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Corps releases Pebble final environmental impact statement

JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Alaska District published the final environmental impact statement for the Pebble Limited Partnership’s application to discharge fill material into waters of the United States for the purpose of developing a copper-molybdenum-gold mine project in the Bristol Bay region of Alaska.

The final EIS is not a permit decision and does not authorize operation of the mine. The Corps is responsible for making a permit decision under two authorities – Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act; neither of these authorities permit the mine plan of operation. A record of decision will be written identifying the Corps’ final permit decision no sooner than 30 days from the date of this notice.

As of today, the document is available electronically at the Pebble Project EIS website: <http://www.pebbleprojecteis.com>. Also, the final EIS may be viewed electronically at the following public libraries: Alaska Resources Library and Information Service; Bristol Bay Borough Libraries serving King Salmon, Naknek, and South Naknek; Dillingham Public Library; Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.; Homer Public Library; Kenai Community Library; Soldotna Public Library; UAA/APU Consortium Library and Z.J. Loussac Public Library in Anchorage.

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