

Special Recreation Permit Application Booklet



- **Commercial and Competitive Use**
- **Vending**
- **Special Area Use**
- **Organized Group Activity**
- **Event Use**

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Dear Visitor Service Partner:

Thank you for your interest in applying for a Special Recreation Permit. The BLM requires these permits for commercial recreation, competitive events, vending, use of special areas, and organized group activities on BLM-administered public lands in Alaska. This booklet explains how to apply for a BLM Special Recreation Permit for these activities and how to keep your multi-year permit valid.

Your services help Alaska's residents and visitors to enjoy public lands. BLM-Alaska's goal is to help you submit a successful recreation permit application. We welcome your comments on ways to improve this process.

For additional information on BLM Special Recreation Permits, please contact any of the BLM field offices or district offices in Alaska. Contact information is provided on page 15.

Sincerely,

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What are Special Recreation Permits?

Special Recreation Permits allow specific recreational uses of public lands and related waters. The Bureau of Land Management issues Special Recreation Permits to:

1. Meet public demands for safe and enjoyable recreation
2. Manage recreational activities fairly and at allowable levels
3. Minimize user conflicts and impacts to natural resources

The permits help BLM-Alaska manage visitor use, protect natural and cultural resources, and provide a way for commercial recreational uses. Special Recreation Permits are required for six types of uses:

1. Commercial
2. Competitive
3. Vending
4. Individual or group use in special areas
5. Organized group activity and event use
6. Commercial filming and still photography

These uses are described below. Fees for Special Recreation Permits help recover some of the costs of issuing and administering the permit. This booklet can help guide you—from completing your application to submitting the required post-use report form. In addition to understanding the permits and their requirements, remember to apply for the permit at least 180 days (6 months) in advance of the activity or event for most uses.

When are Special Recreation Permits Required?

This section describes which recreation-related activities require a Special Recreation Permit or other permit. If unsure whether you need to obtain a Special Recreation Permit, please contact one of the BLM-Alaska offices listed on page 15.

1. Commercial Use

BLM-Alaska requires Special Recreation Permits for all commercial recreational use of public lands and related waters for business or financial gain. Are you charging a fee? Do you expect to make money on the event or is the fee to cover expenses? Will you advertise? BLM-Alaska considers recreation use commercial when a permittee (or employee or agent of a permittee, operator, or participant) does any of the following:

- makes (or attempts to make) a profit or salary
- increases a business or financial standing
- supports other programs or activities from amounts received from the permitted activity

If any fees or other compensation collected by a permittee exceeds actual expenses, or are not strictly a sharing of such expenses, then the activity, service, or use is commercial.

Commercial use usually includes a contractual arrangement where service providers offer certain amenities and an expectation of safety to clients in return for compensation. It may also be characterized by public advertising for participants for the activity, service, or use.

Use by scientific, educational, and therapeutic institutions or nonprofit organizations are considered commercial when all of the above criteria are met. Nonprofit status of a group or organization does not, by itself, make that group or organization's event or activity noncommercial. Profit-making organizations are automatically classified as commercial, even if that part of their activity covered by the permit is not for-profit. Examples of commercial activities include any fund-raising activity, outfitting and guiding services, college backpacking courses for credit, off-highway vehicle tours, and horseback trail rides.

2. Competitive Use

Competitive use means any organized, sanctioned, or structured use, event, or activity on public land in which two or more contestants compete and either of the following elements applies:

1. Participants register, enter, or complete an application for the event
2. BLM-Alaska designates a predetermined course or area for the event

One or more individuals contesting an established record, such as speed or endurance, is also a competitive use.

Examples of competitive events include off-highway vehicle races, horse endurance rides, snowmachine races, sled dog races, skiing competitions, orienteering, and Eco-Challenge events.

3. Vending

Special Recreation Permits for vending are temporary, short-term, non-exclusive, revocable authorizations to sell goods or services on public lands in conjunction with a recreational activity. These permits do not authorize permanent structures and do not grant preferential rights for renewal or any possessory interests in real property on public lands or related waters.

Examples of vendor permits include T-shirt sales in conjunction with a group activity, a food or souvenir stand at a sled dog race, selling firewood, or repairing vehicles at a snowmachine event.

4. Special Area Use

Special Recreation Permits may be required for individual (private, noncommercial) recreational use in Special Areas. Special Areas are areas officially designated by statute or Secretarial Order. They include components of the National Trails System, the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, National Conservation Areas, National Monuments, and National Recreation Areas.

Special Areas may also be designated through the BLM's land use planning process or through a determination by the authorized officer that protection of resources requires special management and control measures. Examples of individual permits for Special Areas include floating the Unalakleet National Wild River or using pack horses along the Iditarod National Historic Trail.

5. Organized Group Activity and Event Use

Special Recreation Permits for organized groups or events are intended for group outdoor recreational activities or events that are neither commercial nor competitive. The authorized officer determines when a permit is required based on planning decisions, resource concerns, potential user conflicts, or public health and safety issues. A group is loosely defined as more than one person participating in a recreational activity or event. The threshold size of a group requiring a permit may be established for different areas of use. For example, 10 people in a sensitive riparian area may constitute an organized group, but a less-sensitive upland area may be able to handle 200 people without the need for special management. Thresholds are based on recreation planning decisions, resource concerns, potential user conflicts, and public health and safety.

Other examples of groups or events that may require a permit include a large campout for a youth activity (such as Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts), a fraternity activity, a large family reunion held at a BLM recreation site, or historical reenactments.

6. Commercial Photography and Filming

Commercial photography and filming will require a separate authorization under 43 CFR 2920. Please contact the local field office manager (see page 15) for assistance.

Special Rules for Guide/Outfitter Camps on Public Land

BLM-Alaska requires that all guide/outfitter camps on public land be authorized in advance by the office issuing the Special Recreation Permit. Authorization is needed any time a permittee plans to camp on public land, whether at base camps or more temporary "spike camps." Although authorization for a camp is given only for that season of use when it would be used for the permitted activity, the authorization is valid for the life of the permit. Check with the issuing office to see if guide/outfitter camps may be authorized for the area you are interested in.

For overnight guide/outfitter camps, an Operating Plan (Appendix B) is required. The plan needs to specify what facilities will be provided and which measures will be implemented to protect resources and reduce safety hazards.

The BLM has established limits on the number of allowable guide/outfitter permittees and/or overnight camps in certain areas. Check with the appropriate BLM Field Office for current information regarding these areas.

Special Recreation Permit Details

General Policy

Special Recreation Permits are issued at the discretion of the authorized officer. The officer may, at any time and without prior notice, choose not to issue permits for certain activities or use areas. These decisions will be based on a variety of factors, such as planning decisions, potential resource impacts, existing outfitters in the same area, overcrowding, and past poor performance.

