

Kenai Peninsula Borough

144 North Binkley Street Soldotna, AK 99669

Meeting Agenda Planning Commission

Monday, October 13, 2025

7:30 PM

Betty J. Glick Assembly Chambers

Zoom Meeting ID: 907 714 2200

Remote participation will be available through Zoom, or other audio or video means, wherever technically feasible

ZOOM MEETING DETAILS

Zoom Meeting Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9077142200 Zoom Toll Free Phone Numbers: 888-788-0099 or 877-853-5247

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The hearing procedure for the Planning Commission public hearings are as follows:

- 1) Staff will present a report on the item.
- 2) The Chair will ask for petitioner's presentation given by Petitioner(s) / Applicant (s) or their representative 10 minutes
- 3) Public testimony on the issue. 5 minutes per person
- 4) After testimony is completed, the Planning Commission may follow with questions. A person may only testify once on an issue unless questioned by the Planning Commission.
- 5) Staff may respond to any testimony given and the Commission may ask staff questions.
- 6) Rebuttal by the Petitioner(s) / Applicant(s) to rebut evidence or provide clarification but should not present new testimony or evidence.
- 7) The Chair closes the hearing and no further public comment will be heard.
- 8) The Chair entertains a motion and the Commission deliberates and makes a decision.

All those wishing to testify must wait for recognition by the Chair. Each person that testifies must write his or her name and mailing address on the sign-in sheet located by the microphone provided for public comment. They must begin by stating their name and address for the record at the microphone. All questions will be directed to the Chair. Testimony must be kept to the subject at hand and shall not deal with personalities. Decorum must be maintained at all times and all testifiers shall be treated with respect.

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

All items marked with an asterisk (*) are consent agenda items. Consent agenda items are considered routine and non-controversial by the Planning Commission and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of consent agenda items unless a Planning Commissioner so requests in which case the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the regular agenda.

If you wish to comment on a consent agenda item or a regular agenda item other than a public hearing, please advise the recording secretary before the meeting begins, and she will inform the Chairman of your wish to comment.

- 1. Time Extension Request None
- 2. Planning Commission Resolutions None
- 3. Plats Granted Administrative Approval

<u>KPB-7220</u> a. Bayview Subdivision Lighthouse Village Replat; KPB File 2024-131

b. Black Gold Estates 2025 Replat; KPB File 2025-048

c. Bend in the River Subdivision 2025 Replat; KPB File 2025-004

d. Butler-Church Subdivision Galley Addition No. 3; KPB File 2024-105

e. Clan Maxwell Estates Lyon Addition; KPB File 2024-122

f. Dunham Subdivision Two Hands 2024 Replat; KPB File 2024-108

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h. H&H Sister Subdivision; KPB File 2025-026

i. Kenaitze Estates Subdivision Fall Addition No. 2; KPB File 2024-058

j. Pearl Subdivision; KPB File 2025-015

k. Shadura Subdivision Piccolo Addition; KPB File 2025-036

1. Sterling Meadows Subdivision Reutov Addition; KPB File 2024-143

m. Valhalla Heights Subdivision Conan Replat; KPB File 2025-002

Attachments: C3. Adminstrative Approvals

4. Plats Granted Final Approval (KPB 20.10.040)

a. Forest Hills Lookout Subdivision Boulder Heights 2025 Replat KPB File 2025-089

b. Lower Winding Trails Subdivision 2025 Replat; KPB File 2025-087

c. Saddle Ridge Subdivision 2025 Replat; KPB File 2025-066

d. Stoneburr Subdivision Daily Addition; KPB File 2025-035

e. Terra B Subdivision 2025 Replat; KPB File 2025-103

Attachments: C4. Final Approvals

5. Plat Amendment Request - None

6. Commissioner Excused Absences - None

7. Minutes

KPB-7222 September 22, 2025 Planning Commission Minutes

Attachments: C7. 092225 PC Meeting Minutes

D. OLD BUSINESS - None

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. KPB-7223 Conditional Use Permit; PC Resolution 2025-23

Petitioner: Hilcorp Alaska LLC

Request: To construct a bridge within the 50' Habitat Protection

District of Stariski Creek

PIN: 15917001 Happy Valley Area

Staff Person Responsible: Planner Morgan Aldridge

Attachments: E1. CUP Hilcorp Bridge Packet

PHN CUP Hilcorp Bridge 2025-23

2. KPB-7224 Utility Easement Vacation; KPB File 2025-047V1

McLane Consulting Group / Davis

Request: Vacate a 20' wide utility easement near the midpoint of the west lot line & running diagonally southeast to the southern lot line on

Lot 2 Erlwein Subdivision No 3., Plat KN 81-144

Sterling Area

Staff Person Responsible: Platting Manager Vince Piagentini

Attachments: E2. UEV Lot 2 Erlwein Subd No 3 Packet

PHN UEV-Erlwein Sub No. 4 Birch Forest Addn

3.	KPB-7225	POSTPONED Building Setback Encroachment Permit KPB 2025-147 Johnson Surveying / Jackson Request: Permits a carport & portions of two green houses and two cabins to remain the 20' building setbacks on Tract D1, Block 1 Peaceful Acres Sub Jackson Garden Replat, Plat KN 2006-112 Kalifornsky Area Staff Person Responsible: Platting Manager Vince Piagentini
	Attachments:	E3. BSEP_Peaceful Acres Sub Jackson's Garden Replat Tract D1 Block 1 PHN_BSEP-Peaceful Acres Jackson's Garden Replat
4.	<u>KPB-7226</u>	Section Line Easement Vacation; KPB File 2025-144V Seabright Survey & Design / Flynn, Jellicoe Request: Vacates a 66' section line easement — 33' in T06S R14W SEC 12 and 33' in T06S R14W SEC 13, running west to west through Lot 2 of Arno Subdivision, Plat HM 2001-78 Diamond Ridge Area Staff Person Responsible: Platting Manager Vince Piagentini
	Attachments:	E4. SLEV_Lot 2 Arno Sub_Packet PHN_SLEV-Arno Sub Lot 2
5.	KPB-7227	Right-Of-Way Vacation; KPB File 2025-143V Johnson Surveying / Whitcomb Request: Vacate Corona Court & Hidden Valley Circle and associated utility easements per Stephen Subdivision, Plat KN 76-111 Nikiski Area Staff Person Responsible: Platting Manager Vince Piagentini
	Attachments:	E5. ROWV_Corona Ct & Hidden Valley Cir_Packet PHN_ROWV-Stephens Sub Whitcomb 2025 Replat
6.	KPB-7228	Street Naming Resolution 2025-01 Request: Rename a private road in the Salamatof area (ESN201) to Roots Loop Salamatof Area Staff Person Responsible: Addressing Officer Rhea Pace
	Attachments:	E6. SN 2025-02_Roots Loop_Packet PHN_Roots Loop

F. PLAT COMMITTEE REPORT

G. OTHER

H. PUBLIC COMMENT/PRESENTATION

(Items other than those appearing on the agenda or scheduled for public hearing. Limited to five minutes per speaker unless previous arrangements are made)

I. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

J. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

K. ADJOURNMENT

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATIONAL ITEMS NO ACTION REQUIRED

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

The next regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting will be held Monday, October 27, 2025n the Betty J. Glick Assembly Chambers of the Kenai Peninsula Borough George A. Navarre Administration Building, 144

North Binkley Street, Soldotna, Alaska at 7:30 p.m.

CONTACT INFORMATION KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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website: http://www.kpb.us/planning-dept/planning-home

A party of record may file an appeal of a decision of the Planning Commission in accordance with the requirements of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Code of Ordinances. An appeal must be filed with the Borough Clerk within 15 days of the notice of decision, using the proper forms, and be accompanied by the filing and records preparation fees. Vacations of right-of-ways, public areas, or public easements outside city limits cannot be made without the consent of the borough assembly.

Vacations within city limits cannot be made without the consent of the city council. The assembly or city council shall have 30 calendar days from the date of approval in which to veto the planning commission decision. If no veto is received within the specified period, it shall be considered that consent was given.

A denial of a vacation is a final act for which the Kenai Peninsula Borough shall give no further consideration. Upon denial, no reapplication or petition concerning the same vacation may be filed within one calendar year of the date of the final denial action except in the case where new evidence or circumstances exist that were not available or present when the original petition was filed.

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C. CONSENT AGENDA

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Bayview Subdivision Lighthouse Village Replat

KPB File 2024-131

Homer Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on February 24, 2025. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, September 24, 2025.

Vince Piagentini Platting Manager

State of Alaska

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Signed and sworn (or affirmed) in my presence this 2005 by Vince Piagentini.

Notary Public for the State of Alaska

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Bend in the River Subdivision 2025 Replat

KPB File 2025-004

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Black Gold Estates 2025 Replat

KPB File 2025-048

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Butler-Church Subdivision Galley Addition # 3

KPB File 2024-105

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Clan Maxwell Estates Lyon Addition

KPB File 2024-122

Seward Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on December 16, 2024. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Thursday, September 11, 2025.

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Dunham Subdivision Two Hands 2024 Replat

KPB File 2024-108

Homer Recording District

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Forest Knolls Subdivision 2025 Addition

KPB File 2025-051

Homer Recording District

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

H&H Sister Subdivision

KPB File 2025-026

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The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on April 14, 2025. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Kenaitze Estates Subdivision Fall Addition No. 2

KPB File 2024-058

Kenai Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on June 24, 2024. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, October 1, 2025.

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Pearl Subdivision

KPB File 2025-015

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Shadura Subdivision Piccolo Addition

KPB File 2025-036

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Sterling Meadows Subdivision Reutov Addition

KPB File 2024-143

Kenai Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on January, 27, 2025. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Valhalla Heights Subdivision Conan Replat

KPB File 2025-022

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FINAL APPROVAL OF PLAT SUBMITTED UNDER 20.10.040

Subdivision:

Forest Hills Lookout Subdivision Boulder Heights 2025 Replat

KPB File 2025-089

Kenai Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Department has reviewed the above referenced subdivision plat in accordance with 20.10.040 Borough Code of Ordinances. The final plat meets the conditions of the preliminary approval and complies with KPB Title 20; therefore, final approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, September 24, 2025.

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FINAL APPROVAL OF PLAT SUBMITTED UNDER 20.10.040

Subdivision:

Lower Winding Trails Subdivision 2025 Replat

KPB File 2025-087

Homer Recording District

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Subdivision:

Saddle Ridge Subdivision 2025 Replat

KPB File 2025-066

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FINAL APPROVAL OF PLAT SUBMITTED UNDER 20.10.040

Subdivision:

Stoneburr Subdivision Daily Addition

KPB File 2025-035

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FINAL APPROVAL OF PLAT SUBMITTED UNDER 20.10.040

Subdivision:

Terra B Subdivision 2025 Replat

KPB File 2025-103

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C. CONSENT AGENDA

- *7. Minutes
 - a. September 22, 2025 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission

Betty J. Glick Assembly Chambers, Kenai Peninsula Borough George A. Navarre Administration Building

SEPTEMBER 22, 2025 7:30 P.M. UNAPPROVED MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM A. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Brantley called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM B. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present
Jeremy Brantley, Sterling / Funny River
Jeffery Epperheimer, Nikiski District
Pamela Gillham, Kalifornsky/Kasilof District
Dawson Slaughter, Southern Peninsula District
Virginia Morgan, Cooper Landing/Hope/Eastern Peninsula District
Karina England, City of Seward
Diane Fikes, City of Kenai
Paul Whitney, City of Soldotna
Franco Venuti, City of Homer

With 9 members present, a quorum was present.

Staff Present
Robert Ruffner, Planning Director
Vince Piagentini, Platting Manager
Jenny Robertson, LM Administrative Assistant
Ann Shirnberg, Planning Administrative Assistant

AGENDA ITEM C. CONSENT & REGULAR AGENDA

*7. Minutes

a. September 9, 2025 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Chair Brantley asked Ms. Shirnberg to read the consent agenda items into the record. He then asked if anyone wished to speak to any of the items on the consent agenda. Seeing and hearing no one wishing to comment, Chair Brantley brought it back to the commission for a motion.

MOTION: Commissioner Whitney moved, seconded by Commissioner Epperheimer to approve the consent and regular agendas.

Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote:

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:

Yes - 9 Brantley, England, Epperheimer, Fikes, Gillham, Morgan, Slaughter, Whitney, Venuti

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AGENDA ITEM E. NEW BUSINESS

ITEM #1 - SECTION LINE EASEMENT VACATION

VACATE THE ENTIRE 50-FOOT SECTION LINE EASEMENT ON THE NORTH LINE OF GOVERNMENT LOTS 2 AND 3 AND THE ENTIRE 50-FOOT SECTION LINE EASEMENT ON THE WEST LINE OF GOVERNMENT LOTS 3 & 4 IN SECTION 27; AND THE ENTIRE WEST 50 FEET AND THE ENTIRE 50 FEET OF THE S1/2 SW1/4 OF SECTION 22 ALL BEING LOCATED IN T03N, R12W

KPB File No.	2025-058V	
Planning Commission Meeting:	September 22, 2025	
Applicant / Owner: Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority		
Surveyor:	Dave Hale / R&M Consultants Inc.	
General Location:	Coho Area	
Logal Description:	T 3N R 12W SEC 22 S.M.KN S1/2 SW1/4 & T 3N R 12W SEC 27	
Legal Description:	S.M. KN GOV'T LOTS 2, 3 & 4	

Staff report given by Platting Vince Piagentini.

Chair Brantley opened the item for public comment. Seeing and hearing no one wishing to comment, public comment was closed and discussion was opened among the committee.

<u>MOTION:</u> Commissioner Epperheimer moved, seconded by Commissioner Whitney to approve the vacation as petitioned based on the means of evaluating public necessity established by KPB 20.65, adopting and incorporating by reference the staff report, staff recommendations and subject to the five conditions as set forth in the staff report.

Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote:

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:

ITEM #2. - BUILDING SETBACK ENCROACHMENT PERMIT

PERMITS A 32.3' X 24.3' SHOP TO REMAIN ENTIRELY WITHIN THE 20' BUILDING SETBACK ON LOT 1-D, GRANTED BY OLD KASILOF SUBDIVISION ADDITION NO 1, PLAT KN 87-117

KPB File No.	2022-167	
Planning Commission Meeting:	September 22, 2025	
Applicant / Owner:	Gretchen & Jeffrey Druhot	
Surveyor:	Jason Schollenberg / Peninsula Surveying, LLC	
General Location:	Linda Sue Court – Kalifornsky Area	
Parent Parcel No.:	133-590-07	
Legal Description:	T 3N R 11W SEC 6 Seward Meridian KN 0870117 OLD KASILOF SUB ADDN NO 1 LOT 1-D	
Assessing Use:	Residential Dwelling	
Zoning:	Unrestricted	
PC Resolution	2025-22	

Staff report given by Platting Manager Vince Piagentini. Mr. Piagentini noted there was a public comment that was submitted before the deadline that did not make it into the desk packet. The comment was from Stacey Clark, a neighboring landowner (51855 Linda Sue Court, Kasilof AK 99610. The comment read as follows:

"Dear Planning Commission Members,

I am writing to express my concerns about the encroachment permit application submitted by my neighbor, Gretchen and Jeffrey Druhot, regarding the property located at 51891 Linda Sue Ct, Kasilof Ak 99610.

It has come to my attention that when Gretchen and her husband first acquired the property, they were actively removing items from it. During this time, my husband bought a boat in a truck from the previous

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owner and was there taking it off when they informed my husband that they were aware the garage building was encroaching on the property line. They mentioned that obtaining a permit from the borough to remedy the situation would not be a problem. At that moment, we were completely unaware of the encroachment or that it was even possible to apply for a permit to resolve such issues.

As a real estate agent, Gretchen Druhot, should be well-acquainted with the law and the necessity of performing due diligence. Granting her a permit to move the encroachment without any financial responsibility seems unfair and could set a concerning precedent for our community.

I respectfully urge the Commission to reconsider this application and require that any necessary modifications be financed by the property owner, as is customary. It is crucial for the integrity of property boundaries and adherence to established regulations that all residents follow the set processes.

Thank you for considering my position on this matter. I appreciate your attention to this issue and look forward to your response."

Chair Brantley opened the item for public comment.

<u>Gretchen Druhot; 64760 Leandra Road, Unit A, Homer AK 99603:</u> Ms. Druhot is the landowner and made herself available for questions.

Seeing and hearing no one else wishing to comment, public comment was closed and discussion was opened among the committee.

<u>MOTION:</u> Commissioner Whitney moved, seconded by Commissioner Gillham to adopt Planning Commission Resolution 2025-22 granting a building setback encroachment permit to Lot 1-D, Old Kasilof Subdivision Addition No. 1, Plat KN 0820060, citing findings 3, 4 & 9 in support of standard one, findings 3, 4, 10 & 11 in support of standard two and findings 3, 4, 8-11 in support of standard three.

Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote:

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:

Yes - 9	Brantley, England, Epperheimer, Fikes, Gillham, Morgan, Slaughter, Whitney, Venuti

ITEM #3 - UTILITY EASEMENT ALTERATION

VACATE AN APPROXIMATE 3,550 SQUARE FOOT PORTION OF THE TWO 10' UTILITY EASEMENTS GRANTED ON LOTS 2, 3, 4, 8 & 9, BLOCK 6 PER PLAT HM 56-2936, EXCLUDING THE WEST 20' OF SAID EASEMENT AS CARRIED FORWARD ON LOT 2A, BLOCK 6, IN FAIRVIEW SUBDIVISION FLYUM ADDITION, PLAT HM 2005-61

KPB File No.	2025-127V
Planning Committee Meeting:	September 22, 2025
Applicant / Owner:	Raymond Property Management, Inc. of Homer, Alaska
Surveyor:	Jason Schollenberg / Peninsula Surveying, LLC
General Location:	Between Cityview Avenue & W Danview Avenue west of Hohe Street
General Location.	City Homer
PC Resolution:	2025-21

Staff report given by Platting Vince Piagentini.

Chair Brantley opened the item for public comment. Seeing and hearing no one wishing to comment, public comment was closed and discussion was opened among the committee.

Commissioner Venuti informed the commission that he had voted on this item in his capacity as a planning commissioner for the City of Homer and requested to be recused. Chair Brantley granted his request.

<u>MOTION:</u> Commissioner Epperheimer moved, seconded by Commissioner Gillham to adopt Planning Commission Resolution 2025-21 approving the vacation as petitioned based on the means of evaluating public necessity established by KPB 20.65, adopting and incorporating by reference the staff report, staff recommendations and subject to the two conditions as set forth in the staff report.

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Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote:

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:

Yes - 8	Brantley, England, Epperheimer, Fikes, Gillham, Morgan, Slaughter, Whitney
Recused - 1	Venuti

ITEM #4 - UTILITY EASEMENT ALTERATION

VACATES A 10' BY 20' PORTION OF THE 10' BY 30' ANCHOR EASEMENT LOCATED ON LOT 8 & ALL INTERIOR ANCHOR EASEMENTS ADJACENT TO THE LOT LINES WITHIN LOTS 7 - 9 BLOCK 4, AS SHOWN BY THE DETAIL ON PAGE 2, PLAT HIGHLAND BLUFF SUBDIVISION, KN 80-38

KPB File No.	2025-120V
Planning Committee Meeting:	September 22, 2025
Applicant / Owner:	Janell & Kenneth David Quint
Surveyor:	Jason Young / Edge Survey & Design, LLC
General Location:	Pavlof Drive off Cohoe Loop Road – Cohoe Area

Staff report given by Platting Vince Piagentini.

Chair Brantley opened the item for public comment.

<u>Jason Young, Edge Survey & Design; P.O. Box 208, Kasilof AK 99610:</u> Mr. Young was the surveyor on this project and made himself available for questions.

Seeing and hearing no one else wishing to comment, public comment was closed and discussion was opened among the committee.

<u>MOTION:</u> Commissioner Epperheimer moved, seconded by Commissioner Whitney to approve the vacation as petitioned based on the means of evaluating public necessity established by KPB 20.65, adopting and incorporating by reference the staff report, staff recommendations and subject to the two conditions as set forth in the staff report.

Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote:

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:

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res-9	Brantley, England, Epperheimer, Fikes, Gillham, Morgan, Slaughter, Whitney, Venuti

AGENDA ITEM H. PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

Chair Brantley asked if there was anyone who wished to comment on anything that was not on the agenda. There was no one who wished to comment.

AGENDA ITEM K. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Whitney moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 P.M.

Ann E. Shirnberg
Administrative Assistant

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E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Conditional Use Permit; PC Resolution 2025-23

Petitioner: Hilcorp Alaska LLC

Request: To construct a bridge within the 50' Habitat Protection

District of Stariski Creek

PIN: 15917001

Happy Valley Area

Staff Person Responsible: Planner Morgan Aldridge

Multi-Agency Permit Application Kenai Peninsula Borough

River Center

☐ Check #_ 514 Funny River Road Phone: (907) 714-2460 CREDIT CARDS NOT ACCEPTED Soldotna, Alaska 99669 Fax: (907) 260-5992 FOR APPLN FEES KenaiRivCenter@kpb.us **PROPERTY OWNER: AGENT:** (if applicable) Applicant: Hilcorp Alaska, LLC Name: Name: 3800 Centerpoint Drive, Suite 1400 Mailing: Mailing: Anchorage, AK 99524 907-564-4665 Phone: Phone: stetson.sannes@hilcorp.com Email: Email: **WATERBODY INFORMATION: PROJECT LOCATION:** 15917001 Waterbody: Unnamed Stariski Creek Tributary KPB Parcel ID: T 3S R 14W SEC 24 SEWARD MERIDIAN **Physical Address:** River Mile: Riverbank: Left Right (looking downstream) Subdivision: Lot: Addition/No.: Block: **PERMIT FEES:** \$50 - Staff Permit OR \$300 - Conditional Use or Floodway Analysis **PROJECT:** ■ New Project Extension/Amendment to **RC#** OR Please select all activities that apply to your project: ■ Road Construction ☐ Bank Stabilization ☐ Fish & Wildlife Management ☐ Structure (Accessory) ☐ Boat Launch ☐ Floating Dock ☐ Structure (Residential) ■ Bridge ☐ Fuel Storage Green Infrastructure ☐ Spruce Tree Revetment ☐ Coir Logs ☐ In-Stream Structures (Weir) ☐ Stream Crossing ☐ Culvert ■ Oil & Gas ☐ Utility Line/Easement □ ELP Structures ☐ On-Site Utilities □ Veg Mat ☐ Equipment Stream Crossing ☐ Prior-Existing Structure ■ Vegetation Removal ☐ Excavation, Dredging, and/or Fill ☐ Revegetation ■ Water Withdrawal □ Fence Installation ☐ Root Wads Other: **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Provide a detailed description of your project, attach additional pages if necessary. See attached project description. **COST-SHARE:** Is this project funded by the ADFG-USFWS Cost-Share Program? Yes No KPB TAX CREDIT PROGRAM: KPB provides a tax credit as partial reimbursement for new habitat protection and restoration projects within 150 feet of anadromous streams. If you would like to pre-qualify for this credit, please provide your estimated project cost(s) below. Do not include grants or other funding assistance: Elevated Light-Penetrating Structures \$_____ Other Activities \$ _____ Habitat Restoration & Protection \$ Green Infrastructure \$

Fees Received: \$_____

☐ Cash

PROJECT QUESTIONS:				
1. Start date: ~Oct/Nov 2025 End date	e:	Estimated Days of Construction:	90 days	
2. Is any portion of the work already co	omplete? If yes, pleas	se describe:	Yes ■ No	
3. Is your project located on land or wa	nters of an Alaska Sta	ate Park?	Yes ■ No	
If yes, you must fill out an Alaska Sta				
Ordinary High Water (OHW) and Mear				
4. Is the project located within 50 feet	-		Yes No	
5. Does any portion of the project exte	end <u>below</u> the OHW	or MHW of the waterbody?	Yes No	
6. Does any portion of the project can	tilever or extend <u>ove</u>	r the MHW of the waterbody?	Yes No	
7. Will anything be placed below OHW	or MHW of the wat	erbody?	Yes No	
Regulatory Floodplains:				
8. Is the property where the project is	taking place near or	within a regulatory floodplain?	Yes No	
a. Is this project within or adjacent	to a regulatory floor	dway?	Yes No	
b. Is this project within or adjacent	to a coastal high ha	zard zone?	Yes ■ No	
c. For new buildings and/or addition	ons, list all project co	sts (labor, materials, etc.):	\$ N/A	
Excavation, Dredging, and Fill:				
9. Will material be <u>excavated</u> or <u>dredg</u>			Yes No	
a. Type of material(s): Unclassifie	d excavation (root	mat & silt)		
b. Area to be dredged <u>below</u> OHW	or MHW:			
Length: 0 (ft) Width: 0		(ft) Total Cubic Yards: 0	_	
c. Area to be excavated <u>above</u> OH				
Length: (ft) Width:	(ft) Depth:	(ft) Total Cubic Yards: 115		
d. Location materials will be depos	ited:			
10. Will any material (including soils, de	bris, and/or overbur	den) be used as fill?	Yes No	
a. Type of material(s): Gravel				
b. Is this fill permanent or tempora	ry?		Permanent	
c. Area to be filled <u>above</u> OHW or			Temporary	
		(ft) Total Cubic Yards: 693	_	
d. Area to be filled <u>below</u> OHW or	MHW:			
Length: 0 (ft) Width: 0	(ft) Depth: 0	(ft) Total Cubic Yards: 0	_	
Motorized Equipment:				
11. Will you be using motorized equipm			Yes No	
Excavators, bulldozer, co	<u> </u>	o trucks, crane, ect. TBD		
a. Will you be crossing a stream or	•		Yes No	
b. How long will equipment be use	d below OHW or Mi	HW? 15 min (just to cross)	<u>—</u>	
SIGNATURE & CERTIFICATION:				
This application is hereby made requesting per	mit(s) to authorize the	work described in this application form	n. I certify the infor-	
mation in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and that my site plans or drawings are at-				
tached. If applying for a tax credit, I certify that	•		-	
structed to the standards in KPB 5.12 Real Proportion other applicable federal, state, and local regula	-	perty Taxes, KPB 5.14 Habitat Protection	i lax Credit, and	
other applicable rederal, state, and local regula	uons.			
	9/9/2025			
Owner Signature (required)	Date A	gent Signature (if applicable)	Date	

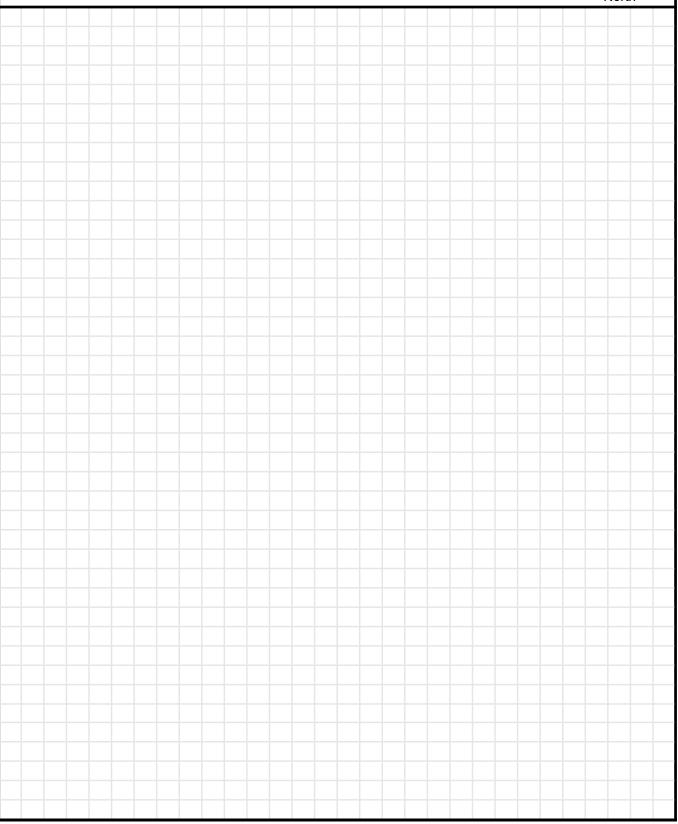
Project Drawings: Top View

Drawings do not have to be to scale, but must show the following:

