

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Anchorage Field Office

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION (CX) FORM

CX No.: AK-040-00-006

*Lease/Serial/Case File No.: AA-64705

Proposed Action Title/Types:
FLPMA Sec. 302, Commercial Use Occupancy Lease

Location of Proposed Action:
Sec. 35, T. 27 N., R. 27 W., Seward Meridian

Description of Proposed Action:

Renewal of existing Commercial Use Occupancy lease for 2 acres used as a base camp for their guided hunting operations. The lease is to be used in conjunction with their Special Recreation Permit that allows the hunting operations. The Applicants have met all requirements of the lease for the last 10 years. The renewal is for another 10 years.

Applicant (if any):
John R. Runkle and Phillip Esai of Nikolai

PART I - PLAN CONFORMANCE REVIEW

This Proposed Action is subject to the following land use plan:

Southcentral MFP L-1

Date Plan Approved: March 1980

The Proposed Action has been reviewed for conformance with this plan (43 CFR 1610.5, BLM MS 1617.3).

Remarks:

PART II - NEPA REVIEW

A. Categorical Exclusion Review.
This Proposed Action qualifies as a categorical exclusion under 516 DM 2, Appendix 1.____ (insert CX number) or 516 DM 6, Appendix 5.4. E-9 (insert CX number).

B. Departmental Exceptions Review.
The following Departmental List of Exceptions apply to individual actions. Departmental instructions mandate that environmental documents **MUST BE PREPARED** for actions which may: (Mark applicable answer for each item. If "yes", prepare an EA/EIS and append this form to it.)

- | | YES | NO |
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| 1. Have significant adverse impacts on public health or safety. | ___ | <u>X</u> |
| 2. Have adverse effects on unique geographic characteristics, historic or cultural resources, park, recreation or refuge lands, wilderness areas, wild or scenic rivers, sole or principal drinking water aquifers, prime farmlands, wetlands, floodplains, or ecologically significant or critical areas, including those listed on the Department's National Register of Natural Landmarks. | ___ | <u>X</u> |
| 3. Have highly controversial environmental effects. | ___ | <u>X</u> |
| 4. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks. | ___ | <u>X</u> |
| 5. Establish a precedent for future actions or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects. | ___ | <u>X</u> |

