is hereto annexed was published in said paper on the dates listed below:

> AO MLW19-177 June 21, 2019

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2019.

NOTARY PUBLIC in favor for the State of Alaska.

My commission expires

NOTARY PUBLIC RANDALEE J. KEATON STATE OF ALASKA My Commission Expires July 10, 2022

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Notary Public in and for The State of Alaska. Third Division Anchorage, Alaska MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

The Department of Natural Resources proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 11 of the Alaska Administrative Code, specifically 11 AAC 86.221 dealing with the Annual Rental for mining claims and leasehold locations; 11 AAC 86.313 dealing with the Annual Rental for mining leases made under AS 38.05.205; 11 AAC 86.422 dealing with the Annual Rental for prospecting sites made under AS 38.05.245 and 11 AAC 86.541 dealing with the Offshore Mining Lease Rental.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to the Division of Mining, Land and Water, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1070, Anchorage, AK 99501-3579 or by e-mail to dnr.mining.regulation@alaska.gov or by fax to 907-269-8904. The comments must be received by the department no later than 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 24, 2019.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to: Joe Joyner, Division of Mining, Land and Water, 550 W 7th Ave., Suite 1070, Anchorage, Alaska 99501-3579, Fax: (907) 269-8511, E-Mail: dnr.mining.regulation@alaska.gov. Questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period (July 15, 2019). The Department of Natural Resources will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Login.aspx and agency website at http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/mlw/hottopics.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Joe Joyner at 269-8511 no later than July 15, 2019, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

A copy of the proposed regulation changes is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System at the following websites: http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/mlw/hottopics or by contacting the Director's Office, Division of Mining, Land and Water, Department of Natural Resources, Attention Joe Joyner, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1070, Anchorage, Alaska 99501-3579; or call 907-269-8511. After the public comment period ends, the Department of Natural Resources will either adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.

Statutory Authority: AS 38.05.020, AS 38.05.211.

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 38.05.035; AS 38.05.185; AS 38.05.205; AS 38.05.211; AS 38.05.245; AS 38.05.250; AS 38.05.265.

Fiscal information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation. The proposed regulations provide for user fees for certain elective services or elective uses of state-owned land, but do not establish mandatory permitting or compliance requirements that impose costs on a private person, other state agencies, or municipalities.

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Marty Parsons, Director, Division of Mining, Land and Water, Department of Natural Resources

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