The BLM will base Special Recreation Permit decisions on the following factors, to the extent that they are relevant:

- Conformance with laws and land use plans
- Public safety
- Conflicts with other uses
- Resource protection
- The public interest served
- Past compliance with BLM-Alaska and other agencies
- Other information appropriate to the Special Recreation Permit

Some developed recreational facilities require Recreation Use Permits or campground fees, for site use. Please check with the appropriate BLM office for possible new individual or group permit requirements when planning your outing.

Length of Time to Process an Application

Unless otherwise noted, applicants must submit Special Recreation Permit applications to the local BLM office at least 180 days before the intended use begins. The BLM will alert the public through local media and/or its Web site when it requires permits for specific types of use. The BLM may allow shorter application times (typically 60 to 90 days) for activities or events that do not require extensive environmental documentation or external consultation.

Exceptions

(Note: The following exceptions may not apply to Special Recreation Permits for Special Areas where permits are required or in areas where carrying capacity has been reached and use is allocated.)

The authorized officer may waive permit requirements when:

- A. The use or event begins and ends on non-public lands or related waters, traverses less than a total of one mile of public lands or one shoreline mile, and poses no threat of significant damage to public land or water resource values. Example: An outfitter crosses 40 acres of BLM-administered public land on an existing trail to access his/her hunting camp located on State land.

1. Events and activities that occur entirely on borough or State roads generally do not require a Special Recreation Permit. However, with roads located on or adjacent to public lands, the BLM may require and issue a Special Recreation Permit to protect public land resources, ensure public health and safety, and avoid conflicts with other public land users. The BLM must require a permit if the event will involve monitoring, stipulations, insurance, or bonding.
 2. Most rights-of-way, including borough roads, non-binding determinations, and adjudicated R.S. 2477 routes, are non-exclusive. The BLM may permit any activity not provided for in the right-of-way grant. This includes any route or trail claimed under R.S. 2477 that has not been adjudicated or issued to another entity through a right-of-way.
- B. The use is sponsored or co-sponsored by the BLM. The agency will co-sponsor an event only when there is a clear benefit to BLM-managed public lands and a direct association to accomplishing a management objective or purpose as outlined in a land use plan. Examples include service work associated with a National Public Lands Day Event, National Trails Day, National River Cleanup Week, or a university group the BLM has asked to do scientific or social impact studies for an area or project.
- C. A non-commercial competitive event complies with land use plan decisions and designations, does not award cash prizes, is not publicly advertised, poses no risk for damage to public land or related water resource values, and requires no management and monitoring. Examples include a fun run held on borough roads crossing BLM public lands when the participants do not leave the road right-of-way, or a scout troop challenging another troop in an orienteering event.
- D. An organized group activity or event is not commercial, is not publicly advertised, poses no appreciable risk for damage to public land or related water resource values, and requires no specific management or monitoring. Examples include a family reunion held in a non-fee BLM recreation site or a bird-watching outing on BLM public lands sponsored by the local Audubon Society. The authorized officer may issue a Letter of Agreement documenting the BLM's determination that the proposed activity does not require a permit. A Letter of Agreement does not constitute an authorization.
- E. Non-recreational uses such as scientific research projects are requested by the BLM, or administrative use is requested by other federal or state agencies. Examples include fish sampling, bird counts, boating safety patrols, and law enforcement patrols. These generally do not require Special Recreation Permits as such uses are not managed under these regulations. However, individual permits in special areas may still be required.

Length and Scope of Special Recreation Permits

The BLM's Special Recreation Permits authorize use only on public lands managed by the BLM. The BLM has no authority to permit or regulate recreational use of other lands, such as private, State, national forest, National Wildlife Refuges, National Parks, etc. All commercial recreational operations are required to obtain a business license to operate in the State of Alaska.

Special Recreation Permits may be issued for periods of 1 to 10 years, depending on factors such as type of proposed recreational activity; area activity is to occur, and applicant's past record. The first year of a Special Recreation Permit is normally a probationary period.

For a hunting guide/outfitter Special Recreation Permit, the applicant must be able to obtain, prior to the actual use period, a guide license from the Alaska Department of Commerce as required by State law. Guide/outfitter hunting Special Recreation Permits authorize use in only those hunt areas where the the Alaska Department of Commerce has approved the permittee to operate. For fishing, river use, and other guide/outfitter services, the Special Recreation Permit authorizes use only on the particular river or public lands covered by the submitted Operating Plan and the BLM's environmental analysis of the proposed activities.

Use Fees

The minimum annual nonrefundable fee for a Special Recreation Permit is currently \$95 and is adjusted every three years. At the end of each season, the permittee must pay BLM 3% of their gross revenue (allowing certain deductions for lodging and transportation) if this amount exceeds the annual fee already paid. Additional fees will be assessed for competitive use and organized groups and events. Gross revenue includes total income generated from the permitted activity before deducting costs such as insurance, prizes, other permit or license fees, etc. Gross revenue also includes total supplemental money collected through sponsor contributions and other donations or through the sale of clothing, insignia, specialized equipment, or food and beverage when sold as part of a permitted activity.

Annual Special Recreation Permit applicants are to make pre-season payments equal to their estimated total client charges for the amount of use proposed in their application, minus allowable proposed deductions, multiplied by 3%. First-time applicants should make pre-season payments based on total estimated seasonal use. The BLM may charge additional fees, such as for grazing of saddle and pack stock. Multi-year permittees normally make pre-season use fee payments equal to their previous year's final total seasonal payments.

At the BLM's discretion, applicants whose projected use fees exceed \$1,000 may make periodic advance payments instead of one lump sum pre-season payment. Contact the managing BLM Field Office for details.

The 3% of gross revenue figure may be reduced further due to discounts for time spent off public lands or deductions for off-site transportation and lodging costs borne by the guide/outfitter.

Table 1 illustrates how time spent off public lands would reduce fees due the BLM.

Table 1 – DISCOUNT FOR NON-PUBLIC LAND USE

Percentage of Total Time on Public Lands or Related Waters	Fee	Multiplication Reduction Factor
Less than 6%	80%	.20
6%–60%	40%	.60
61%–100%	None	None

Deductions are allowed for certain transportation and lodging costs incurred before the client's arrival at the beginning of the trip, and after departure at the end of the trip. For example, airplane travel to the permittee's headquarters before the start of the trip is an allowable deduction. These deductions *do not* include costs incurred between the permittee's headquarters or local community and the public lands, or costs incurred during the trip regardless of public or private land status. The permittee may be required to provide a signed Trip Log (Appendix C) as well as lodging receipts or other information specified by the authorized officer to support requests for fee reductions and deductions.

Cost Recovery

Cost recovery is a charge the BLM collects to defray the actual costs of personnel, vehicles, travel, and materials required to issue, administer and monitor the permit.

The BLM has been directed to recover costs of processing and administering the Special Recreation Permits. At the discretion of the issuing Field Office, additional charges may be levied to cover these costs. These costs may be greater for new permits or for substantial changes to existing permits. Because these charges are administrative, they will be in addition to any normal use fees incurred. The authorized officer will notify affected applicants of these charges in writing within 30 days of receiving applications.

