Special Survey Lands

If available lands under special survey are chosen for village or regional selection under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, they must be identified by the survey number.

Special surveys include mineral surveys and United States

surveys. Since special surveys are not part of the regular survey network, the township and range description alone is not a valid legal description of the land. A selection of "all" in a particular section would only cover available lands not in special surveys.

Corporations should review all applications, and make sure the survey numbers are included for all surveyed land that is selected.

If the survey numbers have been omitted on an application already filed, amendments should be submitted to the Bureau of Land Management Land Offices in Anchorage, 555 Cordova and in Fairbanks, 1028 Aurora Drive no later than December 18, 1974 for village corporations and December 18, 1975 for regional corporations.