



# University of Alaska

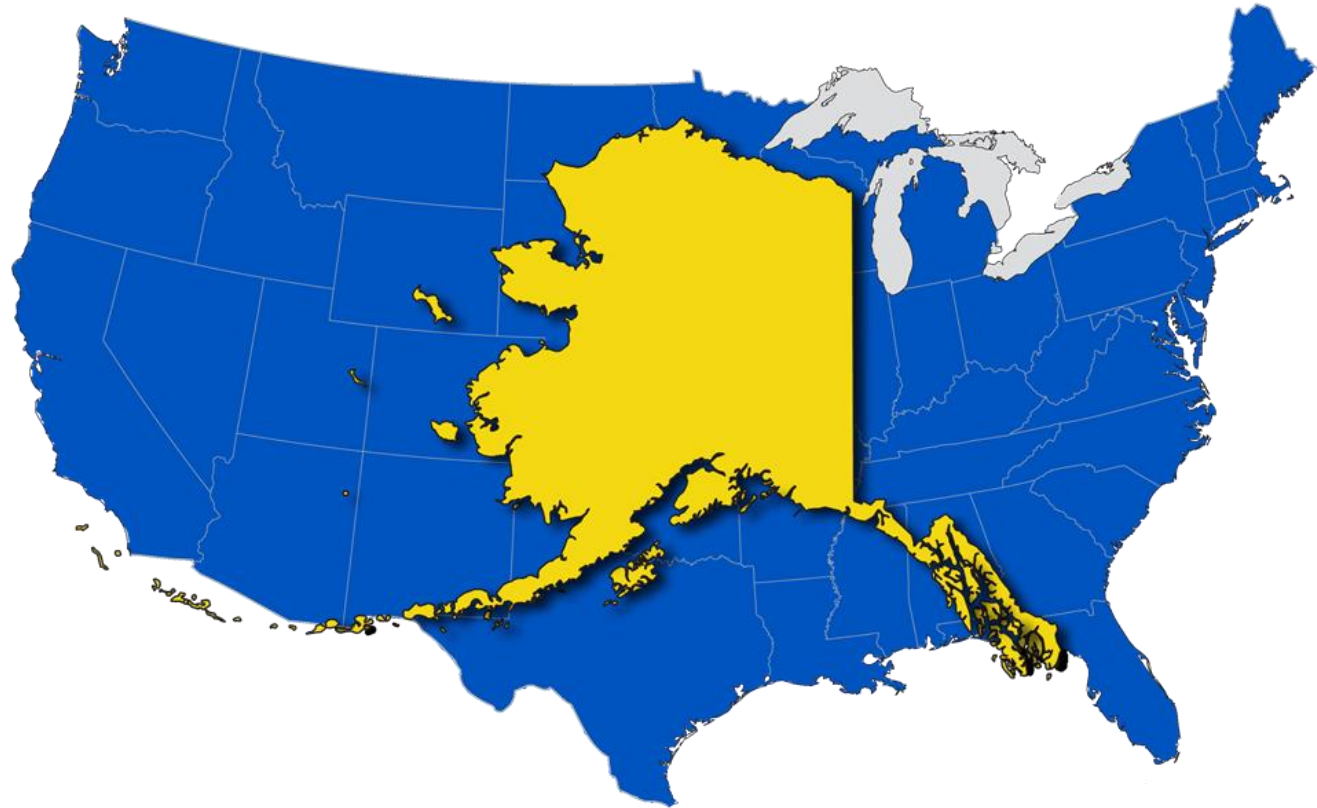
## *Land Grant Status*

Senate Resources Committee

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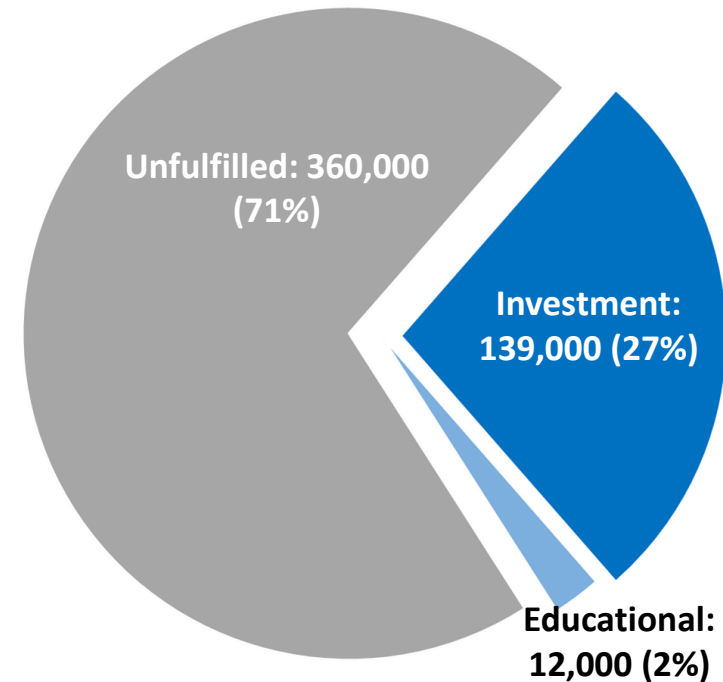
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- Only Delaware & Hawaii rank below Alaska in higher education land grants
- UA only received ~ 110,000 acres of its federal land grant entitlement
- UA's estimated land grant gap is 360,000 acres



