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Notice of (Non-Gaming) Land Acquisition Application

Pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 25, INDIANS, §§ 151.10 and 151.11, notice is given of the application filed by the Native Village of Fort Yukon, also known as Carried Zhee Gwich'in Tribal Government to have a carried to have a c by the United States of America. The determination whether to acquire this property "in trust" will be made in the exercise of discretionary authority which is vested in the Secretary of the Interior, U.S. Department of the Interior, or her authorized representative.

To assist us in the exercise of that discretion, we invite your comments on the proposed acquisition. In order for the Secretary to assess the impact of the removal of the subject property from the tax rolls, and if applicable to your organization, jurisdictional problems and potential conflicts of land use which may arise, we also request that you provide the following information:

- 1. If known, the annual amount of property taxes currently levied on the subject property allocated to your organization;
- 2. Any special assessments, and amounts thereof, that are currently assessed against the property in support of your organization;
- 3. Any government services that are currently provided to the property by your organization; and
- 4. If subject to zoning, how the intended use is consistent, or inconsistent, with current zoning.

We provide the following information regarding this application:

Applicant:

Native Village of Fort Yukon A.K.A Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich'in Tribal Government

Legal Land Description/Site Location:

Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of Block 15, U.S. Survey 2760B of the Fort Yukon Townsite, Fort Yukon, Alaska, as recorded in Vol. 103, Pages 341-342 in the records of the Fairbanks Recording District, Fourth Judicial District, State of Alaska, containing 83,750 square feet, more or less.

These Lots are located within the city of Fort Yukon, Alaska.

Project Description/Proposed Land Use:

Currently the tribe holds no land in trust and requests this property for self-determination purposes. The subject Lots contain the Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich'in Tribal Government building and the Chief Ezias Loola Cultural Center. No change in use is contemplated.

See Map

Taxes and Zoning:

The subject lots lie outside the area of an organized taxing district.

As indicated above, the purpose for seeking your comments regarding the proposed trust land acquisition is to obtain sufficient data that would enable an analysis of the potential impact on local/state government, which may result from the removal of the subject property from the tax roll and local jurisdiction. This notice does not constitute, or replace, a notice that might be issued for the purpose of compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969.

Your <u>written</u> comments should be addressed to the Bureau of Indian Affairs at the address at the top of this notice. Any comments received within thirty days of your receipt of this notice will be considered and made a part of our record. You may be granted an extension of time to furnish comments, provided that you submit a written justification requesting such an extension within thirty days of receipt of this letter. An extension of ten to thirty days may be granted. Copies of all comments will be provided to the applicant for a response. You will be notified of the decision to approve or deny the application.

If any party receiving the enclosed notice is aware of additional governmental entities that may be affected by the subject acquisition, please forward a copy of this notice to all known interested governmental entities.

A copy of the application, excluding any documentation exempted under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), is available for review at the above address. A request to make an appointment to review the application, or questions regarding the application, may be directed to Cyril J. Andrews, Jr., Regional Realty Officer, at (907) 271-4104.

Sincerely,

Acting Alaska Regional Director

Enclosure: Map

cc: Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich'in Tribal Government; Kristi Williams, Esq.; Distribution List

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