

Historic Dalton Trail Road Maintenance Service Area Commercial February 2024 #1

Authority

Haines Borough Code: 7.08.050 D. Commercial Use. The service area board shall develop a fee schedule for commercial users. These funds shall be used for capital improvements and repairs.

Rationale

Funds are needed each year to brush, grade, ditch, cold patch and provide general maintenance. Commercial businesses often use trucks, buses, trailers, and vans over multiple trips causing additional wear on roads.

An estimated \$14,000 will be spent to ditch and scrape Chilkat Lake Road in 2024. An estimated \$10,000 will be needed for two gradings of the Porcupine Road in 2024.

Recommendation for yearly commercial user fees all based on the honor system. Each company will detail where their use is taking place so funds can be allocated correctly.

- **Commercial Tourism:** A fee of \$1 per head shall be collected from all commercial tourism companies for each client that crosses the Klehini Bridge. This fee is due upon renewal of the annual tour permit for the previous year's clients. (Estimated revenue \$3000-\$5000)
- **Mineral Exploration and Placer Mining:** A fee of \$100 per full time seasonal company staff working in the service area. (Estimated revenue \$3000-\$5000)
- **Forestry-based businesses:** A fee of \$250 per haul truck will be charged to occasional user (less than 30 days per summer). A fee of \$500 per haul truck will be charged for use of more than 30 days per summer. (Estimated revenue \$750 unless Baby Brown goes forward)
- **Mineral Extraction:** \$1 per yard for hauling aggregate in any form, from within the RMSA e.g. soil, sand gravel, rock, etc. (Estimated revenue?)
- **Reality TV Shows:** A fee of \$100 per full time season company staff working in the service area. (Estimated revenue \$2000-\$3000)

Payments in Lieu of Commercial Fees

Commercial businesses may perform needed maintenance on borough-owned roads within the service area with the consent of the Borough Manager in writing. . A statement of value shall be provided to the borough after the maintenance work is completed.

Note If this fee schedule is not adopted by the Assembly in time for the 2024 summer season, the clerk's office will send a letter to all commercial users of the RMSA asking for a voluntary donation until the fee schedule is finalized.