50-hour Threshold

Cost recovery is discretionary for Special Recreation Permits requiring less than 50 hours of administrative work. For permits requiring 50 or more hours, BLM policy makes cost recovery mandatory, beginning with the first hour.

For commercial users, cost recovery charges are in addition to the fees (\$95 or 3%). For competitive or organized group permits exceeding the 50-hour threshold, cost recovery will be charged in addition to the fee schedule unless anticipated fees exceed the cost-recovery charge. When cost recovery is necessary, the authorized officer will notify the applicant of potential charges in writing within 30 days of receipt of the application.

Other Fees Associated with Special Recreation Permits

Exclusive Use Fees

Normally, Special Recreation Permits are issued for nonexclusive use of an area. On occasion, the BLM may grant exclusive use of a site to conduct permitted activities when necessary to protect public health or safety or to eliminate user and resource conflicts. In such cases, an annual or per occurrence exclusive use fee will be charged in addition to other permit fees. Fees will be based on fair market value for exclusive use. The exclusive use fee shall be equal to or higher than the assigned site fee of \$190 (see next section). Exclusive use of sites related to a permit shall be temporary in nature, and any temporary structures or improvements will be removed at the conclusion of the event or activity.

Assigned Site Fees

The BLM may charge an assigned site fee for exclusive *commercial* use of specific sites (such as a base or spike camp) during a specified date. Assignment of a site for commercial use does not preclude public use. Assigned sites are temporary, and any temporary structures, such as wall tents or improvements, must be removed immediately at the conclusion of the event or activity unless otherwise authorized. The fee for each assigned site is currently \$190 and is in addition to annual permit fees. The applicant must submit a detailed legal description (or GPS coordinates, map, or equivalent) of the requested site(s) to the BLM to avoid having multiple activities occurring at the same site at the same time.

Insurance

All commercial and competitive Special Recreation Permits require an insurance policy covering property damage, personal injury, and comprehensive public liability. Liability insurance may also be required for vending or organized group activities and events. This insurance provides restitution for damage or injury to participants, spectators, or privately owned resources. It also protects the United States from litigation resulting from actions taken or caused by the permittee or participants.

At a minimum, the permittee shall have in force public liability insurance covering (1) damage to property in the amount of \$30,000 and (2) damage to persons (bodily injury or death) in the amount of \$300,000 per occurrence. The policy shall have a minimum aggregate limit of \$600,000. The coverage shall extend to property damage, bodily injury, or death arising out of the permittee's operations under the permit, including, but not limited to, the occupancy or use of the lands, structures, facilities, or equipment authorized by the permit. The insurance shall name the United States as "additional insured" and provide for specific coverage for the permittee's contractually assumed obligation to indemnify the United States. The policy shall also contain a specific provision or rider to the effect that the policy shall not be canceled or its provisions changed or deleted before a 30-day written notice is issued by the insurance company to the BLM. The permittee shall indemnify and hold harmless the United States against any liability for personal injury, loss of life, or property damage arising in any way from activities under the permit.

The permittee must submit a valid certificate of insurance covering the authorized activity prior to initiating operations. The authorized officer may require the permittee to furnish a copy of the insurance policy. The name on the insurance policy or certificate of insurance must be the same as the name on the Special Recreation Permit. Those permittees holding insurance policies that only insure the permittee and not the permittee's employees must ensure their employees also have the required insurance in effect, and that a certificate of insurance is furnished to the authorized officer. For multi-year permits, the insurance need only be valid during periods of actual use.

Bonds

The authorized officer may require the posting of a cash or surety bond, or other guarantee sufficient to defray the cost of restoration, reclamation, or rehabilitation of public lands affected by the Special Recreation Permit. Based on past experience, performance bonds generally fall into the \$2,000–\$4,000 range for those proposed actions requiring a bond. Bonding requirements vary widely depending on the proposed action. The authorized officer has the discretion to require performance bonds outside of this range. Bonds and guarantees will be returned to the permittee upon satisfactory compliance of permit stipulations, including any reclamation or rehabilitation requirements.

Contents of Your Special Recreation Permit

Your Special Recreation Permit application needs to include the following items:

- A completed Special Recreation Application and Permit form (Appendix A). The form must contain the applicant's original signature and date; faxed copies are not acceptable. The signer of the Special Recreation Permit Application and Permit is considered the applicant.
- A signed Operating Plan (see Appendix B)
- If applicable, a request for an Assigned Site (see page 7)
- A U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) topographic map indicating the proposed area(s) of use (such as aircraft landing area(s), base and/or spike camp(s), trail and trailhead(s), river segment(s), etc.)

BLM-Alaska may require this additional information before your Special Recreation Permit can be authorized:

- A copy of your current Alaska Business License. Licenses can be obtained online from the State of Alaska at www.dced.state.ak.us/occ/apps/BLEC_Start.cfm.
- For commercial hunting guides, copies of Alaska Master or Registered Guide/Outfitter licenses for all persons authorized to conduct business under the BLM permit. If applicable, copies of Assistant Guide/Outfitter licenses are also required.
- A copy of a current insurance policy for the proposed activity. The policy must list the "United States" as "Additionally Insured." The minimum general liability limits

are \$30,000 for property damage, \$300,000 per occurrence for bodily injury or death, and \$600,000 annual aggregate. The authorized officer will inform you of your exact insurance requirements, depending on the type of your proposed use.

- A minimum \$95 annual nonrefundable permit fee or 3% of projected gross receipts, whichever is greater. Competitive use fee payments are calculated at \$4 per user day or 3% of gross receipts, whichever is greater. Individual or group fee payments are calculated at \$4 per user day.

Supplemental Information

For any Special Recreation Permit application (other than Special Area permits issued to individuals), the authorized officer may require the applicant to submit supplemental information in sufficient detail to evaluate the extent and impact of the proposed activity. Examples include:

- a. Statements of financial capability
- b. Certificates of safety training
- c. List and condition of equipment or livestock that will be used
- d. Layout and description of facilities (site plan) that will be used at requested sites
- e. Samples of proposed advertising, brochures, entrance fees, prizes, and customer rates
- f. A letter of non-objection or permit granting permission to use private or other agency land (such as State or Native-selected lands) in conjunction with public land
- g. Personal or professional experience relating to the activity, and references
- h. Other required federal, state, or local licenses, such as guide/outfitter licenses and/or hunt registrations required by the State of Alaska
- i. Documentation of business agreements or contracts, such as names of owners, partnership agreements, or articles of incorporation
- j. Demonstration of ability to obtain bonding

Applications must be complete and accurate when submitted. Any omissions or errors may delay processing.

General Terms and Conditions

In addition to the terms included on Special Recreation Permit and Application form (see Appendix A), the following general terms are applicable to and made part of all Special Recreation Permits.