- Property boundaries
- OHW or MHW line
- 50-foot Habitat Protection District
- Floodplain zone(s)
- Dimensions for <u>all</u> structures
 - Length, width, height



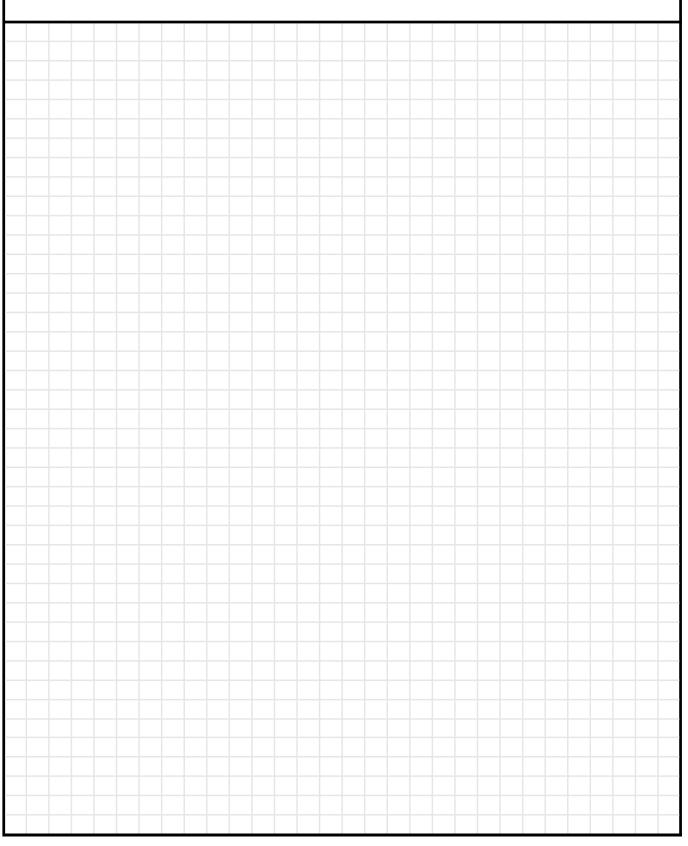
North



Project Drawings: Side View

Drawings do not have to be to scale, but must show the following:

- Property boundaries
- Floodplain zone(s)
- OHW or MHW line
- Dimensions for <u>all</u> structures
- 50-foot Habitat Protection District
- Length, width, height



Hilcorp Happy Valley Middle Road and Pad Project

Multi-Agency Permit Project Question Supplement

Subject: Stariski Creek Bridge Crossing

Excavation, Dredging, and Fill:

- 9. Will materials be excavated or dredged from the site? Yes
 - a. **Type of materials(s):** Unclassified excavation, which will mostly consist of root mat, grubbing debris, and silt with organics.
 - b. **Area to be dredged below OHW or MHW:** There will be no excavation (0 CY) below OHW or MHW.
 - c. Area to be excavated above OHW or MHW: There will be excavation above or outside OHW or MHW. All excavation will occur in uplands a minimum of 4 feet back from the top of Stariski Creek bank, which is the approximate limits of OHW or MHW. On the north bank, the mean excavation width is 36.4 feet, the mean length is 41.0 feet to the 50-foot setback from the top of the bank, and the mean excavation depth is 0.75 feet. Total north bank excavation volume is 42 CY within the 50-foot setback. On the south bank, the mean excavation width is 48.1 feet, the mean length is 54.6 feet to the 50-foot setback from the top of the bank, and the mean excavation depth is 0.75 feet. Total south bank excavation volume is 73 CY within the 50-foot setback. Total excavation on both bank areas within the 50-foot setback to OHW is 115 CY.
 - Mean excavation length of the south bank area exceeds 50 feet due to a skew in the road alignment versus the limits of the south top of the bank.
- 10. Will any material (including soils, debris, and/or overburden be used as fill? Yes
 - a. **Type of materials(s):** Geotextile, gravel borrow fill, and steel components of the bridge, including piling and abutment wingwalls.
 - b. Is the fill permanent or temporary? Permanent
 - c. Area to be filled above OHM or MHW: There will be fill above or outside OHW or MHW. All fill will be placed in uplands a minimum of 4 feet back from the top of Stariski Creek bank, which is the approximate limits of OHW or MHW. On the north bank, the mean fill width is 36.4 feet, the mean length is 41.0 feet to the 50-foot setback from the top of the bank, and the mean fill depth is 3.9 feet. Total north bank gravel fill volume is 216 CY within the 50-foot setback. On the south bank, the mean fill width is 48.1 feet, the mean length is 54.6 feet to the 50-foot setback from the top of the bank, and the mean fill depth is 4.9 feet. Total south bank gravel fill

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Happy Valley Middle Pad and Road Project



Hilcorp Alaska, LLC 3800 Centerpoint Drive, Suite 1400 Anchorage, AK 99503

September 2025

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1.0 APPLICANT

Hilcorp Alaska, LLC 3800 Centerpoint Drive, Suite 1400 Anchorage, AK 99503

Point of Contact: Stetson Sannes

Direct: (907) 564-4665

E-mail: stetson.sannes@hilcorp.com

2.0 PROJECT OVERVIEW

Hilcorp Alaska, LLC (Hilcorp) is proposing to construct a new gravel pad and road on state and privately-owned land approximately 50 air miles southwest of Anchorage, Alaska, within the Kenai Borough. This project is called the Happy Valley Middle Pad and Road. It will include a new 300 x 400-foot gravel pad and an approximately 26-foot x 3-mile-long access drive connecting to an existing logging road. This project will support natural gas development happening in the area.

An estimated 0.41 acres of wetlands will be impacted as a result of this project. The project has been designed to minimize wetland impacts as much as possible, with the majority of the infrastructure occurring in non-jurisdictional uplands. See Appendix A for more details.

Construction activities are anticipated to start in October 2025 and conclude by February 2025. These dates are dependent upon receival of all applicable permits and no other major weather or project delays.

3.0 PROJECT LOCATION

Location data is provided in the following table:

Table 1: Project Location Information

Project Name	Latitude	Longitude	MTRS	USGS Quadrangle
			T3S R14W Sec 24	
Middle Happy			T3S R13W Sec 18	
Valley Road	59.931083	-151.569317	T3S R14W Sec 13	Seldovia D-5
and Pad			T3S R13W Sec 7	
			Seward Meridian	

4.0 PROJECT PURPOSE AND NEED

The purpose of the Middle Happy Valley Pad and Road is to support natural gas development in the area.

5.0 DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE

The proposed schedule developed by Hilcorp is dependent on obtaining necessary permit authorizations, weather, and associated factors of gravel mining, movement, and placement. Vegetation clearing and grubbing activities will occur in Fall 2025 to ensure work occurs outside of the bird nesting window, per US Fish and Wildlife recommendations. Gravel will be obtained from a currently permitted material site; Hilcorp is not proposing to open a new mine site for this activity. Gravel will be transported to the project area via existing gravel road infrastructure. The gravel is proposed to be placed starting October 2025.

In summary, the development schedule is as follows:

- October 2025: Obtain permit authorizations
- November 2025: Begin clearing and grubbing of project area
- December 2025: Gravel haul, placement, and installation of road and pad
- February 2025: Complete proposed project

6.0 PROJECT COMPONENTS

The Middle Happy Valley Pad and Road will be constructed to reduce the fill footprint to the minimum necessary to accomplish the purpose and need. The Middle Happy Valley Pad and Road will require the fill of 0.41 acres of wetlands. The ~3-mile road will impact 0.38 acres of wetlands requiring 1,326 cubic yards of material fill. The 300-foot X 400-foot pad will impact 0.03 acres of wetlands requiring 178 cubic yards of material fill. A bridge will be built to avoid any impacts to Stariski Creek. There will be a 24-inch X 38-foot culvert placed on uplands in the roadway. The location and design of the Happy Valley Middle Pad and Road is shown in Appendix A: Figures.

Pre-construction vegetation clearing is required to provide room for project construction equipment. Typical equipment will be used but may include chainsaws, excavators, and dozers to pull stumps, stack trees, and move organic overburden material. All vegetation clearing activities will fall within the area of disturbance outlined in Figure 1 below.

6.1 MATERIAL SITE

The material required for project construction is currently available; therefore, the project will not involve the development of a new material source. The gravel fill required for construction of the Middle Happy Valley Pad and Road will be obtained from an already permitted source. Excavated overburden material will be stored on site adjacent to the pad in non-jurisdictional uplands.

7.0 CONTINGENCY PLANS

Hilcorp has a Spill Prevention, Control and Counter-measure Plan (SPCC). The SPCC plan complies with federal EPA regulations set forth in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 112. This plan

documents Hilcorp's abilities and procedures to prevent oil and hazardous materials spills. It also documents response actions in the event of a spill of oil and/or hazardous materials.

8.0 WILDLIFE ACCESS

The Happy Valley Middle Pad and Road will not result in any barriers to wildlife access or movement other than the physical presence of the Middle Happy Valley Pad and Road gravel and overburden pile. A desktop analysis for endangered species was performed; no species are believed to be present in the project area.

9.0 AIR EMISSIONS

Air emissions from the equipment used for the construction of the Happy Valley Middle Pad and Road are characterized as non-point mobile sources. No specific construction or operating air permits are required from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation. The equipment slated for use for the Happy Valley Pad Middle and Road includes bulldozers, loaders, gravel haul trucks, light duty vehicles, a compactor, and other similar emission sources. These emission sources are standard equipment that has been used on numerous other construction projects in the past.

10.0 ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

An archaeological and cultural resource survey of the project area has been completed. It is believed that no historic properties would be affected The State office of History and Archaeology will be notified immediately if prehistoric, historic, cultural, traditional, paleontological, or archaeological sites or objects are discovered. Project work in that specific area would be suspended and buffered pending receipt of guidance from the applicable agencies and entities.

11.0 ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

The wetlands habitats in the project area have been verified by a field delineation as palustrine emergent wetlands that are ubiquitous to wetland habitats of the area. These wetlands are separated from Stariski Creek by uplands and lack a continuous indistinguishable surface connection. Impacts to Stariski Creek will be avoided by building a bridge above the ordinary highwater mark. Non-jurisdictional uplands are present as well. The project is not located in designated critical habitat. A field delineation report has been completed and can be found in report.

Table 3, below, shows all anticipated approvals required to construct the Happy Valley Middle and Road.

Table 3. Key Permits, Approvals, and Other Potential Requirements for Project

Agency	Permits, Approvals, and Other Requirements		
Federal Agencies			
United States Army Corps of Engineers	 Nationwide Permit 14 – Linear Transportation for Access Road (Road) Nationwide Permit 18 – Minor Discharges (Pad) 		
State Agencies			
Alaska Department of Natural Resources	Cultural Resource Coordination/Consultation with State Office of History and Archaeology		
Alaska Department of Natural Resources Division of Oil and Gas	Unit Plan of Operations		

12.0 APPLICANT MITIGATION STATEMENT

12.1 AVOIDANCE

Complete wetlands avoidance is not practicable. Hilcorp proposes to include the following practicable avoidance measures:

- The project footprint and design were created to reduce the impacts and minimize fill requirements in area wetlands, including the placement of most project infrastructure in non-jurisdictional uplands.
- Vegetation clearing activities will occur outside of the USFWS recommended timeframe to accommodate any bird nesting activities.
- Project limits will be delineated with silt fencing or similar material to avoid impacts outside the proposed pad area.
- Building a bridge will avoid impacts to Stariski Creek.

12.2 MINIMIZATION

Hilcorp will incorporate the following minimization measures into project design and construction to reduce overall impacts on Waters of the United States:

- The pad and road will be constructed with a minimum 2V:1H side slopes to minimize fill area and impacts to wetlands.
- Regular surface watering will occur during operation to minimize fugitive dust deposition to the area.
- The pad will be built with a perimeter containment berm to prevent runoff impacts outside the proposed pad area.
- Existing gravel sources will be used for project infrastructure.

12.3 COMPENSATORY MITIGATION

Hilcorp evaluated the proposed Happy Valley Middle Pad and Road project using the USACE Alaska District's Compensatory Mitigation Considerations "Thought Process" document dated January 22, 2025, which provides practical guidance in satisfying the regulations provided in the Alaska District's internal guidance regarding the need for compensatory mitigation. In the "Thought Process," the Alaska District identifies four instances where compensatory mitigation may be required:

- 1. Direct and indirect impacts to wetlands or other waters known to support species listed under the Endangered Species Act or are within critical habitat designated under the Endangered Species Act, wetlands or other waters within Important Bird Areas (Audubon Alaska 2024), wetlands or other waters within or adjacent to National Wild and Scenic River segments, wetland types identified in Wetlands of Conservation Concern in Alaska according to Wetlands across Alaska: Statewide wetland map and Assessment of rare wetland ecosystems (Flagstad et al. 2018), and wetlands or other waters with exceptionally high performance of functions or services. Exceptionally high performing wetlands or other waters are those that receive high ratings or scores for at least two grouped functions or several individual functions as indicated by a regionally appropriate functions assessment method.
- 2. Direct and indirect impacts to tidal waters or tidally influenced waters that are special aquatic sites or are adjacent to special aquatic sites. Tidally influenced waters are subject to the ebb and flow of the tides though they are positioned above the mean high-water mark of tidal waters. Special aquatic sites are defined as sanctuaries and refuges, wetlands, mudflats, vegetated shallows, coral reefs, and riffle and pool complexes (see 40 CFR §230.40 through §230.45).
- 3. Direct and permanent impacts to waters including wetlands that fish are known to inhabit or are likely to inhabit at least periodically.
- 4. Direct and permanent impacts to >1/10 of an acre of wetlands and/or other waters or >3/100 of an acre of stream where the encompassing watershed or other appropriately sized review area is significantly degraded or under imminent threat of becoming significantly degraded.

Significant degradation may be indicated by one or more of the following factors (note that there may be other indicators not listed here):

- Waters within the encompassing area are listed as impaired (Category 4 or 5) by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation under CWA Section 303(d).
- Cover of impervious and nearly impervious surfaces such as paved and gravel roads, building foundations, laydown areas, etc. is >5 percent (NOAA 2022, Schueler et al. 2009, Ourso and Frenzel 2003, Booth and Jackson 1997, Kim et al. 2016, Kaplan and Ayers 2000).

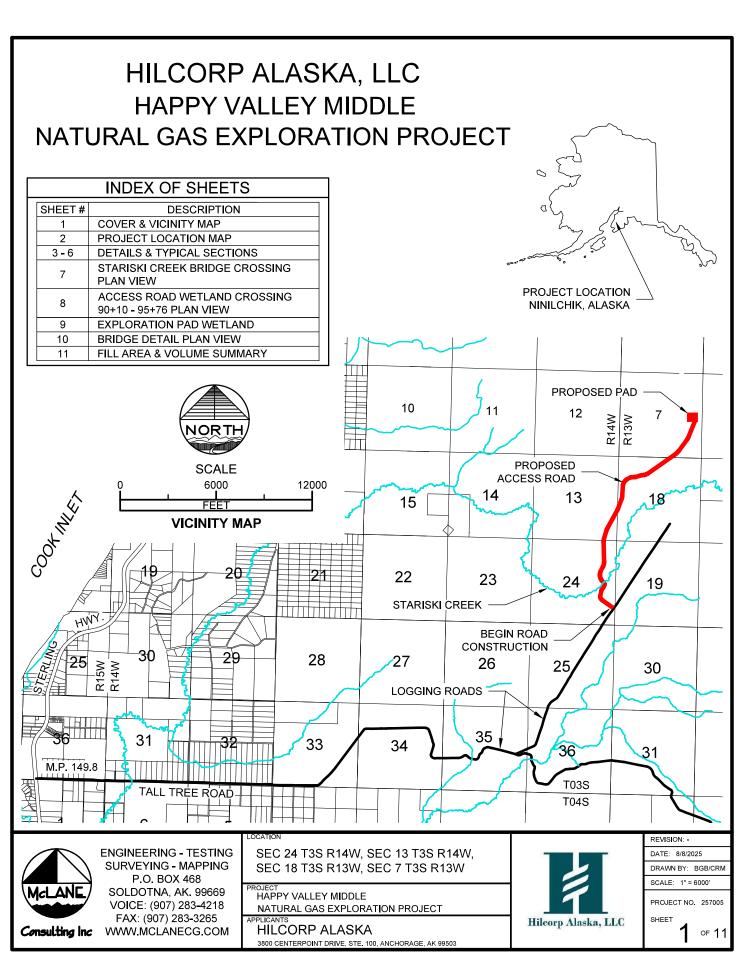
• Extensive mining, logging, farming, or other resource extraction that has not been significantly mitigated via reclamation or watershed restoration.

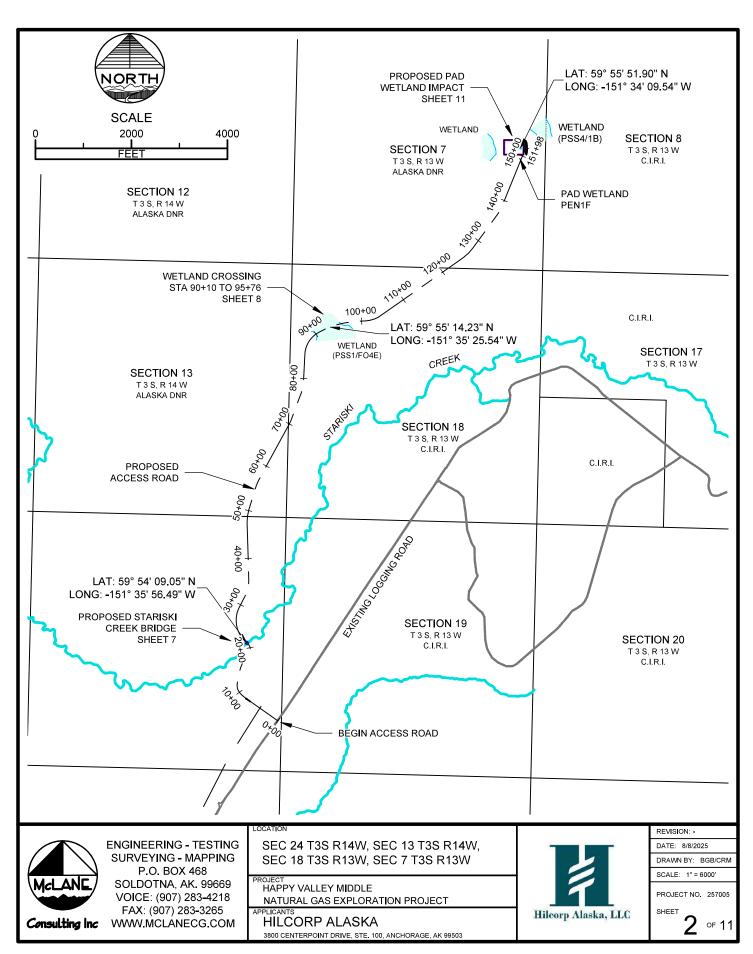
Hilcorp performed the "Thought Process" using the maximum estimated footprint for all project features. Hilcorp's response to each of the above four items are shown below:

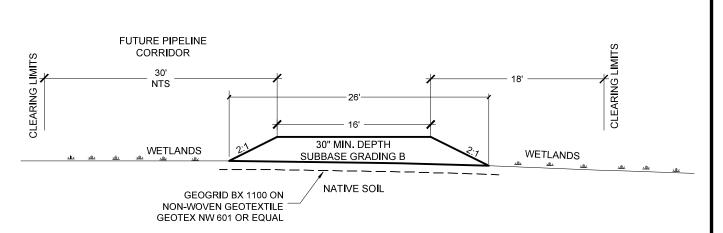
- 1. The project is not located in wetlands known to support species listed under the Endangered Species Act or are within wetlands or other waters within Important Bird Areas (Audubon Alaska 2024), wetlands or other waters within or adjacent to National Wild and Scenic River segments, wetland types identified in Wetlands of Conservation Concern in Alaska according to Wetlands across Alaska: Statewide wetland map and Assessment of rare wetland ecosystems (Flagstad et al. 2018), and wetlands or other waters with exceptionally high performance of functions or services. rare, difficult to replace, or threatened wetlands or areas of designated Critical Habitat.
- 2. The project does not impact tidal waters or tidally influenced waters and occurs in 0.142-acres of wetlands fill that are ubiquitous in the area.
- 3. There will be a bridge built over Stariski Creek to avoid any impact on fish bearing waters. There does not appear to be any surface water connection from impacted wetlands to Stariski Creek.
- 4. New permanent impacts to the watershed are expected to be 0.41 acres. The overall watershed is not appear to be significantly degraded or under threat of becoming significantly degraded as the cover of impervious surfaces is less than 5%.

Based on the Thought Process above, Hilcorp is not proposing any compensatory mitigation for the project. If the USACE determines compensatory mitigation is necessary, Hilcorp will work with the Corp to determine appropriate mitigation.

Appendix A: Figures



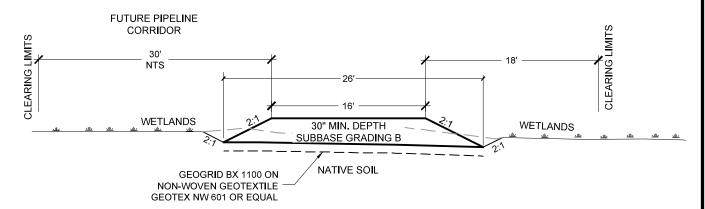




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A 16' WIDE ROAD SECTION - WETLANDS - FILL SECTION SCALE: 1" = 10'



