

SB 224 Public Land: Sale/Lease/ Commercial Development

Senate Resources Committee



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Purpose of Legislation



- Modernize state land lease and sale processes
- Stimulate economic development through commercial parks
- Repeal outdated land boundaries and designations



Image: Kupreanof Shores on Kodiak Island



Changes to Lease and Sale Procedures

Leases

- Survey
- Compensation method

Sales

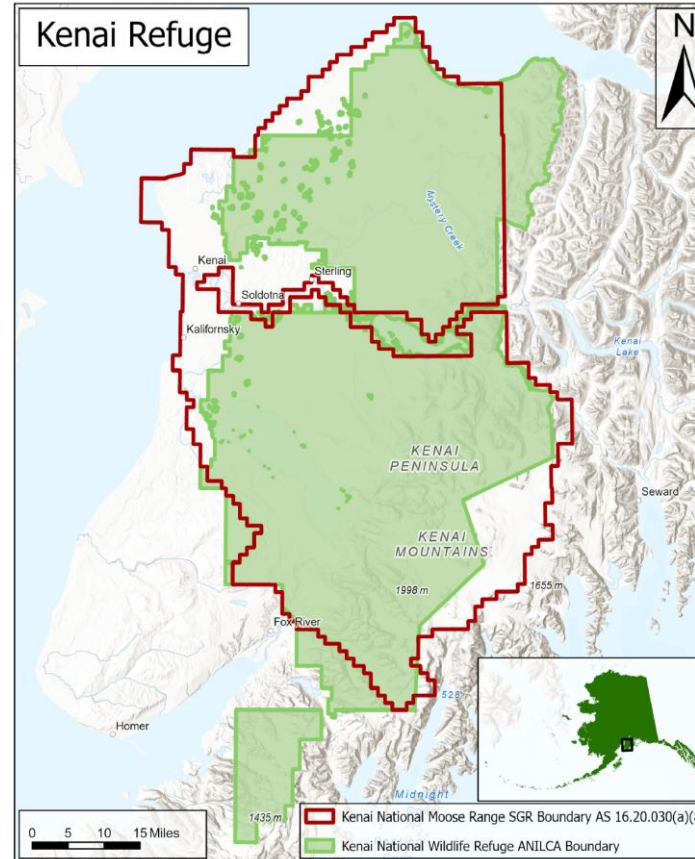
- Existing infrastructure
- Auction/sealed bid flexibility
- Residency requirement for bidders
- Installment period extended to 30 years
- Termination of a contract



