

CODE ORDINANCE

Sponsored by: Sumner

Introduced:

Public Hearing:

Action:

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 25-129**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY REPEALING THE WATERBODY SETBACK STANDARDS AND ADOPTING NEW WATERBODY SETBACK STANDARDS.

BE IT ENACTED:

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become a part of the Borough Code.

Section 2. Repeal of section. MSB 17.55.020 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 3. Effective date. Section 2 of this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

Section 4. Adoption of section. MSB 17.55.030 is hereby adopted to read as follows:

17.55.030 WATERBODY SETBACK STANDARDS.

(A) Except as provided in subsection (B) of this section, no structure or structure footing shall be located closer than 75 feet from the ordinary high-water mark of a body of water. Except as provided otherwise, eaves may project up to three feet into the required setback area.

(B) Docks, piers, marinas, aircraft hangars, and boathouses may be located closer than 75 feet, provided

they are not used for habitation and do not contain
sanitary or petroleum fuel storage facilities.

(1) Boathouses or aircraft hangars which are
exempt from a minimum shoreline setback for structures
shall:

(a) be used solely for storing boats and
boating accessories;

(b) be designed, constructed and oriented
for primary access by boats or aircraft directly to a
waterbody;

(c) not have more than incidental
accessory access to a street or driveway; and

(d) not be usable as a garage or
habitable structure without significant alteration.

(C) In this section, a "structure" is any dwelling
or habitable building or garage.

Section 5. Effective date. Section 4 of this ordinance shall
take effect two calendar days after adoption.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this - day
of -, 2025.

EDNA DeVRIES, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

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