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LOCATION

SEC 24 T3S R14W, SEC 13 T3S R14W, SEC 18 T3S R13W, SEC 7 T3S R13W

ROJECT HAPPY VALLEY MIDDLE NATURAL GAS EXPLORATION PROJECT

PLICANTS HILCORP ALASKA

3800 CENTERPOINT DRIVE, STE. 100, ANCHORAGE, AK 99503



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DATE: 8/8/2025

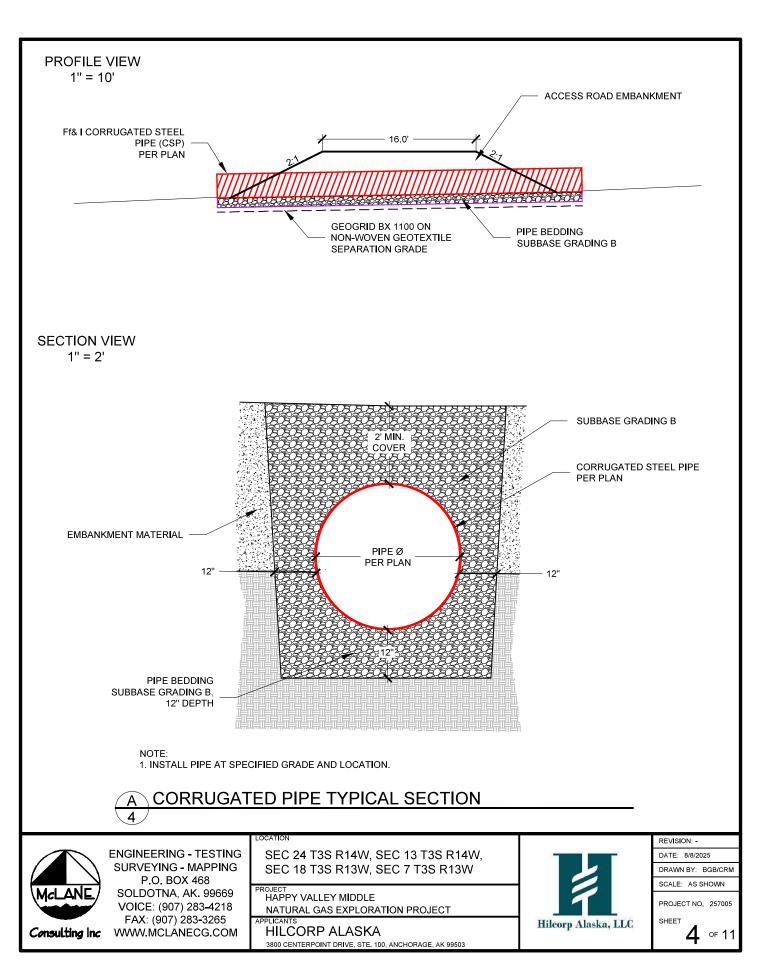
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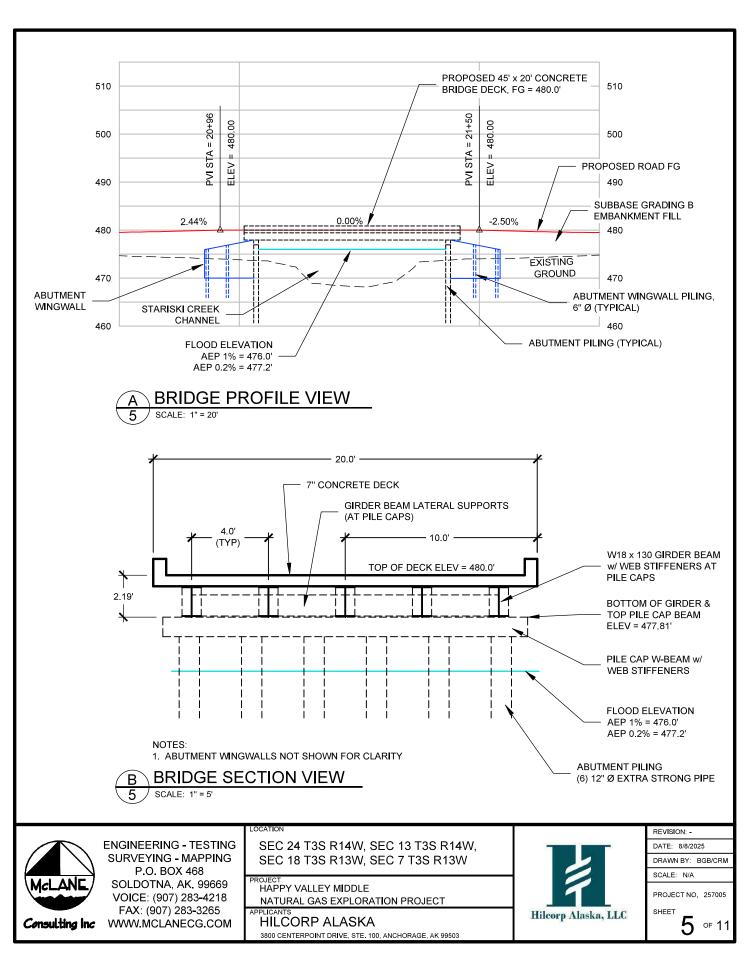
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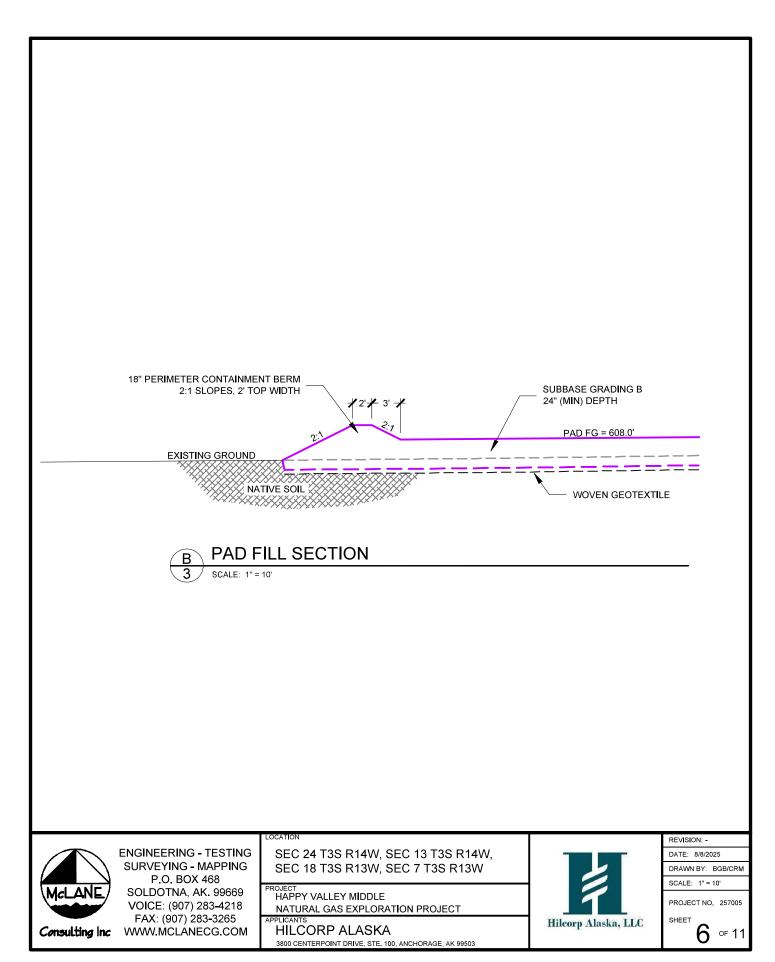
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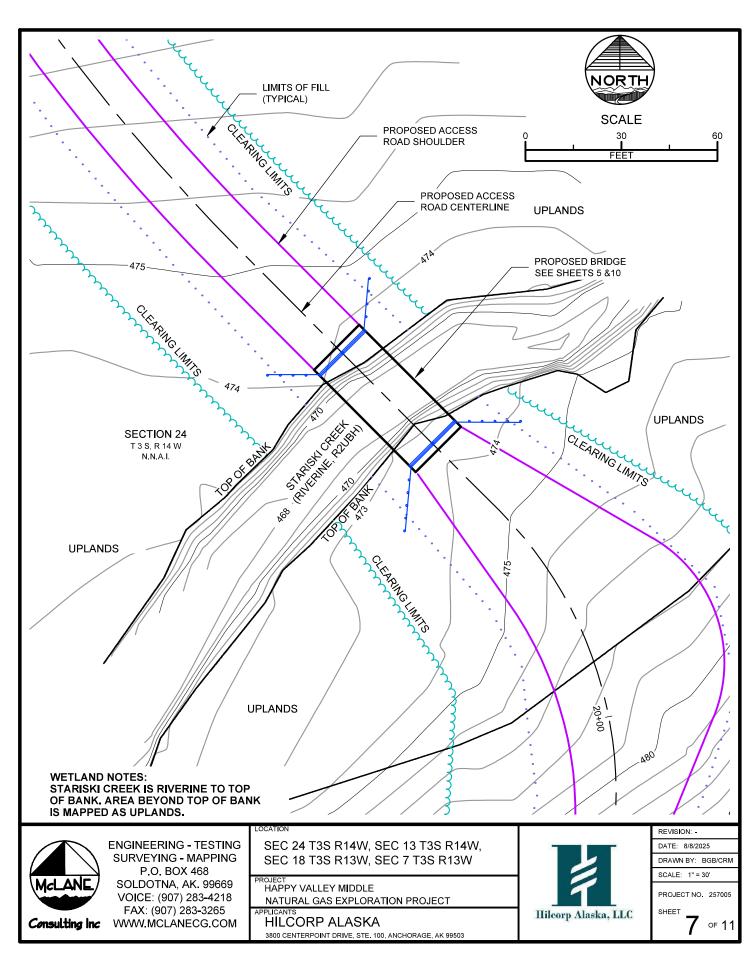
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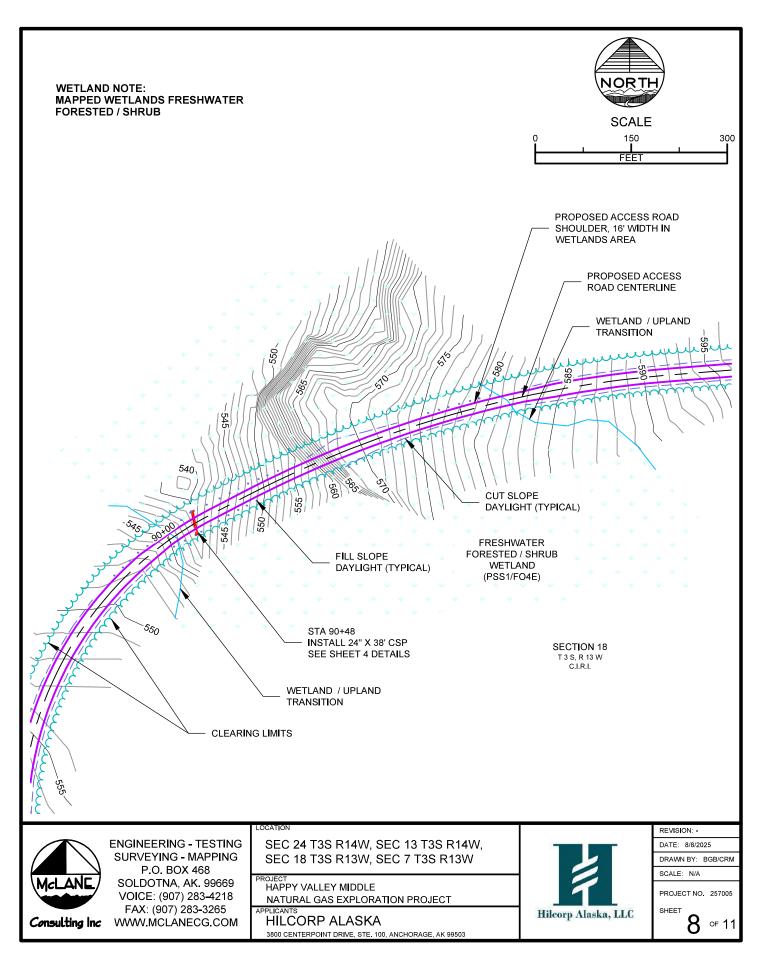
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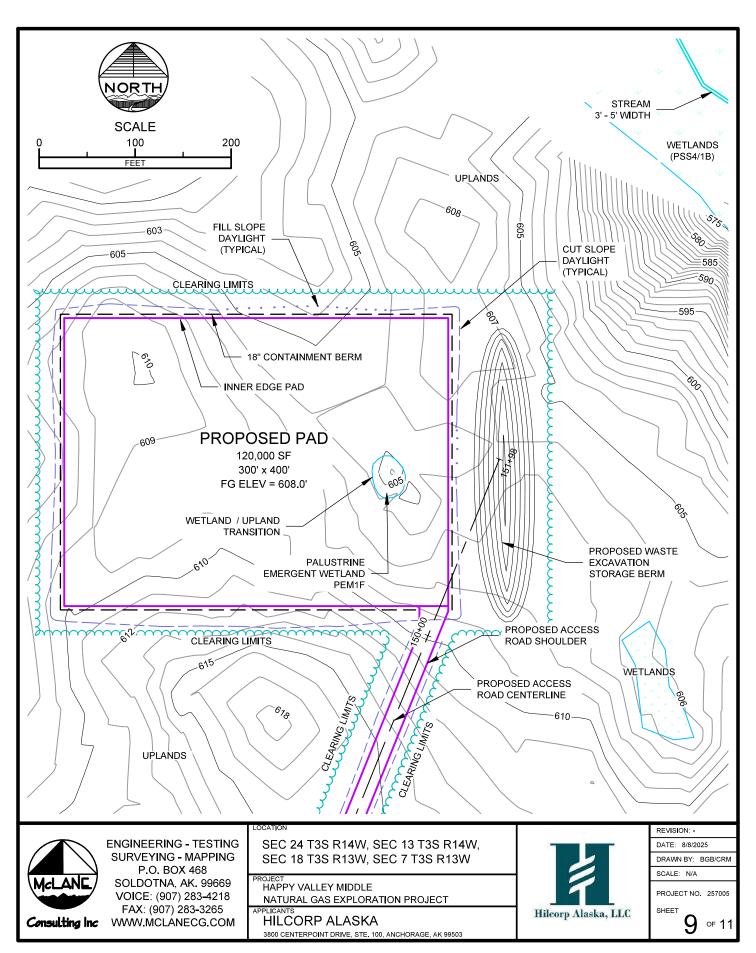


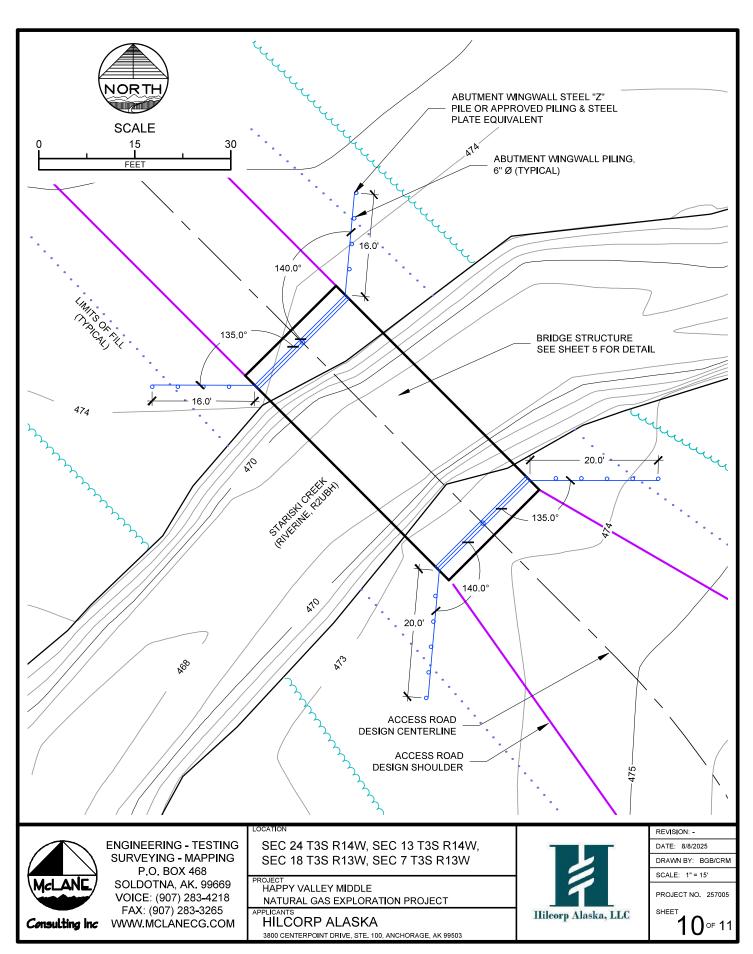












STARISKI CREEK CROSSING - STATION 21+23 BRIDGE			
IMPACTED WETLAND AREA	WETLAND EXCAVATION	TOTALFILL	WETLANDFILL
0.0 SF	0.0 Œ	0.0 Œ	0.0Œ
0.0 AC	0.0 CY	0.0 CY	0.0CY

ACCESS ROAD WETLAND CROSSING STATION 90+10 TO 95+76			
IMAPACTED WETLAND AREA	WETLAND EXCAVATION	WETLANDFILL	
16754 SF	17847 CF	35802 CF	
0.38 AC	661 CY	1326 CY	

24" X 38" CULVERT STATION 90+48			
CULVERT DIAMETER	CULVERT LENGTH	PIPEBEDDING FILLIN CHANNEL	EXCAVATION
24 IN	38 FT	189 CF	189 CF
		7CY	7CY

PAD WETLAND IMPACT			
IMPACTED WETLAND AREA	WETLAND EXCAVATION	WEILANDFILL	
1199 <i>S</i> F	11985 CF	4793 CF	
0.03 AC	45CY	178 CY	



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Figure 1 Vicinity Map



Figure 2 Project Area

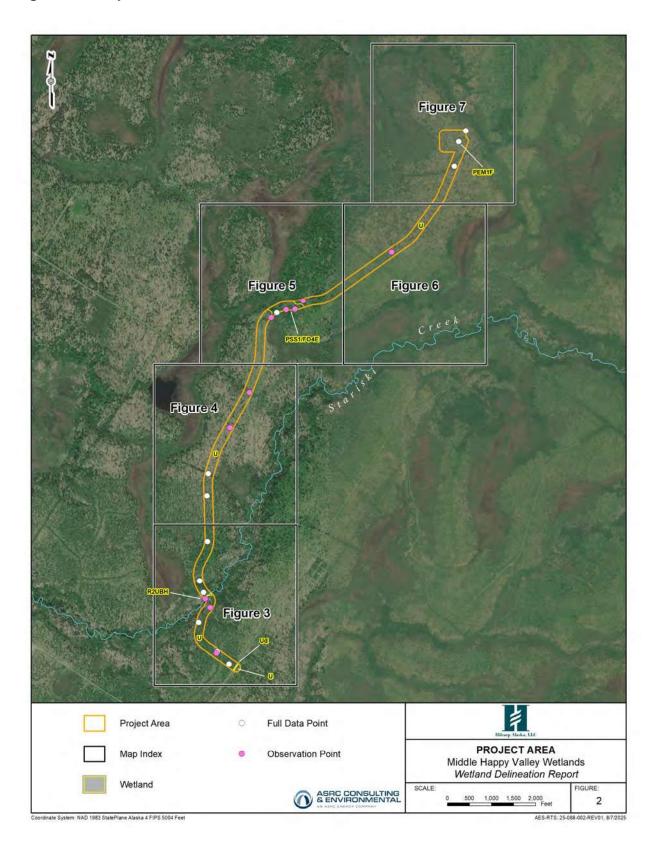


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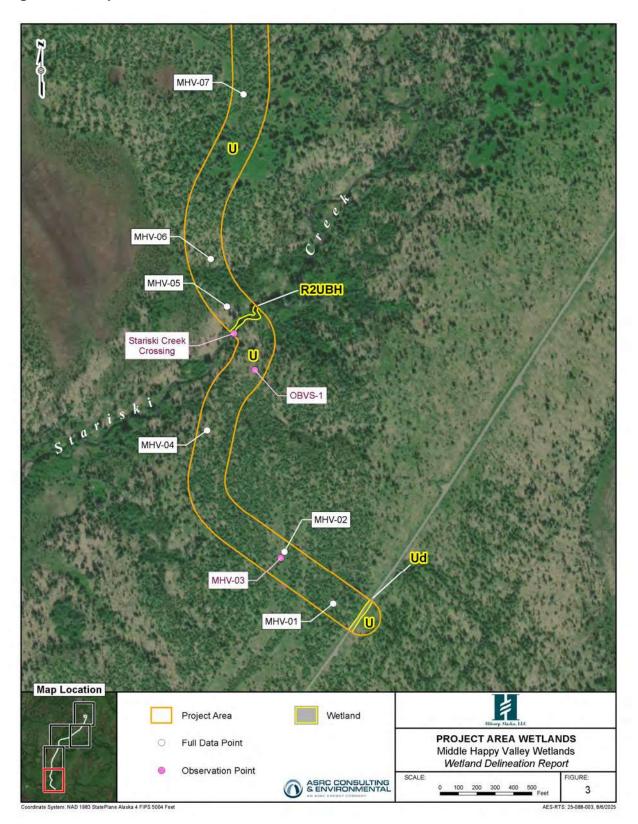


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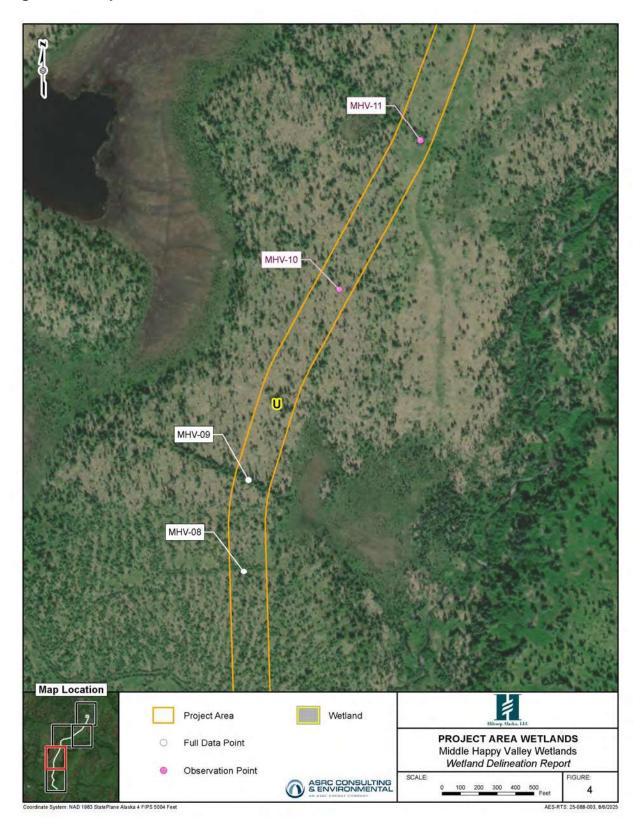


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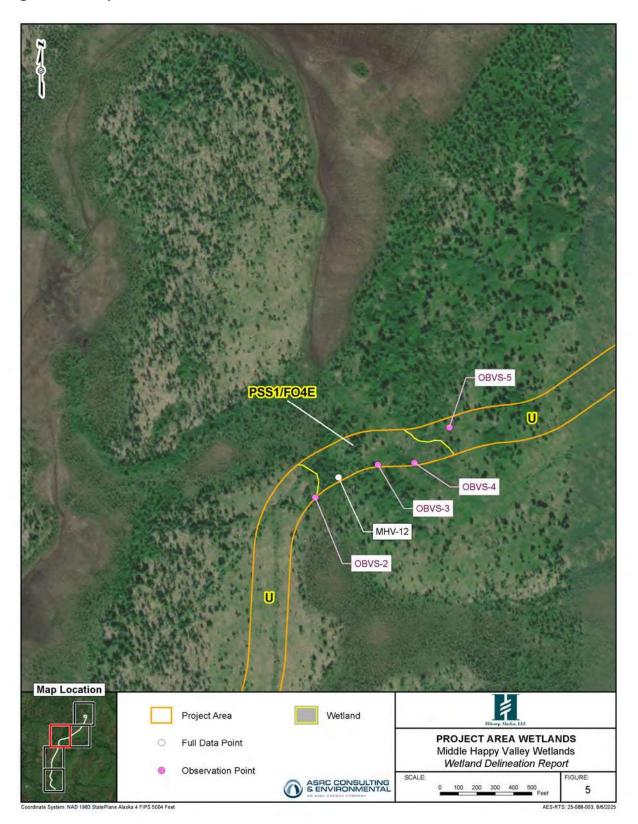
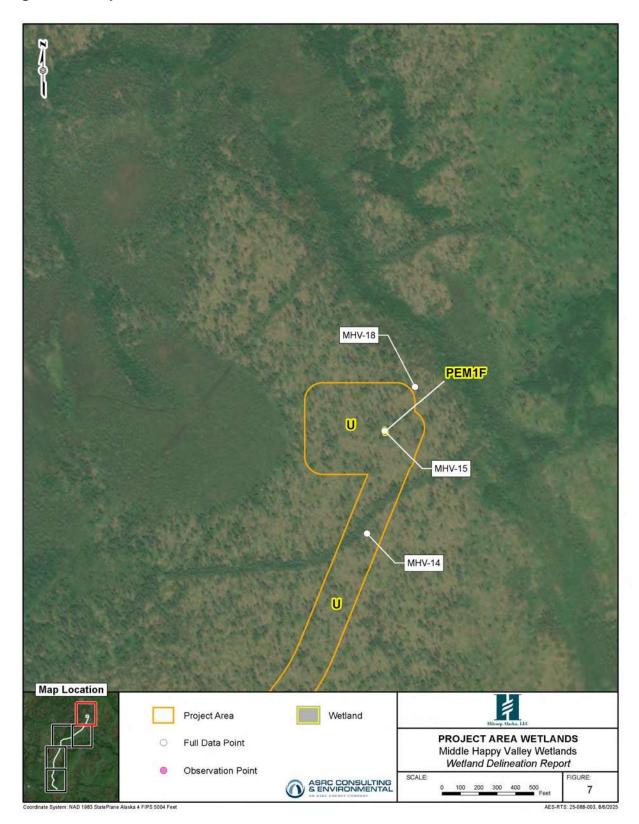


Figure 6 Project Area Wetlands



Figure 7 Project Area Wetlands



Conditional Use Permit Anadromous Waters Habitat Protection District Staff Report

PC Res No. 2025-23

Planning Commission Meeting: Monday, October 13, 2025

Applicant Hilcorp Alaska LLC

Mailing Address 3800 Centerpoint Drive STE 1400

Anchorage, AK 99524

Legal Description T 3S R 14W SEC 22 & 23 & 24 SM HM

KPB Parcel Number 15917001

Project Description

A Conditional Use Permit is sought pursuant to KPB 21.18 for the construction of bridge within the 50-foot Habitat Protection District of the Stariski Creek, as established in KPB 21.18.040.

Background Information

Hilcorp Alaska LLC is constructing a 3 mile road which will cross the Stariski Creek and place to place a pad for exploratory drilling.

Project Details within the 50-foot Habitat Protection District

Project includes the placement of a 20 foot by 45 foot bridge over Stariski Creek, excavation of 115 cubic yards of overburden materials and placement of 693 cubic yards of gravel for the road.

Findings of fact pursuant to KPB 21.18.081 Conditional Use Permit

- 1. Portions of this proposed project are within the 50-foot habitat protection district as defined by KPB 21.18.040.
- 2. Pursuant to KPB 21.18.081(B)(5), construction of a bridge may be approved as a conditional structure/use within the habitat protection district.
- 3. Pursuant to 21.18.081(D) General Standards, staff finds that the proposed project meets the five general standards.

- 4. Pursuant to KPB 21.18.020(A), this chapter was established to protect and preserve the stability of anadromous fish through controlling shoreline alterations and disturbances along anadromous waters and to preserve nearshore habitat.
- 5. Pursuant to KPB 21.18.20(B)(5), one purpose of this chapter was established to separate conflicting land uses.
- 6. The bridge will span the creek and allow for vegetation growth along the riparian zone.
- 7. The bridge will meet ADFG standards for construction over an anadromous stream with the attached engineering plans.
- 8. Pursuant to KPB 21.06.081(D)(3), the proposed work will occur on the applicant's property and shall not have an adverse effect on adjoining properties.
- 9. Pursuant to KPB 21.18.140 ORD 2025-12, the proposed project meets the definition for water dependent.
- 10. The River Center found the application complete and scheduled a public hearing for Monday, October 13, 2025.
- 11. Agency review was distributed on 9/26/2025. No comments or objections have been received from resource agencies to date.
- 12. Pursuant to KPB 21.11.030, public notice was mailed to all property owners within a radius of 300 feet of the project on 9/26/2025. A total of 2 mailings were sent.
- 13. Pursuant to KPB 01.08.180 (B) (1) (3), public notice was posted.
- 14. The applicant is currently in compliance with Borough permits and ordinances.

Permit Conditions

- 1. Construction techniques and best management practices shall be utilized to ensure that land disturbing activities do not result in runoff or sedimentation to the Stariski Creek.
- 2. The bridge must be designed and installed to meet KPB floodplain requirements.
- 3. The permittee shall minimize damage to all vegetation and shall revegetate all disturbed areas with native vegetation.
- 4. For each tree removed, two seedlings less than 5.5-feet tall of a species native to the region will be planted within the 50-foot HPD.
- 5. Storage or use of fuel is prohibited within 50-feet of any open water.
- 6. The River Center shall be notified at least 3 days prior to the start of the project.
- 7. If changes to the approved project described above are proposed prior to or during its siting, construction, or operation, the permittee is required to notify the River Center to determine if additional approval is required.
- 8. The permittee shall be held responsible for the actions of the contractors, agents, or others who perform work to accomplish the approved plan.
- 9. The construction or installation phase of this Conditional Use Permit must be completed within one calendar year from the date of the permit's issuance, or the Conditional Use Permit shall expire unless the Planning Commission finds that more time is necessary to effectuate the purposes of this chapter, in which case the commission may extend the

- deadline for a maximum of six years from the date of issuance. Prior to its expiration date and upon written request, the Planning Director may grant a Conditional Use Permit extension for 12 months (KPB 21.18.081 (H)).
- 10. In addition to the penalties provided by KPB 21.18.110, and pursuant to KPB 21.50, the permit may be revoked if the permittee fails to comply with the provisions of this chapter or the terms and conditions of a permit issued under this chapter. The Borough Clerk shall provide at least 15 day's written notice to the permittee of a revocation hearing before the hearing officer (KPB 21.18.082).
- 11. The permittee shall comply with the terms, conditions and requirements of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Code of Ordinances Chapter 21.18, and any regulations adopted pursuant to this chapter.
- 12. The permittee is responsible for abiding by all other federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and permitting requirements applicable to the project (KPB 21.18.081 (G)).

General Standards

Pursuant to 21.18.081(D) General Standards, the following standards shall be met before conditional use approval may be granted:

- 1. The use or structure will not cause significant erosion, sedimentation, damage within the habitat protection district, an increase in ground or surface water pollution, and damage to riparian wetlands and riparian ecosystems; **Conditions 1, 3 and Finding 4 appear to support this standard.**
- Granting of the conditional use shall be consistent with the purposes of this chapter, the borough comprehensive plan, other applicable chapters of the borough Code, and other applicable planning documents adopted by the borough; Conditions 6, 11 and Findings 1-5 appear to support this standard.
- 3. The development of the use or structure shall not physically damage the adjoining property; **Finding 8 appears to support this standard.**
- 4. The proposed use or structure is water-dependent; **Finding 1 and 9 appear to support this standard.**
- 5. Applicant's or owner's compliance with other borough permits and ordinance requirements; Conditions 11, 12 and Finding 15 appear to support this standard.

Attachments

Multi-Agency Application
Draft Resolution 2025-23

Recommendation

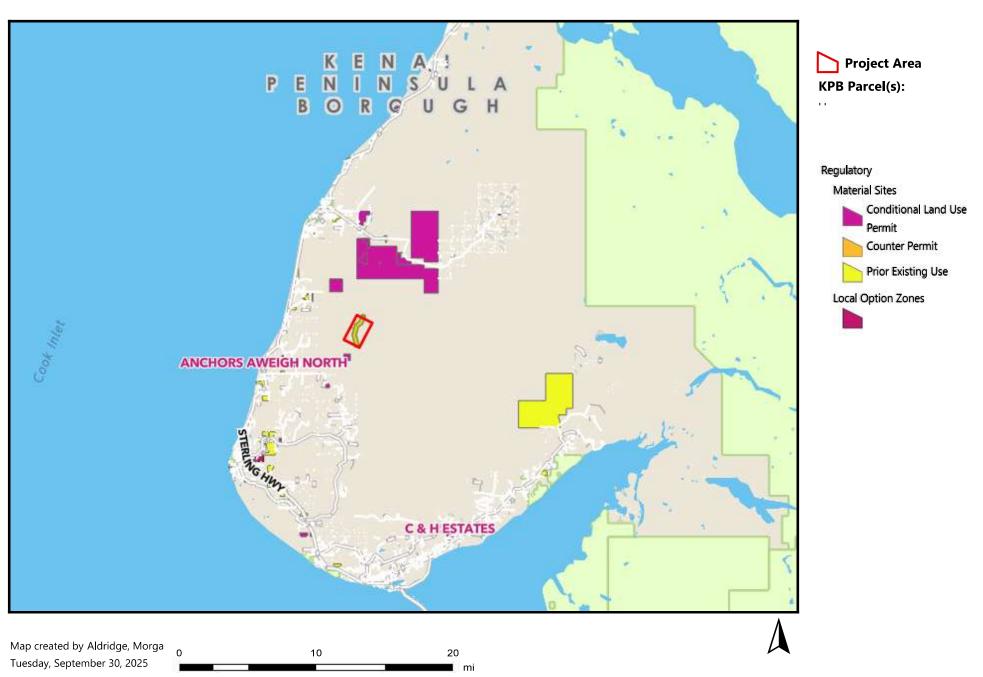
Based on the findings, staff finds that the proposed project meets the five general standards of KPB 21.18.081. The Planning Commission could consider additional permit conditions to mitigate for any habitat loss if it chooses.

Staff recommends the Planning Commission grant a Conditional Use Permit for the proposed project details subject to adopted conditions as set forth in 2025-23.

