

HOUSE BILL NO. 272

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPHSON

Introduced: 1/16/18

Referred: House Special Committee on Fisheries, Resources

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act establishing the Tangle Lakes State Game Refuge; and providing for an**
2 **effective date."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 *** Section 1.** AS 16.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 16.20.043. Tangle Lakes State Game Refuge.** (a) The following state-
6 owned land and water lying within the parcels described in this subsection is
7 established as the Tangle Lakes State Game Refuge:

8 (1) Township 20 South, Range 6 East, Fairbanks Meridian
9 Protracted Section 11: That portion easterly of the ordinary high
10 water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the
11 Maclareen River
12 Protracted Sections 12 - 13: All
13 Protracted Section 14: That portion easterly of the ordinary high
14 water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the

1 Maclaren River

2 Protracted Section 23: That portion easterly of the ordinary high

3 water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the

4 Maclaren River

5 Protracted Sections 24 - 25: All

6 Protracted Section 26: That portion easterly of the ordinary high

7 water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the

8 Maclaren River

9 Protracted Sections 35 - 36: That portion easterly of the

10 ordinary high water line of the outermost channel of the left

11 bank of the Maclaren River;

12 (2) Township 20 South, Range 7 East, Fairbanks Meridian

13 Protracted Sections 7 - 36: All;

14 (3) Township 20 South, Range 8 East, Fairbanks Meridian

15 Protracted Sections 7 - 36: All, excluding U.S. Survey No.

16 7153;

17 (4) Township 20 South, Range 9 East, Fairbanks Meridian

18 Protracted Section 13: E1/2, E1/2NW1/4, SW1/4NW1/4, SW1/4

19 Protracted Section 14: S1/2NE1/4, SE1/4

20 Protracted Section 23: E1/2

21 Protracted Section 24: N1/2NE1/4, W1/2

22 Protracted Section 25: W1/2

23 Protracted Section 26: E1/2, SE1/4SW1/4

24 Protracted Section 34: SE1/4

25 Protracted Section 35: E1/2, E1/2NW1/4, SW1/4

26 Protracted Section 36: W1/2;

27 Tract A, the portions within the following protracted parts:

28 Sections 7 - 12: All

29 Section 13: NW1/4NW1/4

30 Section 14: N1/2NE1/4, W1/2

31 Sections 15 - 22: All

No. 4242;

(8) Township 21 South, Range 7 East, Fairbanks Meridian

Protracted Sections 1 - 4: All

Protracted Sections 5 - 6: Those portions northerly and easterly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Sections 7 - 8: Those portions easterly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Sections 9 - 12: All

Protracted Sections 13 - 16: Those portions northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Section 17: That portion easterly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Section 20: That portion northerly and easterly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Sections 21 - 23: Those portions northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way;

(9) Township 21 South, Range 8 East, Fairbanks Meridian

Protracted Sections 1 - 15: All

Protracted Sections 16 - 18: Those portions northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Sections 20 - 21: Those portions northerly and easterly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Sections 22 - 23: Those portions northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Section 24: That portion northerly and easterly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Sections 26 - 27: Those portions northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way;

(10) Township 21 South, Range 9 East, Fairbanks Meridian

Protracted Section 1: W1/2NW1/4, W1/2SW1/4

1 Protracted Section 2: All
2 Protracted Section 3: E1/2
3 Protracted Section 10: E1/2
4 Protracted Section 11: All
5 Protracted Section 12: W1/2NW1/4, W1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4
6 Protracted Section 13: W1/2
7 Protracted Section 14: All
8 Protracted Section 23: All
9 Protracted Section 24: W1/2
10 Protracted Section 25: W1/2NW1/4;
11 Sections 26 - 28: All, including Tangle Lakes and Tangle River
12 Section 32: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of
13 the Denali Highway right-of-way
14 Section 33: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of
15 the Denali Highway right-of-way, including Tangle River,
16 excluding Material Sites F027628 and F027629
17 Section 34: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of
18 the Denali Highway right-of-way, including Tangle River and
19 Round Tangle Lake; excluding Tracts No. 3 and 5 of U.S.
20 Survey No. 3298, U.S. Survey No. 4005, and U.S. Survey No.
21 4147
22 Section 35: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of
23 the Denali Highway right-of-way, including Round Tangle
24 Lake; excluding Tracts No. 3 and 4 of U.S. Survey No. 3298
25 and U.S. Survey No. 3660;
26 Tract A: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of the
27 Denali Highway right-of-way;
28 Tract B: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of the
29 Denali Highway right-of-way;
30 (11) Township 21 South, Range 10 East, Fairbanks Meridian
31 Protracted Sections 1 - 24: All