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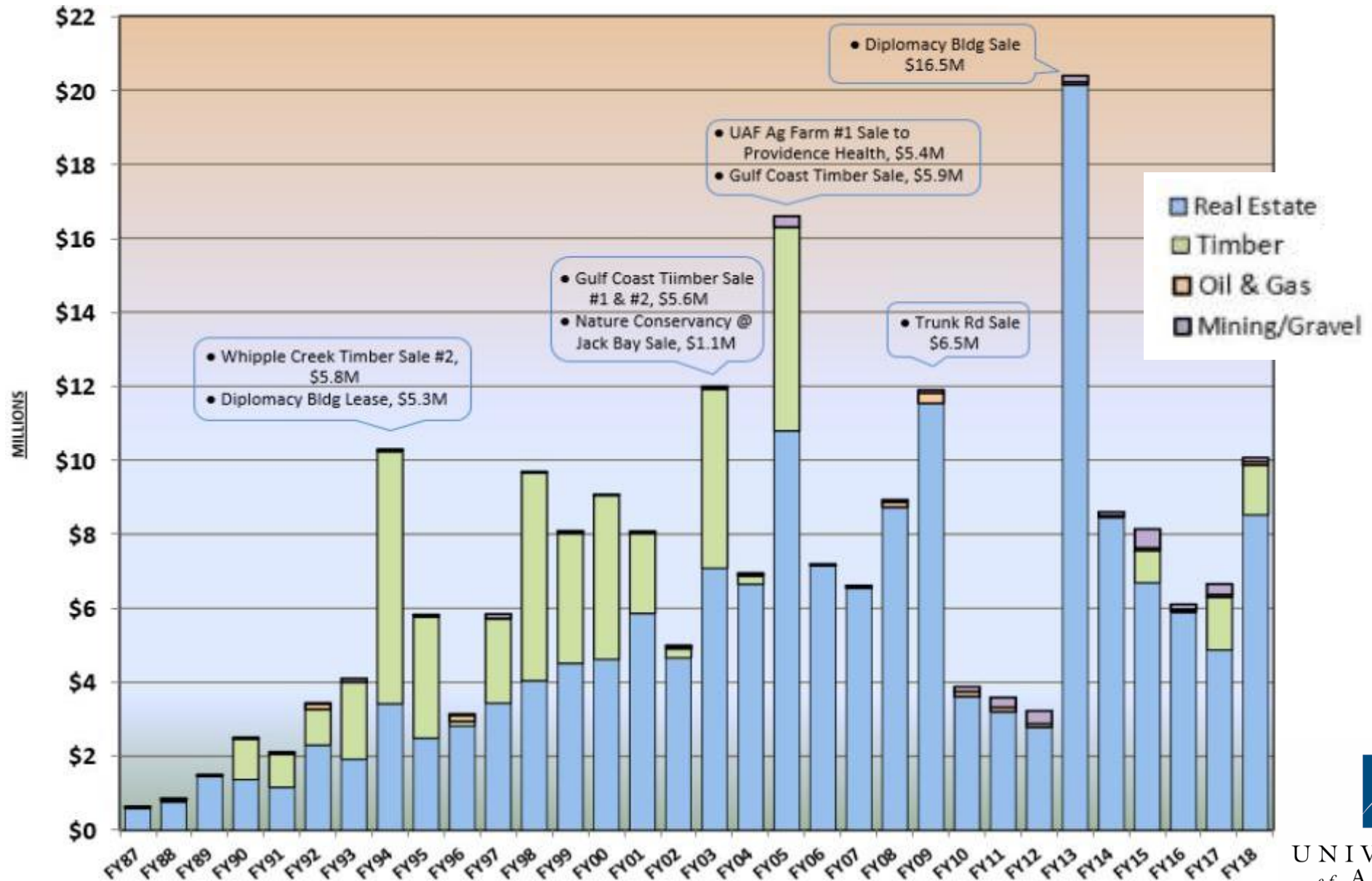
- A robust permanent land endowment would allow the University to generate more revenue, and over time help moderate state general fund support
- The state has repeatedly attempted to remedy the gap but is constitutionally precluded from doing so
- The federal government's position is that University land was included in Alaska's Statehood Act grant and has resisted remedies that rely solely on additional federal lands



# Framework for a Solution

- UA's unfulfilled land grant is a Statehood Act issue
- Congress assumed Alaska Legislature would be able to fulfill the entitlement
- Alaska Delegation, Governor, DNR and Dept. of Interior are discussing other issues related to Alaska's remaining 5 million acre Statehood Act land selections
- The anti-dedication clause has an explicit exemption:  
*“when required by the federal government for state participation in federal programs”*
- Solution may entail a structured federal program permissible under the constitution

# Receipts by Resource Category



# UA Land Trust Balance