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END OF STAFF REPORT





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Hilcorp Bridge

Project Area

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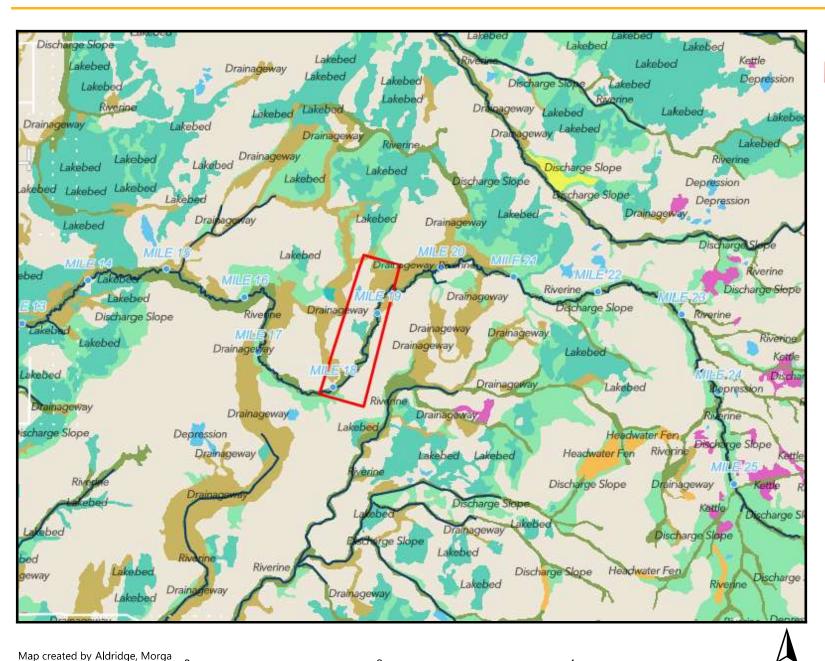
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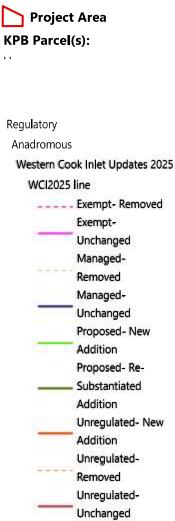
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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION 2025-23

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PURSUANT TO KPB 21.18 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE WITHIN THE 50-FOOT HABITAT PROTECTION DISTRICT OF THE STARISKI CREEK.

- **WHEREAS,** Chapter 21.18 provides for the approval of Conditional Use Permits for certain activities within the habitat protection district; and
- **WHEREAS,** KPB 21.18.081 provides that a conditional use permit is required for construction not meeting the standards of KPB 21.18.071; and
- **WHEREAS,** KPB 21.18.091 provides for mitigation measures by the planning department staff to address impacts to the Habitat Protection District from a proposed, ongoing, or completed project; and
- **WHEREAS,** public notice was sent to all property owners within a 300-foot radius of the proposed activity as provided in Section 21.11.030; and
- WHEREAS, public notice was posted as provided in Section 01.08.180 (B) (1) (3); and
- **WHEREAS,** public testimony was received at the Monday, October 13, 2025 meeting of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

That the Planning Commission makes the following findings of fact pursuant to KPB 21.18:

Section 1. Project Details Within the 50-foot Habitat Protection District

Construction of a 20 foot by 45 foot bridge over Stariski Creek and placement of a gravel road, portions of which will be within 50 feet of the streambank on either side.

Section 2. Findings of fact pursuant to KPB 21.18.081

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THIS CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT EFFECTIVE	ON DAY OF, 2025.
ATTEST:	Jeremy Brantley, Chairperson Planning Commission
Ann Shirnberg Administrative Assistant	

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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RIVER CENTER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Kenai Peninsula Borough received an application for a Conditional Use Permit under KPB 21.18.081 for a project within the 50-foot Habitat Protection District (HPD) of the Stariski Creek. This project has been scheduled for a public hearing before the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission.

Why are you receiving this notice?

Per code, property owners within 300 feet of the proposed project must receive notice of the public hearing. This project is located at Anchor Point, Alaska, Parcel ID 15917001. Our records indicate that you are a property owner within 300 feet of that parcel.

Project Description:

Hilcorp Alaska LLC is proposing to construct a bridge within the 50-foot HPD of the Stariski Creek.

How can you look at the application?

The meeting packet will be posted the week prior to the meeting. Once it has been posted it can be viewed at https://kpb.legistar.com/Calendar or by scanning this QR code with your phone:



How do you attend the Planning Commission meeting?

When: Monday, October 13, 2025 at 7:30 pm or as soon thereafter as business permits

Where: This meeting will be held in the Betty J. Glick Chambers, George A. Navarre Borough

Administration Building located at 144 North Binkley Street, Soldotna.

Zoom: Meeting ID 907 714 2200

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9077142200 1-888-788-0099 or 1-877-853-5247

Or other audio or video conferencing means whenever technically feasible

How do I comment on the project?

You can provide verbal comment at the meeting (see information above). You may also submit written comments. Written comments must be received by 1:00 pm Friday, October 10, 2025.

Mail comments to:

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Email comments to: KenaiRivCenter@kpb.us

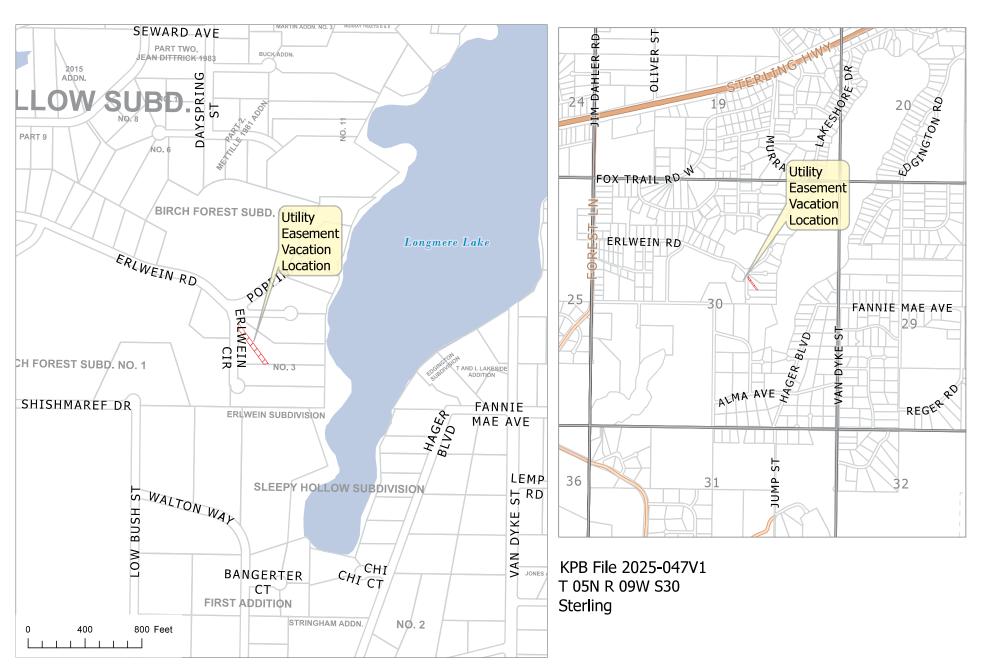
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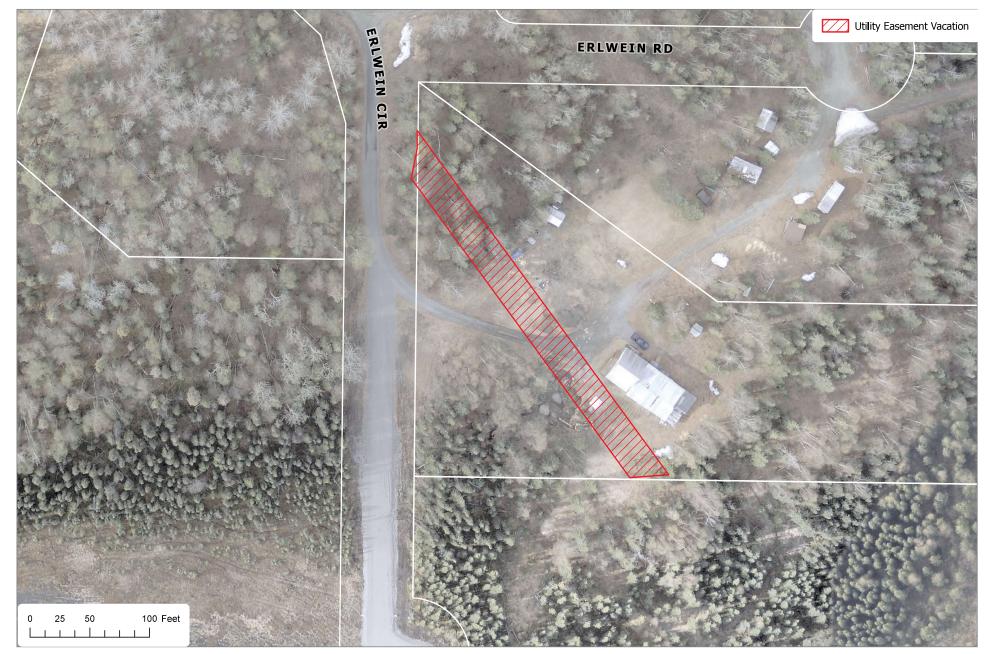
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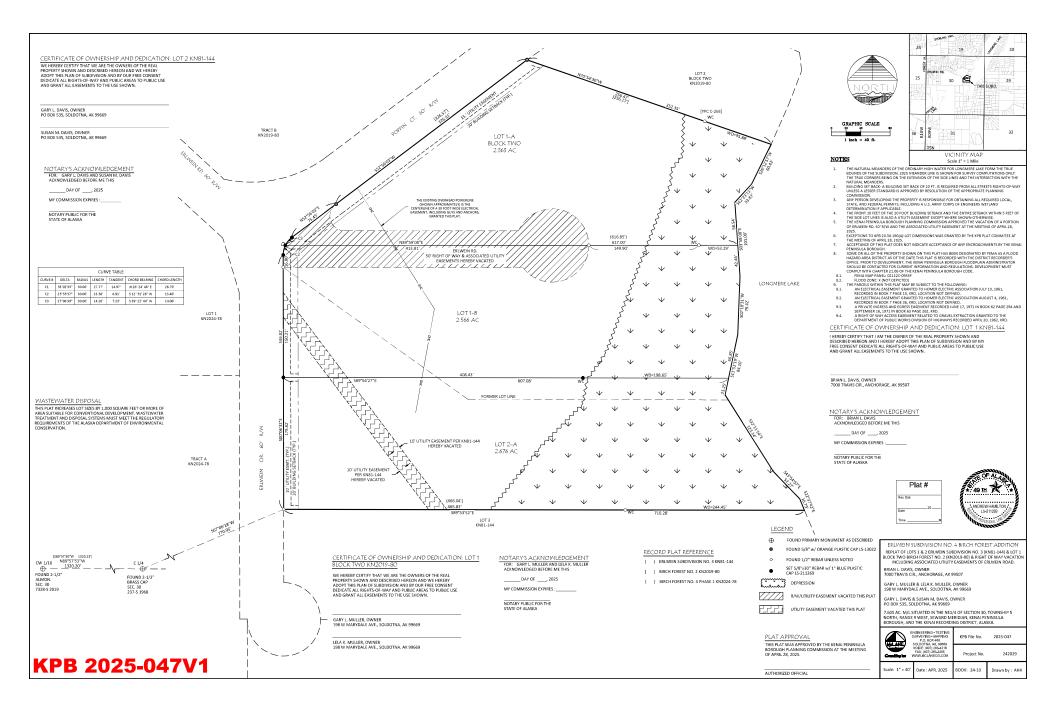
2. Utility Easement Vacation; KPB File 2025-047V1
McLane Consulting Group / Davis
Request: Vacate a 20' wide utility easement near the midpoint of the west lot line & running diagonally southeast to the southern lot line on Lot 2 Erlwein Subdivision No 3., Plat KN 81-144
Sterling Area

Staff Person Responsible: Platting Manager Vince Piagentini

Vicinity Map 8/22/2025







AGENDA ITEM E. NEW BUSINESS

ITEM #2 - UTILITY EASEMENT ALTERATION

VACATE A 20-FOOT-WIDE UTILITY EASEMENT NEAR THE MIDPOINT OF THE WEST LOT LINE AND RUNNING DIAGONALLY TO THE SOUTHERN LOT LINE OF ERLWEIN SUB NO 3, LOT 2 PER KN 0810144

KPB File No.	2025-047V1
Planning Committee Meeting:	October 13, 2025
Applicant / Owner:	Gary L. and Susan M. Davis of Soldotna, AK
Surveyor:	Andrew Hamilton, McLane Consulting, Inc.
General Location:	Erlwein Circle off Erlwein Road, Sterling Area

STAFF REPORT

Specific Request / Purpose as stated in the petition:

A 20 foot wide utility easement centered on the approximate former location of an HEA power line per KN81-144. Proposed vacation is approximately 6,995± square feet.

Notification: Notice of vacation mailings were sent by regular mail to nine owners of property within 300 feet. Notice of the proposed vacation was emailed to five agencies and interested parties.

The public notice was posted on the Planning Department's bulletin board at the KPB Administration Building.

Staff Analysis:

Erlwein Subdivision No. 3 KN81-144 granted a 20-foot-wide HEA powerline easement crossing the southwest corner of former Lot 2. HEA confirmed that the platted utility easement is no longer in use by HEA.

If approved, this utility easement vacation will be finalized by the plat Erlwein Subdivision No. 4. Erlwein Subdivision No. 4 was granted conditional preliminary approval during the Plat Committee's April 28, 2025 meeting.

The proposed plat will grant a 10-foot utility easement adjoining Poppin Court and Erlwein Circle.

As requested by HEA, the sketch submitted for the utility easement vacation includes the overhead powerline easements to be granted with the recording of the plat located along the existing power lines.

Staff recommends the final plat comply with staff recommendations from the associated preliminary plat staff report and comments from the first final and subsequent submittals.

Utility provider review:

HEA	No objections
ENSTAR	Approved as shown
ACS	Approved as shown
GCI	No response

Applicant Findings:

- 1. Per HEA the platted utility easement is no longer being used.
- 2. This plat will grant a 30 foot wide easement over the existing overhead electric.
- 3. HEA provided confirmation that the platted utility easement from plat 81-14 is no longer being used.

Staff Findings:

- 1. The petition does not state that the utility easement proposed to be vacated is in use by a utility company.
- 2. ACS, ENSTAR, and HEA provided written non-objection to the proposed vacation.

Page 1 of 4

- 3. Erlwein Subdivision No. 3 granted a 20-foot-wide HEA powerline easement crossing the southwest corner of former Lot 2.
- 4. The proposed plat to finalize the vacation has been granted conditional approval.
- 5. No surrounding properties will be denied utilities.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

CORRECTIONS / EDITS

Comply with staff recommendations from the associated plat staff report.

If this vacation is approved, Add a note to the plat with reference to the vacation of the easement approval by the Planning Commission and date of approval.

Make the following corrections:

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on consideration of the merits as outlined by Staff comments and Staff findings, Staff recommends <u>APPROVAL</u> of the utility easement alteration as petitioned, subject to:

- 1. Grant utility easements requested by utility providers.
- 2. Finalizing the approval of the easement alteration by either;
 - a. The recording of a subdivision plat within 12 months, compliant with the requirements of Chapter 20 of KPB Code or,
 - b. The recording of a utility easement alteration resolution within 90 days of the adoption of the resolution by the Planning Commission, with the following requirements:
 - i. An exhibit drawing showing, and dimensioning, the utility easement alteration area, prepared, signed and sealed by a licensed land surveyor. The exhibit drawing will be attached to, and recorded with, the resolution.
 - ii. The applicants will provide the recording fee for the resolution and its attachment to the Planning Department.
 - iii. The Planning Department is responsible for filing the Planning Commission resolution.

20.65.070 Alteration of platted utility easements

- E. A planning commission decision under this section is final. A notice of decision shall be sent to the petitioner. No reapplication or petition concerning the same alteration to platted utility easement may be filed within one calendar year of the date of the final denial action except in the case where new evidence or circumstances exist that were not available or present when the original petition was filed. If the reasons for denial are resolved, the petitioner may submit a new petition for alteration of platted utility easement with documentation that the issues have been resolved, accompanied by a new fee.
- F. An appeal of the planning commission decision under this section must be filed in the superior court in accordance with the Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure.

The 2019 Kenai Peninsula Borough Comprehensive Plan adopted November, 2019 by Ordinance No. 2019-25. The relevant objectives are listed.

Goal 3. Preserve and improve quality of life on the Kenai Peninsula Borough through increased access to local and regional facilities, activities, programs and services.

- Focus Area: Energy and Utilities
 - Objective A Encourage coordination or residential, commercial, and industrial development with extension of utilities and other infrastructure.

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- Strategy 1. Near Term: Maintain existing easements (especially section line easements) in addition to establishing adequate utility rights of way or easements to serve existing and future utility needs.
- Strategy 2. Near Term: Maintain regular contact with utility operators to coordinate and review utility easement requests that are part of subdivision plat approval.
- Strategy 3. Near Term: Identify potential utility routes on Borough lands.

Housing

- Objective D. Encourage efficient use of land, infrastructure and services outside incorporated cities by prioritizing future growth in the most suitable areas.
 - Strategy 1. Near Term: Collaborate with the AK Department of Transportation, incorporated cities within the borough, utility providers, other agencies overseeing local services, and existing communities located adjacent to the undeveloped areas that are appropriate for future growth, to align plans for future expansion of services to serve future residential development and manage growth.

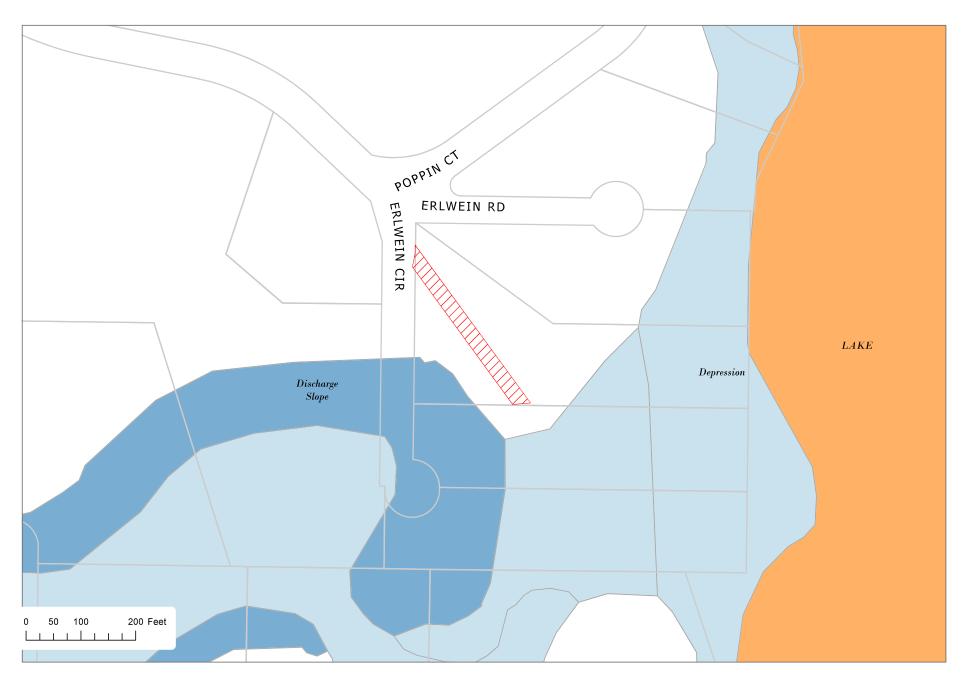
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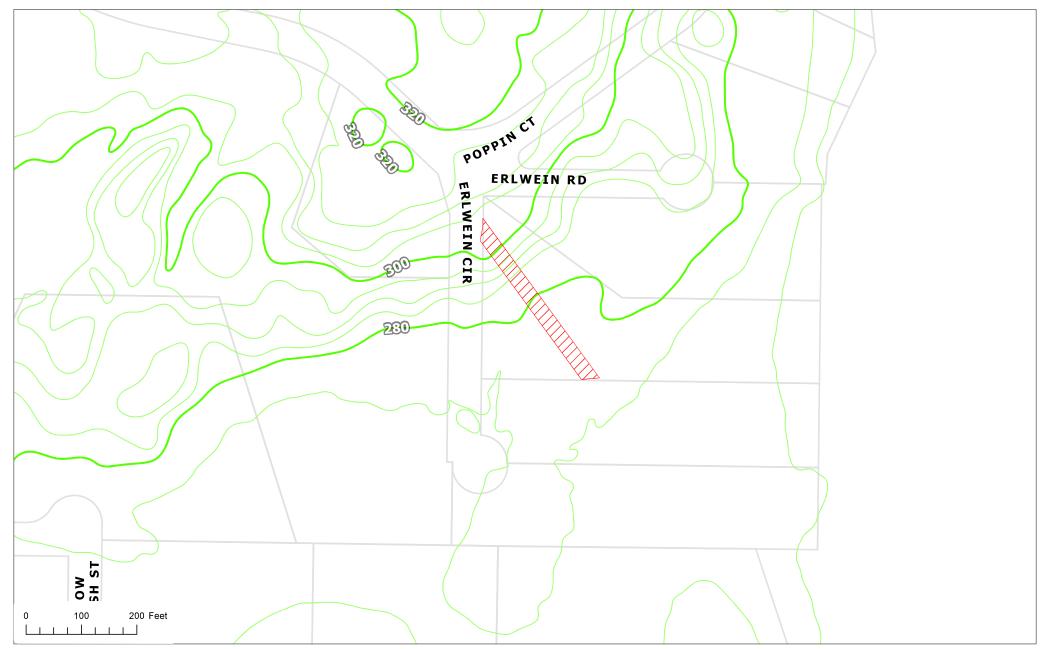




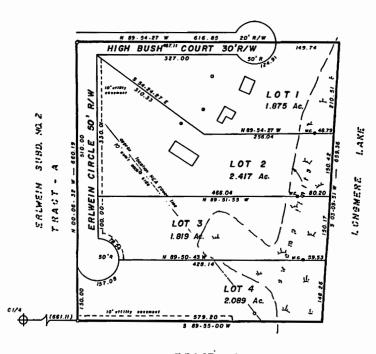
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TRACT A POPPIN SUBD.



TRACT A SLEEPY HOLLOW SUBD.

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CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP AND DEDICATION

We hereby certify that we are the owners of said property and request the approval of this plat showing such easements for public utilities, roadways, and/or streets dedicated by us for public use.

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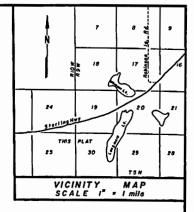
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NOTARY'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



LEGEND AND NOTES

Record Position Official Survey monument.

O Found 1/2" X 24" steel rebar.

1 Set 1/2" X 24" steel rebar at all lat corners.

All wastewater treatment and disposal systems shall comply with existing law at time of construction.

Building set back—A building set back of 20' is required from all street rights of ways unless a lesser standard is approved by resolution of the appropriate planning commission.

All bearings refer to the West boundary of Tr - B Eriwien Subdivision No. 2.

PLAT APPROVAL

This plot was approved by the Kenai Peninsula Baradgh Planning Commission at the meeting of JUNE 22..... 19.8/

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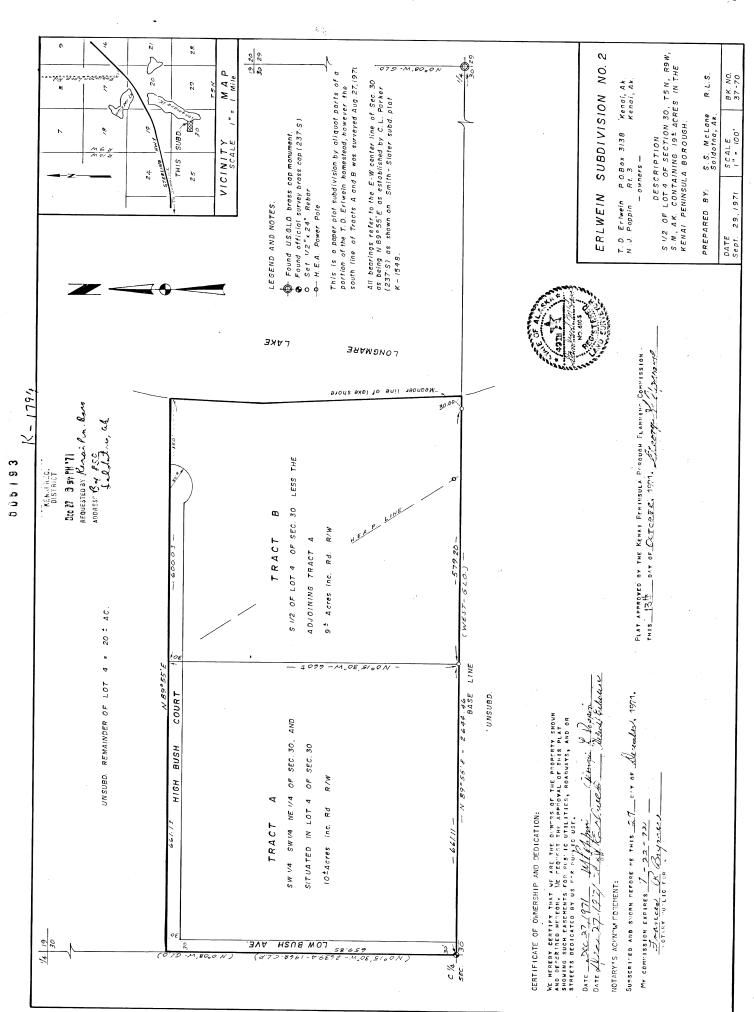
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED UTILITY EASEMENT VACATION

Notice is hereby given that an application to vacate a utility easement in the Sterling area was received on 9/17/2025 by the Planning Department of the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

In accordance with Chapter 20 of the Borough Code of Ordinances, all owners of properties within a 300-foot radius must be notified of the proposed vacation. According to Borough records, you are an owner of property within that radius or you are an affected party.

Request / Affected Property: Vacate a 20-foot wide utility easement near the midpoint of the west lot line and running diagonally to the southern lot line

KPB File No. 2025-047V1

Petitioner(s)/ Land owner(s): Gary L and Susan M Davis of Soldotna, AK.

<u>Purpose as stated in petition</u>: Per HEA the utility easement is no longer being used. This plat will grant a 30 foot wide easement over the existing overhead electric..

Public hearing will be held by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission on **Monday, October 13, 2025** commencing at **7:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as business permits. The meeting is being held in person at the Betty J. Glick Assembly Chambers of the Kenai Peninsula Borough George A. Navarre Administration Building, 144 N. Binkley Street, Soldotna, Alaska. This meeting will also be held via Zoom, or other audio or video conferencing means whenever technically feasible.

To attend the meeting using Zoom from a computer visit https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9077142200. You may also connect to Zoom by telephone, call toll free 1-888-788-0099 or 1-877-853-5247. If calling in you will need the Meeting ID of 907 714 2200. Additional information about connecting to the meeting may be found at https://www.kpb.us/local-governance-and-permitting/leadership-governance/planning-commission/planning-public-notices.