- A. The permittee shall comply with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, regulations, orders, postings, or written requirements applicable to the area or operations covered by the Special Recreation Permit. The permittee shall ensure that all persons operating under the authorization have obtained all required federal, state, and local licenses or registrations. The permittee shall make every reasonable effort to ensure compliance with these requirements by all agents of the permittee and by all clients, customers, participants, or spectators under the permittee's supervision.

- B. A Special Recreation Permit authorizes special uses of public lands and related waters and, should circumstances warrant, the BLM may at any time modify the permit, including the amount of use. The authorized officer may suspend a permit if necessary to protect public resources, health, safety, the environment, or noncompliance with permit stipulations. Actions by the BLM to suspend or terminate a permit are appealable (see page 13).
- C. No value shall be assigned to or claimed for the permit, or for the occupancy or use of federal lands or related waters granted thereupon. The permit privileges are not to be considered property on which the permittee shall be entitled to earn or receive any return, income, price or compensation. The use of a permit as collateral is not recognized by the BLM.
- D. Unless expressly stated, the Special Recreation Permit does not grant the permittee exclusive use of an area. The permittee shall not interfere with other valid uses of the public land by other users. The United States reserves the right to use any part of the area for any purpose.
- E. The permittee or permittee's representative may not assign, contract, or sublease any portion of the permit authorization or interest therein, directly or indirectly, voluntarily or involuntarily. However, contracting of equipment or services may be approved in advance by the authorized officer if necessary to supplement a permittee's operations. Such contracting should not constitute more than half of the required equipment or services for any one trip, and the permittee must retain operational control of the permitted activity. If equipment or services are contracted, the permittee shall continue to be responsible for compliance with all stipulations and conditions of the permit.
- F. All advertising and representations made to the public and the authorized officer must be accurate. Although the BLM's address and phone numbers may be included in the materials, official agency symbols may not be used. The permittee shall not use advertising that attempts to portray or represent the activities as being conducted by the BLM. The permittee may not portray or represent the permit fees as special federal user's tax. The permittee must furnish the authorized officer with any brochure and price list if requested by the authorized officer.
- G. The permittee must assume responsibility for inspecting the permitted area for any existing hazardous conditions, such as trail and route conditions, landslides, avalanches, rocks, changing water or weather conditions, falling limbs or trees, submerged objects, hazardous wildlife, or other hazards that present risks for which the permittee assumes responsibility.
- H. In the event of default on a mortgage or other indebtedness, such as bankruptcy, creditors shall not succeed to the operating rights or privileges of the permittee's Special Recreation Permit.
- I. Unless specifically authorized, the permittee cannot, erect, construct or place any building, structure, or other fixture on public lands. On leaving, the lands must be restored as nearly as possible to pre-existing conditions.
- J. The permittee must present or display a copy of the Special Recreation Permit to an authorized officer's representative or law enforcement personnel on request. If required, the

permittee must display a copy of the permit or other identification tag on the equipment used during the period of authorized use.

- K. The authorized officer, or the authorized officer's representative, may examine any of the records or other documents related to the permit, the permittee or the permittee's operator, employee, or agent for up to three years after expiration of the permit.
- L. A Post Use Report shall be completed by each applicant and submitted to the BLM along with the appropriate fees by January 1 (or a date agreed to by the authorized officer) of every year the permit is in effect. If the BLM does not receive the Post Use Report and appropriate fees for the preceding year within 15 calendar days after the report and fees were due, the BLM will charge a late payment fee of \$25. If the BLM does not receive the report and appropriate fees, including the late payment fee, within 30 calendar days after the January 1 or negotiated due date, the BLM may collect other administrative fees and initiate collection actions. In addition, the permit shall be temporarily suspended for failure to comply with the terms, conditions, and stipulations of the permit.

If the BLM does not receive the report, appropriate fees, late payment fee, and any administrative fees within 90 calendar days after the January 1 due date, the BLM may terminate your authorization. The appropriate fees, late payment fee, and any administrative fees shall remain a debt owed to the United States. If payment is made for appropriate fees, late payment fee, and any administrative fees after the BLM has terminated the Special Recreation Permit, the BLM does not automatically reinstate the authorization. You must file a new permit application with the BLM. The BLM will consider the history of the permittee's failure to submit reports and pay fees on time in deciding whether to issue a new authorization.

Before the BLM suspends or terminates a Special Recreation Permit, it will send a written notice stating that it intends to suspend or terminate the authorization, identifying the grounds for such action. The notice will give the permittee a reasonable opportunity to correct any noncompliance or to start or resume use as appropriate.

BLM-Alaska Stipulations

In addition to the *General Terms and Conditions* listed above, the authorized officer may require the permittee to comply with any reasonable stipulations or conditions necessary to protect the lands or resources involved, reduce user conflicts, or minimize health and safety hazards. The authorized officer develops the permit terms and conditions in consultation with the permittee(s) and others as appropriate, including state and federal land managing agencies, state outfitter licensing boards, outfitter/guide associations, state fish and game agencies, and Native advisory councils. Any such stipulations will also be made part of the permit and used in the evaluation process.

These stipulations are a legal part of the Special Recreation Permit and must be left attached to the permit. The permittee must have the Special Recreation Permit (or a legible copy) in possession during use of permitted areas. It is the permittee's responsibility to ensure that these

stipulations are fully understood. Failure to comply may result in the loss of Special Recreation Permit privileges.

Where to Apply

Special Recreation Permit applications should be filed with the BLM Field Office administering the public lands where most of the proposed use would occur. For BLM Field Office locations please refer to page 15.

Annual Performance Evaluations

A performance evaluation is required for all commercial and competitive permittees and may be required for other types of permits. The purpose of a performance evaluation is to evaluate a permittee's performance and compliance with the stipulations of the Special Recreation Permit. Performance evaluations are usually conducted at the end of the Special Recreation Permit term but may be done at other times, such as when there are changes in operating plans or procedures, when violations of the permit occur, prior to the issuance of a new use authorization to an existing permittee, or prior to Special Recreation Permit renewal.

- A. The permittee will be given written notice of results of annual performance evaluations not later than 90 days after the conclusion of the permittee's operating season. The evaluation will include the permittee's level of performance and the status of corrections that may be required to retain the multi-year Special Recreation Permit.
- B. Compliance with other federal, state, and local laws or regulations is a key consideration in performance evaluations. However, the BLM shall not conduct detailed inspections or evaluations to ensure compliance with other agency's regulations as part of the Special Recreation Permit administration process. The BLM's role is to request or arrange for, as necessary, the other agency to carry out its responsibility. Certain exceptions may be outlined and provided for in cooperative agreements or memoranda of understanding.
- C. Important considerations in the development of the evaluations are the degree of compliance with conditions of the Special Recreation Permit and operating plans, the protection of resource values, and the quality of services rendered to the public.
- D. Four different performance levels are recognized: superior, acceptable, probationary and unacceptable. An opportunity to address probationary or unacceptable performance items may be given to the permittee consistent with other stipulations in the permit, and prior to any decision regarding cancellation or other disciplinary measures. Ratings are confidential between the BLM and the permittee, to the extent allowable by law or regulation. If a permittee receives a probationary or unacceptable summary rating, notification of such rating may be forwarded to the State of Alaska's guide/outfitter licensing board. A copy of the completed evaluation will be maintained in the permittee's file.

