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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Bryan Scoresby, Division Director

Department of Natural Resources

FROM:

April Simpson, Alaska Administrative Code Coordinator

Office of the Lieutenant Governor

DATE:

March 4, 2025

RE:

Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Natural Resources

Department of Natural Resources regulations re: Agriculture Revolving Loan Fund

(ARLF) Limits (11 AAC 39.191 - .201)

Attorney General File:

2024200516

Regulation Filed:

3/4/2025

Effective Date:

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cc with enclosures:

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March 4, 2025

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

Re: 11 AAC 39.191 - .201: DNR - Agriculture Revolving Loan Fund (ARLF)

Limits

Our file: 2024200516

Dear Lieutenant Governor Dahlstrom:

The Department of Law has reviewed the attached regulations of the Board of Agriculture and Conservation 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 Board of Agriculture and Conservation after the close of the public comment period.

The regulations repeal certain requirements related to limits for individual agricultural loans granted under 11 AAC 39 (Agricultural Revolving Loan Fund). These changes conform 11 AAC 39 to legislation that passed in 2024 that raised the statutory loan limit from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000 and added inflationary requirements, making the current regulatory limit requirements obsolete.¹

Sec. 3, ch. 34 SLA 2024.

Both the November 17, 2024 public notice and the February 25, 2025 order certifying changes to regulations state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.060 is not required.

No technical corrections were necessary to conform the regulations in accordance with AS 44.62.060.

Sincerely,

TREG TAYLOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

Rebecca C.
Polizzotto

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Rebecca C. Polizzotto Chief Assistant Attorney General Legislation, Regulations, and

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CC w/enclosure:

Bryan Scoresby, Division Director

Department of Natural Resources

Kevin Higgins, Assistant Attorney General

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Brad Sharp, Assistant Attorney General

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ORDER CERTIFYING THE CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF BOARD OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSERVATION

The attached 1 page of regulations, dealing with the repeal of the loan limits is certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Board of Agriculture and Conservation adopted at its February 24, 2025 meeting, under the authority of AS 03.10.020(a)(3) 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.

On the record, in considering public comments, the Board of Agriculture and Conservation paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

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

FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Nanay Panishom, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that ___, 2025 at 2:21 P.m., I filed the attached regulations according

to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

Effective:

Register:

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.

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NATURAL RESOURCES

11 AAC 39.191 is repealed:

11 AAC 39.191. Overall maximum loan limit. Repealed. (Eff. 12/1/84, Register 92; repealed 4/3/2025, Register 254)

11 AAC 39.201 is repealed:

11 AAC 39.201. Application of loan limits. Repealed. (Eff. 12/1/84, Register 92; am 10/27/2002, Register 164; repealed 4 / 3 / 2025, Register 254)