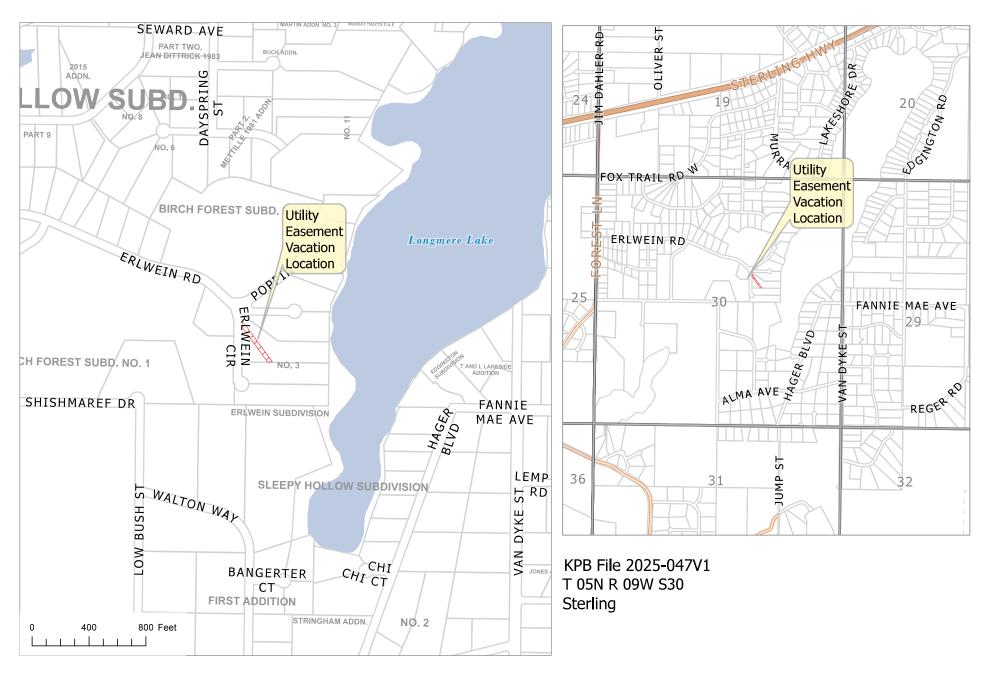
Anyone wishing to testify may attend the meeting in person or through Zoom. Written testimony may be submitted by email to planning@kpb.us, or mailed to the attention of Beverly Carpenter, Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Department, 144 N. Binkley Street, Soldotna, Alaska 99669. [Written comments may also be sent by Fax to 907-714-2378]. All written comments or documents must be submitted by **1:00 PM, Friday, October 10, 2025.** The deadline to submit written comments or documents does not impact the ability to provide verbal testimony at the public hearing.

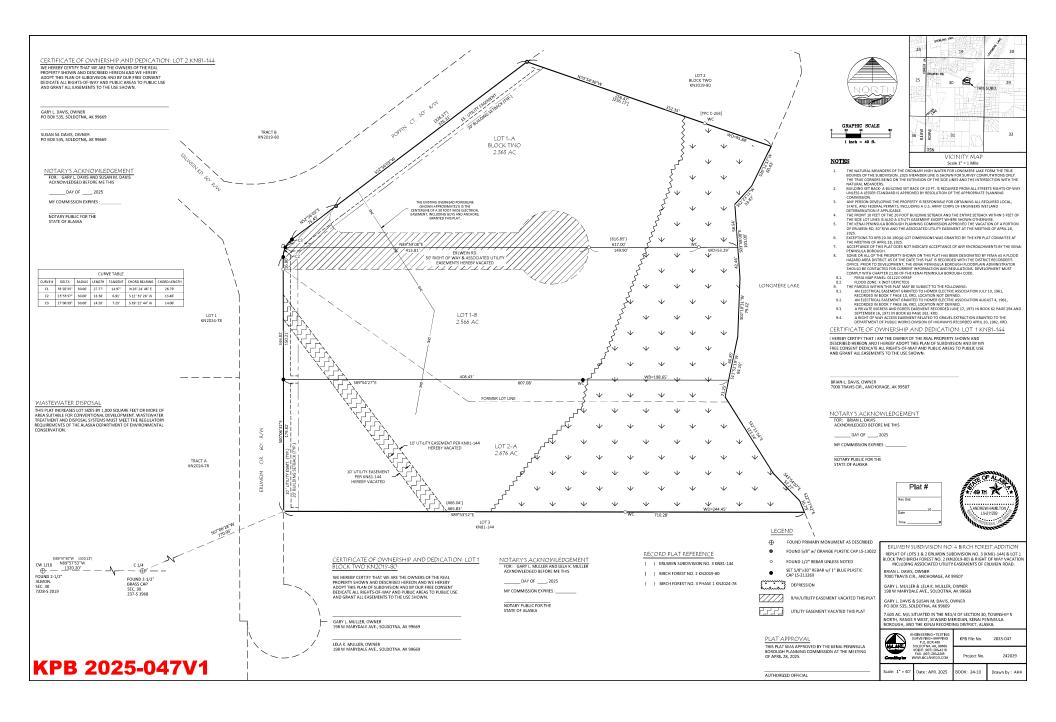
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For additional information, contact Sandee Simons (ssimons@kpb.us) or Beverly Carpenter (BCarpenter@kpb.us), Planning Department, 714-2200 (1-800-478-4441 Toll Free within the Kenai Peninsula Borough).

Mailed 9/23/2025

Vicinity Map 8/22/2025





E. NEW BUSINESS

3. BSEP; KPB 2025-147 **POSTPONED**

Johnson Surveying / Jackson

Request: Permits a carport and portions of 2 green houses and 2 cabins to remain the 20' building setbacks on Tract D1, Block 1 Peaceful Acres Sub Jackson Garden Replat, Plat KN 2006-112 Kalifornsky Area

Staff Person Responsible: Platting Manager Vince Piagentini

AGENDA ITEM E. NEW BUSINESS

ITEM #4. - BUILDING SETBACK ENCROACHMENT PERMIT

BUILDING SETBACK ENCROACHMENT PERMIT TO A PORTION OF THE TWENTY-FOOT BUILDING SETBACK FOR TRACT D1 BLOCK 1 PEACEFUL ACRES JACKSON'S GARDEN REPLAT KN2006-112

KPB File No.	2025-147
Planning Commission Meeting:	October 13, 2025
Applicant / Owner:	Harold A Jackson III & Bobbie Jean Jackson
Surveyor:	Jerry Johnson / Johnson Surveying
General Location:	Marty Lane & Liisia Dawn Street off Johns Road

Parent Parcel No.:	131-360-58
Legal Description:	T 4N R 11W SEC 34 SEWARD MERIDIAN KN 2006112 PEACEFUL
	ACRES SUB JACKSON'S GARDEN REPLAT TRACT D1

STAFF REPORT

Upon review of the submittal and application, staff, with the consent of the applicant, has postponed this application for a building setback encroachment permit for tonight's meeting due to an insufficient application. Once the requested information has been received from the applicant the building setback encroachment permit will be put on the next available meeting. If there is anyone here wishing to speak on the item, they may do so, but no decision will be made by the Committee.



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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF BUILDING SETBACK ENCROACHMENT PERMIT

Public notice is hereby given that a building setback encroachment permit application was received on 9/22/2025. You are being sent this notice because you are within 300 feet of the subject parcel and are invited to comment.

The building setback encroachment permit application is for the following property:

Request / Affected Property: Permits a 28' x 100' greenhouse and a 31' x 72' greenhouse both on the west boundary of Tract D1 to remain approximately 1' into the building setback, permits a 12' x 55' carport located in Tract D1 west of the northwestern greenhouse to remain .5' into right-of-way; permits a 28.3' x 20.3' cabin on the southeast boundary of Tract D1 to remain 4.3' into setback and associated porch to remain 6.3' into setback; permits an additional 14.3' x 28.1' cabin on the east boundary of Tract D1 whose porch will remain 1.9' into setback and porch stairs will remain 2.7' into setback.

KPB File No. 2025-147

Petitioner(s) / Land Owner(s): Harold A. Jackson III and Bobbie Jean Jackson of Soldotna, AK.

Purpose as stated in petition: Northern greenhouse along Marty Lane built in 1999 sits on concrete pillars, does not interfere with road maintenance is very minimally over the building setback. There is ample room for utilities and to develop a road in the future. Southern greenhouse along Marty Lane is not on a permanent foundation is minimally over the setback, does not create a safety hazard and does not interfere with line of sight. The northern carport was built prior to 2001, I request a conditional permit to keep the carport in place until such time as a Borough Road would be constructed down Marty Lane. Cabin 5 at 28235 Liisia Dawn St. Deck corner over the 20ft setback built in 2002 is on a permanent foundation of poured concrete pilers see drawings for distances to ROW, does not interfere with road maintenance or line of sight. There is no interference with public utilities. There are stairs to deck on Cabin 6 extending over setback. The stairs do not interfere with road maintenance, sight lines or create a safety hazard.

Building setback encroachment permit reviews are conducted in accordance with KPB Subdivision Ordinance.

Public hearing will be held by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission on **Monday, October 13, 2025**, commencing at **7:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as business permits. The meeting is being held in person at the Betty J. Glick Assembly Chambers of the Kenai Peninsula Borough George A. Navarre Administration Building, 144 N. Binkley Street, Soldotna, Alaska. This meeting will also be held via Zoom, or other audio or video conferencing means whenever technically feasible.

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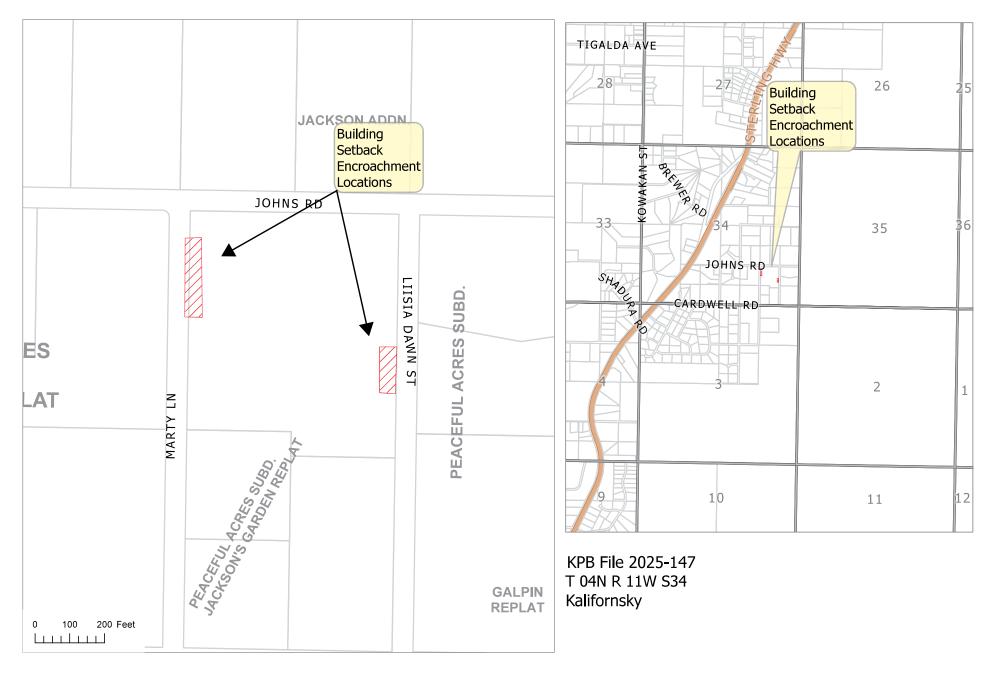
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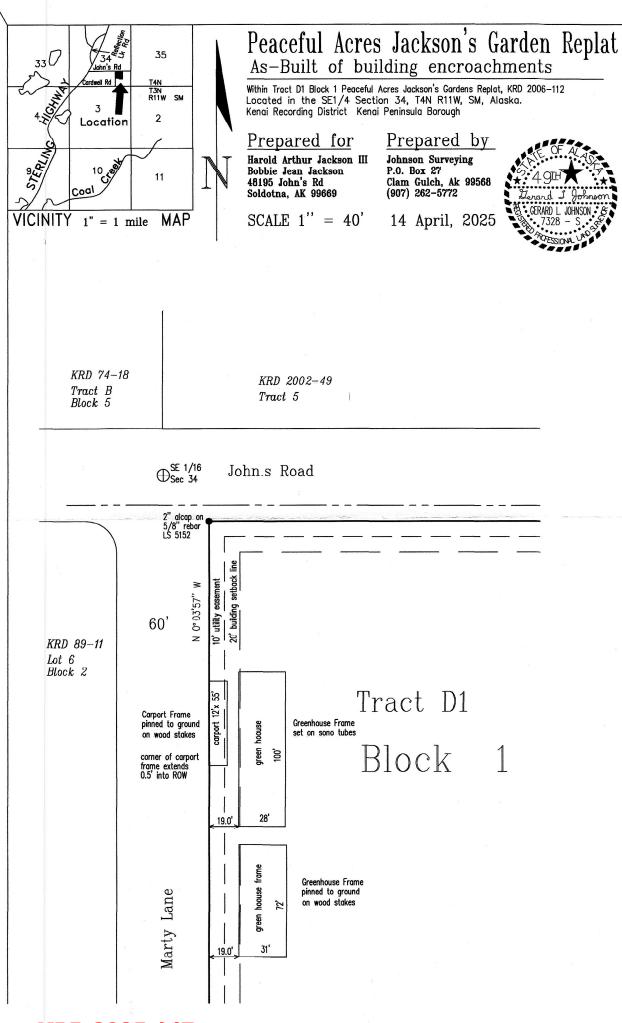
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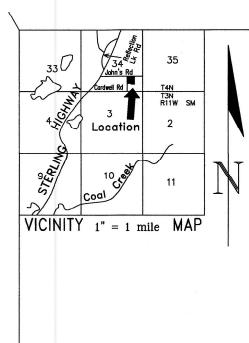
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Peaceful Acres Jackson's Garden Replat As-Built of building encroachments

Within Tract D1 Block 1 Peaceful Acres Jackson's Gardens Replat, KRD 2006-112 Located in the SE1/4 Section 34, T4N R11W, SM, Alaska. Kenai Recording District Kenai Peninsula Borough

Prepared for

Harold Arthur Jackson III Bobbie Jean Jackson 48195 John's Rd Soldotna, AK 99669

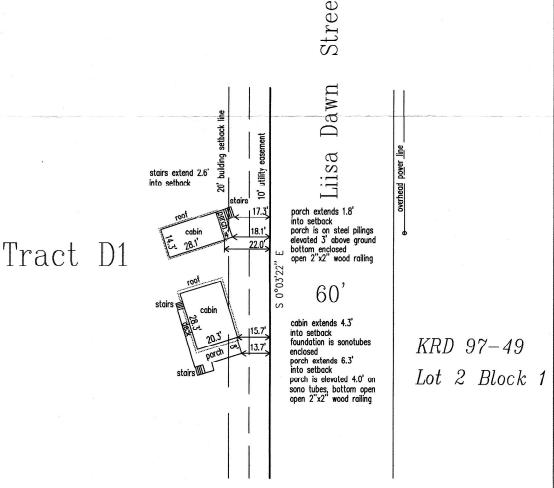
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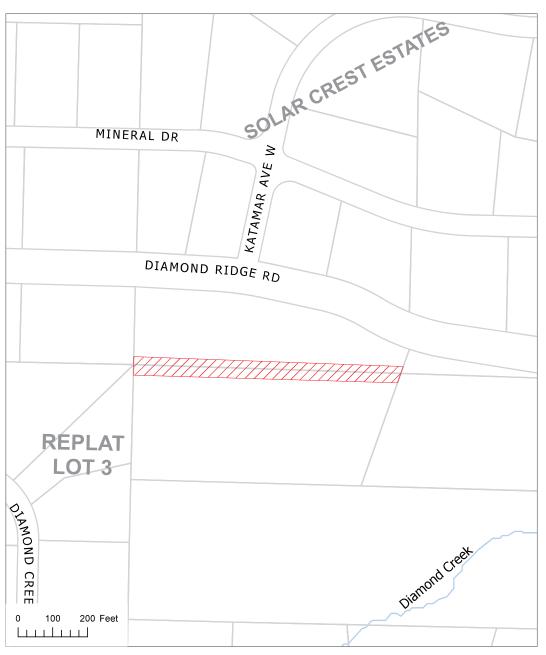


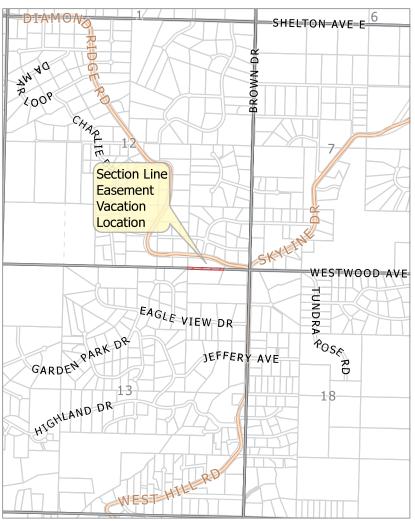


E. NEW BUSINESS

4. Section Line Easement Vacation; KPB File 2025-144V
Seabright Survey & Design / Flynn, Jellicoe
Request: Vacates a 66' section line easement – 33' in T06S R14W
SEC 12 and 33' in T06S R14W SEC 13, running east to west through
Lot 2 of Arno Subdivision, Plat HM 2001-78
Diamond Ridge Area
Staff Person Responsible: Platting Manager Vince Piagentini

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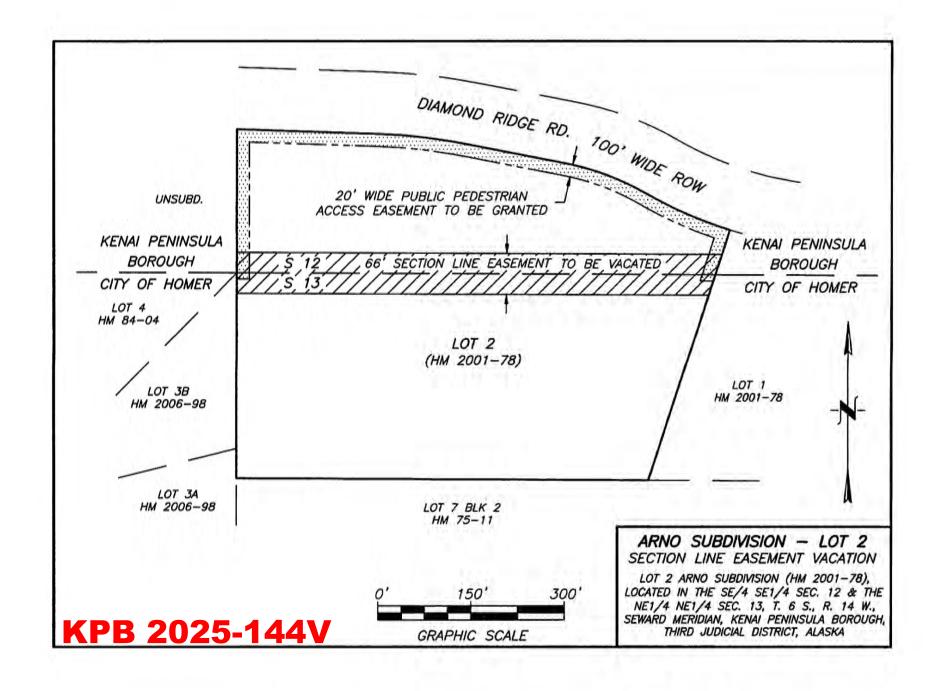
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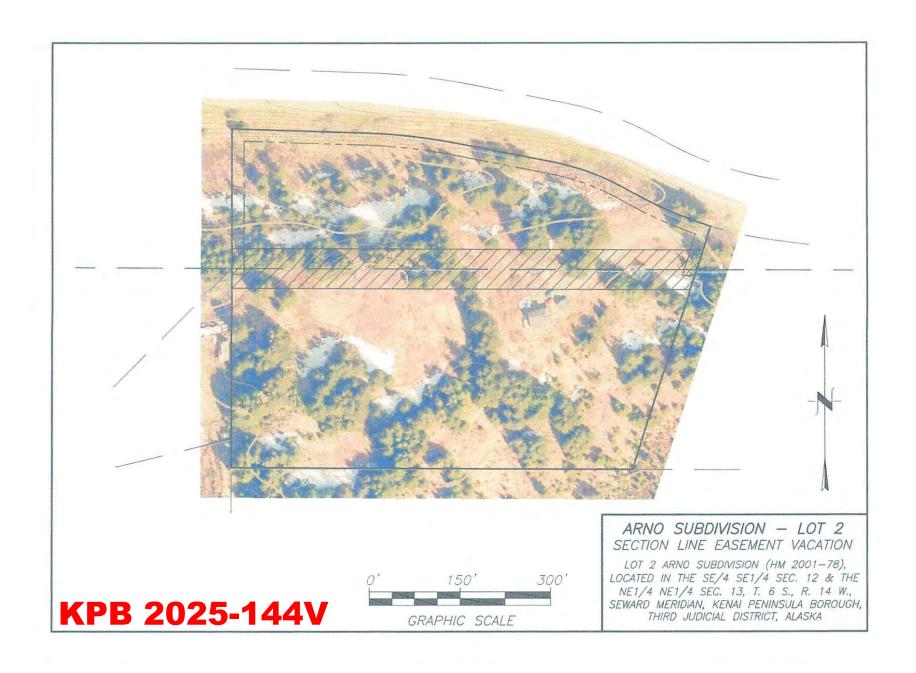
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AGENDA ITEM E. NEW BUSINESS

ITEM #4 - SECTION LINE EASEMENT VACATION

VACATE THE ENTIRE 66-FOOT SECTION LINE EASEMENT WITHIN LOT 2, ARNO SUBDIVISION, PLAT HM 2001-78, LOCATED WITHIN SECTIONS 12 AND 13, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 14 WEST

KPB File No.	2025-144V
Planning Commission Meeting:	October 13, 2025
Applicant / Owner:	Lauren Flynn and Cory Jellicoe of Homer, Alaska
Surveyor:	Katherine Kirsis, Seabright Survey and Design
General Location:	City of Homer Diamond Ridge Road Area
Parcel(s):	Northern Portion: 173-570-78
	Southern Portion: 173-570-79
Legal Description:	173-570-78: T 6S R 14W SEC 12 Seward Meridian HM 2001078 ARNO
	SUB LOT 2 THAT PORTION LYING OUTSIDE HOMER CITY LIMITS
	173-570-79: T 6S R 14W SEC 13 Seward Meridian HM 2001078 ARNO
	SUB LOT 2 THAT PORTION LYING INSIDE HOMER CITY LIMITS

STAFF REPORT

Specific Request / Purpose as stated in the petition:

The petition proposes to vacate the section line easement as depicted in submittal documents. The southerly portion of the easement and underlying property is located within Homer City limits, while the northerly portion is within the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

Vacate the section line easement as depicted in the submittal documents. The section line easement effectively splits the subject parcel into two halves. The easement vacation will allow for the unification of the property while maintain public legal access across the lot.

<u>Notification:</u> The public hearing notice was published in the October 3rd issue of the Peninsula Clarion and the October 2nd issue of the Homer News as part of the Commission's tentative agenda.

The public notice was posted on the Planning Commission bulletin board at the Kenai Peninsula Borough George A. Navarre Administration building. Additional notices were mailed to the following with the request to be posted for public viewing.

Library of Homer Post Office of Homer

Eighteen certified mailings were sent to owners of property within 300 feet of the proposed vacation. Five receipts had been returned when the staff report was prepared.

Twelve notifications were emailed to agencies and interested parties as shown below;

State of Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game State of Alaska DNR State of Alaska DOT State of Alaska DNR Forestry Emergency Services of Homer and Kachemak City of Homer

Homer Kenai Peninsula Borough Office Ninilchik Traditional Council Alaska Communication Systems (ACS) ENSTAR Natural Gas General Communications Inc, (GCI) Homer Electric Association (HEA)

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Legal Access (existing and proposed):

The location of the section line easements is located on Lot 2, Arno Subdivision (Plat HM 2001-78). The Northern section of the parcel is outside city limits and the south portion is within the City of Homer. For assessment tax purposes, the borough assigned two parcel numbers to Lot 2.

Legal access to the property is provided by Diamond Ridge Road and the section line easements by code. Diamond Ridge Road is a 100-foot state-maintained dedication abutting Lot 2 to the north.

33-foot section line easements are located on the north and south sides of the section line between Sections 12 and 13, Township 6 South, Range 14 West. These easements are proposed to be vacated and are labeled and depicted on the exhibit being a total width of 66-feet. The portion of the section line easement petitioned to be vacated is undeveloped. There is a structure located to the south of the section line easement on the property. Staff recommends the structures be accurately shown on the drawing.

A 20-foot-wide pedestrian access easement is proposed to be granted with the finalization of the section line easement vacation plat. The easement is located along the northern boundary, adjacent to Diamond Ridge Road and extends along the east and west lot boundaries to the section line easement location. The easement is depicted and labeled on the preliminary plat.

Block length is not compliant with no roads coming back to a connection to complete a block. The vacation of the section line easement has no effect on the block length compliancy.

KPB Roads Dept. comments	Out of Jurisdiction: Yes
	Roads Director: Uhlin, Dil
	Comments:
	No comments
SOA DOT comments	DNR & DOT have joint authority over section line easements. A section line easement, once established, can only be vacated by the proper authority. A section line easement vacation will not be valid without DNR & DOT approval on the plat. Please go through the DNR Easement Vacation process to pursue a section line easement vacation.

Site Investigation:

There appears to be a shared driveway from Diamond Ridge Road that provides access to the affected lot and property to the east. Structures are located on the southern portion of the property, near the section line easement but do not appear to be encroaching. The driveway within lot two crosses the affected section line easement. No other improvements appear to be situated within the section line easement to be vacated.

Per KPB GIS Imagery KWF Wetlands layer, wetlands classified as riverine is located on the northern boundary of the lot. No wetlands are within the section line easement petitioned to be vacated.

Diamond Ridge Creek is located within the adjacent parcel to the south and crosses the section line easement to the east approximately 0.32 miles and to the west approximately 1.23 miles. The creek does not intersect with the portion of the section line easement to be vacated.

According to the KPB GIS Imagery topography layer, steep topography affects the subject parcel. Slopes exceeding 20% are located within the section line easement proposed to be vacated.

The River Center review determined the lot is in a FEMA Flood Hazard Zone but no depiction and no note is necessary for the Section line Easement Vacation drawing. if this does come back as a plat the River Center would like to review the plat again. City of Homer noted the south portion is in Zone D, flood hazards undetermined.

The proposed plat is not located within an Anadromous Waters Habitat Protection District according to the River

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Center review.

KPB River Center review	A. Floodplain
	Reviewer: Hindman, Julie Floodplain Status: IS in flood hazard area Comments: The northern portion is within KPB jurisdiction and within a non-regulatory X-Zone, which has minimal flood risk. The southern portion is within the City of Homer jurisdiction. If the plat is only a section line easement vacation plat with not other platting action, no depiction or notes are required or requested. If the City of Homer requests plat notes, allow staff the opportunity to review and determine if an additional KPB note should then be added.
	Flood Zone: X Zone Map Panel: 02122C-2015E In Floodway: False Floodway Panel:
	B. Habitat Protection
	Reviewer: Aldridge, Morgan Habitat Protection District Status: Is NOT within HPD
State of Alaska Fish and Game	Comments: No comments No response

Staff Analysis:

Originally the land consisted of the SE1/4 of the SE1/4, of Section 12 and the NE1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 13, all located within Township 6 South, Range 14 West, Seward Meridian. The land was divided by deed, Book 271, Page 580 in 1997. A corrective deed was recorded in 1998 correcting the legal description. In 2001, Arno Subdivision subdivided the land into Lots 1 and 2.

According to information provided by the Kachemak Nordic Ski Club website, a portion of the Lower Baycrest trail is located to the west approximately 0.54 miles to the west along the common section line 12 and 13. At this time, access to the trail is by Roger's Loop Road. The trail system does not connect to the portion of the section line easements petitioned to be vacated.

The neighboring parcels are all privately owned and currently have legal access by existing roads. A couple of the adjacent parcels contain enough area to be subdivided in the future; however, the locations of Diamond Ridge Road and Diamond Creek would need to be considered in the design.

A 10-foot utility easement including 20-feet within 5-feet of the side lot lines was granted by the parent plat, Arno Subdivision (HM 2001-78) adjacent to Diamond Ridge Road. **Staff recommends** the surveyor depict and label the easement. Relocate the proposed pedestrian easement south of the existing utility easement.

According to the sketch and non-objection comments by Utility Agencies, no utilities exist within the affected section line easement.

The Homer Advisory Planning Commission heard the vacation request during the August 20, 2025 meeting and granted approval by unanimous consent. The City of Homer staff report states that city water and sewer are not available at this time and public works has no objections.