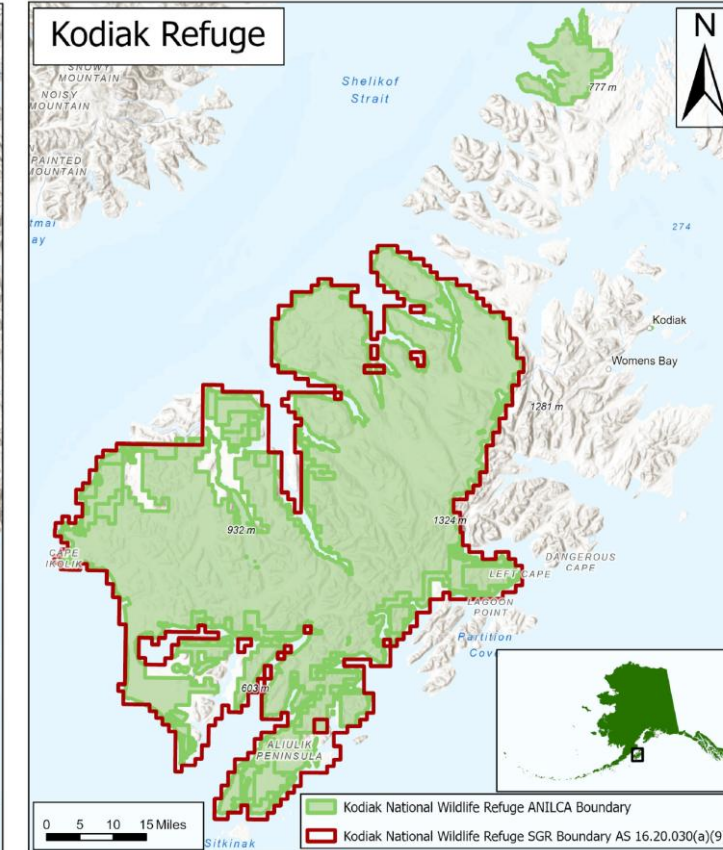
Remove Administrative Burdens

Repeal state statutes for two state game refuges

- Kenai National Moose Range
 - AS 16.20.030(a)(8)
- Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge
 - AS 16.20.030(a)(9)



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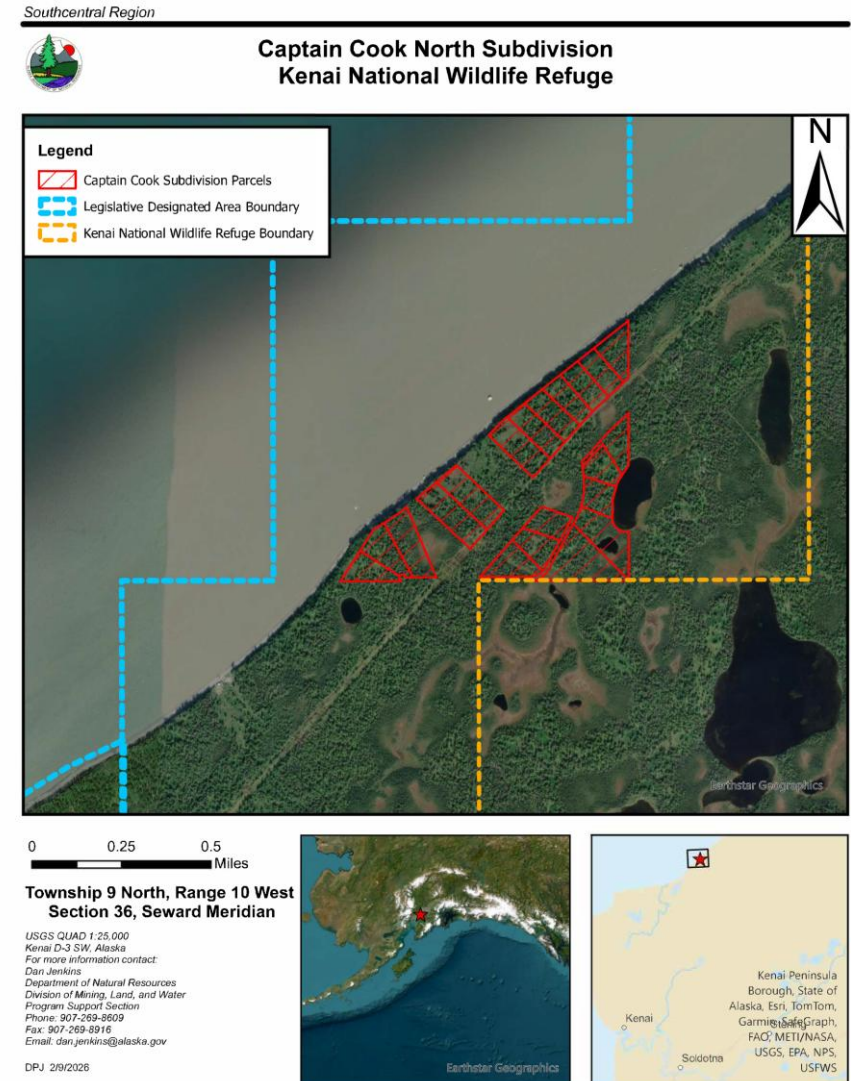


