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To exchange non-Federal land held by the Chugach Alaska Corporation for certain Federal Land in the Chugach Region, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BEGICH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Chugach Alaska Land Exchange Oil Spill Recovery Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. PURPOSES; FINDINGS.**

7       (a) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are—

8                   (1) to authorize, direct, and expedite the exchange of land and interests in land between Chugach Alaska and the United States; and

1                             (2) to consolidate Federal ownership of the sur-  
2                             face and subsurface estate of Federal land and in-  
3                             terests acquired under the Program.

4                             (b) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

5                             (1) on March 24, 1989, the oil tanker Exxon  
6                             Valdez ran aground in Prince William Sound, Alas-  
7                             ka, spilling 11,000,000 gallons of crude oil, spread-  
8                             ing in the months that followed and covering ap-  
9                             proximately 1,300 miles of coastline, with immense  
10                            impact for fish and wildlife and their habitats, and  
11                            for local industries and communities;

12                            (2) civil settlement funds of \$900,000,000 paid  
13                            by Exxon to the United States and the State of  
14                            Alaska were used to establish the Exxon Valdez Oil  
15                            Spill Trustee Council (referred to in this section as  
16                            “EVOSTC”) and to develop the Program;

17                            (3) through the Program, the EVOSTC dedi-  
18                            cated nearly 60 percent of the funds to acquire fee  
19                            title of, and conservation easements on, the surface  
20                            estate of more than 600,000 acres in the area im-  
21                            pacted by the oil spill, including 241,000 acres of  
22                            surface estate land and conservation easements in  
23                            the Chugach Region, giving the United States own-  
24                            ership of, and conservation easements on, 241,000

1       acres of formerly Native-owned land within the Chugach Region;

3               (4) the conflict described in the Chugach Region Land Study Report and in this Act occurred  
4       when surface estate was purchased by the EVOSTC  
5       for conservation purposes while development rights  
6       remained for the subsurface (dominant estate)  
7       owned by Chugach Alaska, which shall be resolved  
8       by Chugach Alaska trading approximately 231,000  
9       acres of subsurface estate under surface fee and con-  
10      servation easements on surface land owned by the  
11      Federal Government for 65,374 acres of fee simple  
12      land owned by the Federal Government;

14               (5) most of the surface land and conservation  
15      easements on surface land in the Chugach Region  
16      described in paragraph (3) that were acquired by the  
17      EVOSTC were purchased from 4 Alaska Native Vil-  
18      lage Corporations—

- 19                       (A) Chenega Corporation;  
20                       (B) the English Bay Corporation;  
21                       (C) the Eyak Corporation; and  
22                       (D) the Tatitlek Corporation;

23               (6) in accordance with section 14 of the Alaska  
24      Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1613),  
25      when a Village Corporation selects and receives title

1 to the surface estate to fulfill its land entitlement,  
2 the Regional Corporation receives title to the sub-  
3 surface, resulting in split ownership between Alaska  
4 Native entities from the same region;

5 (7) Chugach Alaska holds the dominant sub-  
6 surface estate to approximately 241,000 acres of  
7 surface land acquired by the EVOSTC from the Vil-  
8 lage Corporations under paragraph (5) that is pro-  
9 tected under the Program;

10 (8) none of the acquisitions described in para-  
11 graph (5) by the EVOSTC included the subsurface  
12 interests owned by Chugach Alaska, despite aware-  
13 ness by the EVOSTC of the provisions in the Alaska  
14 Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et  
15 seq.) creating split ownership and the existing right  
16 of the subsurface owner to use the surface if it con-  
17 stitutes reasonable use in the development of sub-  
18 surface resources;

19 (9) due to the split estate ownership described  
20 in paragraph (8), which became a split between Chu-  
21 gach Alaska and the Federal Government, there is  
22 a clear conflict with the preservation goal of the Pro-  
23 gram and the responsibility of Chugach Alaska, on  
24 behalf of the Alaska Native shareholders of Chugach

