

HOUSE BILL NO. 272

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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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 Maclaren 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

- 1 Section 23: W1/2
- 2 Section 26: NW1/4, N1/2SW1/4, SW1/4SW1/4
- 3 Sections 27 - 33: All
- 4 Section 34: N1/2, SW1/4
- 5 Section 35: W1/2NW1/4;
- 6 Tract B: All;
- 7 (5) Township 20 South, Range 10 East, Fairbanks Meridian
- 8 Protracted Section 7: S1/2
- 9 Protracted Section 18: NE1/4, W1/2, W1/2SE1/4
- 10 Protracted Section 19: N1/2NW1/4;
- 11 Tract A, the portions within the following protracted parts:
- 12 Section 18: E1/2SE1/4
- 13 Section 19: NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, S1/2
- 14 Sections 25 - 36: All;
- 15 Tract B, the portion within the following protracted part:
- 16 Section 7: N1/2;
- 17 (6) Township 20 South, Range 11 East, Fairbanks Meridian
- 18 Protracted Section 25: That portion westerly of the ordinary
- 19 high water line of Summit Lake
- 20 Protracted Sections 26 - 35: All
- 21 Protracted Section 36: That portion westerly of the ordinary
- 22 high water line of Summit Lake;
- 23 (7) Township 21 South, Range 6 East, Fairbanks Meridian
- 24 Protracted Section 1: That portion easterly of the ordinary high
- 25 water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the
- 26 Maclaren River and northerly of the northern boundary of the
- 27 Denali Highway right-of-way
- 28 Protracted Section 2: That portion easterly of the ordinary high
- 29 water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the
- 30 Maclaren River and northerly of the northern boundary of the
- 31 Denali Highway right-of-way, excluding Lot 3, U.S. Survey

1 No. 4242;

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

3 Protracted Sections 1 - 4: All

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

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

8 Protracted Sections 9 - 12: All

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

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

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

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

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

18 Protracted Sections 1 - 15: All

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

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

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

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

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

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

31 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

1 boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way;

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

4 (13) Township 22 South, Range 10 East, Fairbanks Meridian

5 Protracted Section 4: That portion northwesterly of the
6 northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

7 Protracted Section 5: That portion northerly of the northern
8 boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way, excluding Lots
9 1 - 3, U.S. Survey No. 4357

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

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

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

16 (2) manage human use and activities in a way that is compatible with
17 (1) of this subsection;

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

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

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

31 (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.