# Correspondence



# RABBIT CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL (RCCC)



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Heritage Land Bank Commissioners, c/o <a href="Milestand-Bank Executive Director">KlebesadelTM@muni.org</a>
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Re: Comments on the Public Review Draft of the "Heritage Land Bank 2018 Annual Work Program & 2019-2023 Five Year Management Plan"

Dear Heritage Land Bank (HLB) Commissioners and Staff:

On January 11, 2018 at the Rabbit Creek Community Council General Membership Meeting, a majority of the 43 voting members in attendance agreed to submit the following comments on the subject properties (maps attached):

## Parcels 2-128 through 2-136, along the east side of Old Seward Highway

The RCCC encourages an HLB decision-making process that assures appropriate conservation and preservation measures are taken to maintain the health of the watershed, Potter Marsh, natural hydrology, and wildlife habitat in the vicinity of the Alaska Coastal Wildlife Refuge. These HLB properties are bounded by private property to the north, east, and south; thus it is essential that adjacent property owners be notified, in advance, of all discussions or actions which potentially impact their property-usage rights so they may participate appropriately in the process.

#### Parcels 2-139 and 2-152, adjacent to Chugach State Park in Bear Valley

The RCCC encourages an HLB decision-making process that assures both private and public interests are preserved in a mutually acceptable, beneficial manner. These HLB properties are bounded by private property on two sides one to the west and south, the other to the west and north; thus, it is essential that adjacent property owners be notified, in advance, of all discussions or actions which potentially impact their property-usage rights so they may participate appropriately in the process.

## Parcel 2-156, opposite Moen Park on the southern end of Golden View Drive

The RCCC supports an HLB decision-making process regarding disposal of this property in a manner that includes coordination with the surrounding property owners and incentivizes conservation of stream corridors which contribute to maintaining the health of Potter Marsh. It is essential that the adjacent property owners be notified, in advance, of all discussions or actions which potentially impact their property-usage rights so they may participate appropriately in the process.

# Summary

The RCCC supports a Heritage Land Bank work program and five-year plan which seeks to maintain the health of the Potter Marsh watershed and habitat, balancing both private and public interests. Engagement of adjoining property owners must be an essential element of a healthy planning process.

The Rabbit Creek Community Council's Executive Board has the fiduciary obligation to ensure a good faith effort is made to notify residents and property owners of issues brought before the Council which potentially impact their rights.

The RCCC desires a transparent, constructive, and fair process which strives to achieve a reasonable balance between both private and public interests. This process should build upon factual information and data, avoid conjecture, and facilitate consensus among the concerned parties.

The RCCC's Executive Board intends to work cooperatively with our neighbors and the HLB to develop solutions which balance the appropriate level of preservation in conjunction with responsible development to optimize community benefit without undue burden on property owners.

Sincerely,

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