



Fortymile Mining District  
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Re: BLM's Planning 2.0 Rule

Dear Senator Murkowski,

The Fortymile Mining District is certain that you are aware of the Bureau of Land Management's new Planning 2.0 rule they finalized in December 2016.

This new set of planning regulations undermines local input, takes away the public planning process at a local level, puts control of planning to managers outside of Alaska and employs a method of landscape planning. It also deduces the comment time period of draft proposals.

All of this undermines the goal of BLM in managing our lands in an effective and efficient manner for all people in this country. Instituting a landscape planning method with a US master plan, then multi state area plans, then state plans and then regional plans. After all this we are left with thousands of pages of confusing and conflicting rules, that will in the end negate the very purpose of local planning by being obscured by conflicting master plans. We have directly seen and will now be experiencing it firsthand since the Eastern Interior Regional Management Plan was published in the Federal Register January 3.

We adamantly request that you do anything in your power, including the use of the Congressional Review Act, to reverse BLM's Planning 2.0. It not only affects Alaska but all BLM lands throughout the United States.

Sincerely,

Dick Hammond- President

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