1 Alaska, to develop the subsurface estate under the  
2 land;

3 (10) recognizing the conflicts between the man-  
4 dates in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act  
5 (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.) on Native Corporations  
6 and the goals of the Program, and the significant  
7 social and economic impact of the Program on the  
8 region and on Chugach Alaska and the land held by  
9 Chugach Alaska, Congress directed, in section 1113  
10 of the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Manage-  
11 ment, and Recreation Act (Public Law 116–9; 133  
12 Stat. 614), that the Bureau of Land Management  
13 conduct a study and identify accessible and economi-  
14 cally viable Federal land that could be exchanged  
15 with Chugach Alaska, and to recommend exchange  
16 options that would consolidate ownership of the sur-  
17 face and subsurface estates of land in the Program;

18 (11) the Bureau of Land Management sub-  
19 mitted the Chugach Region Land Study Report to  
20 Congress in December 2022, over a year after the  
21 18-month deadline;

22 (12) in the Chugach Region Land Study Re-  
23 port, the Bureau of Land Management explained  
24 that the Program acquisitions have greatly increased  
25 the complexity and the costs of any development by

1 Chugach Alaska of its subsurface interests, signifi-  
2 cantly reduced Native-owned land and Native control  
3 over management of land in the region, and, along  
4 with the larger oil spill cleanup effort, highly dis-  
5 rupted the socio-cultural environment and economies  
6 in the Alaska Native communities in the region;

7 (13) the Chugach Region Land Study Report  
8 identifies land available for exchange from both the  
9 Federal Government and Chugach Alaska to inform  
10 a land exchange to address the impact of the Pro-  
11 gram on Chugach Alaska and the ability of Chugach  
12 Alaska to meet its responsibilities to its Native  
13 shareholders under the Alaska Native Claims Settle-  
14 ment Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.);

15 (14) the land exchange between Chugach Alas-  
16 ka and the Federal Government in this Act—

17 (A) furthers objectives under the Alaska  
18 Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601  
19 et seq.), including balancing land selections be-  
20 tween areas that are significant in cultural his-  
21 tory and traditions and areas that have poten-  
22 tial economic value for development; and

23 (B) facilitates more efficient Federal land  
24 management of the Program by Federal acqui-  
25 sition of nearly 231,000 acres of subsurface es-

1           tate that underlies federally owned surface fee  
2           and conservation easements to perfect conserva-  
3           tion of the surface, which is the purpose of the  
4           Program; and

5           (15) the land exchange in this Act, based on  
6           the findings in this section, is in the public interest.

7 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

8           In this Act:

9           (1) ANSCA TERMS.—The terms “Native Cor-  
10          poration”, “Regional Corporation”, and “Village  
11          Corporation” have the meanings given those terms  
12          in section 3 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement  
13          Act (43 U.S.C. 1602).

14           (2) CHUGACH ALASKA.—The term “Chugach  
15          Alaska” means the Chugach Alaska Corporation, a  
16          Regional Corporation.

17           (3) CHUGACH REGION LAND STUDY REPORT.—  
18          The term “Chugach Region Land Study Report”  
19          means the report and recommendations submitted to  
20          Congress by the Secretary pursuant to section 1113  
21          of the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Manage-  
22          ment, and Recreation Act (Public Law 116–9; 133  
23          Stat. 614).

24           (4) FEDERAL EXCHANGE LAND.—The term  
25          “Federal exchange land” means the approximately

1       65,374 acres of fee simple land located in the Chu-  
2       gach Region as described in section 4(e).

3                     (5) NON-FEDERAL LAND.—The term “non-Fed-  
4       er al land” means the parcels of subsurface land  
5       comprising approximately 231,000 acres—

6                     (A) owned by Chugach Alaska and con-  
7       veyed to Chugach Alaska pursuant to the Alas-  
8       ka Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C.  
9       1601 et seq.);

10                   (B) described in section 4(f); and

11                   (C) for which—

12                     (i) the United States has acquired fee  
13       title to the surface estate or a conservation  
14       easement on the surface estate pursuant to  
15       the Program; or

16                     (ii) the State has acquired fee title to,  
17       and the United States has acquired a con-  
18       servation easement in, the surface estate  
19       pursuant to the Program.