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A plat finalizing the section line easement shall follow if the vacation is approved by the Planning Commission. **Staff recommends** the surveyor confirm with the city and KPB Platting Department, what requirements are needed on the final plat for the proposed pedestrian easement.

20.65.020. - Planning commission recommendation on state easements.

The planning commission serving as the platting authority has no authority to vacate public easements under the jurisdiction of the state. The planning commission will provide a recommendation on proposed vacations of state-managed easements within the borough. Applications to vacate a section line easement or other state-managed easement must comply with KPB <u>20.65.040</u> and will be considered in accordance with KPB <u>20.65.050</u>. The applicant is responsible for all submittals required by the state. Final authority for approval and platting of the vacation of any public easement under the jurisdiction of the state rests with the state.

20.65.050 - Action on vacation application

- D. The planning commission shall consider the merits of each vacation request and in all cases the planning commission shall deem the area being vacated to be of value to the public. It shall be incumbent upon the applicant to show that the area proposed for vacation is no longer practical for the uses or purposes authorized, or that other provisions have been made which are more beneficial to the public. In evaluating the merits of the proposed vacation, the planning commission shall consider whether:
 - 1. The right-of-way or public easement to be vacated is being used;

Surveyor comments: The section line easement affecting Sections 12 & 13 (T. 6 S., R. 14 W.) is entirely undeveloped.

Staff comments: The portion of the section line easement petitioned to be vacated is undeveloped. The driveway within lot two crosses the affected section line easement.

A road is impossible or impractical to construct, and alternative access has been provided;
 Surveyor comments: This petition proposes to maintain legal public access by granting a 20' wide public pedestrian access easement adjacent to the exterior boundary of the property, while maintaining connectivity with the section line easement on either side of the subject parcel.

Staff comments: No wetlands are within the section line easement petitioned to be vacated. Slopes exceeding 20% are located within the section line easement proposed to be vacated. Relocate the proposed pedestrian easement south of the existing utility easement.

The surrounding area is fully developed and all planned or needed rights-of-way and utilities are constructed:

Surveyor comments: Diamond Ridge right-of-way is fully constructed and provides access through Section 12. Westwood Avenue is fully constructed and provides access to the east. There are no existing utilities within the easement area to be vacated.

Staff comments: The neighboring parcels are all privately owned and currently have legal access by existing roads. A couple of the adjacent parcels contain enough area to be subdivided in the future; however, the locations of Diamond Ridge Road and Diamond Creek would need to be considered in the design. According to the sketch and non-objection comments by Utility Agencies, no utilities exist within the affected section line easement. The City of Homer staff report states that city water and sewer are not available at this time and public works has no objections.

4. The vacation of a public right-of-way provides access to a lake, river, or other area with public interest or value, and if so, whether equal or superior access is provided;

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Surveyor comments: The Roger's Loop trail system is located approximately 1.25 miles to the west of the subject property.

Staff comments: A portion of the Lower Baycrest trail is located to the west approximately 0.54 miles to the west along the common section line 12 and 13. At this time, access to the trail is by Roger's Loop Road. The trail system does not connect to the portion of the section line easements petitioned to be vacated. Diamond Ridge Creek is located within the adjacent parcel to the south and crosses the section line easement to the east approximately 0.32 miles and to the west approximately 1.23 miles. The creek does not intersect with the portion of the section line easement to be vacated.

The proposed vacation would limit opportunities for interconnectivity with adjacent parcels, whether developed or undeveloped;

Surveyor comments: This petition proposes to maintain legal public access by granting a 20' wide public pedestrian access easement adjacent to the exterior boundary of the property, while maintaining connectivity with the section line easement on either side of the subject parcel.

Staff comments: A couple of the adjacent parcels contain enough area to be subdivided in the future; however, the locations of Diamond Ridge Road and Diamond Creek would need to be considered in the design.

6. Other public access, other than general road use, exist or are feasible for the right-of-way; Surveyor comments: This petition proposed to maintain legal public access by granting a 20' wide public pedestrian access easement adjacent to the exterior boundary of the property, while maintaining connectivity with the section line easement on either side of the subject parcel.

Staff comments: Connection to creek or public trails

7. All existing and future utility requirements are met. Rights-of-way which are utilized by a utility, or which logically would be required by a utility, shall not be vacated, unless it can be demonstrated that equal or superior access is or will be available. Where an easement would satisfactorily serve the utility interests, and no other public need for the right-of-way exists, the commission may approve the vacation and require that a utility easement be granted in place of the right-of-way.

Surveyor comments: The section line easement affecting Sections 12 & 13 (T. 6 S., R. 14 W.) is entirely undeveloped. There are no existing utilities within the easement area to be vacated.

Staff comments: According to the sketch and non-objection comments by Utility Agencies, no utilities exist within the affected section line easement. The City of Homer staff report states that city water and sewer are not available at this time and public works has no objections.

8. Any other factors that are relevant to the vacation application or the area proposed to be vacated. **Surveyor comments:** The section line easement effectively splits the subject parcel into two halves.

The easement vacation will allow for the unification of the property while maintaining public access across the lot.

Staff comments:

A KPB Planning Commission decision denying a vacation application is final. A KPB Planning Commission decision to approve the vacation application is subject to consent or veto by the KPB Assembly, or City Council if located within City boundaries. The KPB Assembly, or City Council must hear the vacation within thirty days of the Planning Commission decision.

The Assembly will hear the vacation of the northern portion of the section line easement at their scheduled October 28, 2025 meeting

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The City Council will hear the vacation of the southern portion of the section line easement at their scheduled October 27th, 2025 meeting.

KPB department / agency review:

KPB department / agency	review.
Planner	Reviewer: Raidmae, Ryan
	There are not any Local Option Zoning District issues with this proposed
	plat.
	Material Site Comments:
	There are not any material site issues with this proposed plat.
	Review Not Required
Code Compliance	Reviewer: Ogren, Eric
	Comments: No comments
Addressing	Reviewer: Pace, Rhealyn
	Affected Addresses:
	1145 DIAMOND RIDGE RD
	Existing Street Names are Correct: Yes
	List of Correct Street Names:
	DIAMOND RIDGE RD
	Existing Street Name Corrections Needed:
	gg
	All New Street Names are Approved: No
	List of Approved Street Names:
	List of Street Names Denied:
	Comments:
	CITY OF HOMER WILL ADVISE ON ADDRESS
Assessing	Reviewer: Windsor, Heather
	Comments: No comment

Utility provider review:

HEA	No comments
ENSTAR	Approved as shown
ACS	No objections
GCI	Approved as shown

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

CORRECTIONS / EDITS

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on consideration of the merits as per KPB 20.65.050(D) as outlined by Staff comments, Staff recommends <u>APPROVAL</u> as petitioned, subject to:

1. Consent by Homer City Council AND KPB Assembly.

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- 2. Compliance with the requirements for preliminary plats per Chapter 20 of the KPB Code including a submittal to and approval by the Plat Committee.
- 3. Grant utility easements requested by the Homer City Council and utility providers.
- 4. Submittal of a final plat within a timeframe such that the plat can be recorded within one year of vacation consent (KPB 20.65.050(I)).

KPB 20.65.050 – Action on vacation application

- H. A planning commission decision to approve a vacation is not effective without the consent of the city council, if the vacated area to be vacated is within a city, or by the assembly in all other cases. The council or assembly shall have 30 days from the date of the planning commission approval to either consent to or veto the vacation. Notice of veto of the vacation shall be immediately given to the planning commission. Failure to act on the vacation within 30 days shall be considered to be consent to the vacation. This provision does not apply to alterations of utility easements under KPB 20.65.070 which do not require the consent of the assembly or city council unless city code specifically provides otherwise.
- I. Upon approval of the vacation request by the planning commission and no veto by the city council or assembly, where applicable, the applicant shall have a surveyor prepare and submit a plat including the entire area approved for vacation in conformance with KPB 20.10.080. Only the area approved for vacation by the assembly or council may be included on the plat. The final plat must be recorded within one year of the vacation consent.
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The 2019 Kenai Peninsula Borough Comprehensive Plan adopted November, 2019 by Ordinance No. 2019-25. The relevant objectives are listed.

Goal 3. Preserve and improve quality of life on the Kenai Peninsula Borough through increased access to local and regional facilities, activities, programs and services.

- Focus Area: Energy and Utilities
 - Objective A Encourage coordination or residential, commercial, and industrial development with extension of utilities and other infrastructure.
 - Strategy 1. Near Term: Maintain existing easements (especially section line easements) in addition to establishing adequate utility rights of way or easements to serve existing and future utility needs.
 - Strategy 2. Near Term: Maintain regular contact with utility operators to coordinate and review utility easement requests that are part of subdivision plat approval.
 - Strategy 3. Near Term: Identify potential utility routes on Borough lands.
- Housing
 - Objective D. Encourage efficient use of land, infrastructure and services outside incorporated cities by prioritizing future growth in the most suitable areas.
 - Strategy 1. Near Term: Collaborate with the AK Department of Transportation, incorporated cities within the borough, utility providers, other agencies overseeing local services, and existing communities located adjacent to the undeveloped areas that are appropriate for future growth, to align plans for future expansion of services to serve future residential development and manage growth.

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Goal 4. Improve access to, from and connectivity within the Kenai Peninsula Borough

- Focus Area: Transportation
 - Objective B. Ensure new roads are developed in alignment with existing and planned growth and development.
 - Strategy 2. Near Term: Establish subdivision codes that dictate road construction standards to accommodate future interconnectivity and/or public safety.
 - Strategy 3. Near Term: Identify areas of anticipated growth to determine future access needs.

END OF STAFF REPORT

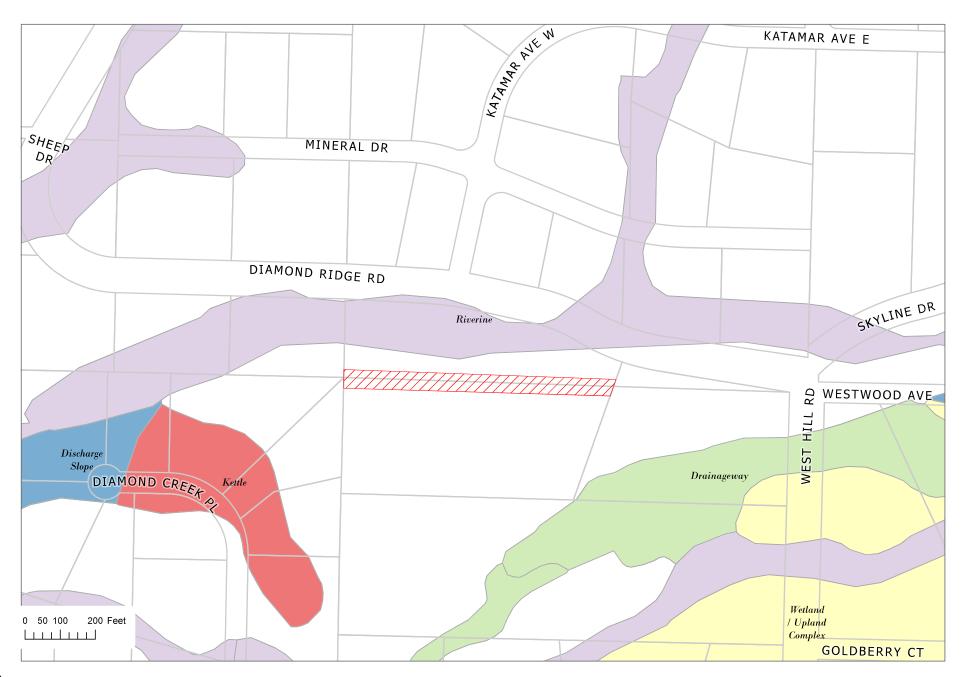
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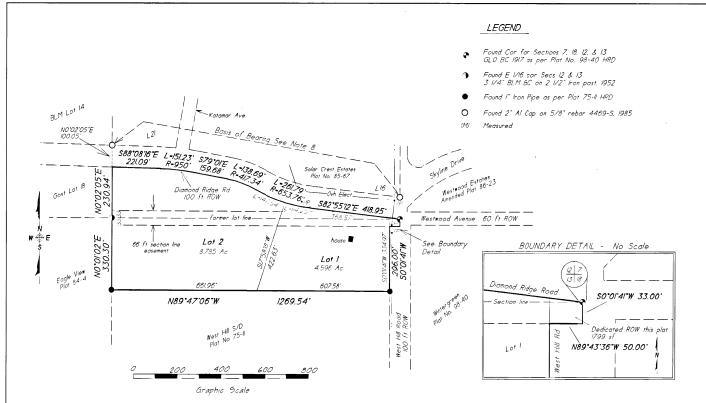


Aerial with 5-foot Contours

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WASTEWATER DISPOSAL:

These lots are at least 200,000 square feet or nominal 5 acres in size and conditions may not be suitable for onsite wastewater treatment and disposal. Any wastewater treatment or disposal system musi meet the regulatory requirements of the Maska Department of Environmental Conservation,

Roger W. Imhol LS-5780 10-18-99

PLAT APPROVAL

This plat was approved by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission at the meeting of

October 26, 1998

SURVEYORS CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that I am a Registered Land Surveyor and that this plat represents a survey made by me or under my direct supervision and the monuments shown hereon actually exist as described and that the dimensions and other details are correct to the best of my knowledge.

My W WA 10-18-99
Roger W. Imhosi LS 5780 Date

OWNERSHIP CERTIFICATE

We hereby certify that we are the owners of the real property shown and described hereon and that we hereby adopt this plan of subdivision and by our free consent dedicate all rights-of-way to public use and grant all easements to the use shown.

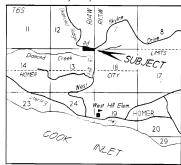
We further certify that the Deed of Trust affecting this property does not contain restrictions which would prohibit this subdivision: or require signature and approval of the beneficiary.

peter of aux 12/99 Metura A. Cobb 1/2/99 Peter J. Arno PO Box 237 Homer Ak 99603

Notary's Acknowledgement Subscribed and sworn to me before me this 2nd day of ____ December____ 1999

For Peter J. Arno and Melissa A. Cobb Manshulave Notary Public for Alasko My Commission Expires 7-30.02

> OF AL Vicinity Map 1" - I Mile



ARNO SUBDIVISION

Being a Subdivision of that parcel of land described in Book 277 Page 506 Homer Recording District

Located in the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 12 and the NE I/4 NE I/4 Sec 13, T6S, RI4W, SM

Third Judicial District, State of Alaska Contains 13.422 Acres, more or less.

Clients: Pete Arno Surveyor: FB 98-5/98-7 Roger W. Imhoff RLS Melissa Cohh PO Box 237 Drawn RWI PO Box 2588 Homer Ak 99603 Homer Ak 99603 SCALE I" - 200 ft. File arno.vcd KPB File No. 98-244

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Staff Report 25-37

TO: Homer Advisory Planning Commission

THROUGH: Ryan Foster, City Planner FROM: Ed Gross, Associate Planner

DATE: August 20, 2025

SUBJECT: Section Line Easement Vacation, Lot 2 Arno Subdivision

Requested Action: Conduct a public hearing and make a recommendation on the vacation of a Section Line Easement.

General Information:

Applicants:	Surveyor: Seabright Survey + Design Katherine A. Kirsis, PLS 1044 East End Road Suite A Homer, AK 99603	Land Owners: Lauren Flynn & Cory Jellicoe PO Box 429 Homer, AK 99603
Location:	Diamond Ridge Road and W	lest Hill Road
Parcel ID:	Northern Portion- 17357078, Southern Portion- 17357079	
Zoning Designation:	Northern Portion- Kenai Pe Southern Portion- Homer C	ninsula Borough, ity Limits: Rural Residential
Existing Land Use:	Single Family home and detached garage/ shop.	
Surrounding Land Use:	North: Residential South: Residential East: Residential West: Residential/vacant	
Comprehensive Plan:	•	no motorized routes are shown using ine. Diamond Ridge Road is located subject property.
Wetland Status:	KPB GeoHub indicates potential riverine wetland	
Flood Plain Status:	Zone D, flood hazards undetermined.	
Utilities:	City water and sewer are not available at this time.	
Public Notice:	Notice was sent to 18 prope the KPB tax assessor rolls.	erty owners of 14 parcels as shown on

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Analysis: The petition proposes to vacate the section line easement as depicted on the submitted vacation petition diagrams. The petition proposes to maintain legal public access by granting a 20' wide public pedestrian access easement along the northern lot line, adjacent to Diamond Ridge Road, See attached plat. This lot is one legal lot split by City of Homer boundary. For Borough tax assessment purposes, the borough indicates two lots; one in and one out of Homer City Limits.

The section line easement affecting 12 & 13 (T. 6 S., R. 14 W.) is entirely undeveloped. Diamond Ridge Road right-of-way is fully constructed and provides access through Section 12. Westwood Avenue is fully constructed and provides access to the east. The lands to the east have been subdivided and have constructed, maintained access. There are no existing utilities within the easement area to be vacated.

KPB Code

20.65.050(D)(1-8) - Vacations

The (Kenai Peninsula Borough) planning commission shall consider the merits of each vacation request. A platted dedication to public use of land or interest in land may be vacated if the dedication is no longer necessary for present or future public use and in all cases the planning commission shall deem the area being vacated to be of value to the public. In evaluating the merits of the proposed vacation, the planning commission shall consider whether:

1. The right-of-way or public easement to be vacated is being used;

Staff Response: The section line easement is not being used.

2. A road is impossible or impractical to construct, and alternative access has been provided;

Staff Response: A road is impractical to construct, alternative access has been provided with the adjacent Diamond Ridge Road to the north.

3. The surrounding area is fully developed and all planned or needed rights-of-way and utilities are constructed;

Staff Response: The surrounding area is fully developed and all planned or needed rights-of-way and utilities are constructed or provided for future construction.

4. The vacation of a public right-of-way provides access to a lake, river, or other area with public interest or value, and if so, whether equal or superior access is provided;

Staff Response: The vacated right-of-way does not provide access to a lake, river, or other area with public interest or value.

5. The proposed vacation would limit opportunities for interconnectivity with adjacent parcels, whether developed or undeveloped;

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Staff Response: The proposed vacation would not limit opportunities for interconnectivity with adjacent parcels.

6. Other public access, other than general road use, exist or are feasible for the right-of-way;

Staff Response: The subdivider has granted a 20' wide public pedestrian access easement.

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Staff Response: Public Works has no objection.

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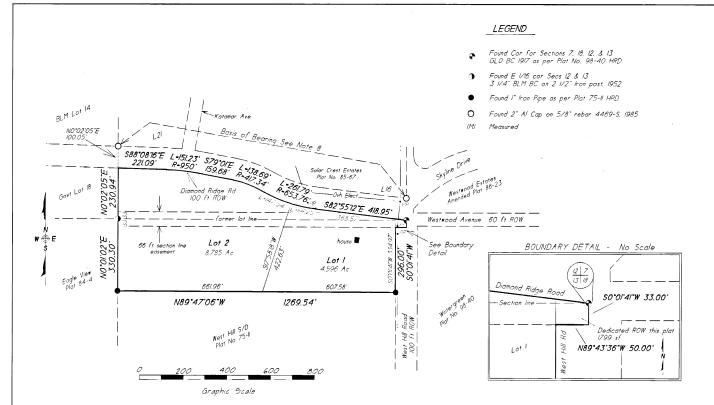
Public Works Comments: Public works has no objection to the vacation of the section line easement.

Staff Recommendation:

Planning Commission recommend approval of the vacation.

Attachments:

- 1. Arno Subdivision Plat
- 2. Vacation petition
- 3. Vacation petition Diagram (with and without imagery)
- 4. Public Notice
- 5. Aerial Map



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/ W W 10-19-99 Roger W. Imholi LS-5780 Date

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October 26, 1998
KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
By: Mary Beet
Authorized Official

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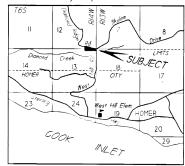
Alter J Mus 12/99 Melissa A. Cobb 2/3/99
PO BOX 237
Homer At 99603

Notary's Acknowledgement
Subscribed and sworn to me before me this 2nd day
of _____ December _____ 1999

for Peter J. Arno and Melissa A. Cobb

Notary Public for Mark 7-2002

Vicinity Map 1" - 1 Mile





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Requested by
Roger Inhalf. RLS
PO Box 2588

Homer AK 99603

PETITION TO VACATE SECTION LINE EASEMENT

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

Upon receipt of complete application with fees and all required attachments, a public hearing before the Planning Commission will be scheduled. The petition with all required information and attachments must be in the Planning Department at least 30 days prior to the preferred hearing date. By State Statute and Borough Code, the public hearing must be scheduled within 60 days of receipt of complete application.

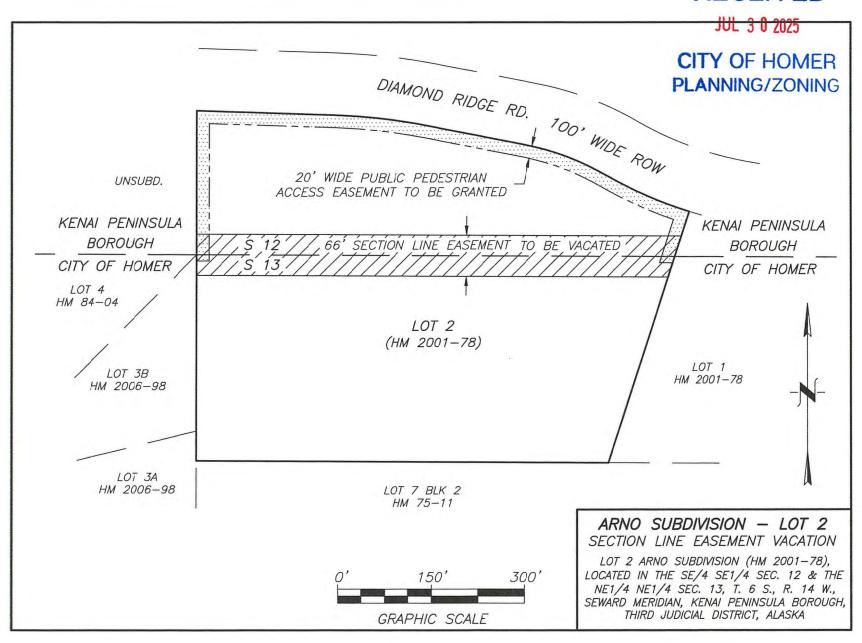
The Kenai Peninsula Borough is advisory to the State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources regarding Section Line Easement Vacations. The State of Alaska has the final authority regarding vacation of Section Line Easements.

Initially, a sketch may be included with the vacation petition for review by the Planning Commission. After the Planning Commission takes action on the vacation, a Section Line Easement Vacation Plat must be prepared by a licensed land surveyor. The plat will be processed in accordance with KPB 20.10.080. Platting authority is vested in the Planning Director.

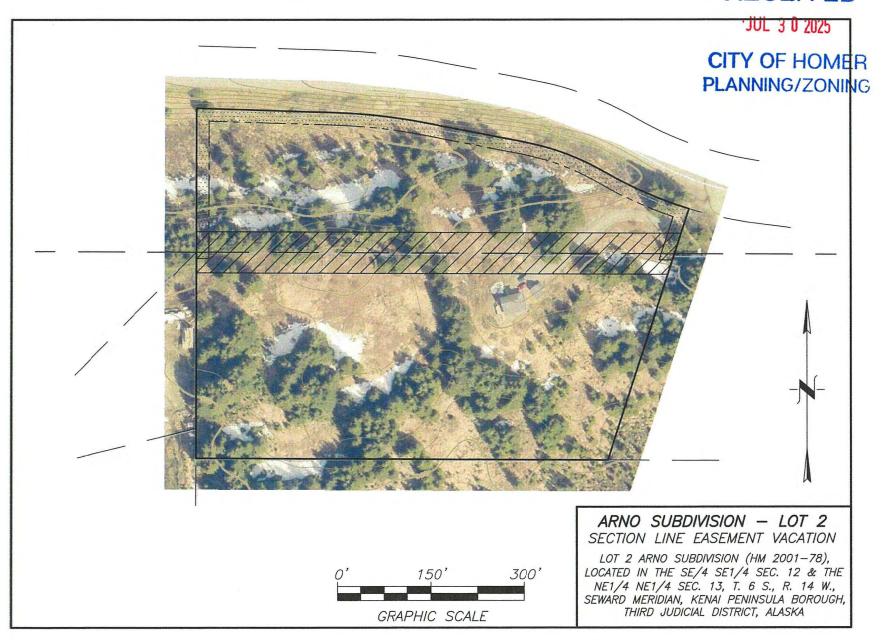
SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

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Is the section line easement in use by any utilit	y company? If so, w	hich company	
Width of easement proposed to be vacated mu	ust be shown on the	sketch.	
3 copies of the plat or map showing the section	n line easement to b	e vacated. Mus	st not exceed 11 x 17
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Is the section line easement used by vehicles / pe	edestrians / other r	Yes	□ No
Is alternative right-of-way being provided?		Yes	□No
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CITY OF HOMER PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE - PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Public hearings on the matters below are scheduled for Wednesday, August 20, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. during the Regular Planning Commission Meeting. Participation is available virtually via Zoom webinar or inperson at Homer City Hall.

A REQUEST TO VACATE THE 66 FOOT WIDE SECTION LINE EASEMENT ACROSS LOT 2 ARNO SUBDIVISION, T 6S R 14W SEC 13 SEWARD MERIDIAN HM 2001078 ARNO SUB LOT 2 THAT PORTION LYING INSIDE HOMER CITY LIMITS, KNOWN AS 1145 DIAMOND RIDGE RD

In-person meeting participation is available in Cowles Council Chambers located downstairs at Homer City Hall, 491 E. Pioneer Ave., Homer, AK 99603.

To attend the meeting virtually, visit zoom.us and enter the Meeting ID & Passcode listed below. To attend the meeting by phone, dial any one of the following phone numbers and enter the Webinar ID & Passcode below, when prompted: 1-253-215-8782, 1-669-900-6833, (toll free) 888-788-0099 or 877-853-5247.

Meeting ID: 979 8816 0903 Passcode: 976062

Additional information regarding this matter will be available by 5pm on the Friday before the meeting. This information will be posted to the City of Homer online calendar page for August 15, 2025 at https://www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/calendar. It will also be available at the Planning and Zoning Office at Homer City Hall and at the Homer Public Library.

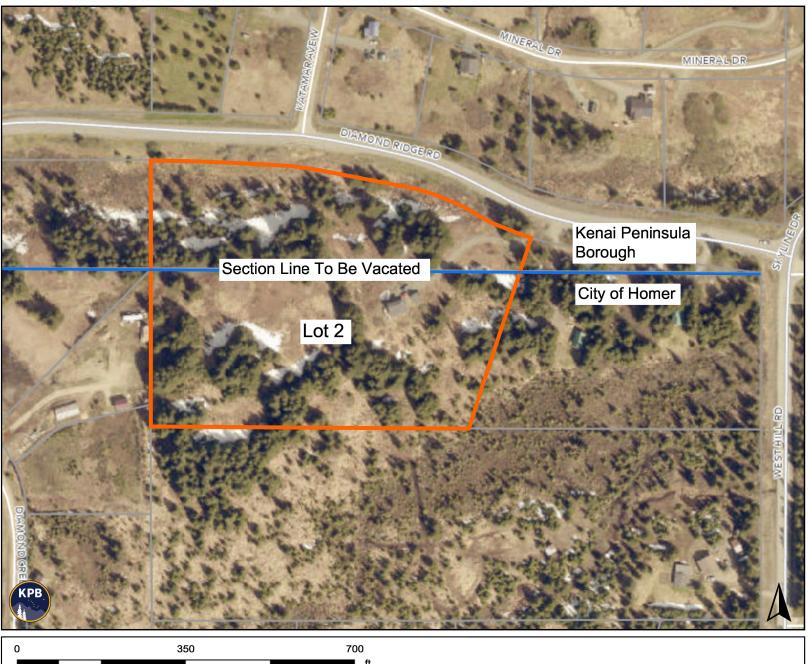
Written comments can be emailed to the Planning and Zoning Office at the address below, mailed to Homer City Hall at the address above, or placed in the Homer City Hall drop box at any time. Written comments must be received by 4pm on the day of the meeting.

