

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PUBLIC NOTICE

Type: Salvage Timber Sale (MSB008132) Tax ID: 16N05W04A002; 16N05W10B002

16N05W09A001; 17N05W28A001 17N05W33B001; 5695000T00A-1

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough (Borough) Land & Resource Management Division is proposing an oral outcry bid salvage timber sale on Borough owned parcels tax ID 16N05W04A002, 16N05W09A001, 16N05W10B002, 17N05W28A001, 17N05W33B001, and 5695000T00A-1. These parcels are located west of Big Lake and west of the Little Susitna River. Forest management activities would focus on approximately 1,000 acres targeting the removal of over-mature white birch and beetle-killed spruce. Access to the designated harvest area will be off W. Susitna Parkway. A 100-foot buffer between the harvest area and wetlands and waterbodies will be required to reduce any negative visual effects and protect water quality.

Tree species composition is highly comprised of over-mature white birch with minor components of white spruce and quaking aspen. The recommended treatment is a seed-tree cut (leaving 5-10 trees/acre) harvesting the overmature white birch and dead spruce. This treatment aims to facilitate natural regeneration of hardwoods and enhance growing conditions for residual trees. This treatment aims to facilitate natural regeneration of hardwoods and promote the release of residual live spruce trees in both the understory and midstory. An estimated volume of 7,000 cords of timber is expected to be extracted from the 1,000-acre harvest area.

Supporting material is available for public inspection during normal business hours on the 2nd floor of the Borough Building in the Land & Resource Management office or visit the Public Notice Section on the Borough's web page, www.matsugov.us. Public comment is invited on this request. If you have any comments please mail or deliver them to the Borough offices at the address indicated above, no later than <u>October 16, 2023</u>. If you have questions about this request call Emerson Krueger at 907-861-7867 between 8 am - 5 pm or you can send an email to: <u>LMB@matsugov.us</u> (please refer to MSB008132 Moraine Ridge Salvage Timber Sale when submitting comments).

Comments:			
Signature:			



Moraine Ridge STH 25-003 Salvage Timber Harvest

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