20                   (6) PROGRAM.—The term “Program” means  
21       the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Habitat Protection and  
22       Acquisition Program of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill  
23       Trustee Council.

24                   (7) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
25       the Secretary of the Interior.

1                             (8) STATE.—The term “State” means the State  
2                             of Alaska.

3     **SEC. 4. LAND EXCHANGE.**

4                             (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the  
5     date of enactment of this Act, if Chugach Alaska offers  
6     to convey to the Secretary all rights, title, and interest  
7     in and to the non-Federal land, the Secretary shall accept  
8     the offer and convey in exchange all rights, title, and inter-  
9     est of the Federal Government in and to the Federal ex-  
10    change land.

11                          (b) CONDITION ON ACCEPTANCE.—Title to the non-  
12    Federal land exchanged in subsection (a) shall be in a  
13    form that is acceptable to the Secretary.

14                          (c) TREATMENT OF LAND CONVEYED.—Except as  
15    otherwise provided, any land conveyed to Chugach Alaska  
16    under subsection (a) shall be considered to be land con-  
17    veyed by the Secretary under the Alaska Native Claims  
18    Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.).

19                          (d) VALID EXISTING RIGHTS.—The conveyances  
20    under subsection (a) shall be subject to any valid existing  
21    rights, reservations, rights-of-way, or other encumbrances  
22    of third parties in, to, or on the Federal exchange land  
23    or the non-Federal land as of the date of enactment of  
24    this Act.

## 1       (e) CONVEYANCE OF FEDERAL EXCHANGE LAND.—

2   On receipt of title to the non-Federal land, the Secretary  
3   shall simultaneously convey to Chugach Alaska—4           (1) all rights, title, and interest in and to the  
5       National Forest System land of the Forest Service  
6       identified in the Chugach Regional Land Study and  
7       Report, comprising approximately 63,414 total  
8       acres, comprising—9               (A) T. 3 N., R. 10 E., Seward Meridian,  
10          Drier Bay Parcel, comprising approximately  
11          2,996 acres of surface estate;12               (B) T. 17 and 18 S., R. 7 and 8 E., Cop-  
13          per River Meridian, Kushtaka Lake Parcel,  
14          comprising approximately 7,876 acres of sur-  
15          face and subsurface estate;16               (C) T. 2 N., R. 1 and 2 E., Seward Merid-  
17          ian, Snow River Parcel, comprising approxi-  
18          mately 11,462 acres of surface and subsurface  
19          estate;20               (D) T. 17 and 18 S., R. 8 W., Copper  
21          River Meridian, Hinchinbrook Island Parcel,  
22          comprising approximately 2,617 acres of sur-  
23          face and subsurface estate;24               (E) T. 17 S., R. 7 E., secs. 5, 8, 18, 19,  
25          and 30 through 33, Copper River Meridian,

1           Kushtaka Lake Parcel, comprising approxi-  
2       mately 6,375 acres of surface and subsurface  
3       estate;

4           (F) T. 18 S., R. 7 E., secs. 6 and 7, Cop-  
5       per River Meridian, Kushtaka Lake Parcel,  
6       comprising approximately 1,280 acres of sur-  
7       face and subsurface estate;

8           (G) T. 16 S., R. 5 E., secs. 24 through 26  
9       and 36, Copper River Meridian, Martin River  
10      Parcel, comprising approximately 2,240 acres of  
11      surface and subsurface estate;

12           (H) T. 16, S., R. 6 E., secs. 16, 19  
13       through 21, and 25 through 36, Copper River  
14       Meridian, Martin River Parcel, comprising ap-  
15       proximately 8,305 acres of surface and sub-  
16       surface estate;

17           (I) T. 17 S., R. 6 E., secs. 1 through 4,  
18       and 10, Copper River Meridian, Martin River  
19       Parcel, comprising approximately 3,170 acres of  
20       surface and subsurface estate;

21           (J) T. 16 S., R. 4 E., secs. 1 through 4,  
22       9 through 13, and 24, Copper River Meridian,  
23       Johnson River Parcel, comprising approxi-  
24       mately 5,200 acres of surface and subsurface  
25       estate;

(L) T. 19 S., R. 15 E., secs. 12 through  
14, 23, 24, 26, 27, 33, and 34, Copper River  
Meridian, Robinson Mountains Parcel, com-  
prising approximately 5,728 acres of surface  
and subsurface estate; and

1                                     (C) T. 9 S., R. 2 W., secs. 5 and 6, Cop-  
2                                     per River Meridian, Thompson Pass Parcel,  
3                                     comprising 1,200 acres of surface and sub-  
4                                     surface estate.

