

T. 9 S., R. 8 W.  
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 22,733 acres.

T. 10 S., R. 8 W.  
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 22,821 acres.

T. 11 S., R. 8 W.  
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 22,908 acres.

T. 12 S., R. 8 W.  
Secs. 1 to 24, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 15,321 acres.

T. 7 S., R. 9 W.  
Secs. 22 to 27, inclusive, all;  
Secs. 34 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 5,760 acres.

T. 10 S., R. 9 W.  
Secs. 19 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 11,422 acres.

T. 11 S., R. 9 W.  
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 22,908 acres.

T. 12 S., R. 9 W.  
Secs. 1 to 24, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 15,320 acres.

T. 10 S., R. 10 W.  
Secs. 19 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 11,422 acres.

T. 11 S., R. 10 W.  
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 22,908 acres.

T. 2 S., R. 10 W.  
Secs. 1 to 24, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 15,320 acres.

Kurupa Unit R-19148-31

T. 11 S., R. 11 W.  
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 22,908 acres.

T. 12 S., R. 11 W.  
Secs. 1 to 16, inclusive, all;  
Secs. 21 to 28, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 15,440 acres.

T. 11 S., R. 12 W.  
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 22,908 acres.

T. 12 S., R. 12 W.  
Secs. 1 to 12, inclusive, all;  
Secs. 17 to 20, inclusive, all;  
Secs. 29 and 30, all.  
Containing approximately 11,528 acres.

T. 11 S., R. 13 W.  
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 22,908 acres.

T. 12 S., R. 13 W.  
Secs. 1 to 30, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 19,313 acres.

Kateel River Meridian (Unsurveyed)

Kurupa Unit F-19148-31

T. 34 N., R. 16 E.  
Secs. 2 to 24, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 11,289 acres.

T. 34 N., R. 17 E.  
Secs. 7 to 24, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 11,289 acres.

T. 34 N., R. 18 E.  
Secs. 7 and 8, all;  
Secs. 17 to 20, inclusive, all.  
Containing approximately 3,717 acres.

Aggregating approximately 664,064 acres.

The conveyance issued for the surface and subsurface and subsurface estates of the lands described above shall contain the following reservations to the United States:

Pursuant to Sec. 17(b) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of December 18, 1971 (85 Stat. 688, 708); 43 U.S.C. 1601, 1616(b) (1976)), the following public easements, referenced by easement identification number

(EIN) on the easement maps attached to this document, copies of which will be found in case file F-21780 are reserved to the United States. All easements are subject to applicable Federal, State, or municipal corporation regulation. The following is a listing of uses allowed for each type of easement. Any uses which are not specifically listed are prohibited.

50 Foot Trail- The uses allowed on a fifty (50) foot wide trail easement are: travel by foot, dog sled, animals, snowmobile, and three-wheel vehicles, small and large all-terrain vehicles, track vehicles, and four-wheel drive vehicles.

One-Acre Site- The uses allowed for a site easement are: vehicle parking (e.g., aircraft, boats, ATVs, snowmobiles, cars, trucks), temporary camping, and loading or unloading. Temporary camping, loading, or unloading shall be limited to 24 hours.

a. (EIN 8d L) An easement for a proposed access trail fifty (50) feet in width from the Colville River and airstrip site EIN 4a D5 in Sec. 7, T. 5 S., R. 8 W., Umat Meridian, southerly to public lands. The uses allowed are those listed above for a fifty (50) foot wide trail easement.

b. (EIN 8e L) An easement for a proposed access trail fifty (50) feet in width from a junction with trail EIN 8d L in Sec. 19, T. 7 S., R. 6 W., Umat Meridian, southerly to public lands. The uses allowed are those listed above for a fifty (50) foot wide trail easement.

c. (EIN 16a C5) A one (1) acre site easement upland of the ordinary high water mark in Sec. 28, T. 9 S., R. 8 W., Umat Meridian, on the left bank of the Kilik River. The uses allowed are those listed above for a one (1) acre site easement.