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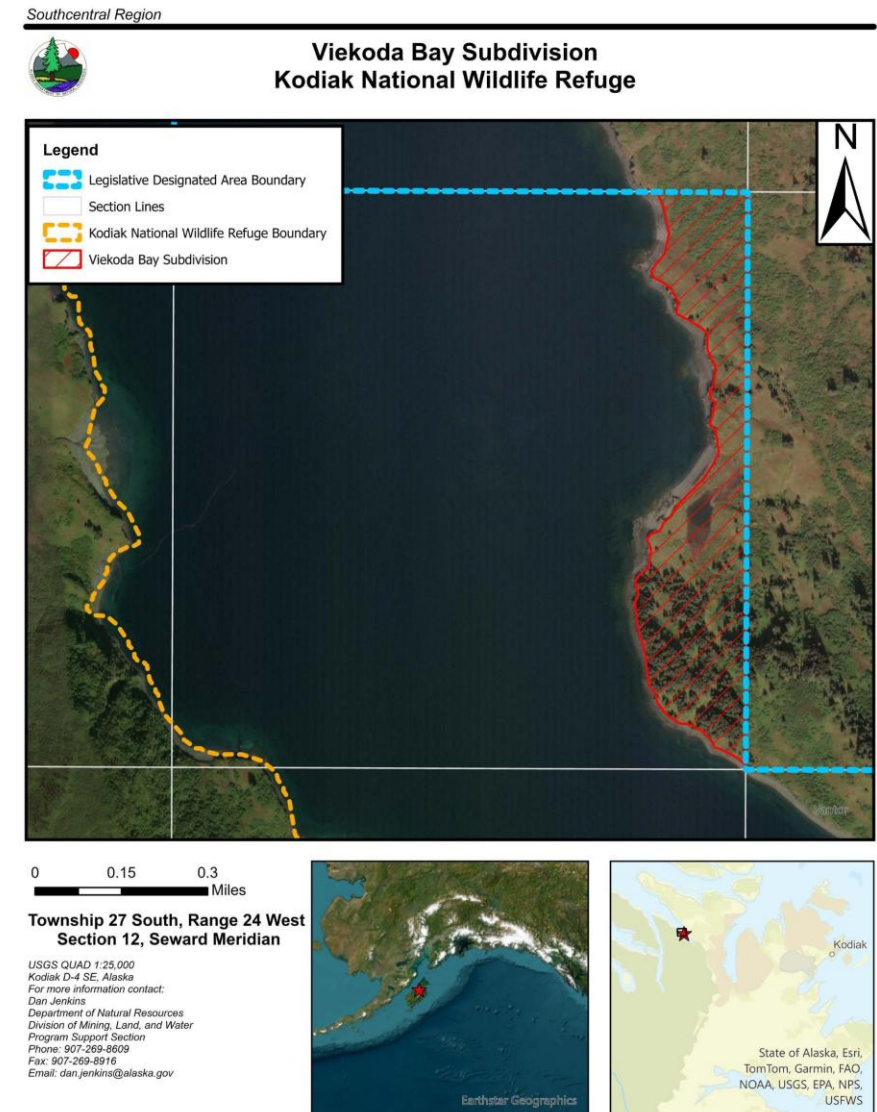
- Executive Order 8979 established the Kenai National Moose Range in 1941
- Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) redesignated and modified the boundary of the Moose Range in 1980



Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge



- Executive Order 8857 established the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge in 1941
- With the passage of ANILCA in 1980, the refuge was expanded to include public lands on Afognak and Ban islands



Clear Obsolete Land Restrictions

- Business Park Wetlands
 - History
 - Mid-town Anchorage
 - 3 acres of land
 - Staff time
 - \$80k Cleanup costs



Mid-town Anchorage off of C Street
(between W. Tudor Rd & W. International Airport Rd)



Photo: Business Park Wetlands 2025 trespass camp

Commercial Development Parks



- Designation process
- Lease terms (up to 55 years, renewal option)
- Purchase option for lessees
- Performance benchmarks
- Encourages business investment
- Supports long-term development goals

Thank You



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