

*Up for Classification—*

# PIPELINE CORRIDOR PROPOSED BY BLM

Burton W. Silcock, as Alaska State Director for the Bureau of Land Management, this week announced the proposed classification of 5,188,640 acres of public land in a utility corridor from Valdez to the North Slope.

This action comes under the classification and multiple use act of 1964 to prevent unplanned development with its adverse effects on the environment along the route.

The corridor is from 12 to 24 miles wide along the proposed Trans Alaska Pipeline route. Of the pipeline's 800 mile length, about 500 miles are on the public land to be classified. The balance of the pipeline is on state or private lands and is not affected by this action.

The corridor width may be

narrowed after the pipeline is constructed. This action will not effect any valid existing rights, nor will it have any effect on the determination and protection of the rights of the native Aleuts, Eskimos, and Indians of Alaska.

This action does not effect selections by the State of Alaska. The land under the proposals will be segregated from all settlement appropriations under the public land laws and the general mining law. The lands effected by these proposals are shown on maps on file in the Bureau of Land Management offices in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Glennallen.

These proposals will be published in the Federal Register and hearings will be held where public interest warrants. The time and place of these public hearings will be announced at a later date.

Anyone who wishes to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with these proposals may present their views in person or in writing to: Alaska State Office, 555 Cordova Street, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, Anchorage District Office, 4700

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516 Second Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701.