- 1. Superior Performance** means that the permittee has operated at an exceptional level that is beyond the terms and conditions established by the permit. This may include cleaning up litter from someone else's camp or from a different operator, or submission of a detailed Post Use Report that indicates fish species caught and specific location.
- 2. Acceptable Performance** means that the permittee has generally operated in accordance with the terms and conditions established for the Special Recreation Permit. This may include some minor deficiencies that need correction. If deficiencies persist after a reasonable time period following notification, they may result in a probationary rating. Permittees with acceptable ratings are generally eligible for permit renewal where continued use is consistent with planning and other appropriate factors.
- 3. Probationary Performance** means that the permittee has not operated in full accordance with the terms and conditions of the Special Recreation Permit. Performance does not pose an immediate threat to the safety of guests or others, is not in violation of law, and does not pose a threat of significant resource damage. Corrective action by the holder is mandatory, and continued operation at this level of performance is unacceptable. Examples of items that could lead to a probationary rating include required reports and fee payments that are repeatedly delinquent; approved itineraries and/or schedules that are not followed; changes to camp layout or operating plans that are made without communicating with the authorized officer; or allocation limits that are exceeded. The basis for the rating will be clearly documented on the rating form or attachments. A permittee given a probationary performance rating will only qualify for a Special Recreation Permit not to exceed one year, and permits with remaining periods of more than one year will be amended. If the permittee receives a probationary level two years in a row, the authorized officer may suspend or terminate the permit and/or deny future permit applications. Special Recreation Permits in probationary status will not be eligible for transfer to another permittee.
- 4. Unacceptable Performance** means that the permittee has not operated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Special Recreation Permit and cannot be allowed to continue. The level of performance is a threat to the safety of guests or others or involves a serious violation of law, significant resource damage, or major violation of administrative or financial obligations. Examples include failure to obtain necessary licenses or registration; recurrent or serious violations of fish and game laws, outfitter/guide laws and regulations; failure to pay fees or comply with insurance requirements; falsification of records; and public endangerment. An unacceptable performance rating will result in suspension, termination, or revocation of Special Recreation Permit privileges as appropriate to the circumstances.

Protests and Appeals

The decisions of the authorized officer regarding Special Recreation Permits, including suspensions or terminations, may be protested to the authorized officer and/or appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals. For more information on how to protest or appeal a decision, please contact one of the BLM field offices listed on page 15.

BLM-Alaska Field Offices

www.blm.gov/ak

Anchorage Field Office

6881 Elmore Road
Anchorage, AK 99507-2591
(907) 267-1459
1-800-478-1263

Glennallen Field Office

P.O. Box 147
Glennallen, AK 99588
(907) 822-3217

Arctic Field Office

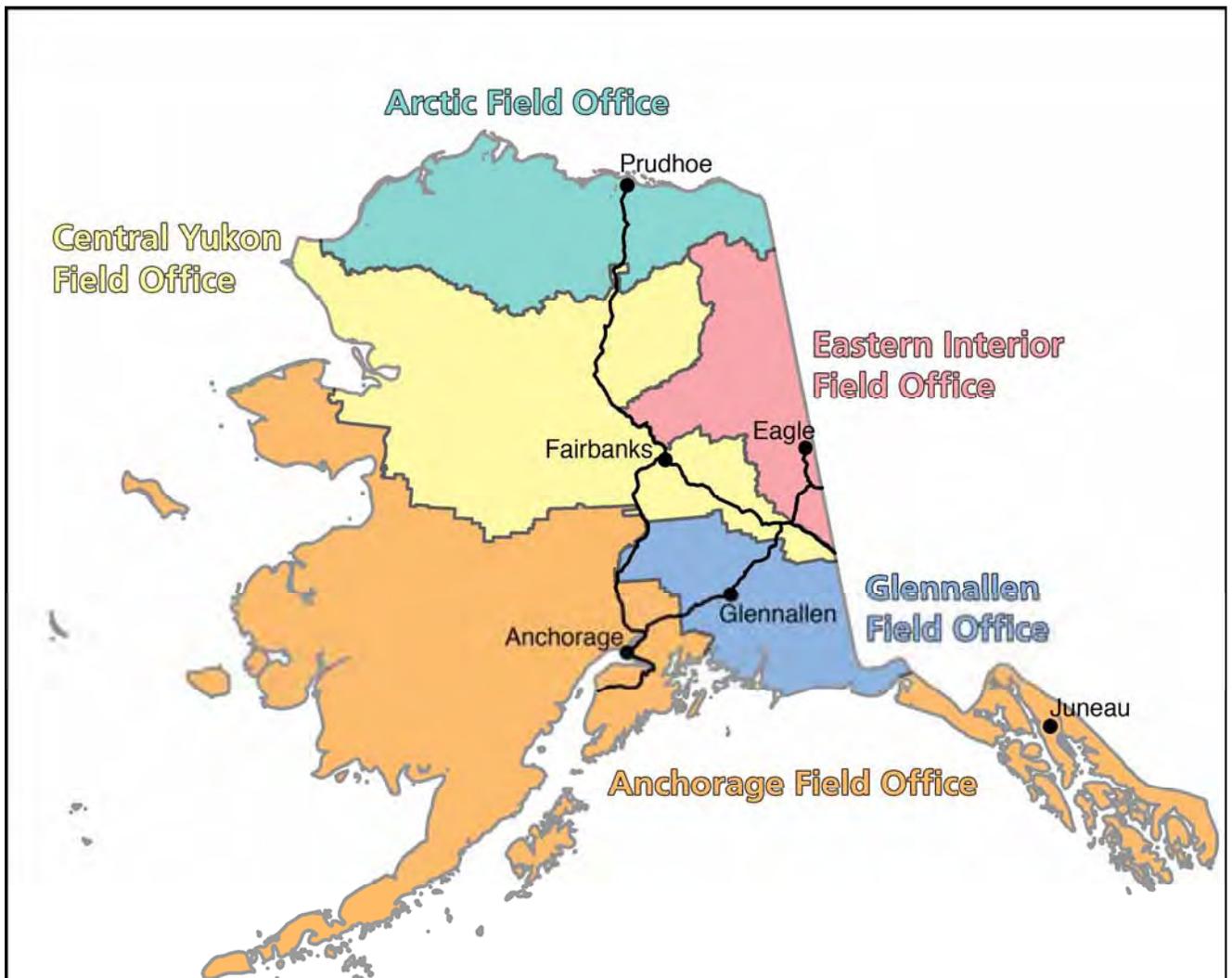
1150 University Avenue
Fairbanks, AK 99709-3844
1-800-437-7021

Central Yukon Field Office

1150 University Avenue
Fairbanks, AK 99709-3844
1-800-437-7021

Eastern Interior Field Office

1150 University Avenue
Fairbanks, AK 99709-3844
1-800-437-7021



APPENDIX A

You can download this form from BLM-Alaska's Web site (www.blm.gov/ak) and fill it out on your computer.