d. (EIN 16c C5) A one (1) acre site easement upland of the ordinary high water mark in Sec. 23, T. 6 S., R. 7 W., Umat Meridian on the left bank of the Kilik River. The uses allowed are those listed above for a one (1) acre site easement.

e. (EIN 18c C5) An easement for a proposed access trail fifty (50) feet in width from proposed trail EIN 8d L in Sec. 33, T. 9 S., R. 8 W., Umat Meridian, westerly to public lands. The uses allowed are those listed above for a fifty (50) foot wide trail easement.

f. (EIN 18d C5) An easement for a proposed access trail fifty (50) feet in width from Sec. 28, T. 6 S., R. 7 W., Umat Meridian, easterly through site EIN 16c C5 and intersecting with trail EIN 8d L to public lands. The uses allowed are those listed above for a fifty (50) foot wide trail easement.

The grant of the above-described lands shall be subject to:

1. Issuance of a patent confirming the boundary description of the unsurveyed lands hereinabove granted after approval and filing by the Bureau of Land Management of the official plat of survey covering such lands.
2. Valid existing rights therein, if any, including but not limited to those created by any lease (including a lease issued under Sec. 6(g) of the Alaska Statehood Act of July 7, 1958 (72 Stat. 339, 341; 48 U.S.C. Ch. 2, Sec. 6(g) (1976)), contract, permit, right-of-way, or easement, and the right of the lessee, contractor, permittee, or grantee to the complete enjoyment of all rights, privileges, and benefits thereby granted to him. Further, pursuant to Sec. 17(b) (2) of the ANCSA, any valid existing right recognized by ANCSA shall continue to have whatever right of access as is now provided for under existing law.
3. The "Terms and Conditions for Land Exchanges and Resolution of Conveyancing Issues in Arctic Slope Region between the Department of the Interior and Arctic Slope Regional Corporation" entered into on the 29th day of June 1979, by Edward E. Hopson, Sr., President of Arctic Slope Regional Corporation, and Cecil D. Andrus, Secretary of the Interior. A copy of the "Terms and Conditions" shall be attached to and become a part of the conveyance document to be filed and recorded, there-with. A copy of the "Terms and Conditions" is located in the Arctic Slope Regional case file F-21780. Any person wishing to examine this agreement may do so at the Bureau of Land Management State Office, 701 C Street, Anchorage, Alaska 99513.

The lands approved for conveyance herein are outside of the Gates to the Arctic National Monument.

Arctic Slope Regional Corporation is entitled to conveyance of a minimum of 3,979,314 acres of land selected pursuant to Sec. 12(c) of ANCSA. Together with the lands herein approved, approximately 3,790,606 acres of this entitlement will be conveyed at a later date.

There are no inland water bodies considered to be navigable within the above-described lands.

In accordance with Departmental regulation 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice of this decision is being published once in the FEDERAL REGISTER and once a week, for four (4) consecutive weeks, in the TUNDRA TIMES. Any party claiming a property interest in lands affected by this decision may appeal the decision to the Alaska Native Claims Appeal Board, P.O. Box 2433, Anchorage, Alaska 99513 and the Regional Solicitor, Office of the Solicitor, 510 L Street, Suite 408, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, also:

1. Any party receiving service of this decision shall have 30 days from the receipt of this decision to file an appeal.
2. Any unknown parties, any parties unable to be located after reasonable efforts have been expended to locate, and any parties who failed or refused to sign the return receipt shall have until Oct. 22, 1979 to file an appeal.
3. Any party known or unknown who may claim a property interest which is adversely affected unless an appeal is timely filed with the Alaska Native Claims Appeal Board.

To avoid summary dismissal of the appeal, there must be strict compliance with the regulations governing such appeals. Further information on the manner of and requirements for filing an appeal may be obtained from the Bureau of Land Management, 701 C Street, Box 13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513.

