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Citizens for Management of Alaska Lands

Citizens for Management of Alaska Lands (CMAL) is a broad-based coalition of Alaskans and others interested in the wise use of Alaska lands and resources. Its philosophy, to the extent it can be expressed simply, can be paraphrased as "land for peoples' needs".

CMAL believes in the multiple-use concept, wherein land can be managed to produce both the basic needs-such as food and shelter--and important, yet secondary, needs--such as, recreation. CMAL believes that this concept makes sense for the bulk of Alaska's land which has strong multiple-values or potentials, as it allows use of the land to produce the greatest good for the greatest number. Incorporated in this belief is the understanding that surface trasport access to the lands must be assured so that these multiple values can be realized.

By recognizing that peoples' needs also include solitutde and aesthetic values, CMAL is also in favor or the preservation of certain wild lands whose uniqueness is widely acclaimed in units of the National Park and Wildlife Refuge systems. It proposes, however, that all the resource values be professionally evaluated and inventoried, so there is a clear understanding of benefits and costs of those lands placed in restricted withdrawals.

It is the policy of CMAL that stable land ownership and management practices be paramount to any decisions relating to Alaska's land and resources. Thus there must be no doubts about Alaska's Statehood and Native entitlements, as new land decisions are made.

Finally, CMAL believes that the vast area of Alaska--if dynamically managed to take into account changing needs of man -- can play an increasingly important role in the national destiny with room for energy and food production, timber, mining, human habitat and recreation and wildlife.

CMAL is a citizens' group responsive to the wants and needs of the majority of Alaskans. CMAL is actively requesting in-put and support from the general Alaskan citizenry.

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