Form 2930-1
(August 2007)
(Formerly 8370-1)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

FORM APPROVED
OMB NO. 1004-0119
Expires: August 31, 2010

SPECIAL RECREATION APPLICATION AND PERMIT

(43 U.S.C 1201; 43 U.S.C. 1701; 16 U.S.C. 460 L-6(a); and 43 CFR Group 2930)

Permit No. _____

Instructions: Complete Items 1 through 18, and return to appropriate Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Office.
(Use additional sheets, if necessary.)

Type or Print Plainly in Ink

WHEN SIGNED BY AUTHORIZED BLM OFFICIAL, THIS PERMIT AUTHORIZES

1. New Application Renewal of Existing Permit 2. Name of Business or Organization

3. Your Name 4. E-mail address (optional)

5. Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number

6. Address (include zip code)

7. Phone No. (include area code)

8. Fax No. (include area code)

9. Applicant is: Sole Proprietor Partnership Corporation Individual
(If corporation, attach copy of Articles of Incorporation and Certificate unless already on file.)

10. Name(s) and phone number(s) (include area code(s)) of person(s) authorized to conduct business with BLM concerning the permit.

11. Application is for (check all that apply): Commercial Competitive Event Organized Groups Vending Individual

12. To use the following public lands/related waters (provide name, legal description and/or attach map).

13. For the following purpose (provide full description of activity or event including number of anticipated participants and spectators).

14. Dates of proposed use: Beginning Date: _____ Ending Date: _____
OR Leave the above dates blank if applying for renewal of multi-year permit.

15. Describe facilities including water and sanitation facilities you intend to provide, attach operations plans, location maps, and insurance certificate prepayment. (Include your name on each document.)

16. Attach the following documents: Operations Plan, Maps, Certificate of Insurance, Prepayment of Fees, and other documents requested by BLM. (Include your name on each document):

17. Do you have a permit with BLM/USFS? Yes No If so, where?

17a. Have you had a permit previously? Yes No If so, where?

17b. Have you ever been denied or had a permit revoked? Yes No If so, where?

17c. Have you forfeited a bond or other security? Yes No If so, where?

17d. Are there any pending investigations against you? Yes No If so, where?

17e. Have you been convicted of violations regarding natural resources, cultural resources or any activity related to your proposed permit?
 Yes No If so, where?

(Continued on page 2)

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
*(The conditions and stipulations required by
the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) are checked below)*

The following must be submitted before an application is approved and a permit issued. This information must be submitted within days after the date of application:

- a. A topographic map, showing area of proposed use with routes, parking, staging areas, proposed improvements, and other points of intensive use specifically identified. U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) topographic quadrangle maps are available from USGS offices and from numerous private concerns. *Planning unit maps* are also available at most BLM District Offices to help determine land ownership patterns.
- b. Applicant must inform other pertinent private landowners and/or public agencies (*law enforcement, highway, fish and game, etc.*). BLM will contact other authorized users of authorized users of public lands, etc.

- c. A certificate from an insurer that comprehensive insurance has been obtained for this use or event in the amount specified by the BLM. The certificate must name the U.S. Government as additional insured, and give the BLM 30 days notice of cancellation or modification of such insurance.
- d. An acceptable bond, surety, cash deposit, or other acceptable guarantee of payment in amount of \$ _____ to secure payment of the special recreation use fee and/or mitigation of damages.

PERMITS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:
*(The conditions and stipulations required by
the BLM are checked below.)*

- 1. This permit is issued for the period specified. It is revocable for any breach of conditions or at the discretion of the BLM, at any time upon notice. This permit is subject to valid adverse claims heretofore or hereafter acquired.
- 2. This permit is subject to all applicable provisions of the regulations (43 CFR Group 2930).
- 3. This permit is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, which sets forth the Equal Opportunity clauses. A copy of this order may be obtained from the BLM.
- 4. This permit may not be reassigned or transferred by permittee.
- 5. Permittee must pay the sum of estimated user fees in advance of permit issuance. Adjustments to use fee charges will be based on actual use reported on the Post Use Report.
- 6. Permittee must observe all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations applicable to the premises; to erection or maintenance of signs or advertising displays including the regulations for the protection of game birds and animals, and must keep the premises in a neat, orderly manner, and sanitary condition.
- 7. Permittee must take all reasonable precautions to prevent and suppress forest, brush, and grass fires, and to prevent polluting of waters on or in vicinity of the public lands.
- 8. Permittee must not enclose roads or trails commonly in public use.

- 9. Permittee must pay the United States for any damage to its property resulting from this use.
- 10. Permittee must notify the BLM of address change immediately.
- 11. Permittee must not cut any timber on the public lands without prior written permission from the BLM.
- 12. Permittee must indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the United States and/or its agencies and representatives against and from any and all demands, claims, or liabilities of every nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, damages to property, injuries to or death of persons, arising directly or indirectly from, or in any way connected with the permittee's use and occupancy of the public lands described in this permit or with the event authorized under this permit.R
- 13. Representatives of the Department of the Interior, other Federal agencies, and game wardens must at all times, have the right to enter the premises on official business.
- 14. Permittee must abide by all special stipulations attached.
- 15. Permittee must not disturb archeological and historical values, including, but not limited to, petroglyphs, ruins, historic buildings, and artifacts.
- 16. Permittee must leave in place any hidden cultural values uncovered through authorized operations.

Certification of Information: I CERTIFY the information in this application is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and is given in good faith. I acknowledge that I (we) am (are) required to comply with any conditions or stipulations that are required by the BLM when the permit is issued.

(Signature of Applicant)

(Date)

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212 make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

Special Recreation Permit No. _____ is: Commercial Competitive Event Organized Groups Vending Individual
This application is hereby approved subject to the conditions and special stipulations on reverse and any attachments.

(Signature of BLM)

(Date)

PERMITEE MUST HAVE THIS PERMIT (OR LEGIBLE COPY) IN POSSESSION DURING USE IN PERMITTED AREAS.

NOTICES

The Privacy Act of 1974 and the regulation in 43 CFR 2.48(d) provide that you be furnished the following information, in connection with information required by this application.

AUTHORITY: 43 U.S.C. 1201; 43 CFR Group 2930.

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: BLM will use the information you provide to determine whether or not to issue you a Special Recreation Permit. BLM will use some of the information to determine your qualifications for the permit and the other information to determine the merits of your proposal.

ROUTINE USES: BLM will disclose the information according to the release information contained in the regulations at 43 CFR 2.56(d).

EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION: Disclosing the information is necessary to receive a benefit. Not disclosing the information may result in the BLM's rejecting your application.

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires us to inform you that:

BLM will use the information to determine whether or not to issue you a Special Recreation Permit.

Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit.

