Jurisdictional Agency Administrator(s)

The following land manager(s)/owner(s) have approved these fire management option change(s) for the lands that they manage/own.

Agency Administrator or Land Manager/Owner

J. Brunett

Agency Administrator or Land Manager/Owner

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2/17/17

2/7/17

2/27/2017

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I certify that:

☐ The submitted fire management option boundary or management level change(s) are operationally feasible.

☐ The required notifications have been completed.

☐ The required signatures have been obtained.

☐ GIS data and pdf map products are included with this approval sheet.

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☐ The Fire Management Option changes identified and approved above have been made to the official electronic Map Atlas and the AICC Paper Atlas; and the change package has been archived.

Electronic Map Atlas Update Completed By: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Paper Atlas Update/ Change Archiving Completed By: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

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Send completed change package to:

Assistant Manager, Business and Technology Management Branch
BLM-Alaska Fire Service
P.O. Box 35005
Ft. Wainwright, AK 99703

Management Option Change Initiator

Change Description and Rationale (Describe changes geographically and jurisdictionally. Explain the rationale for the change (use additional sheets if necessary):

The majority of the White Pass & Yukon Route Railway corridor outside of Skagway, AK is currently in a Limited fire management option. The preplanned response associated with the Limited fire management option (monitoring) is potentially inconsistent with the values present along the railway corridor and the high volume of tourist traffic moving up and down the railway throughout the summer months. This option change would move the majority of the railway corridor into a Modified fire management option, recognizing that a suppression response may be warranted for a new fire start that has the potential to impact passenger traffic on the railway. The area that is being changed from Limited to Modified is owned by the US Government and administered by the National Park Service and by the US Forest Service (see map).

In addition, a small triangular-shaped parcel of land at the northern end of the Chilkoot Trail Unit of Klondike Gold Rush National Historic Park would move from Limited to Modified. This area is owned by the US Government and administered by the National Park Service (see map). While a fire start in this area is unlikely, the protection level is changing due to requirements associated with the development of a Wildfire Response Procedures document for Klondike Gold Rush National Historic Park in order to fulfill the park’s fire management planning requirement.

For both areas being changed, the default Modified conversion date will be used initially in order to be consistent with existing, neighboring areas that are already in Modified. The need for a later conversion date will be assessed and may be implemented through the fire management option change process at a later date.

Changes initiated by:

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Attachments:

X GIS Spatial Data files (geodatabase or zipped shapefile): 2017_KLGO-Tongass_option_change.gdb
□ Other:

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