5                                     (f) CONVEYANCE OF NON-FEDERAL LAND.—

6                                     (1) CONVEYANCE.—The non-Federal land to  
7                                     which Chugach Alaska may convey to the Secretary  
8                                     all rights, title, and interest, that the Secretary de-  
9                                     termines to be applicable, includes—

10                                     (A) the approximately 130,469.93 sub-  
11                                     surface acres, which comprises—

12                                     (i) T. 13 S., R. 1 W., sec. 19, Copper  
13                                     River Meridian, comprising approximately  
14                                     467 acres;

15                                     (ii) T. 13 S., R. 2 W., secs. 23  
16                                     through 27, Copper River Meridian, com-  
17                                     prising approximately 2,627 acres;

18                                     (iii) T. 15 S., R. 2 W., secs. 3  
19                                     through 9, 17 through 19, and 29 through  
20                                     33, Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
21                                     proximately 8,277.36 acres;

22                                     (iv) T. 16 S., R. 2 W., secs. 1 through  
23                                     4, and 6, Copper River Meridian, com-  
24                                     prising approximately 2,373.34 acres;

(v) T. 14 S., R. 3 W., secs. 32 and  
33, Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
proximately 240 acres;

(vii) T. 16 S., R. 3 W., secs. 1, 11,  
and 15, Copper River Meridian, comprising  
approximately 962 acres;

20 (x) T. 15 S., R. 4 W., secs. 8 through  
21 12, 16 through 22, and 24, Copper River  
22 Meridian, comprising approximately  
23 5,839.15 acres;

(xi) T. 13 S., R. 5 W., secs. 3, 9  
through 11, 14 through 20, a portion of

1 sec. 21, and secs. 31 and 36, Copper River  
2 Meridian, comprising approximately  
3 4,216.36 acres;

4 (xii) T. 14 S., R. 5 W., sec. 1, a por-  
5 tion of sec. 2, secs. 6 through 12, 14  
6 through 21, 29, and 30, Copper River Me-  
7 ridian, comprising approximately 9,057.6  
8 acres;

9 (xiii) T. 15 S., R. 5 W., secs. 23 and  
10 24, Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
11 proximately 292.97 acres;

12 (xiv) T. 12 S., R. 6 W., secs. 11, 13,  
13 14, 23, and 24, Copper River Meridian,  
14 comprising approximately 1,980.69 acres;

15 (xv) T. 12 S., R. 7 W., secs. 32, 34,  
16 35, and 36, Copper River Meridian, com-  
17 prising approximately 343 acres;

18 (xvi) T. 13 S., R. 7 W., secs. 1  
19 through 22, 24, 25, and 27 through 36,  
20 Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
21 proximately 17,234.88 acres;

22 (xvii) T. 14 S., R. 7 W., secs. 2, 3,  
23 and 6, Copper River Meridian, comprising  
24 approximately 203 acres;

- 1                         (xviii) T. 13 S., R. 8 W., secs. 1, 9  
2                         through 11, 13 through 29, and 32  
3                         through 36, Copper River Meridian, com-  
4                         prising approximately 9,282.25 acres;
- 5                         (xix) T. 14 S., R. 8 W., secs. 1  
6                         through 5, Copper River Meridian, com-  
7                         prising approximately 629.25 acres;
- 8                         (xx) T. 13 S., R. 9 W., sec. 24, Cop-  
9                         per River Meridian, comprising approxi-  
10                         mately 10 acres;
- 11                         (xxii) T. 10 S., R. 10 W., sec. 32,  
12                         Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
13                         proximately 1.19 acres;
- 14                         (xxii) T. 3 N., R. 7 E., secs. 1  
15                         through 4, 8 through 17, 20, 22, 23, 24,  
16                         26, 27, and 29, Seward Meridian, com-  
17                         prising approximately 9,314 acres;
- 18                         (xxiii) T. 4 N., R. 7 E., secs. 11, 14,  
19                         15, 21 through 28, and 33 through 36,  
20                         Seward Meridian, comprising approxi-  
21                         mately 8,684.96 acres;
- 22                         (xxiv) T. 3 N., R. 8 E., secs. 4  
23                         through 7, 18, and 19, Seward Meridian,  
24                         comprising approximately 1,120.50 acres;