BLM would like you to know that you do not have to respond to this or any other Federal agency-sponsored information collection unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

BURDEN HOURS STATEMENT: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 8 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this form to U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (1004-0119), Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), 1849 C Street, N.W., Mail Stop 401 LS, Washington, D.C. 20240.

APPENDIX B

United States Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management
Alaska

Operating Plan for Commercial Activities

BLM Permit, # _____
(Agency Use Only)

This operating plan is what the BLM uses to better understand your proposed activities. Once the Special Recreation Permit is issued, this plan, along with your compliance with permit stipulations, will be evaluated at the end of the year or event.

COMPANY _____ DATE _____

Check all items that apply and fill in the blanks with details. If additional space is needed, attach supplemental pages. If a section does not apply, indicate with N/A.

1. Company Information: (Circle one) Individual Partnership Corporation

- a. Owner/Partner(s) Names: _____
b. Phone number where messages are regularly picked up: (____) _____
c. Other contact if you are unavailable (emergencies only): Name: _____ Phone (____) _____
d. Do you use satellite phones for operations or emergencies? [] Yes [] No
e. If yes, what frequencies do you use? _____
f. Year company was established: _____ Years with current owner: _____
g. What services does your company offer that is unique for clients/visitors on public lands?

2. Estimate the amount and season of use expected this year. This can be done by day, week, season, month, or type of activity. (Attach another sheet if needed.)

Table with 4 columns: ACTIVITY, USE DATES (begin to end), ESTIMATE TOTAL # OF CLIENT DAYS, LOCATION. Includes lines for data entry.

3. River Related Services and Competitive Events (List number of craft owned and check all other services provided). If you are not providing services on rivers, please go on to #3b.

- a. [] Boating [] Oar Rafts [] Canoes
[] Kayaks [] Inflatable Kayaks [] Motorboats
[] Jet Skis [] Drift Boats [] Paddle Boats
[] Fishing [] Photography [] Shuttle Service
[] Instructional Classes (Describe): _____
[] Services for People with Disabilities (Describe): _____

Competitive Event (Describe): _____

Other (Describe): _____

b. **Duration:** Day Use Overnight Use

c. **Do you rent or hire boats or other equipment?** Yes No

If yes, describe: _____

d. **Location where you propose to operate:**

RIVER NAME / SECTION	PUT-IN	TAKE-OUT	FREQUENT STOPS / CAMPS
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

4. Outfitting and Competitive Events (Check all that apply):

a. Guide Service Moose Bear Fishing Other Game: _____

Packing Service (camps, game, etc.) Horseback Trail Rides Mountain Bike Rides

Cross Country Skiing Snowmobile Tours 4-Wheel Drive Tours

Horse & Pack Animal Rent/Delivery

Services for People with Disabilities (Describe): _____

Competitive Event (Describe): _____

Other (Describe): _____

b. **Duration:** Day Use Overnight Use

c. **Are you proposing to set up temporary facilities, caches, or staging facilities?** Yes No

(Please list by Township, Range, Section, Meridian and subdivision to nearest 40 acre parcel.)

Location	Dates of Use	BLM, State, or Private Lands?
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____

d. **Are you proposing to set up base camp or spike/drop camps?** Yes No

If yes, please complete the following and describe facilities that you are providing for each:

Location:	Dates of Use	BLM, USFS, State, or Private Land?
_____	_____ to _____	_____
Facilities: _____		

Location: _____	_____ to _____	_____
Facilities: _____		

Location: _____	_____ to _____	_____
Facilities: _____		

(Camps and facilities located on BLM public lands are subject to BLM Field Office Manager's approval.)

e. **Are you requesting authorization to camp more than 14 days at one place?** Yes No

	Dates of Use	BLM, USFS, State, or Private Land?
Location: _____	_____ to _____	_____
Facilities: _____		
Location: _____	_____ to _____	_____
Facilities: _____		
Location: _____	_____ to _____	_____
Facilities: _____		
Location: _____	_____ to _____	_____
Facilities: _____		

5. Pack and Riding Animals

Do you provide riding horses? Yes No Do you provide pack animals? Yes No

Type(s) available: Write in number of Horses _____ Mules _____ Other _____

Describe how animals are fed, watered, and controlled when on the public lands (corrals, tethers, etc.):

6. Transportation: List all types of vehicles used: trucks, buses, vans, trailers, ATVs, snowmobiles, etc.:

Year	Make	Model	Type	Color	License or Snowmobile Registration #	State
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

7. Sanitation

Toilets (check): Pit Portable Chemical Carryout Other: _____

If human waste is carried out, please describe:

Solid Human Waste Removal _____

Liquid Human Waste Practices _____

8. Persons who are authorized to represent your business: List the name, address and position of all employees, guides, part-time workers, and contracted help. (Attach another sheet if needed).

Name	Address	Position
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

List must be updated within 2 weeks of hiring or firing employees.

9. Background information: List other permitted areas or rivers. (Please include the authorizing state or federal agency and office location.) _____

In the past two years, have you or any of your company representatives or employees been convicted of a federal, state, or local violation in connection with guide/outfitting operations or associated activities? Yes No

Have you had a BLM or USFS permit denied, suspended, or revoked? Yes No

If yes to either question, explain: _____

I certify that the information given by me in this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I acknowledge that I (we) am (are) required to comply with requirements and stipulations on Form 2930.1 and any additional stipulations that are required by the authorized officer when the permit is issued. I further understand that providing false information or failing to keep this Operating Plan or other permit information updated are grounds for probation, suspension or revocation of the permit.

Permittee/Applicant

Date

APPENDIX C

**US Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management
Alaska State Office**

Trip Log

Name: _____ **Special Recreation Permit#:** _____ **Use Year:** _____
Company Name: _____

A Trip Log must be completed and submitted as specified to support requests for fee reductions and deductions for non-public land use. Use as many copies as needed. Please review each of your submissions carefully; this information will be used by the BLM to verify use fee deductions. All trips involving BLM-managed public lands must be logged on this sheet when required by your permit.

Entry Onto BLM-Managed Public Lands			Exit Off BLM-Managed Public Lands			Use Fee Deduction Data	
Date (Day)	Time (Hour)	Location ¹	Date (Day)	Time (Hour)	Location ¹	Total Time on BLM-Managed Public Lands (hours)	Percentage of Time on BLM-Managed Public Lands (%) ²
Totals							³

¹ Identify location by species/hunt area, river stretch, or other identifying characteristics.
² % of time on BLM-managed public lands: Total time in hours divided by 24 hours × 100. (Example: 6 hrs ÷ 24 hrs. = 0.25 × 100 = 25%)
³ Total Average % (add each trip percentage of time on BLM lands and divide by the number of entries to obtain the total average percentage of time spent on BLM-managed public lands).

