

DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION





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State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation

Notice of Public Scoping for Possible Updates and Revisions to DNR Regulations Under Administrative Order 266

11 AAC 12, 11 AAC 18, 11 AAC 20, 11 AAC 21 State Park Land and Water

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, is considering whether it should revise regulating the use of state park land and water. Specifically, DNR is considering revising regulations in order to enact new provisions to authorize and regulate the use of small, unmanned aircraft (UAVs) in state parks statewide.

The purpose of this notice is to ask the public for their ideas and suggestions for possible changes and improvements **solely related to UAVs** in 11 AAC 12, 11 AAC 18, 11 AAC 20, and 11 AAC 21 *before* the department undertakes the task of drafting any specific proposed revisions of these regulations for public review. These ideas and suggestions can be as broad or as narrow, or as general or as specific, as a submitter may wish.

The department is not currently proposing any *specific* changes at this time. There are no draft regulations to review. The department is soliciting feedback and comments from the public on how they would improve regulations regarding the use of UAVs in State Park managed lands and waters before the formal process of drafting any proposed changes begins.

Text for existing regulations governing the use of state park land and water is online at: <u>http://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#11.12.010</u>.

Written suggestions and other input must be received by the department no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 19, 2023 and may be submitted by mail or email to:

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The department will consider information submitted if and when it proposes regulatory revisions to the chapters referenced above. Any proposed regulatory revisions will subsequently be public noticed and made available for public review and comment under AS 44.62 the Alaska Administrative Procedures Act.

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