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Memorandum

To: Ted Murphy, Acting State Director

From: Erika Reed, Deputy State Director, Division of Alaska Lands & Cadastral/Authorized Pipeline Officer

Subject: Approval of Organization Changes within AK940000

The Division of Alaska Lands, Cadastral, and Authorized Pipeline Officer (AK940), requests approval to reorganize the division. Under the roles and responsibility matrix developed through the 2018 Pipeline Monitoring strategic plan, the focus of the Branch of Pipeline Monitoring (BPM) (AK943) has shifted from engineering review to more traditional management of rights-of-way (ROW) on BLM-administered lands. Consequently, the revised functions of the BPM are best executed under the guidance and oversight of the Branch of Lands and Realty (AK941). The existing engineering positions in the BPM have been reduced and remaining BPM staff will be consolidated within the Branch of Lands and Realty. Ultimately, the BPM and its AK943 organization code will be abolished. The changes described in this memorandum will be made effective upon signature approval.

The majority of BPM staff will be moved under a new section – the Pipeline Monitoring and Environmental Compliance Section (AK941300), established within the existing Branch of Lands and Realty (AK941). Other BPM staff will be combined with existing Branch staff, and will comprise a newly created section – the Lands and Realty Section (AK941200), established within AK941. Two positions will be realigned from BPM to Branch level (AK941). There will be no change to the existing Title and Land Status Section (AK941100). Once completed, the reorganized Branch of Lands and Realty will consist of three sections, each with a supervisory position that reports to the Branch Chief.

The Deputy State Director (DSD) for AK940 currently exercises the TransAlaska Pipeline System (TAPS) Authorized Officer (AO) responsibilities for BLM Alaska. Under the reorganization, the current BPM GS-14 Branch Chief and Deputy AO position will be realigned to lead the reorganized AK941000 as Branch Chief for Lands and Realty. This AK941 Branch

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Chief will continue to exercise the authorities of Deputy AO, reporting directly to the DSD for AK940.

In accordance with Information Bulletin W0-2004-131, Clarification of Organization Change Process, as well as BLM Manual Chapters, 1201 - Organizational Management and 1202- Organizational Control, the following Organizational Change - Approval Document (attachment 1) is being submitted for approval/concurrence by the State Director.

Attachment

1- Organizational Change Approval Document (8 pp)

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Budget Analyst, Reorganized AK-941
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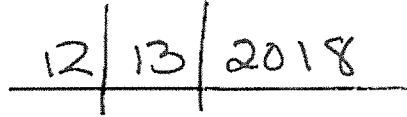
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E. Position Management Considerations

The organizational change will occur without impacts to existing onboard staff. As described, some positions will be removed from the approved table of organization.

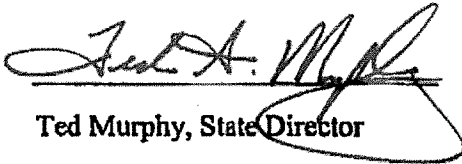


Erika Reed, Deputy State Director



Date

State Director Approval:



Ted Murphy, State Director



Date