FINAL DECISION

to offer opportunity for a

CONCESSION CONTRACT FOR OPERATION OF FOOD SERVICES at BIG DELTA STATE HISTORICAL PARK

The Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation issued a preliminary decision to enter into a concession contract to provide food services at Big Delta State Historical Park. Pursuant to AS 41.21.027, I hereby make the final determination to enter into concession contract for the above-referenced purposes.

Public Comment

Following the issuance of the preliminary decision, the Division received eight comments from the public which were all in support of the state entering into a concession contract to provide food services at Big Delta State Historical Park. The Division was encouraged to solicit a business that focuses on quality visitor services similar to what has been provided at the park during past years.

Final Decision

Having duly considered comments from the public and other information referenced in my preliminary decision, I conclude that entering into a concession contract is consistent with the purposes for which the park was created, and entering into a concession contract will serve the public interest and enhance public use and enjoyment of the park. I also hereby incorporate by reference as part of this decision the findings and reasons set forth in the preliminary decision.

Ben Ellis

October 17, 2013

Date