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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO: Trevor Fulton, Department of Natural Resources

FROM: April Simpson, Office of the Lieutenant Governor

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DATE: June 19, 2024

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Natural Resources

Department of Natural Resources regulations re: Carbon Offset Program Implementing

Senate Bill 48 (2023) (11 AAC 78.010 - 990)

Attorney General File: 2

2024200007

Regulation Filed:

6/19/2024

Effective Date:

7/19/2024

Print:

251, October 2024

cc with enclosures:

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June 19, 2024

The Honorable Nancy Dahlstrom Lieutenant Governor State of Alaska P.O. Box 110015 Juneau, AK 99811-0015

Re: 11 AAC 78.010-990: DNR - Carbon Offset Program Implementing SB 48

(2023)

Our file: 2024200007

Dear Lieutenant Governor Dahlstrom:

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 letter 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 Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources after the close of the public comment period.

The regulations concern management of carbon offset projects on state land and were prompted by enactment of Senate Bill 48 (SLA 2023, Chapter 2).

The March 28, 2024 public notice and the June 18, 2024 adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.060 is not required.

We have made some technical corrections to conform the regulations in accordance with AS 44.62.060. The corrections are incorporated into the attached copy of the regulations.

Sincerely,

TREG TAYLOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

By:

Rebecca C. Digitally signed by Rebecca C. Polizzotto Date: 2024.06.19 09:18:19 -08'00'

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Trevor Fulton, Carbon Offset Program Manager

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Amy H. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General

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ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

The attached seven pages of regulations, dealing with Carbon Offset Projects on State Land, 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 38.95.400 - 38.95.499 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.

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	John Boyle, Commissioner
	Department of Natural Resources
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July 19, 2024. 251, October 2024	Lieutenant Governor Nanay Danjstrom
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FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, NANCY DAHLSTROM, 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:

April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on May 15th, 2023.

OF THE STATE OF ALASEN

NANCY DAHLSTROM LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR