

# **Categorical Exclusion**

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# **Chapter 1. Jason Wallace, dba — Rugged Rock Guide Service**

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## **A. Background**

**BLM Office:** Fairbanks District Office/Central Yukon Field Office LLAKF3000

**Lease/Serial/Case File No.:** FF093895

**Proposed Action Title/Type:** Special Recreation Permit/2930

**Location of Proposed Action:** Dalton Highway. BLM lands within Game Management Unit 25-03

**Description of Proposed Action:** This is a renewal of this commercial hunting guide permit operating on BLM lands in Guide Use Area 25-03 in the Your Creek drainage. The applicant has a base camp on State of Alaska lands and accesses the area by float plane. Hunts are 9-12 days and are 1:1 hunts with up to four hunters per year.

## **B. Land Use Plan Conformance**

**Land Use Plan Name:** Utility Corridor Resource Management Plan

**Date Approved/Amended:** January 11, 1991

## **C. Compliance with NEPA:**

The Proposed Action is categorically excluded from further documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance with 516 DM 2, Appendix 1, or 516 DM 11.9 H; which states, "Issuance of Special Recreation Permits for day use or overnight use up to 14 consecutive nights; that impacts no more than 3 staging area acres; and/or for recreational travel along roads, trails, or in areas authorized in a land use plan."

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I considered: the proposed action of providing access for Rugged Rock Guide Service and find that there is no potential for significant impacts to BLM lands in the Dalton Highway Corridor.

## **D. Approval and Contact Information**

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