

**STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF MINING, LAND AND WATER
MINERAL ORDER 1328**

 X Closing Lands to Mineral Entry Opening Lands to Mineral Entry

- I. Name:** James Dalton Highway and associated maintenance and transportation facilities.
- II. Reason for Mineral Order:** This Mineral Order is based on the attached Commissioner's Administrative Finding and applicable statutes.
- III. Authority:** AS 38.05.185 and AS 38.05.300.
- IV. Location and Legal Description:** Lands to be closed under this order include all state land within 150 feet of each side of the centerline of the James Dalton Highway from the northern head of the E. L. Patton Bridge on the Yukon River, coinciding with the southern boundary of the James Dalton Highway Corridor Legislatively Designated Area (AS 19.40), to the highway's northern terminus at the Deadhorse Airport; the Coldfoot Maintenance Station and Airport; and other associated nearby maintenance and transportation infrastructure facilities.
- This action also authorizes changes to MO 1328 to accommodate future maintenance sites and facilities of the James Dalton Highway and lands within 150 feet of the Highway, including future segments as they are acquired, when they are conveyed to the state without a formal amendment to this order.
- V. Mineral Closing:** This mineral order is subject to valid existing rights and is issued under the authority granted by AS 38.05.185 – 38.05.275 and AS 38.05.300 to the Alaska Department of Natural Resources. In accordance with AS 38.05.185(a), I find that the best interests of the State of Alaska and its residents are served by closing to mineral entry under the mineral location and mining laws of the State of Alaska, the land described in this mineral order. The above-described lands are hereby closed to entry under the locatable minerals and mining laws of the State of Alaska.

Concur:

Christy Colles, Director
Division of Mining, Land, & Water

Date

Approved:

John Crowther, Commissioner Designee
Department of Natural Resources

Date