(xxv) T. 4 N., R. 8 E., secs. 29  
through 32, and 36, Seward Meridian,  
comprising approximately 1,404.25 acres;

(xxvi) T. 1 N., R. 10 E., secs. 5 and  
8, Seward Meridian, comprising approxi-  
mately 743 acres;

(xxvii) T. 3 S., R. 2 W., secs. 22, 23,  
25, 26, 33, 35, and 36, Seward Meridian,  
comprising approximately 2,125 acres;

(xxxiv) T. 7 S., R. 5 W., sec. 4, Second Meridian, comprising approximately 230 acres;

(xxxv) T. 8 S., R. 6 W., secs. 7 through 12, 14 through 22, and 27 through 34, Seward Meridian, comprising approximately 6,797.39 acres;

(B) the approximately 24,911.65 sub-surface acres in which the fee title to the surface estate has been acquired by the State, and

1           a conservation easement in the surface estate  
2        has been acquired by the United States, pursuant  
3        to the Program, which comprises—

4                   (i) T. 16 S., R. 4 W., sec. 6, Copper  
5        River Meridian, comprising approximately  
6        157.49 acres;

7                   (ii) T. 15 S., R. 5 W., secs. 35 and  
8        36, Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
9        proximately 1,280 acres;

10                  (iii) T. 16 S., R. 5 W., secs. 3, 4, 10,  
11        11, and 12, Copper River Meridian, com-  
12        prising approximately 1,479 acres;

13                  (iv) T. 11 S., R. 8 W., secs. 4 and 9,  
14        Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
15        proximately 579 acres;

16                  (v) T. 12 S., R. 8 W., sec. 1, Copper  
17        River Meridian, comprising approximately  
18        130 acres;

19                  (vi) T. 9 S., R. 9 W., secs. 26, 27, 33,  
20        34, and 35, Copper River Meridian, com-  
21        prising approximately 1,524.26 acres;

22                  (vii) T. 10 S., R. 10 W., secs. 15, 16,  
23        22, 23, 27, 28, 32, and 33, Copper River  
24        Meridian, comprising approximately  
25        2,183.65 acres;

(viii) T. 4 N., R. 7 E., secs. 12 and  
13, Seward Meridian, comprising approxi-  
mately 1,145 acres;

(xi) T. 4 N., R. 9 E., secs. 6, 7, 17,  
18, and 19, Seward Meridian, comprising  
approximately 1,417 acres; and

14 (C) the approximately 75,655.4 subsurface  
15 acres in which a conservation easement in the  
16 surface estate has been acquired by the United  
17 States pursuant to the Program, which com-  
18 prises—

1 (iii) T. 14 S., R. 3 W., secs. 12

2 through 16, 21 through 23, and 28

through 31, Copper River Meridian, com-

4 prising approximately 5,319.37 acres;

5 (iv) T. 14 S., R. 3 W., secs. 6 through

6 8, and 17 through 20, Copper River Merid-

ian, comprising approximately 3,899.44

8 acres;

10 and the southern part of sec. 13, Copper

11 River Meridian, comprising approximately

14, and 15, Copper River Meridian, com-

15 prising approximately 506 acres;

17                   29, Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-

18 approximately 660.15 acres;

20 through 8, 10 through 15, 22 through 27,

and 34 through 36, Copper River Merid-

33, and 34, Copper River Meridian, con-

(xii) T. 11 S., R. 7 W., sec. 31, Cop-  
per River Meridian, comprising approxi-  
mately 577.8 acres;