1 Protracted Section 25: That portion northerly of the northern
2 boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way
3 Protracted Sections 26 - 30: All
4 Protracted Section 31: That portion northerly of the northern
5 boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way
6 Protracted Section 32: All
7 Protracted Sections 33 - 36: Those portions northerly of the
8 northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way;
9 (12) Township 21 South, Range 11 East, Fairbanks Meridian
10 Protracted Section 1: That portion westerly of the ordinary high
11 water line of Summit Lake
12 Protracted Sections 2 - 11: All
13 Protracted Sections 12 - 13: Those portions westerly of the
14 ordinary high water line of Summit Lake
15 Protracted Section 14: All
16 Protracted Sections 15 - 16: Those portions northerly of the
17 northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way
18 Protracted Sections 17 - 18: All
19 Protracted Section 21: That portion northwesterly of the
20 northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way
21 Protracted Sections 22 - 23: Those portions northeasterly of
22 the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way
23 Protracted Section 24: That portion westerly of the ordinary
24 high water line of Summit Lake
25 Protracted Section 25: Those portions of the W1/2NW1/4 and
26 W1/2SW1/4 westerly of the ordinary high water line of
27 Summit Lake and northerly of the northern boundary of the
28 Denali Highway right-of-way
29 Protracted Section 26: Those portions northerly and easterly of
30 the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way
31 Protracted Section 27: That portion easterly of the northern

boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way;
Tract A: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of the
Denali Highway right-of-way;

(13) Township 22 South, Range 10 East, Fairbanks Meridian
Protracted Section 4: That portion northwesterly of the
northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Section 5: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way, excluding Lots 1 - 3, U.S. Survey No. 4357

Protracted Section 6: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way.

(b) The Tangle Lakes State Game Refuge is established to

(1) provide permanent protection for fish and wildlife populations and their habitats so that these resources may be preserved for subsistence uses, hunting and fishing, and for recreational, scientific, aesthetic, and educational purposes;

(2) manage human use and activities in a way that is compatible with

(1) of this subsection;

(3) provide opportunities that are compatible with (1) of this subsection for recreation, wildlife viewing, fisheries enhancement, fishing, hunting, trapping, and other activities.

(c) Except for valid rights and interests in mineral claims existing on January 1, 2019, including the right of access to those claims, the land and water areas of the Tangle Lakes State Game Refuge are closed to mineral entry under AS 38.05.185 - 38.05.275

(d) The commissioner shall permit entry into the Tangle Lakes State Game Refuge for purposes of exploration and development of oil and gas resources if the commissioner finds that the exploration or development is compatible with the purposes specified in (b) of this section; however, all oil and gas leases in effect on January 1, 2019, are valid and continue in full force and effect according to the terms of those leases.

(e) Egress and ingress to and from private property within the parcels

1 described in (a) of this section shall be allowed through access corridors established
2 through agreement between the Department of Fish and Game, the Department of
3 Natural Resources, and the private property owners involved.

4 (f) The Department of Fish and Game and the Department of Natural
5 Resources

6 (1) may, subject to (c) and (d) of this section, enter into leases within
7 the Tangle Lakes State Game Refuge if the commissioner finds that activity conducted
8 under the lease is compatible with the purposes for which the refuge is established
9 under (b) of this section;

10 (2) may not enter into sales of land within the Tangle Lakes State
11 Game Refuge.

12 * **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2019.