

## State of Alaska **Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry & Fire Protection Southern Southeast Area Office**

## Preliminary Written Finding under AS 38.05.035(e) and AS 38.05.945

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Fire Protection (DOF), gives formal notice under AS 38.05.945 that the Division has made a preliminary decision under AS 38.05.035(e) and proposes to adopt a site-specific Forest Land Use Plan (FLUP) under AS 38.05.112 and the administrative standards of AS 41.17.060 regarding the sale of the following commercial timber sale: Kosciusko East Timber Sale (SSE-1384-K).

Before this sale may be held, the Commissioner will make a written final decision that the sale is in the best interest of the State. This decision will set out the facts and applicable policies upon which the Commissioner bases his determination that the proposed timber sale will or will not best serve the interest of the State. The final decision is expected to be available to the public after January 26, 2024.

The draft Forest Land Use Plan is intended to provide the best available information regarding the proposed timber harvest on 186 acres and the management of other non-timber uses in compliance with AS 38.05.112 and AS 41.17.060, and must be adopted by the DOF before the proposed activity can occur. The Forest Land Use Plan is expected to be available to the public with or after the issuance of the final

The area of the sale is proximate to the community of Edna Bay, approximately 1/2 mile to the east of the community of Edna Bay. The timber sale area is found within Sections 23, 24, and 26, Township 68 South, Range 76 East, Copper River Meridian (CRM). The sale area is found within the Craig D-5 NW USGS quadrangle. The main access for this sale area is from the existing USFS Kosciusko Road System, specifically the 1525000 Road.

The five harvest units total approximately 186 acres and contain approximately 5,000 MBF of timber. This volume will be advertised and sold under provisions of AS 38.05.120, in the form of one or multiple

The public is invited to comment on any aspect of the preliminary decision. Comments can be mailed to the Alaska Division of Forestry, 2417 Tongass Avenue, Suite 213, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901 or emailed to dnr.dof.sse@alaska.gov. Comments must be received by the Division of Forestry office no later than January 25, 2024, in order to be considered in the final best interest finding decision of whether or not this sale will be held in whole or in part or to be considered in the adopted FLUP. To be eligible to appeal the final decision or the adopted FLUP, a person must have provided written comment by January 25, 2024.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT COMMENTS CONTACT:

Alaska Division of Forestry and Fire Protection Greg Staunton Contact: (907) 225-3070 2417 Tongass Avenue, Suite 213 Phone: Ketchikan, AK 99901 Email: dnr.dof.sse@alaska.gov

Copies of the preliminary decision are available for review at the Division of Forestry and Fire Protection at the above address and at the Ketchikan, Craig, Petersburg and Wrangell Public Libraries and the State Online Public Notice System at: http://notice.alaska.gov/213704.

The State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Fire Protection complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids, services, or special modifications to participate in this review may contact the number above. Published: December 28, 2023 and January 4, 2024



## **INVITATION TO BID**

Notice is hereby given that the Petersburg Indian Association will receive sealed bids for the CITY CREEK TRAIL RECONSTRUCTION ~ PHASE II. The project generally consists rebuilding of 3,111' of existing trail with gravel to a new width of 8'. In addition 1,789' of elevated wooden boardwalk on steel pipe pile will be built along the 19' - 20' elevation tideline for improved viewing - replacing the same amount existing trail that will be abandoned. Two new 8' wide gravel trails will be built from Frederick Point Road down to the main trail. These trail lengths are approximately 447' and 637'.

The estimated construction cost for the base bid is between \$500,000 & \$1,000,000. All Work must be completed by December 31, 2024.

Sealed bids will be received by the Petersburg Indian Association, by US mail at Post Office Box 1410, Petersburg, Alaska 99833, OR hand delivered upstairs at the Elizabeth Peratrovich Building, 15 North 12th Street, Petersburg, Alaska, (Telephone 907-772-3636) until 2:00 p.m. prevailing time on Friday, January 5, 2024, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Elizabeth Peratrovich Conference Room.

The Contract Documents may be obtained from the Petersburg Indian Association Office, located at 15 North 12th Street, Petersburg, Alaska (Telephone 907-772-3636), Petersburg, Alaska 99833, or viewed online at piatribal.org. A non-refundable fee of \$30.00 made payable to the PETERSBURG INDIAN ASSOCIATION is required for each set of contract documents. Additional charges will be required for special handling or delivery of the documents by means other than first-class mail. The Contract Documents may also be downloaded free of charge on the PETERSBURG INDIAN ASSOCIATION website (piatribal.org). Prospective bidders documents are required to sign the project bidders list to receive changes or addenda. All changes or addenda will be listed on the website. It is the Offeror's responsibility to ensure that they have received all Addenda affecting this Solicitation.

Petersburg Standard Specifications (CPSS) that will be used in this contract are available for an additional fee of \$60.00 made payable to the Petersburg Borough or available for free on the Borough's website www.petersburgak.gov. Additional charges will be required for special handling or delivery of the documents by means other than first-class mail. Petersburg Standard Specifications documents may also be obtained at the Petersburg Borough Public Works office.

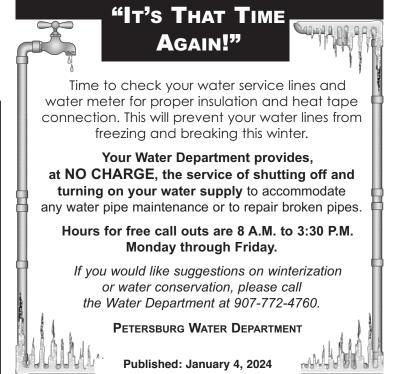
Prospective bidders are encouraged to attend a Pre-Bid Conference that will be held in Petersburg at Elizabeth Peratrovich Building, 15 North 12th Street, Petersburg, Alaska, on Thursday, December 14, 2023, at 2:00 PM in the PIA conference room. Attendance by teleconference will be available by calling 1-907-772-3636. Technical questions regarding this project may be directed to the Tribal Transportation Director, Susan Harai, (907) 772-3636. She is located at the Petersburg Indian Association Office, located at 15 North 12th Street, Petersburg, Alaska.

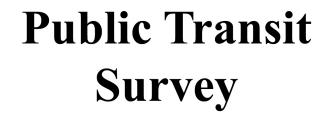
Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond, cashier's check, or certified check made payable to the PETERSBURG INDIAN ASSOCIATION in the amount of five percent of the total bid price

The PETERSBURG INDIAN ASSOCIATION reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in a bid, and to make an award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder as it may best serve the interest of the Petersburg Indian Association.

> Authorized by: Chad Wright, Tribal Administrator

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