(xiv) T. 13 S., R. 7 W., secs. 18 and  
19, Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
proximately 700 acres;

(xv) T. 10 S., R. 8 W., secs. 33 and  
34, Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
proximately 1.197 acres;

22 (xvi) T. 11 S., R. 8 W., secs. 1  
23 through 4, 10 through 16, 21 through 26,  
24 31, 35, and 36, Copper River Meridian,  
25 comprising approximately 7 647 41 acres:

- 1                                 (xvii) T. 12 S., R. 8 W., secs. 1, 12  
2                                 through 14, and 24, Copper River Merid-  
3                                 ian, comprising approximately 591.75  
4                                 acres;
- 5                                 (xviii) T. 12 S., R. 8 W., secs. 1  
6                                 through 3, 10, 11, 14 through 16, 21 and  
7                                 22, Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
8                                 proximately 2,112 acres;
- 9                                 (xix) T. 12 S., R. 8 W., secs. 5  
10                                 through 8, 18, and 19, Copper River Me-  
11                                 ridian, comprising approximately 1,220.5  
12                                 acres;
- 13                                 (xx) T. 13 S., R. 8 W., secs. 13, 14,  
14                                 17, 19 through 21, 23, 24, and 28 through  
15                                 30, Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
16                                 proximately 1,400 acres;
- 17                                 (XXI) T. 11 S., R. 9 W., secs. 22, 23,  
18                                 25, 26, 27, 34, 35, and 36, Copper River  
19                                 Meridian, comprising approximately  
20                                 1,157.75 acres;
- 21                                 (xxii) T. 12 S., R. 9 W., secs. 1  
22                                 through 4, 9 through 15, 22, 23, 24, 26,  
23                                 and 27, Copper River Meridian, comprising  
24                                 approximately 6,445.71 acres;

- 1                                                                                        (xxiii) T. 13 S., R. 9 W., secs. 24 and  
2                                                                                             25, Copper River Meridian, comprising ap-  
3                                                                                             proximately 345.33 acres;
- 4                                                                                        (xxiv) T. 2 N., R. 7 E., sec. 1, Seward  
5                                                                                             Meridian, comprising approximately 64.16  
6                                                                                             acres;
- 7                                                                                        (xxv) T. 3 N., R. 7 E., secs. 24, 25,  
8                                                                                             and 36, Seward Meridian, comprising ap-  
9                                                                                             proximately 385.75 acres;
- 10                                                                                        (xxvi) T. 1 N., R. 8 E., secs. 11, 14,  
11                                                                                     15, 22, 23, 26, and 27, Seward Meridian,  
12                                                                                     comprising approximately 1,667.65 acres;
- 13                                                                                        (xxvii) T. 2 N., R. 8 E., secs. 2  
14                                                                                     through 11, 26, 30, 31, 32, and 35, Seward  
15                                                                                     Meridian, comprising approximately  
16                                                                                     4,339.84 acres;
- 17                                                                                        (xxviii) T. 3 N., R. 8 E., secs. 1  
18                                                                                     through 4, 8 through 11, 14 through 17,  
19                                                                                     19 through 23, and 26 through 35, Seward  
20                                                                                     Meridian, comprising approximately  
21                                                                                     11,339.4 acres;
- 22                                                                                        (xxix) T. 4 N., R. 8 E., sec. 35, Seward  
23                                                                                     Meridian, comprising approximately  
24                                                                                     1.5 acres;

(A) a Village Corporation has retained development rights, other than timber development rights; or

### 3 SEC. 5. MAPS, ESTIMATES, AND DESCRIPTIONS.

4       (a) MINOR ERRORS.—The Secretary and Chugach  
5 Alaska may correct, by mutual agreement, any minor er-  
6 rors in any map, acreage estimate, or description of any  
7 land conveyed or exchanged under this Act.

8       (b) CONFLICT.—If there is a conflict between a map,  
9 an acreage estimate, or a description of land in this Act,  
10 the map shall control unless the Secretary and Chugach  
11 Alaska mutually agree otherwise.