If an appeal is taken, the party to be served with a copy of the notice of appeal is:

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Chief, Branch of Adjudication

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## LEGAL NOTICE

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND  
MANAGEMENT  
ALASKA

Notice for Publication  
F-20519

### Alaska Native Claims Selection

By Secretarial Proclamation of May 20, 1943, pursuant to Sec. 2 of the Act of May 1, 1936 (49 Stat. 1250; 48 U.S.C. Sec. 358a), certain lands in the Yukon Chindalar area were designated as an Indian Reservation and set aside for the use and occupancy of the Native Inhabitants of certain villages. This reservation has been surveyed as U.S. Survey No. 5220, the Venetie Indian Reservation.

Section 19(a) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of December 18, 1971 (85 Stat. 688, 710; 43 U.S.C. 1601, 1618 (1976)) (ANCSA), revoked, subject to any valid existing rights of non-Natives, the various reserves set aside for Native use or administration of Native affairs. Public Land Order 5156, signed February 4, 1972, withdrew, subject to valid existing rights, the lands set aside for Native use or for administration of Native affairs in furtherance of the right of any Native Village corporation or corporations to acquire title to the surface and subsurface estates in the reservations pursuant to Sec. 19(b) of ANCSA.

On November 10, 1973, the Boards of Directors of the Venetie Indian Corporation and the Neets'ai Corporation certified that their stockholders had elected to acquire title to the surface and subsurface estates in the reserve as provided by Sec. 19(b) of the ANCSA. Under 43 CFR 2654.2(a), submission of such certifications constituted application to acquire reserve lands.

## I. STATE SELECTION APPLICATIONS REJECTED IN PART

The State of Alaska filed general purposes selections applications F-15169 and F-15170 on January 21, 1972, as amended, for all unpatented lands within Tps. 27 and 28 N., R. 2 E., T. 28 N., R. 3 E., and T. 29 N., R. 3 E., Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska pursuant to Sec. 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act of July 7, 1958 (72 Stat. 339, 340; 48 U.S.C. Ch. 2, Sec. 6(b) (1976)). These selections included lands within U.S. Survey 5220, the Venetie Indian Reservation, reserved by the Proclamation of May 20, 1943, for the Native Inhabitants. On December 18, 1971, Sec. 19(a) of the ANCSA revoked the reserve while Sec. 19(b) withdrew the reserve for a period of 2 years for possible election by the Native corporations. The corporations elected to receive title to the former reserve on November 10, 1973. Section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act provides that the State may select only VACANT, UNAPPROPRIATED and UNRESERVED public lands in Alaska.

Therefore, the State selection applications are rejected as to the following described lands:

### FAIRBANKS MERIDIAN, ALASKA (UNSURVEYED)

#### STATE SELECTION F-15169

T. 27 N., R. 2 E.  
That portion of the township within U.S. Survey 5220.  
Containing approximately 5,590 acres.

T. 28 N., R. 2 E.  
That portion of the township within U.S. Survey 5220.  
Containing approximately 120 acres.

T. 28 N., R. 3 E.  
That portion of the township within U.S. Survey 5220.  
Containing approximately 14,380 acres.  
Aggregating approximately 20,090 acres.

#### STATE SELECTION F-15170

T. 29 N., R. 3 E.  
That portion of the township within U.S. Survey 5220.  
Containing approximately 200 acres.  
Total aggregated acreage approximately 20,290 acres.

Further action on the subject State selection applications as to those lands not rejected herein will be taken at a later date.

## II. ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS SETTLEMENT ACT SECTION 3(e) APPLICATION REJECTED

Section 3(e) of ANCSA defines "public lands" as:

... all Federal lands and interests therein located in Alaska except: (1) the smallest practicable tract, as determined by the Secretary, enclosing land actually in use in connection with the administration of any Federal installation ...

