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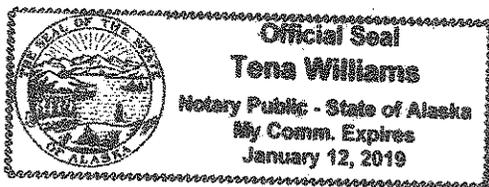
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Legal Notice for Opportunity to Comment Shoreline II Outfitter/Guide DEIS

The Tongass National Forest has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Shoreline II Outfitter/Guide project. The Tongass National Forest is proposing new outfitter and guide allocations within the marine shoreline zone. The project area includes all areas used by non-motorized outfitter and guide activities that originate from the marine shoreline in the Admiralty National Monument and in the Hoonah, Juneau, and Sitka ranger districts. In general, the project area extends 1/2 mile inland, with further inland extensions where specific outfitter and guide activities and locations are accessed from the shoreline (i.e., goat/deer hunting, canoe route/ portage, freshwater fishing on anadromous and other fish-bearing streams and lakes, etc.). The DEIS analyzes four alternatives, including a No Action Alternative. The proposed action (Alternative 2) would allocate a portion of the overall visitor capacity, up to 80,305 service days to outfitter and guide use. A service day is a day or any part of a day for which an outfitter or guide provides service to a client on National Forest System lands. The Forest Service's preferred alternative is Alternative 2. The Responsible Official for this project is:

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The DEIS is available

January 29, 2016. The publication date of the NOA in the Federal Register is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period for a proposed action documented in a DEIS. Those wishing to comment should not rely upon dates or time-frame information provided by any other source. If the comment period ends on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, comments will be accepted until the end of the next Federal working day (11:59 pm). The Shoreline II Outfitter/Guide project is an activity implementing a land management plan and is subject to 36 CFR 218, Subparts A and B. Only individuals or entities who submit timely and specific written comments about this proposed project or activity during this or another public comment period established by the Responsible Official will be eligible to file an objection. Other requirements to be eligible to submit an objection are listed at 36 CFR 218.25(a)(3). Individual members of an entity must submit their own comments in order to have eligibility to object as an individual. It is the responsibility of the sender to ensure timely receipt of any comments submitted. Names and contact information submitted with comments will become part of the public record and may be released under the Freedom of Information Act. Comments must be within the scope of the proposed action, have a direct relationship to the proposed action, and include supporting reasons for the Responsible Official to consider. Specific written comments for the Responsible Official may be submitted via mail, other delivery service, email, fax, or in person to:

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<http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/project=38181>
Fax: 907-772-5995
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Business hours for hand-delivered comments are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding holidays.