

HB 155 - Alaska Mental Health Trust Land Exchange with the USFS

Land Office



The Alaska Mental Health Trust

- A perpetual trust using its resources to ensure a comprehensive integrated mental health program in Alaska.
- Funding programs that serve Alaska's most vulnerable populations for the past two decades.
- Providing programs for mental illnesses, developmental disabilities, Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, traumatic brain injuries & substance abuse disorders.

Their Mission: to improve the lives of beneficiaries.



The Trust Land Office

Manages the Trust owned land and resources to generate revenue, used by the Trust to improve the lives of the beneficiaries.

Our Mission: to protect & enhance the value of Alaska Mental Health Trust lands.



Trust Management Principles

- 1. Maximize long-term revenue & productivity from trust land
- 2. Protect corpus
- 3. Encourage diverse revenue-producing uses of trust land
- 4. Manage trust land prudently, efficiently & with accountability to the trust and its beneficiaries

Land Distribution



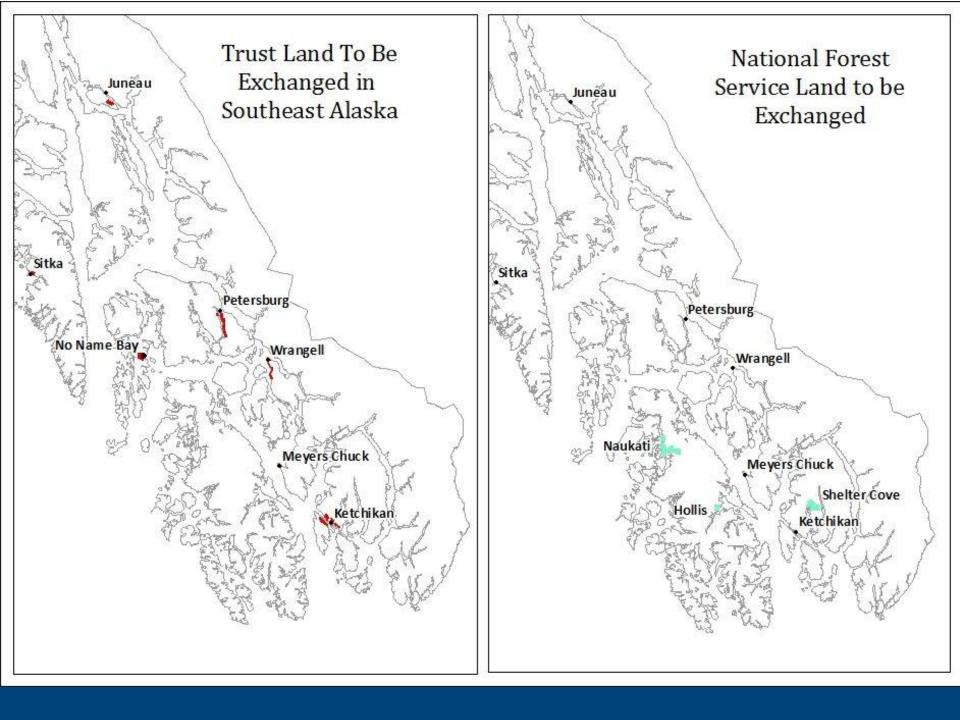
Land Exchange Details

18,313 acres of Trust lands adjacent to the communities of Ketchikan, Wrangell, Petersburg, Sitka & Juneau would be transferred to the USFS

20,645 acres of remote land on Prince of Wales Island & Shelter Cove would be transferred to the Trust for development and timber harvest

Equal value exchange

Phase I complete in 1 year and Phase II in 2 years



Land Exchange Benefits

Consolidates Trust land ownership	
Replaces lands adjacent to communities with lands that are more conducive to revenue production such as from timber harvest	
Protects timber and tourism industries	
Protects jobs and economies in SE Alaska	
Protects viewsheds, watersheds, and certain old growth timber stands	

Why Now?

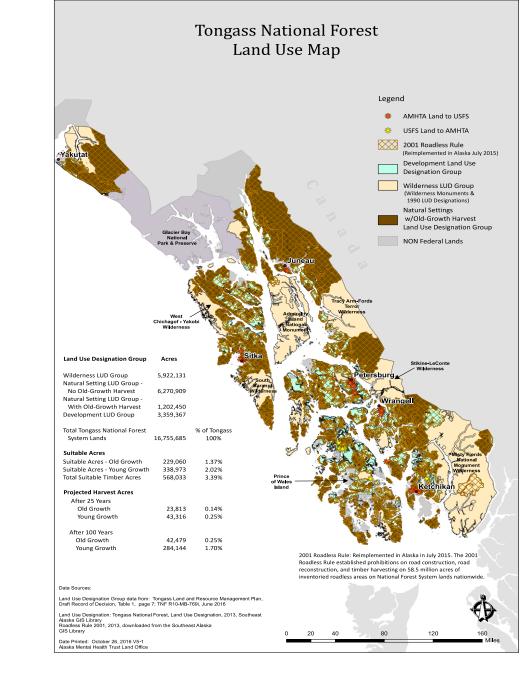
Result of 10 years of planning and public input

USFS timber supplies have dwindled

Timber industry, a key revenue generator for the Trust, is at risk because of low timber supply Extensive negotiations with USFS

Addressing concerns from conservation groups and other interests

USFS Forest Plan



Federal Legislation

- S. 131 introduced by Senator Murkowski and Sullivan in January 2017
- HR. 513 introduced by Representative Young in January 2017
- Language compatible with SB 88 and HB 155
- Directs the USFS to complete the exchange

Thank You to Our Supporters

We are grateful to all of the organizations, leaders & individual community members who support the Trust land exchange legislation.

Resolutions

Southeast Conference City & Borough of Wrangell Ketchikan Gateway Borough

Supporters

Dan Bockhorst – Ketchikan Gateway Borough David Landis – Ketchikan Gateway Borough Cindi Lagoudakis – Petersburg Borough Julie Decker – City & Borough of Wrangell David L. Jack – City & Borough of Wrangell Kim Lane – City & Borough of Wrangell Curtis Thayer – Alaska State Chamber of Commerce Clare Doig – Alaska Council of Foresters Owen Graham – Alaska Forest Association Senator Bert Stedman – Alaska State Legislature Representative Dan Ortiz – Alaska State Legislature

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