On March 3, 1978, the Secretary of the Interior, in his final decision document for the ANCSA Implementation Review, decided that:

The Secretary's authority to determine the smallest practicable tract involved with a Federal installation under Section 3(e)(1) of the ANCSA applies only to the Statutory withdrawal made by sections 11 and 16(a) and, subsequently to those lands selected by Village and Regional corporations from such withdrawal areas pursuant to sections 12 and 16(b).

The Secretary's authority to make such determinations does not extend to the various reserves revoked pursuant to Sec. 19(a) of ANCSA and made available for acquisition by village corporations pursuant to Sec. 19(b). Therefore, ANCSA Sec. 3(e) application F-48314 is rejected in its entirety:

In the vicinity of Venetie, T. 25 N., R. 6 E., Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska, 99 acres used by the Department of the Army for a National Guard Armory.

When this decision becomes final, application F-48314 will be closed of record.

## III. RESERVE LANDS PROPER FOR VILLAGE ACQUISITION APPROVED FOR PATENT

Section 19 of ANCSA provides that if the stockholders of the concerned village corporations elect to take former reserve lands:

... the Secretary [of the Interior] shall convey the land to the Village Corporation or Corporations, subject to valid existing rights as provided in subsection 14(g) ...

As to the lands described below, application F-20519 is properly filed and meets the requirements of ANCSA and of the regulations issued pursuant thereto. These lands do not violate any lawful entry perfected under, or being maintained in compliance with laws leading to acquisition of title.

In view of the foregoing, the surface and subsurface estates of the following described lands, containing 1,799,927.65 acres are considered proper for acquisition by Neets'ai Corporation and Venetie Indian Corporation, and are hereby approved for conveyance pursuant to Sec. 19(b) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act:

U.S. Survey No. 5220, Alaska comprising the Venetie Indian Reservation.

Containing 1,799,927.65 acres.

The grant of lands herein shall be to Neets'ai Corporation and Venetie Indian Corporation as tenants in common in the following proportions:

Neets'ai Corporation, an undivided 147/303 interest.

Venetie Indian Corporation, an undivided 156/303 interest.

There are no easements to be reserved to the United States pursuant to Sec. 17(b) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

The grant of the above-described lands shall be subject to:

Valid existing rights, therein, if any, including but not limited to those created by any lease (including a lease issued under Sec. 6(g) of the Alaska Statehood Act of July 7, 1958 (72 Stat. 339, 341; 48 U.S.C. Ch. 2, Sec. 6(g) (1976)), contract, permit, right-of-way, or easement, and the right of the lessee, contractor, permittee, or grantee to the complete enjoyment of all rights, privileges, and benefits thereby granted to him. Further, pursuant to Sec. 17(b)(2) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, any valid existing right recognized by the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act shall continue to have whatever right of access as is now provided for under existing law.

After these lands have been patented there will be no further action and the case will be closed.

The lands conveyed will include the Old Mission Church, which has been nominated for the National Register of Historic Places, and is located in Arctic Village.

In accordance with Departmental regulation 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice of this decision is being published once in the FEDERAL REGISTER and once a week, for four (4) consecutive weeks, in the TUNDRA TIMES. Any party claiming a property interest in the lands affected by this decision may appeal the decision to the Alaska Native Claims Appeal Board, P.O. Box 2433, Anchorage, Alaska 99513 and the Regional Solicitor, Office of the Solicitor, 510 L Street, Suite 408, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, also:

1. Any party receiving service of this decision shall have 30 days from the receipt of this decision to file an appeal.
2. Any unknown parties, any parties unable to be located after reasonable efforts have been expended to locate, and any parties who failed or refused to sign the return receipt shall have until October 25, 1979 to file an appeal.
3. Any party known or unknown who may claim a property interest which is adversely affected unless an appeal is timely filed with the Alaska Native Claims Appeal Board.

To avoid summary dismissal of the appeal, there must be a strict compliance with the regulations governing such appeals. Further information on the manner of and requirements for filing an appeal may be obtained from the Bureau of Land Management, 701 C Street, Box 13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513.

If an appeal is taken, the parties to be served with a copy of the notice of appeal are:

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