

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
and
DECISION RECORD
for
Gary and Louise Pogany - Airport Lease**

I. Decision:

It is my decision to issue an airport lease, for a term of 20 years, pursuant to the Act of May 24, 1928, as amended and 43 CFR 2911 to Gary and Louise Pogany for authorization to construct and maintain a runway extension across Federal land. The extension is on the north end of an existing runway on private land owned by Gary and Louise Pogany. The runway extension will cross public land in the SE¹/₄ of Section 16, T. 12 N., R. 34 W., Seward Meridian (see attached map). The runway extension will be approximately 150 feet wide and 1,000 feet long. This decision incorporates the attached stipulations.

Fair market rental will be charged for the lease.

II. Rationale for the Decision:

The Proposed Action will not result in any undue or unnecessary environmental degradation. The lands within the lease are included in the Southwest Planning Area Management Framework Plan (MFP), November 1981. Activity Objective L.1-2 allows for the issuance of authorizations to satisfy transportation needs.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact:

Based on the analysis of potential impacts contained in the attached environmental assessment, I have determined that the impacts are not expected to be significant. Therefore, an environmental impact statement is not required.

IV. ANILCA Section 810 Compliance:

The Proposed Action will not significantly restrict subsistence uses, decrease the abundance or distribution of subsistence resources, or limit harvester access from existing conditions.

(Signed Nick Douglas)
Anchorage Field Manager

(04-03-00)
Date

STIPULATIONS

The following stipulations will be a part of the airport lease, AA-81911:

1. Any cultural and/or paleontological resource (historic or prehistoric site or object) discovered by the holder, or any person working on his behalf, shall be immediately reported to the Authorized Officer. Holder shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the Authorized Officer after consulting with the lessee.
2. The airstrip will be sloped and graded to disperse excess water to the drainage ditches paralleling the airstrip. The ditches and their banks will be graded to handle water runoff with periodic water bars and water diversion features to divert water to the surrounding undisturbed ground. Vegetation removed from the airstrip and ditches may be used where necessary as an erosion control measure.
3. Disposal of vegetative material and topsoil removed during runway construction on undisturbed vegetation will be avoided. Excess topsoil and vegetation will be spread and smoothed over cuts or bare subsoil areas to allow for revegetation. If vegetation does not re-establish within one to two years, seeding and fertilization will be required. Bare areas will be monitored for invasive weeds and weeds manually removed to prevent establishment.
4. Man made objects will be stored at the camp to eliminate visual impacts.
5. Natural revegetation will be allowed on those portions of the airstrip that are not frequently used by aircraft. Low growing vegetation will be allowed to establish itself on untraveled portions of the airstrip. Future grading will be limited to that portion of the airstrip essential to aircraft use.