

MANAGEMENT UNIT 4Q

Lower Dry Creek - Japan Hills

MANAGEMENT INTENT

General. A portion of this unit is designated settlement and may be offered for sale. The remainder of state land is retained in public ownership for multiple use management. The emphasis is on recreation and protection of habitat. Although there are moderate forestry values along the streams and in Japan Hills, remoteness limits development potential.

Land disposals will be closed to new mineral entry at the time of sale. The remainder of state land is open to mineral entry.

Fish and Wildlife. Fish and wildlife habitat is designated a primary use in subunits 4Q2 and 4Q3, and a secondary use in Subunit 4Q1. The subunits have important-rated habitat for many species and prime-rated habitat for moose and furbearers (B-1 habitat; see Appendix A, *Glossary*).

Forestry. Forestry has been designated a primary use in Subunit 4Q3. This subunit contains accessible high volume white spruce stands where logging has been an ongoing activity.

Settlement. Settlement is designated a primary use in Subunit 4Q1. Approximately 550 acres may be offered for private ownership.

Gold King II Homestead (4Q1a)	100 acres
Gold King III Homestead (4Q1a)	200 acres
Wood River I Homestead (4Q1b)	100 acres
Wood River II Homestead (4Q1b)	150 acres

One area in Subunit 4Q1a has been offered for private ownership. The acreage shown is the acreage available as of April, 1984. A portion of the developable land may be available for additional offerings.

Gold King I Homestead 100 acres

Before additional parcels are re-offered, provisions should be made for access through previous disposal areas.

Note. The settlement densities of Wood River and Gold King homesteads should not exceed the number of acres divided by 20, as established in these offerings prior to the 1985 TBAP.

MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

Management guidelines that apply to all state land are listed in Chapter 2. Some or all of those guidelines may apply to uses in this unit.

Trails. The Gold King Trail head will be retained in public ownership to provide public access for aircraft landings and tie-downs.

LAND-USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY
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Subunit	Primary Surface Uses	Secondary Surface Uses	Subsurface ¹	Prohibited ² Surface Use	Comments
4Q1	Settlement	Public recreation Wildlife habitat	Closed prior to sale Closed to coal	Remote cabins	Plan map legend: 4Q1a - Gold King II - III HS 4Q1b - Woodriver HS Past project: Gold King I HS
4Q2	Wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	
4Q3	Forestry Wildlife habitat		Open	Land disposals Remote cabins	

¹ Subsurface designations refer to locatable minerals. All areas are available for leasing for leasable minerals, except as noted for coal.

² Other uses such as material sales, land leases, or permits that are not specifically prohibited may be allowed. Such uses will be allowed if consistent with the management-intent statement, the management guidelines of this unit, and the relevant management guidelines listed in Chapter 2.