If you have questions, contact Ryan Foster at the Planning and Zoning Office. Phone: (907) 235-3106, email: planning@ci.homer.ak.us or in-person at Homer City Hall.

NOTICE TO BE SENT TO PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 300 FEET OF PROPERTY

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Section Line Esmt. Vacation-Arno Subd. Lot 2





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Memorandum Agenda Changes/Supplemental Packet

TO: PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: ZACH PETTIT, DEPUTY CITY CLERK II

DATE: AUGUST 20, 2025 SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 8. A. A REQUEST TO VACATE THE 66-FOOT-WIDE SECTION LINE EASEMENT ACROSS LOT 2 ARNO SUBDIVISION, T 6S R 14W SEC 13 SEWARD MERIDIAN HM 2001078 ARNO SUB LOT 2 THAT PORTION LYING INSIDE HOMER CITY LIMITS, KNOWN AS 1145 DIAMOND RIDGE RD, STAFF REPORT 25-37
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2. Public Comments Received

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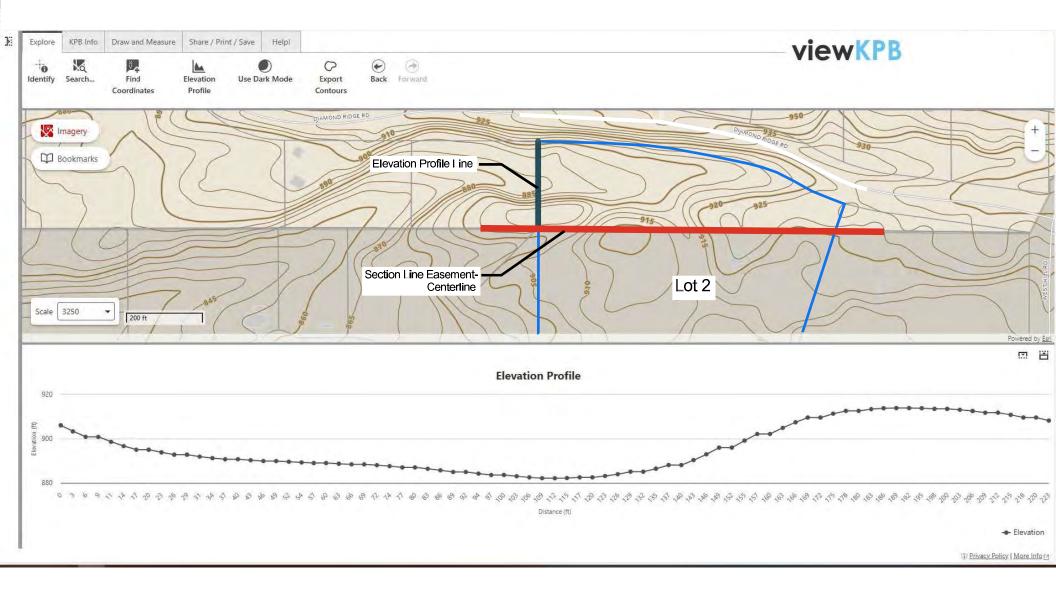
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CALL TO ORDER

Session 25-14, a Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Scott Smith at 6:30 p.m. on August 20th, 2025 in the Cowles Council Chambers in City Hall, located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska, and via Zoom Webinar.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS BARNWELL, HARNESS, SCHNEIDER, H. SMITH, S. SMITH & VENUTI

ABSENT: COMMISSIONER WALKER (EXCUSED)

STAFF: CITY PLANNER FOSTER & DEPUTY CITY CLERK PETTIT

AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair S. Smith read the supplemental items into the record. He then requested a motion and second to approve the agenda as amended.

HARNESS/BARNWELL MOVED TO AMEND THE AGENDA BY TAKING UP PLAT CONSIDERATIONS AFTER RECONSIDERATION.

There was a brief conversation as to where on the agenda inserting the plat consideration made the most sense.

VOTE: NON-OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

HARNESS/BARNWELL MOVED TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS AMENDED.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON-OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS UPON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA

RECONSIDERATION

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Unapproved Regular Meeting Minutes of August 6, 2025

SCHNEIDER/BARNWELL MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON-OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

PRESENTATIONS/VISITORS

REPORTS

A. City Planner's Report, Staff Report 25-35

City Planner Foster provided a summary of his staff report in the packet, noting the following:

- Ordinance 25-54 has been referred to the Planning Commission and the Economic Development Advisory Commission.
- Next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 3, 2025.
- Next Commissioner report to Council on August 25, 2025.

There was a brief discussion regarding the United States Army Corps of Engineers fill permit down at the Spit.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. A REQUEST TO VACATE THE 66-FOOT-WIDE SECTION LINE EASEMENT ACROSS LOT 2 ARNO SUBDIVISION, T 6S R 14W SEC 13 SEWARD MERIDIAN HM 2001078 ARNO SUB LOT 2 THAT PORTION LYING INSIDE HOMER CITY LIMITS, KNOWN AS 1145 DIAMOND RIDGE RD, Staff Report 25-37

Chair S. Smith introduced the item by reading of the title and deferred to City Planner Foster, who provided a summary of his staff report in the packet.

Chair S. Smith opened the floor for the Applicant. Katie Kirsis noted that she was the surveyor for the project and made herself available for any questions.

Chair S. Smith then opened the public hearing. With no one coming forward to speak, Chair S. Smith closed the public hearing. He then opened the floor to questions from the Commission.

Commissioner Harness questioned why the pedestrian easement was only 20 feet instead of 66 feet similar to the section line easement. Ms. Kirsis stated it's not likely a trail would be constructed through that area, and therefore 20 feet is a reasonable width to reserve for public access.

Commissioner H. Smith asked if the easement would affect what is defined as inside or outside city limits. Ms. Kiris stated that it wouldn't affect the legal boundaries.

SCHNEIDER/BARNWELL MOVED TO ADOPT STAFF REPORT 25-37 AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE VACATION OF THE SECTION LINE EASEMENT ACROSS LOT 2 ARNO SUBDIVISION.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON-OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE HOMER CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING THE 2025 HOMER COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND RECOMMENDING ADOPTION BY THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH, Memorandum PL 25-038

With no other nominations called out, Vice Chair Barnwell declared Commissioner S. Smith re-elected as Chair.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

- A. 2025 Planning Commission Calendar
- B. 2025 Planning Commission Meeting Dates & Submittal Deadlines
- C. Memorandum from City Clerk re: Call for the Question & Open Meeting vs Quorum Requirements

Chair S. Smith noted the informational materials included in the packet.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

COMMENTS OF THE STAFF

City Planner Foster thanked everyone for their hard work and great conversations regarding the Comprehensive Plan.

COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER (If Present)

Councilmember Aderhold thanked the Commission for the thoughtful deliberation in regards to the Comprehensive Plan, noting that she agreed with much of what was said.

COMMENTS OF THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Venuti opined that the Commission should've been involved in the Comprehensive Plan process from the very beginning. He commended Ms. Wade and Agnew::Beck for a great job in developing the plan.

Commissioner Harness thanked everyone for a great meeting, noting that the Commission worked through a lot of details tonight.

Commissioner S. Smith apologized for his recent absence. He stated he understands the importance of the Comprehensive Plan and that he's hopeful it can be representative of the community. He gave thanks to the Commission and Agnew::Beck.

Commissioner Schneider noted that he's impressed with the Comprehensive Plan and thanked everyone involved in the process.

Commissioner Barnwell thanked Agnew::Beck and City Planner Foster for their extensive work on the Comprehensive Plan.

Commissioner S. Smith echoed all the sentiments made by the Commission. He suggested the Commission come back to the next meeting with their comments written down and ready to discuss them. He noted that there are unique perspectives and unique voices that make the Comprehensive Plan great.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Chair S. Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 3rd, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.** All meetings



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public notice is hereby given that a petition was received on 9/17/2025 to vacate a Section Line easement in the City of Diamond Ridge. Area under consideration is described as follows:

Request / Affected Property: Vacates a 66' Section Line Easement - 33' in Section 12 Township 6 South and Range 14 West and 33' in Section 13 Township 6S Range 14 West running East to West through Lot 2 of Plat HM 2001-78

KPB File No. 2025-144V.

Petitioner(s) / Land Owner(s): Lauren Flynn and Cory Jellicoe of Homer, AK.

<u>Purpose as stated in petition</u>: This petition proposes to vacate the section line easement as depicted in the documents. The southerly portion of the easement and underlying property is located within Homer City limits while the northerly portion is within the Kenai Peninsula Borough. The easement vacation will allow for the unification of the property while maintaining public legal access across the lot. The section line easement affecting Sections 12 & 13 (T. 6 S., R. 14 W.) is entirely undeveloped. Diamond Ridge right-of-way is fully constructed and provides access through Section 12. Westwood Ave is fully constructed and provides access to the east. There are no existing utilities within the easement area to be vacated.

Public hearing will be held by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission on **Monday, October 13, 2025**, commencing at **7:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as business permits. The meeting is being held in the Betty J. Glick Assembly Chambers of the Kenai Peninsula Borough George A. Navarre Administration Building, 144 N. Binkley Street, Soldotna, Alaska. This meeting will also be held via Zoom, or other audio or video conferencing means whenever technically feasible.

To attend the meeting using Zoom from a computer visit https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9077142200. You may also connect to Zoom by telephone, call toll free 1-888-788-0099 or 1-877-853-5247. If calling in you will need the Meeting ID of 907 714 2200. Additional information about connecting to the meeting may be found at https://www.kpb.us/local-governance-and-permitting/leadership-governance/planning-commission/planning-public-notices.

Anyone wishing to testify may attend the meeting in person or through Zoom. Written testimony may be submitted by email to planning@kpb.us, or mailed to the attention of Beverly Carpenter, Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Department, 144 N. Binkley Street, Soldotna, Alaska 99669. [Written comments may also be sent by Fax to 907-714-2378]. All written comments or documents must be submitted by **1:00 PM**, **Friday, October 10, 2025.** The deadline to submit written comments or documents does not impact the ability to provide verbal testimony at the public hearing.

If the Planning Commission approves the vacation, the Homer City Council has thirty days from that decision in which they may veto the Planning Commission approval. Denial of a vacation petition is a final act for which no further consideration shall be given by the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

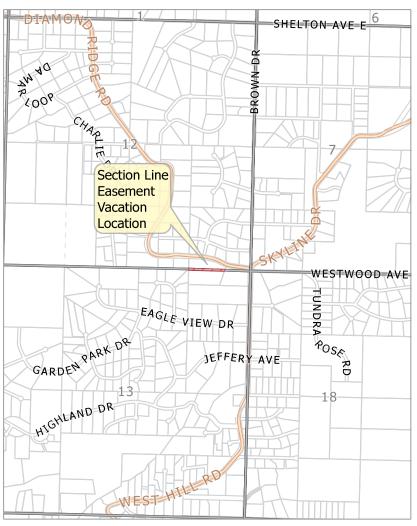
Additional information such as staff reports and comments are available online. This information is available the Monday prior to the meeting and found at https://kpb.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx. Use the search options to find the correct timeframe and committee.

For additional information contact Sandee Simons (ssimons@kpb.us) or Beverly Carpenter (BCarpenter@kpb.us), Planning Department, 714-2200 (1-800-478-4441 toll free within Kenai Peninsula Borough) or email planning@kpb.us.

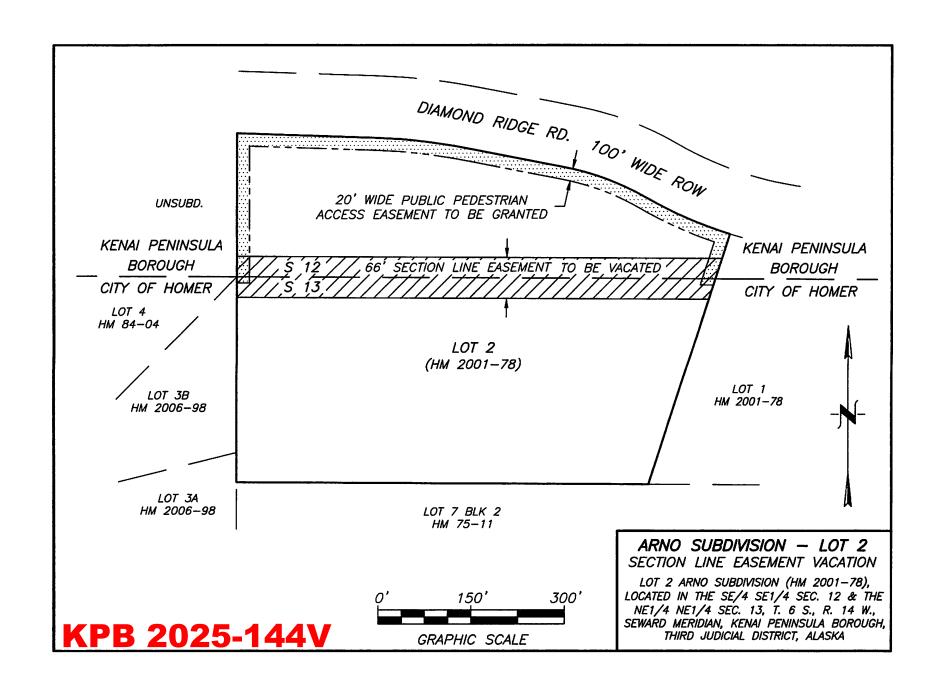
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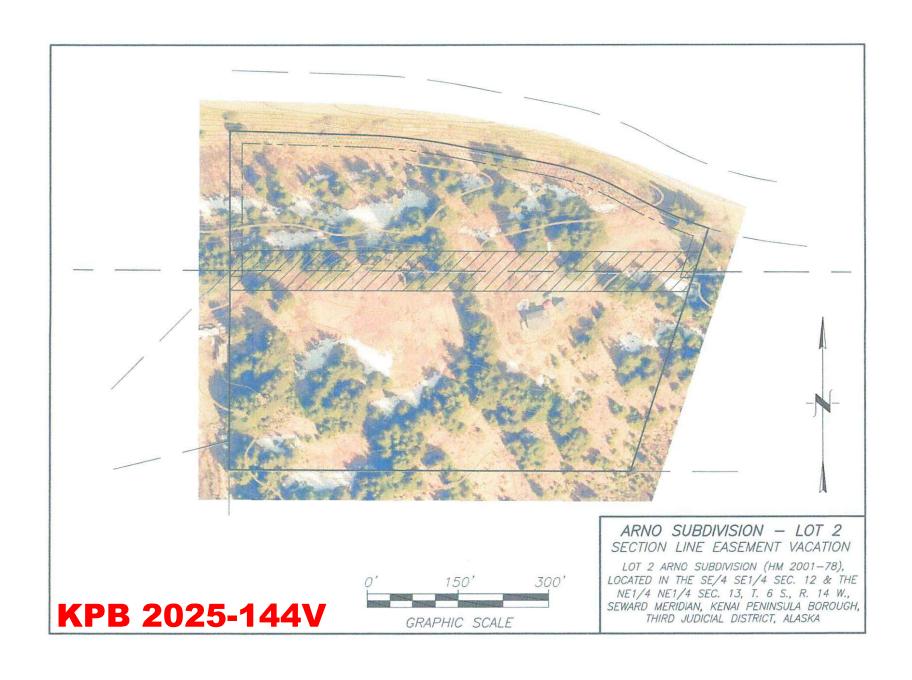
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KPB File 2025-144V T 06S R 14W S12 & S13 Diamond Ridge and Homer



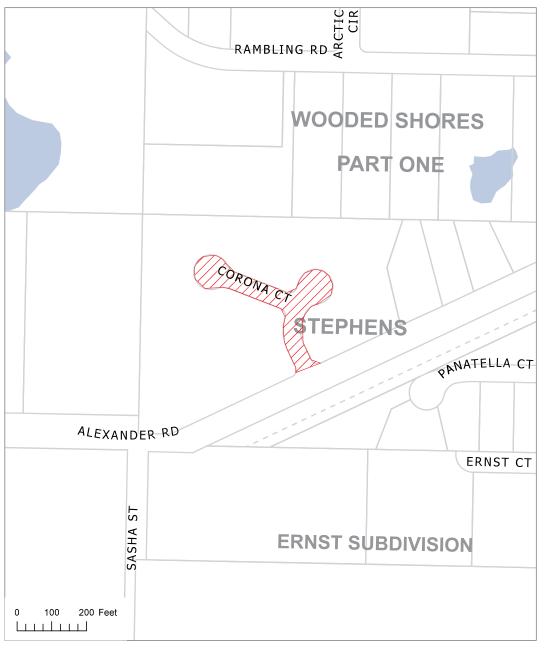


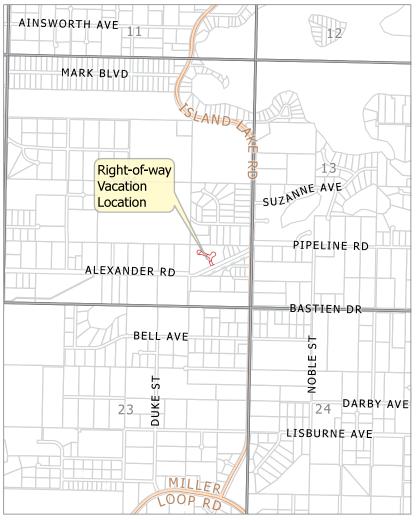
E. NEW BUSINESS

5. Right-Of-Way Vacation; KPB File 2025-143V
Johnson Surveying / Whitcomb
Request: Vacate Corona Ct & Hidden Valley Cir & associated utility
easements per Stephen Subdivision, Plat KN 76-111
Nikiski Area

Staff Person Responsible: Platting Manager Vince Piagentini

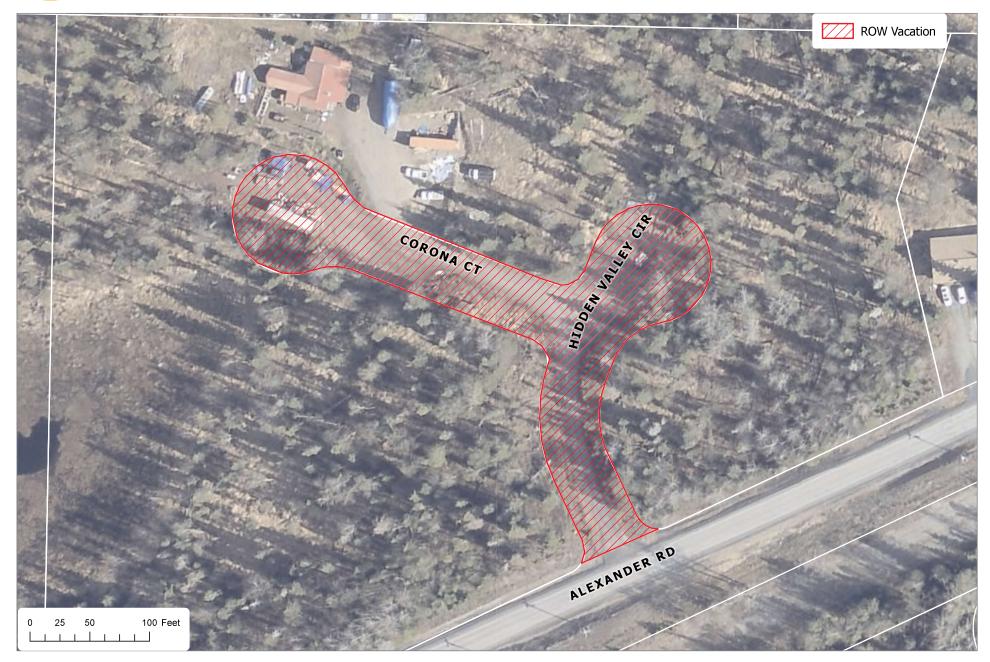
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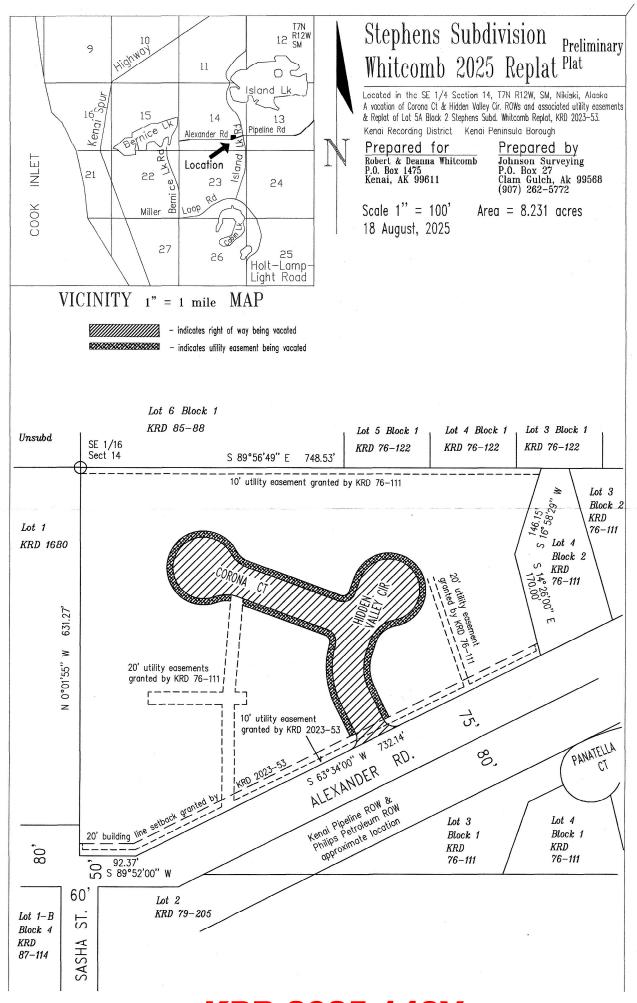




KPB File 2025-143V T 07N R 12W S14 Nikiski







AGENDA ITEM E. **NEW BUSINESS**

ITEM #5 - RIGHT OF WAY VACATION

VACATE THE ENTIRE CORONA COURT RIGHT-OF-WAY AND HIDDEN VALLEY CIRCLE RIGHT-OF-WAY AS DEDICATED BY PLAT KN 76-111. AND INCLUDING ADJACENT UTILITY EASEMENTS: AND EXCEPTING THE 10-FOOT UTILITY EASEMENT PARALLEL TO ALEXANDER ROAD AS GRANTED BY **PLAT KN 2023-53**

KPB File No.	2025-143V
Planning Commission Meeting:	October 13, 2025
Applicant / Owner:	Deanna Whitcomb and Robert Whitcomb of Kenai, Alaska
Surveyor:	Jerry Johnson, Johnson Surveying
General Location:	Between Bernice Lake and Island Lake, Nikiski Area
Legal Description:	Corona Court and Hidden Valley Circle, T 07N R 12W SEC 14 Seward Meridian KN 2023053 STEPHENS SUB WHITCOMB REPLAT LOT 5A
	BLK 2

STAFF REPORT

Specific Request / Purpose as stated in the petition:

Right-of-way (ROW) is completely within 1 parcel of property and provides no access to any other properties. Vacation will allow the owner of the surrounding property to make use of the ROW and prevent existing trespass issues.

Notification: The public hearing notice was published in the October 3, 2025 issue of the Peninsula Clarion and the October 2, 2025 issue of the Homer News as part of the Commission's tentative agenda.

The public notice was posted on the Planning Commission bulletin board at the Kenai Peninsula Borough George A. Navarre Administration building. Additional notices were mailed to the following with the request to be posted for public viewing.

Library of Nikiski

Post Office of Nikiski

Twenty-eight certified mailings were sent to owners of property within 300 feet of the proposed vacation. Twelve receipts had been returned when the staff report was prepared.

Eleven public hearing notices were emailed to agencies and interested parties as shown below;

State of Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game

Nikiski Community Council State of Alaska DNR Alaska Communication Systems (ACS)

State of Alaska DOT

ENSTAR Natural Gas State of Alaska DNR Forestry General Communications Inc. (GCI) Nikiski Advisory Planning Commission Homer Electric Association (HEA)

Emergency Services of Nikiski

Legal Access (existing and proposed):

Alexander Road, Corona Court and Hidden Valley Circle provide legal access to the subject parcel.

Stephens Subdivision (Plat KN 76-111) dedicated Corona Court and Hidden Valley Circle in 1976 serving nine parcels at the time. Stephens Subdivision Whitcomb Replat (Plat KN 2023-53) combined Lots 5-16 Block 2 of KN 76-111 causing the two cul-de-sacs to only serve one parcel.

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Alexander Road is a 75-foot-wide right-of-way that is state-maintained and provides access to the subject parcel, Corona Ct, Hidden Valley Cir and adjacent parcels to the east and west. Rambling Road provides access to parcels north of the affected parcel.

The block is defined by Rambling Road and Arctic Circle to the north, Island Lake Road to the east, Alexander Road to the south and Freda Dr 2650 feet to the west. The dedication of Corona Court and Hidden Valley Circle currently provides relief to KPB 20.30.170 Block Length for they are approximately 929.14 feet from Island Lake Road to the east. Future subdivision of the parcel could provide new right-of-way design to adhere to code length and utilization of the parcel.

No section line easements are present within the subject area. No new access is proposed.

KPB Roads Dept. comments	Out of Jurisdiction: No
	Roads Director: Uhlin, Dil Comments: No comments
SOA DOT comments	No response
SOA DNR Survey Section	No comments

Site Investigation:

Wetlands classified as a depression per KWF wetlands assessment layer on KPB GIS Imagery is located on the east boundary of the parcel and slightly within Corona Court right-of-way. The parcel abutting to the northwest and east include depressions.

The parcel is affected by steep topography and some steep slopes are present near the depression with slopes exceeding 20%.

The affected parcel is not located with a flood hazard area nor in a habitat protection district according to the KPB River Center reviewers.

KPB River Center review	A. Floodplain
	Reviewer: Hindman, Julie Floodplain Status: Not within flood hazard area Comments: No comments
	B. Habitat Protection
	Reviewer: Aldridge, Morgan Habitat Protection District Status: Is NOT within HPD Comments: No comments

Staff Analysis:

Originally the land was an aliquot section of the N1/2 SE1/4 SE1/4 of Section 14, Township 7 North, Range 12 West, Seward Meridian. In 1976, Stephens Subdivision subdivided the land and dedicated Corona Court right-of-way which included both cul-de-sacs. According to the KPB Road Inventory list, Hidden Valley Circle was assigned by Street Naming Resolution SN 1997-05 for the cul-de-sac to the east. There was no adjacent utility easement on the cul-de-sac per the plat. Utility easement were along the lot lines. In 2023, Stephens Subdivision Whitcomb Replat KN2023-53 combined Lots 5-16 Block 2 into one parcel. And created a 10' utility easement along a right-of-way dedication.

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HEA has provided a comment requesting a utility easement to be granted along the overhead powerline on the plat finalizing the vacation of the right-of-way. **Staff recommends** the surveyor include the easement requested by HEA on the plat finalizing the vacation along with a plat note.

No proposed future development is planned.

20.65.050 - Action on vacation application

- D. The planning commission shall consider the merits of each vacation request and in all cases the planning commission shall deem the area being vacated to be of value to the public. It shall be incumbent upon the applicant to show that the area proposed for vacation is no longer practical for the uses or purposes authorized, or that other provisions have been made which are more beneficial to the public. In evaluating the merits of the proposed vacation, the planning commission shall consider whether:
 - 1. The right-of-way or public easement to be vacated is being used;

Surveyor comments: The right-of-way is being used by the public at this time to trespass on the petitioner's property.

Staff comments: Corona Court and Hidden Valley Circle only serve one parcel currently.

2. A road is impossible or impractical to construct, and alternative access has been provided; **Surveyor comments:** The roads are constructed facilitating the trespass use mentioned.

Staff comments: Alexander Road provides access to the subject parcel. Wetlands classified as a depression is located on the east boundary of the parcel and slightly within Corona Court right-of-way. The parcel is affected by steep topography and some steep slopes are present near the depression with slopes exceeding 20%.