I certify that the information provided by me in this Trip Log is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Permittee's Signature **Date**

SAMPLE: TO BE FILLED OUT BY BLM AGENT

APPENDIX D

**United States Department of the Interior
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

Alaska

www.blm.gov/ak

Annual Performance Evaluation

Permittee: _____ **Year:** _____

Business Name: _____ **Expires:** _____

1. Insurance: Expiration Date: _____ Current: Yes No
Acceptable Limits: Liability: _____ Yes No
Property: _____ Yes No
U.S. named as Additionally Insured? Yes No
2. Fees Paid?

	Date	Amount	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Credit Forward	_____	_____		
Previous Balance Due	_____	_____		
Minimum Annual Fee	_____	_____		
Assigned Site Fee	_____	_____		
3. Operations conform with operating plan? _____ Yes No
4. Performance bond status effective? Expires: _____ Yes No
5. Post Use Report in on date: _____ Correct: Yes No
6. Alaska outfitter/guide and business license current and in file? Yes No
7. Number of days on BLM land: _____ Number of participants: _____ Yes No
8. Free of violations or public complaints? _____ Yes No
9. On-the-ground inspection completed? _____ Yes No
10. Permittee performance rating: Superior Acceptable Probationary Unacceptable
11. Superior performance documented? (Note in Comment Section) Yes No
12. Permittee sent results of Annual Evaluation? _____ Yes No

Comments: _____

Annual Performance Evaluation completed by: _____ Date: _____

APPENDIX E

United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management Alaska State Office

Ethical Behavior for Recreational Use of Public Lands

LEAVE NO TRACE

1. Plan Ahead and Prepare

Know the area and what to expect, travel in small groups, select appropriate equipment, and repackage food to reduce litter at the source.

2. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces

Concentrate use in popular areas, spread use in remote areas, and avoid places where impact is just beginning.

3. Dispose of Waste Properly

Dispose of human waste responsibly, minimize soap and food scraps in waste water, avoid contaminating water sources when washing, and dispose of fishing and hunting waste appropriately.

4. Leave What You Find

Minimize site alterations, avoid damaging trees and plants, leave natural objects and cultural artifacts, avoid disturbing wildlife, and reduce your impact on other visitors .

5. Minimize Campfire Impacts

Be aware of regulations and weather conditions. Stoves are often the best option. If you must build a fire, use existing fire rings. Collect only dead and downed wood or bring your own.

6. Respect Wildlife

Observe wildlife from a distance, never feed animals, store rations and trash securely, control pets, and avoid wildlife during sensitive times.

7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors

Respect other visitors, be courteous, yield to others, and respect private property.

TREAD LIGHTLY!

1. Travel only where permitted.

Know what areas/roads/trails are open to vehicles.

2. Respect the rights of others.

Be considerate of others on the roads/trail that you travel. Vehicles yield the right-of-way to bicycles, hikers, and horses.

3. Educate yourself.

Obtain information on your destination before you go. If you have questions contact the managing agency of the area(s) you are visiting.

4. Avoid streams, meadows, wildlife areas, etc.

Be aware of wildlife habitat. Crashing through underbrush or across open meadows upsets the balance of nature, destroys nesting sites, and disturbs wildlife.

5. Drive and travel responsibly.

Use common sense. Avoid muddy roads and trails and stay out of meadows and wetlands.

These principles are intended to support and complement BLM regulations. Additional information on the Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly! programs are available at any BLM office. Please incorporate these principles into your recreational activities and uses.

APPENDIX F

RECREATION-RELATED CONTACTS

Federal and State Boating Statutes and Regulations

Federal requirements apply to all U.S. navigable waters. In Alaska, this includes all saltwater and rivers that flow into saltwater and inland waterways designated as U.S. navigable waters under federal law.

State of Alaska requirements apply to all boats, with some exceptions such as lifeboats, seaplanes, inspected passenger vessels, and water toys on all waters of the state, including inland waters and saltwaters within territorial limits of the state.

For more information contact:

Bureau of Land Management Web Site

Commercial filming on public lands

www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/more/lands/filming.html

State of Alaska

Big Game Commercial Services Board

www.commerce.state.ak.us/occ/guideusemaps/mainpage.cfm

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing

P.O. Box 110806

Juneau, AK 99811-0806

(907) 465-2534

Alaska Business Licenses can be obtained online at:

www.dced.state.ak.us/occ/apps/BLEC_Start.cfm

Department of Natural Resources

Division of Mining, Land, and Water

www.dnr.state.ak.us/mlw

Public Information Center

3601 "C" Street, Suite 200

Anchorage, AK 99503-5929

(907) 269-8400

Northern Region Office

3700 Airport Way

Fairbanks, AK 99709-4699

(907) 451-2740

Southcentral Region Office
550 W. 7th Ave., Suite 900C
Anchorage, AK 99501-3577
(907) 269-8503

Southeast Region Office
400 Willoughby Ave., Suite 400
P.O. Box 111020
Juneau, AK 99811-1020
(907) 465-3400

Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation

Office of Boating Safety
550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1380
Anchorage, AK 99501-3561
(907) 269-8705
www.dnr.state.ak.us/parks/boating

US. Coast Guard District 17

P.O. Box 25517
Juneau, AK 99802-5517
(907) 463-2297
www.uscg.mil/d17

For information about commercial visitor services on **Native-owned regional, village, or urban land in Alaska**, contact the appropriate Native regional corporation listed below:

Ahtna, Inc.
(907) 822-3476

Chugach Alaska Corporation
(907) 563-8866

Cook Inlet Region, Inc.
(907) 274-8638

The Aleut Corporation
(907) 561-4300

Doyon Limited
(907) 452-4755

Arctic Slope Regional Corporation
(907) 852-8633

Bering Straits Native Corporation
(907) 443-5252

NANA Regional Corporation
(907) 265-4100

Bristol Bay Native Corporation
(907) 278-3602

Calista Corporation
(907) 279-5516

Koniag, Inc.
(907) 561-2668

Sealaska Corporation
(907) 586-1512

APPENDIX G
AUTHORITIES

- Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended, P.L. 94-579 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.)
- Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, as amended, P.L. 88-578 (16 U.S.C. 460 (1-6a) et seq.)
- Wilderness Act of 1964, P.L. 88-577 (16 U.S.C. 1131)
- National Trails Systems Act of 1968, as amended, P.L. 90-543 (16 U.S.C. 1241, et seq.)
- National Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, P.L. 90-542 (16 U.S.C. 1271-87, et seq.)
- Sikes Act of 1974, P.L. 93-452 (16 U.S.C. 670, et seq.)
- National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, P.L. 91-190 (42 U.S.C. 4321, et seq.)
- Part 516, Departmental Manual, Chapter 6, Appendix 5 — Categorical Exclusion Review
- Title 36 CFR, Subpart 71 — Recreation Fees
- Title 43 CFR, Subpart 2932 — Special Recreation Permits for Commercial Use, Competitive Events, Organized Groups and Recreation Use in Special Areas
- Office of Management and Budget Circular A-25 of 1993 Revised
- Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA), P.L. 96-487 (16 USC. 3101)
- Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (FLREA), H.R. 4818, Section 8, (c)