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ALASKA**NOTICE OF PROPOSED WITHDRAWAL AND RESERVATION OF LANDS**

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An application, serial number Fairbanks 010043, for the withdrawal from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, except of the lands described below was filed on July 11, 1949, by Department of the Air Force.

The purposes of the proposed withdrawal: for military purposes

For a period of sixty (60) days from the date of publication of this notice, persons having cause to object to the proposed withdrawal may present their objections in writing to the Area Administrator, Area 4, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior at Anchorage, Alaska. In case any objection is filed and the nature of the opposition is such as to warrant it, a public hearing will be held at a convenient time and place, which will be announced, where opponents to the order may state their views and where proponents of the order can explain its purpose.

The determination of the Secretary on the application will be published in the **FEDERAL REGISTER**, either in the form of a public land order or in the form of a notice of determination if the application is rejected. In either case, a separate notice will be sent to each interested party of record.

The lands involved in the application are:

Beginning at a point identical with P. I. of access road with East boundary of Site from which USC&GS Mag. Station "Top" bears North 89° 40' East a distance of 9,300 feet, more or less, thence by metes and bounds as follows:

Thence North 0° 20' East 2,650 feet to the Northeast corner; thence South 89° 40' West 12,500 feet to the Northwest Corner; thence South 0° 20' East 7,500 feet to the Southwest Corner; thence North 89° 40' East 12,500 feet to the Southeast Corner; thence North 0° 20' West, 4,850 feet to P. I. with center line access road and POB of Site which bears North 89° 40' East 9,300 feet, more or less, from USC&GS Mag. Station "Top", containing 2,160 acres, more or less.

LOWELL M. PUCKETT,
Area Administrator.

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ALASKA

AMENDING AND REVOKING PUBLIC LAND ORDER NO. 188 OF OCTOBER 27, 1943; WITHDRAWING PORTIONS OF RELEASED LANDS FOR AIR NAVIGATION PURPOSES AND FOR USE OF DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

By virtue of the authority vested in the President and pursuant to Executive Order No. 10355 of May 26, 1952, section 4 of the act of May 24, 1928 (45 Stat. 729; 49 U. S. C. 214, and the act of May 13, 1946 (60 Stat. 170; 49 U. S. C. 1115), it is ordered as follows:

1. Public Land Order No. 188 of October 27, 1943, which reserved the following-described lands in Alaska for use of the War Department for military purposes, so far as it refers to the withdrawal of 236,000 acres of public lands at Bethel, is hereby amended to read 216,000 acres, and as amended is hereby revoked:

BETHEL

Beginning at a point, 60° 42' 30" north latitude, 162° 10' west longitude. From the point of beginning, N. 45° 00' E., 22.5 miles; S. 45° 00' E., 15 miles; S. 45° 00' W., 22.5 miles; N. 45° 00' W., 15 miles, to the place of beginning.

The area described, including both public and non-public lands, aggregates 216,000 acres.

2. Subject to valid existing rights, the following-described public lands, which are a portion of the lands released from withdrawal by paragraph 1 of this order, are hereby withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public-land laws, including the mining and the mineral-leasing laws, and reserved as follows:

(a) Under jurisdiction of the Department of the Air Force for military purposes:

Beginning at a point from which U. S. C. & G. S. Station "Bethel Mag" in latitude 60° 47' 08.692" N., longitude 161° 46' 21.865" W. bears N. 89° 40' E., 2,227.90 feet; S. 0° 20' E., 2,650 feet, and N. 89° 40' E., 9,300 feet, thence S. 89° 40' W., 10,272.10 feet; S. 0° 20' E., 7,500.00 feet; N. 89° 40' E., 6,971.40 feet; N. 23° 30' E., 8,168.15 feet along the northwest boundary of the area described in paragraph 2 (b) of this order to the point of beginning.

The tract described contains approximately 1,482 acres.

(b) Under jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior for administration or disposal in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Airport Act of May 13, 1946 (60 Stat. 170; 49 U. S. C. 1115):

Beginning at a point from which U. S. C. & G. S. Station "Bethel" in latitude 60° 47' 08.760" N., longitude 161° 52' 43.124" W., bears N. 24° 30' E., 6,830 feet and East 10,250 feet, thence N. 66° 30' W., 2,100 feet; N. 23° 30' E., 10,000 feet; S. 66° 30' E., 4,000 feet; S. 23° 30' W., 10,000 feet; N. 66° 30' W., 1,900 feet to the point of beginning.

The tract described contains 918.27 acres.

(c) Under jurisdiction of the Civil Aeronautics Administration, Department of Commerce, for use in the maintenance of air navigation facilities as an addition to Air Navigation Site Withdrawal No. 146:

Beginning at a point on line 11-12 of U. S. Survey 2639 from which corner No. 12 bears N. 42° 54' W., 8,000 feet, thence S. 47° 04' W., 3,700 feet; S. 42° 56' E., 3,350 feet to line of mean high water of the west bank of Napas-kiak Slough; northeasterly, 3,800 feet along line of mean high tide to a point on line 11-12, U. S. S. 2639; N. 42° 54' W., 2,875 feet along line 11-12 to point of beginning.

The tract described contains approximately 265 acres.

3. At 10:00 a. m. on the 35th day after the date of this order the unappropriated, unreserved public lands affected by this order, aggregating approximately 211,244 acres, shall be opened to settlement under the homestead laws or the Alaska Homesite Act of May 26, 1934 (48 Stat. 809; 48 U. S. C. 461), or the Small Tract Act of June 1, 1938 (52 Stat. 609; 43 U. S. C. 682a) as amended, and to those forms of appropriation only by qualified veterans of World War II and the Korean conflict for whose services recognition is granted by the act of September 27, 1944 (58 Stat. 747; 43 U. S. C. 279-284) as amended, and by other qualified persons entitled to credit for service under the said act. Commencing at 10:00 a. m. on the 126th day after the date of this order any of such lands not settled upon by veterans or other persons entitled to credit for service shall become subject to settlement and other forms of appropriation by the public generally in accordance with appropriate laws and regulations.

4. Veterans' preference-right applications under the act of September 27, 1944 (58 Stat. 747; 43 U. S. C. 279-284), as amended, may be filed on or before 10:00 a. m. on the 35th day after the date of this order, and those covering the same lands shall be treated as though simultaneously filed at that time. Applications filed under the act after that time and during the succeeding 91 days shall be considered in the order of filing. Applications by the general public under the public-land laws, filed on or before 10:00 a. m. on the 126th day after the date of this order shall be treated as though simultaneously filed at that time, where the applications are for the same lands; otherwise, priority of filing shall govern.

Inquiries concerning the lands shall be addressed to the Manager, Land Office, Bureau of Land Management, Fairbanks, Alaska.

FRED G. AANDAH, Jr.,
Acting Secretary of the Interior.

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AUGUST 16, 1955.

The land description in FEDERAL REGISTER Document 55-5266 appearing on page 4686 of the issue for July 1, 1955, so far as such description relates to paragraph 2 (b) U. S. C. & G. S. Station "Bethel" in latitude 60°47'08.760" N., longitude 161°52'43.124" W., should read:

"Bethel Mag" in latitude 60°47'08.692" N., longitude 161°46'21.865" W.

**W. G. GUERNSEY,
Acting Director.**

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