3. The surrounding area is fully developed and all planned or needed rights-of-way and utilities are constructed;

Surveyor comments: The roads are closed cul-de-sacs contained entirely within the petitioner's property.

Staff comments: Alexander Road provides access to the subject parcel and adjacent parcels to the east and west. Rambling Road provides access to parcels north of the affected parcel. HEA requested an easement be granted with the finalization of the plat. Other Utility agencies provided no objections or no response was received.

4. The vacation of a public right-of-way provides access to a lake, river, or other area with public interest or value, and if so, whether equal or superior access is provided;

Surveyor comments: No lakes, rivers, or public interest features are provided access by these ROWs.

Staff comments: Corona Court and Hidden Valley Circle only serve one parcel currently.

The proposed vacation would limit opportunities for interconnectivity with adjacent parcels, whether developed or undeveloped;

Surveyor comments: No connectivity with adjacent parcels will be affected by this vacation.

Staff comments: Future subdivision of the parcel could provide new right-of-way design to adhere to code length and utilization of the parcel. All existing parcels have current legal access and the proposed vacation will not limit that access.

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6. Other public access, other than general road use, exist or are feasible for the right-of-way; **Surveyor comments:** This vacation does not affect the existing general road use in the area.

Staff comments:

7. All existing and future utility requirements are met. Rights-of-way which are utilized by a utility, or which logically would be required by a utility, shall not be vacated, unless it can be demonstrated that equal or superior access is or will be available. Where an easement would satisfactorily serve the utility interests, and no other public need for the right-of-way exists, the commission may approve the vacation and require that a utility easement be granted in place of the right-of-way.

Surveyor comments: It is not intended to vacate any utility easements that are in use and identified by a utility company.

Staff comments: HEA requested an easement be granted with the finalization of the plat. Other Utility agencies provided no objections or no response was received.

8. Any other factors that are relevant to the vacation application or the area proposed to be vacated. Surveyor comments: ROW is completely within 1 parcel of property and provides no access to any other properties. Vacation will allow the owner of the surrounding property to make use of the ROW and prevent existing trespass issues.

Staff comments:

A KPB Planning Commission decision denying a vacation application is final. A KPB Planning Commission decision to approve the vacation application is subject to consent or veto by the KPB Assembly, or City Council if located within City boundaries. The KPB Assembly, or City Council must hear the vacation within thirty days of the Planning Commission decision.

The Assembly will hear the vacation at their scheduled October 28, 2025 meeting.

If approved, Stephens Subdivision Whitcomb 2025 Replat will finalize the proposed right of way vacations. The preliminary plat will be scheduled for review by the Plat Committee once a complete submittal and application have been submitted to the Planning Department.

KPB department / agency review:

Addressing	Reviewer: Pace, Rhealyn Affected Addresses: 53216 CORONA CT
	Existing Street Names are Correct: Yes
	List of Correct Street Names: CORONA CT, HIDDEN VALLEY CIR, ALEXANDER RD
	Existing Street Name Corrections Needed:
	All New Street Names are Approved: No
	List of Approved Street Names:
	List of Street Names Denied:
	Comments: UPON PLAT RECORDING 53216 CORONA CT WILL BE DELETED AND NEW ALEXANDER RD ADDRESS WILL BE ASSIGNED.

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Code Compliance	Reviewer: Ogren, Eric
·	Comments: No comments
Planner	Reviewer: Raidmae, Ryan
	There are not any Local Option Zoning District issues with this proposed plat.
	Material Site Comments:
	There are not any material site issues with this proposed plat.
Assessing	Reviewer: Windsor, Heather
_	Comments: No comment
Advisory Planning Commission	

Utility provider review:

HEA	See comment in packet
ENSTAR	No comment or recommendation
ACS	No objections
GCI	Approved as shown

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

CORRECTIONS / EDITS

- Add lot number to drawing
- Revise the utility hatching to correct area of vacations. Area below name of Corona Ct is combination of two easements from parent subdivision KN76-111 along the old lot line and utility easement adjacent to ROW from KN2023-53
- Add ROW width to cul-de-sacs
- ROW width of Alexander to the west is 100'
- Add ROW to the right-of-way of the width on roads for designation of the ROW widths

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on consideration of the merits as per KPB 20.65.050(D) as outlined by Staff comments, Staff recommends <u>APPROVAL</u> as petitioned, subject to:

- 1. Consent by KPB Assembly.
- 2. Compliance with the requirements for preliminary plats per Chapter 20 of the KPB Code including a submittal to and approval by the Plat Committee.
- 3. Grant utility easements requested by utility providers.
- 4. Submittal of a final plat within a timeframe such that the plat can be recorded within one year of vacation consent (KPB 20.65.050(I)).

KPB 20.65.050 – Action on vacation application

H. A planning commission decision to approve a vacation is not effective without the consent of the city council, if the vacated area to be vacated is within a city, or by the assembly in all other cases. The council or assembly shall have 30 days from the date of the planning commission approval to either consent to or veto the vacation. Notice of veto of the vacation shall be immediately given to the planning commission. Failure to act on the vacation within 30 days shall be considered to be consent to the vacation. This provision does not apply to alterations of utility easements under KPB 20.65.070 which do not require the consent of the assembly or city council unless city code specifically provides

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otherwise.

- I. Upon approval of the vacation request by the planning commission and no veto by the city council or assembly, where applicable, the applicant shall have a surveyor prepare and submit a plat including the entire area approved for vacation in conformance with KPB 20.10.080. Only the area approved for vacation by the assembly or council may be included on the plat. The final plat must be recorded within one year of the vacation consent.
- J. A planning commission decision denying a vacation application is final. No reapplication or petition concerning the same vacation may be filed within one calendar year of the date of the final denial action except in the case where new evidence or circumstances exist that were not available or present when the original petition was filed.
- K. An appeal of the planning commission, city council or assembly vacation action under this chapter must be filed in the superior court in accordance with the Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure.

The 2019 Kenai Peninsula Borough Comprehensive Plan adopted November, 2019 by Ordinance No. 2019-25. The relevant objectives are listed.

Goal 3. Preserve and improve quality of life on the Kenai Peninsula Borough through increased access to local and regional facilities, activities, programs and services.

- Focus Area: Energy and Utilities
 - Objective A Encourage coordination or residential, commercial, and industrial development with extension of utilities and other infrastructure.
 - Strategy 1. Near Term: Maintain existing easements (especially section line easements) in addition to establishing adequate utility rights of way or easements to serve existing and future utility needs.
 - Strategy 2. Near Term: Maintain regular contact with utility operators to coordinate and review utility easement requests that are part of subdivision plat approval.
 - Strategy 3. Near Term: Identify potential utility routes on Borough lands.
- Housing
 - Objective D. Encourage efficient use of land, infrastructure and services outside incorporated cities by prioritizing future growth in the most suitable areas.
 - Strategy 1. Near Term: Collaborate with the AK Department of Transportation, incorporated cities within the borough, utility providers, other agencies overseeing local services, and existing communities located adjacent to the undeveloped areas that are appropriate for future growth, to align plans for future expansion of services to serve future residential development and manage growth.

Goal 4. Improve access to, from and connectivity within the Kenai Peninsula Borough

- Focus Area: Transportation
 - Objective B. Ensure new roads are developed in alignment with existing and planned growth and development.
 - Strategy 2. Near Term: Establish subdivision codes that dictate road construction standards to accommodate future interconnectivity and/or public safety.
 - Strategy 3. Near Term: Identify areas of anticipated growth to determine future access needs.

END OF STAFF REPORT

Aerial Map

KPB File 2025-143V 9/16/2025





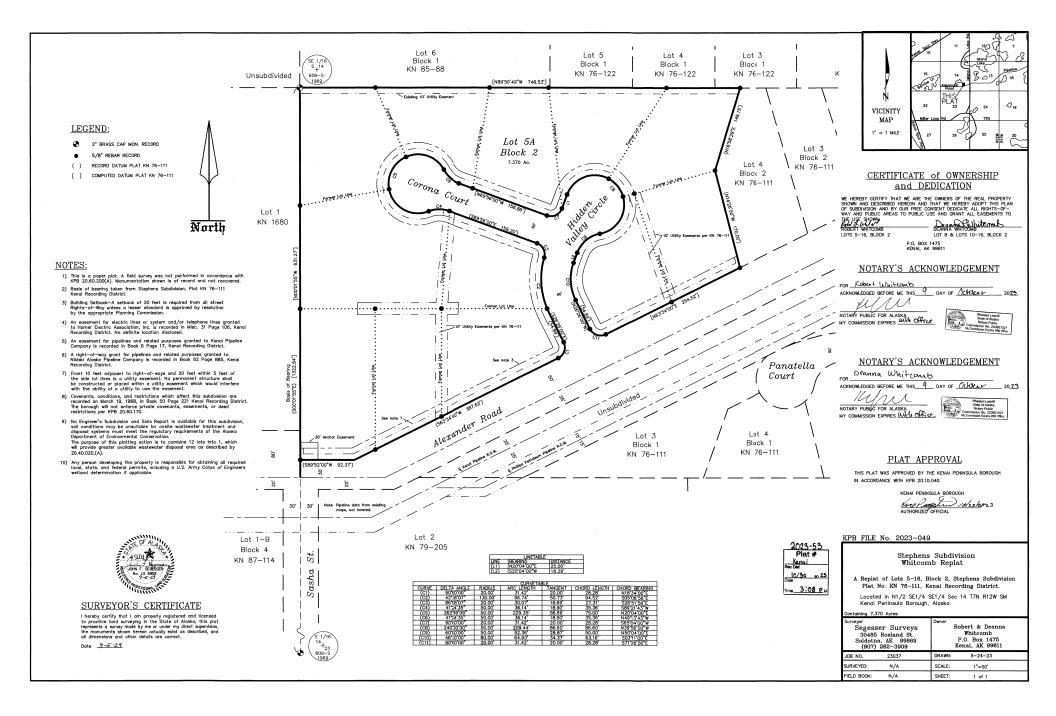


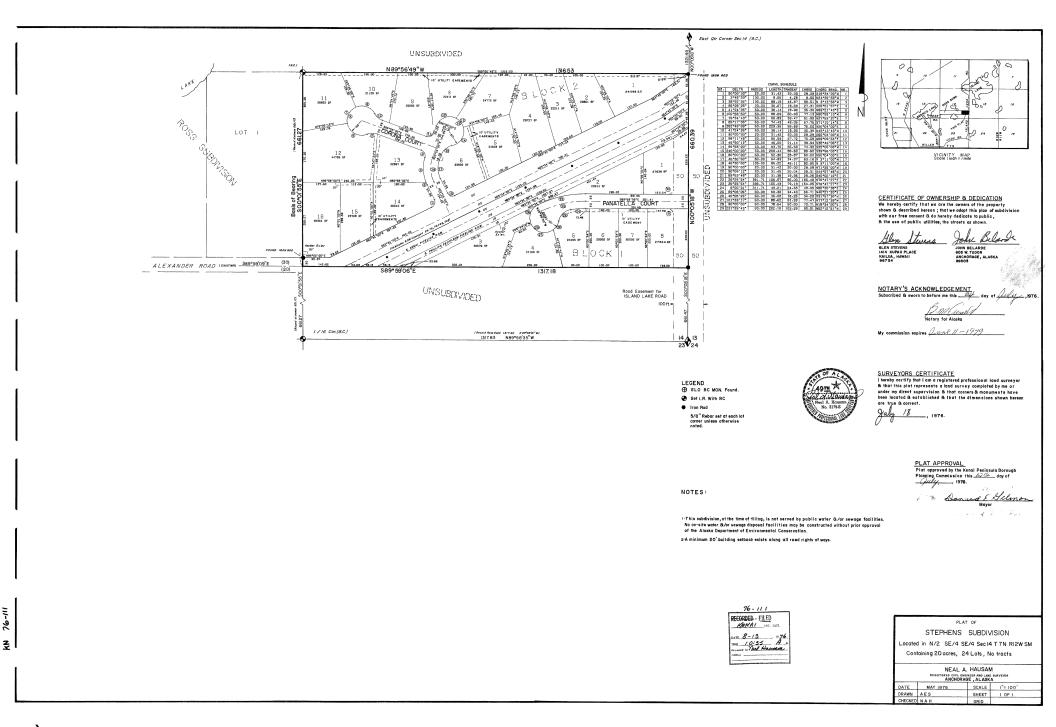
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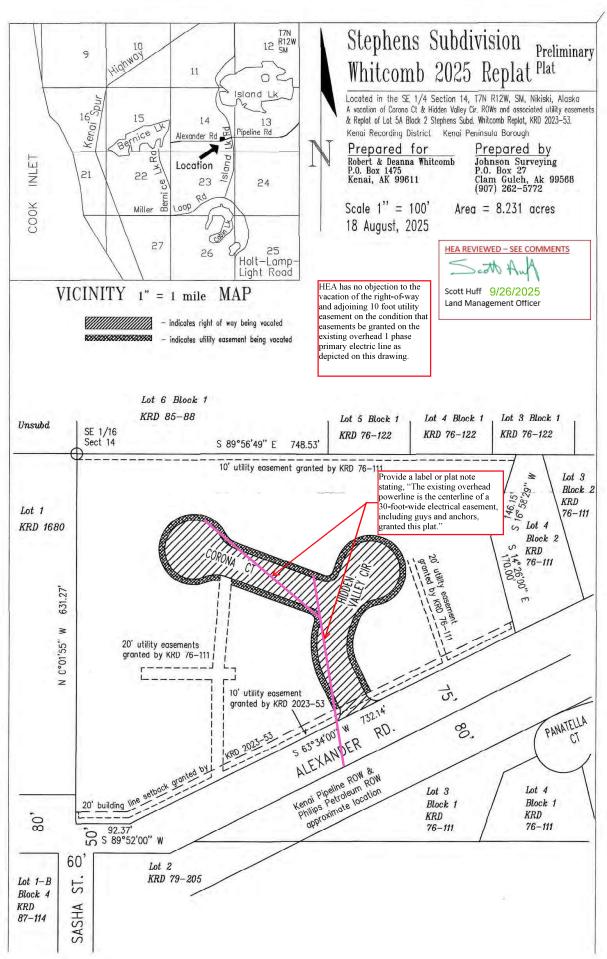
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public notice is hereby given that a petition was received on 9/19/2025 to vacate a public right-of-way in the Nikiski area. Area under consideration is described as follows:

Request / Affected Property: Vacates Corona Ct and Hidden Valley Cir and associated utility easements per Stephens Subdivision KN 76-111

KPB File No. 2025-143V.

Petitioner(s) / Land Owner(s): Robert and Deanna Whitcomb of Kenai, AK.

<u>Purpose as stated in petition</u>: The right-of-way is being used by the public at this time to trespass on the petitioner's property. The roads are constructed facilitating the trespass use mentioned. The roads are closed cu-de-sacs contained entirely within the petitioner's property. No lakes, rivers, or public interest features are provided access by these ROWs. No connectivity with adjacent parcels will be affected by this vacation. This vacation does not affect the existing general road use in the area. It is not intended to vacate any utility easements that are in use and identified by a utility company.

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If the Planning Commission approves the vacation, the Borough Assembly has thirty days from that decision in which they may veto the Planning Commission approval. Denial of a vacation petition is a final act for which no further consideration shall be given by the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

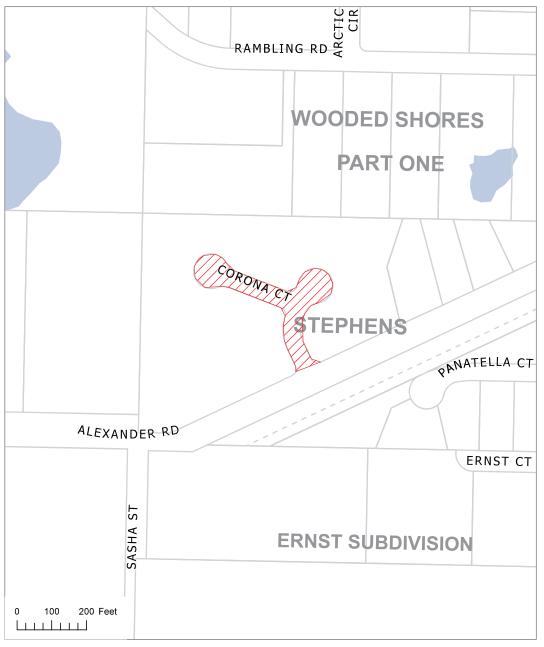
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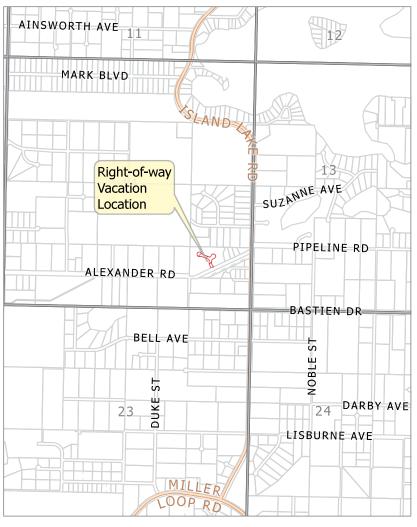
the Monday prior to the meeting and found at https://kpb.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx. Use the search options to find the correct timeframe and committee.

For additional information contact Sandee Simons (ssimons@kpb.us) or Beverly Carpenter (BCarpenter@kpb.us), Planning Department, 714-2200 (1-800-478-4441 toll free within Kenai Peninsula Borough) or email planning@kpb.us.

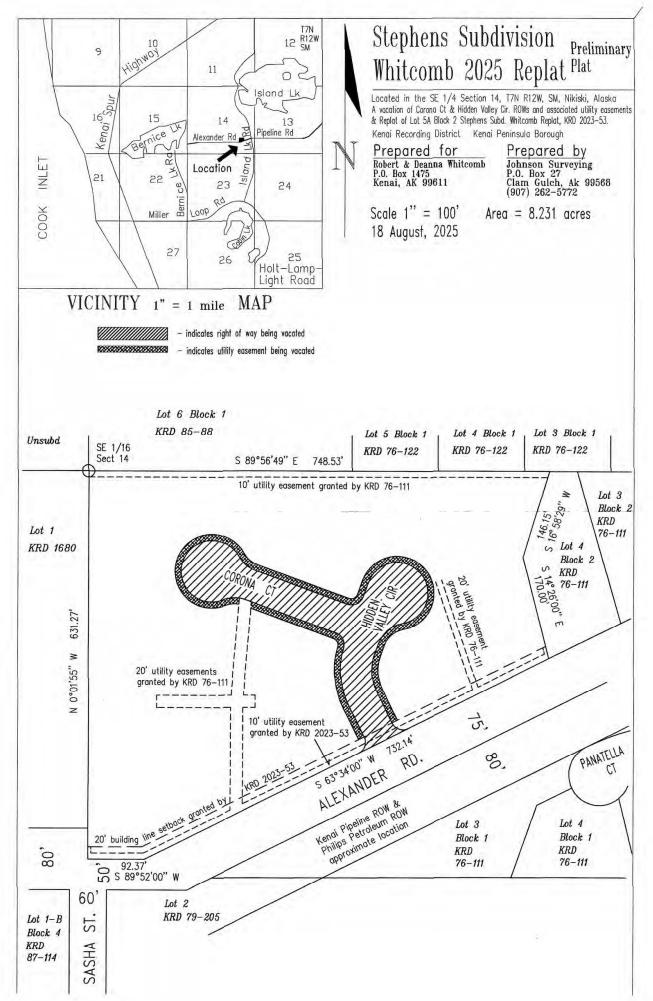
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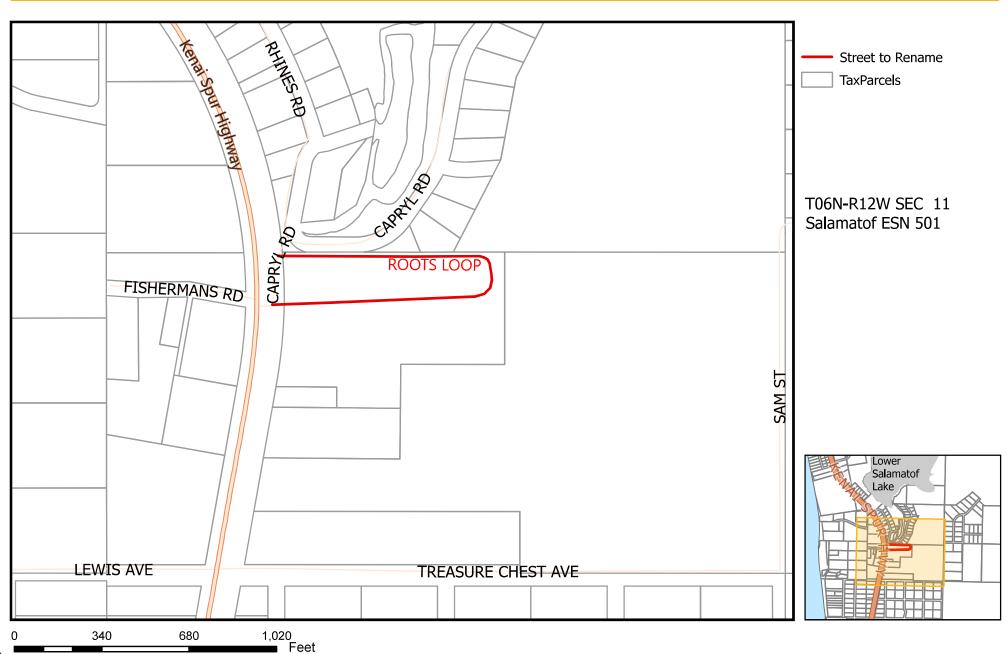


E. NEW BUSINESS

6. Street Naming Resolution 2025-01
Request: Rename a private road in the Salamatof area (ESN201) to Roots Loop
Salamatof Area
Staff Person Responsible: Addressing Officer Rhea Pace















AGENDA ITEM E NEW BUSINESS

3. Name an unnamed private road; Section 11, T06N, R12W; Seward Meridian, Kenai Peninsula Borough, AK; in the Salamatof Community; ESN 501

STAFF REPORT PC MEETING: October 13, 2025

Applicant: Jessica Ranguette

Existing right-of-way names: None

Name proposed by petitioner: Roots Loop

Reason for Change: Petition from property owner

Background:

Name	unnamed
ESN	501
Community	Salamatof
YR Named	n/a
Constructed	Yes
Total Lots	1
Residential	0
Commercial	0
E911 Address	1
Mailing	0
Decision	

Review and Comments:

Notice was sent by regular mail to the property owner of the affected parcel containing the unnamed private road, as listed on the KPB tax roll.

No further comment from the property owner was received by the writing of this staff report.

The road name request was emailed to the Kenai Peninsula Borough Road Service Area (RSA) and Nikiski Emergency Services for review. No comments were received by the writing of this report

Staff Discussion:

A petition was received from the property owner of the lot containing the private road. The petition stated that road will service multiple structures/ businesses. A road name is recommended if a private road is serving more than three structures.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Name the unnamed private road to **Roots Loop** by adoption of Resolution SN 2025-02.

END OF STAFF REPORT

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION SN 2025-02

NAMING A CERTAIN PRIVATE ROAD WITHIN SECTION 11, T06N, R12W; SEWARD MERIDIAN; WITHIN EMERGENCY SERVICE NUMBER (ESN) 501

WHEREAS, a procedure has been developed to help implement the Enhanced 9-1-1 Street Naming and Addressing project; and

WHEREAS, naming private roads that provide access to three or more structures will enable 9-1-1 Emergency Services to respond to emergencies in an efficient timely manner, thereby avoiding delays in providing necessary emergency services; and

WHEREAS, per KPB 14.10.060, the naming of an unnamed road will not constitute a legal dedication for public right-of-way or for road maintenance purposes; and

WHEREAS, on October 13, 2025 public hearings were held by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission to address all concerns about the proposed private road naming; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 14.10 of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Code of Ordinances authorizes the Planning Commission to accomplish private road naming by Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

Section 1. That the private road listed below is named as follows:

DESCRIPTION	FROM	ТО	BASE MAP
a. An unnamed private road in Section 11, T06N, R11W; Seward Meridian, Kenai Peninsula Borough, AK; in the Salamatof community; ESN 501	Unnamed	Roots Loop	NK28

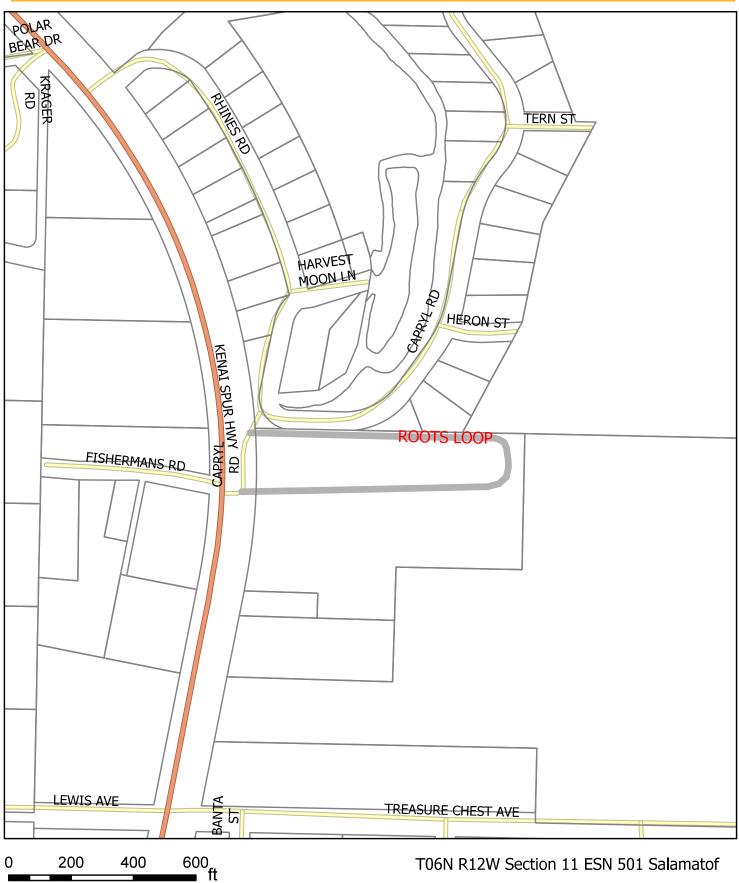
- Section 2. That according to Kenai Peninsula Borough Code of Ordinance 14.10.030, the official street name map, 1:500 scale series base map, Seward 3; is hereby amended to reflect these changes.
- Section 3. That the map showing the location of the named private road be attached to, and made a permanent part of this resolution.
- Section 4. That this Resolution takes effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 13th DAY OF OCTOBER 2025.

Jeremy Brantley, Chairperson Planning Commission

State of Alaska Kenai Peninsula Borough		
Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) in my presence this	day of	2025 by
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Notary Public		
My Commission expires		





The information depicted hereon is for a graphical representation only of best available sources. The Kenai Peninsula Borough assumes no responsibility for any errors on this map.

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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO NAME A PRIVATE ROAD

Public notice is hereby given that a petition was received to name a private road in the Salamatof area. Area under consideration is described as follows:

Location: Near Kenai Spur Hwy and Capryl Road Section 11, T06N, R12W; Seward Meridian, Kenai Peninsula Borough, AK; in the Salamatof Community; ESN 501

Reason for Renaming: *Petition from property owners*. The owners plan to develop multiple structures on the property.

Proposed Name: ROOTS LOOP

The location of the proposed road naming is provided on the attached map. Public hearing will be held by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission on **Monday, October 13, 2025**, commencing at **7:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as business permits. The meeting is being held in person at the Betty J. Glick Assembly Chambers of the Kenai Peninsula Borough George A. Navarre Administration Building, 144 N. Binkley Street, Soldotna, Alaska and remotely through zoom.

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PLEASE NOTE: Upon adoption of a street name change resolution, no reapplication or petition concerning the name of the same street may be filed within one calendar year of the final adoption, except in the case where new evidence or circumstances exist that were not available, present or reasonably ascertainable when the original resolution was adopted (KPB 14.10.050)





