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SB 96 Packet

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NOTES:

There has been substantial public reaction to the companion (HB 130) and the House Resources Committee held numerous public hearings and then developed a CS for the legislation. The Draft CS attached is the CS for HB 130.

The department will be preparing fiscal notes for the draft CS – the fiscal notes on the original bill are the same as those for the original HB 130. I have included them above.

The Department and University will speak to the bill – after the CS is adopted.

On Monday, public hearing will be held on the bill and it will be before the committee for action. Senator Wagoner wanted to have public hearing on the committee substitute with the deleted parcels.

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February 4, 2005

The Honorable Ben Stevens
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Alaska State Legislature
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Dear President Stevens:

Under authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that would provide for the conveyance of approximately 260,000 acres of state land to the University of Alaska (university), most of it over the next three years.

This bill is the product of more than a year of discussions between the Department of Natural Resources (department) and the university. Its major goal is to supplant the more time-consuming and expensive features of legislation enacted in 2000 (ch. 136, SLA 2000). Statutory changes enacted in ch. 136, SLA 2000 provided for a ten-year process during which the university would select up to 260,000 acres of state-owned land to be conveyed to the university for the primary purpose of generating income for the university. Unfortunately, that process has proved difficult, expensive, time-consuming, and subject to litigation. To date, no land has been conveyed to the university under ch. 136, SLA 2000.

Over the course of the past year, the university and the department have reached an agreement on land that may be conveyed to the university without unreasonably conflicting with programs associated with, and uses of, state land managed by the department. The land is identified in a document titled "University of Alaska Land Grant List 2005," dated January 12, 2005, a copy of which will be provided upon request. The bill I transmit today would provide legislative approval for the conveyance of that land to the university, thereby avoiding unnecessary delay and expense, and expediting a highly significant source of income for the university.

The bill also would establish a university research forest on certain land to be conveyed under the bill in 2055, or soon after that, that is located mainly in the Tanana Valley State Forest. The research forest would be used to advance research into forest practices, ecology, wildlife management, and recreation. Existing law authorizes the university to create a demonstration forest on land selected and

The Honorable Ben Stevens

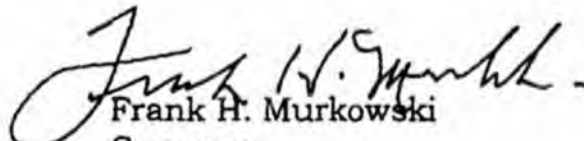
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conveyed under ch. 136, SLA 2000. This bill would repeal and reenact that law to establish the research forest without requiring a separate procedure. Because the land designated as the university research forest would not be conveyed to the university until 2055, it would be managed by the department until then under applicable state land use and forest management plans, and other applicable state law. While the research forest land is under department management, the department would be able to dispose of certain natural resources located on that land, so long as the disposal is consistent with the purposes of the research forest and complies with other applicable law.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure, which will provide for the cost-effective and timely conveyance of land to the university in order to ensure a very significant and additional source of income for the support of public higher education in Alaska and to secure the benefits of a research forest.

Sincerely yours,


Frank H. Murkowski
Governor

Enclosure

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February 7, 2005

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The Honorable Thomas Wagoner, Chair
Senate Resources Committee
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, AK 99801

Re: SB 96, University Lands Bill

Dear Senator Wagoner:

I am writing to request a hearing in your Committee next week for the University Lands Bill. The bill was introduced on Monday, February 07, 2005.

The bill transfers 260,000 acres of State land to the University and implements the intent of SB 7, passed by the 2000 Legislature. Unlike SB 7 this bill identifies specific lands to be transferred. The transfer is much quicker and less expensive than the process identified in SB 7. All but one of the 71 parcels identified in the Governor's proposal will be transferred within three years at a cost that is less than 5% of the SB 7 estimate. This proposal eliminates the potential disincentive to development that attends SB 7, because once the legislation passes, the eventual land manager is immediately clear. This proposal provides more income-producing land to the University than was available under SB 7. The specific lands to be transferred are summarized in the enclosed Fact Sheet.

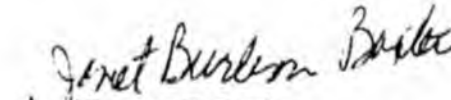
Under the proposed legislation, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will transfer all but one of the parcels to the University of Alaska within three years of the bill's passage. During those three years, DNR will complete the required title search, and will reserve appropriate public access easements, navigable waters, etc. Actual authority for management will change on the date the deeds are recorded. The one exception to the three-year transfer is the University Research Forest, a 51,820-acre tract southwest of Fairbanks within the Tanana Valley State Forest. For fifty years DNR will continue to manage the forest for commercial timber and public use in a manner consistent with the University's research needs. All transfers are subject to valid existing rights.

This transfer will provide the University with potential for near-term and long-term income. The investment properties — those in Southeast and elsewhere in Alaska — provide some near-term and medium-term revenue potential. It will take time and effort to turn even the land with near-term income potential into revenue for the University. Despite the delay in creating income, this land will strengthen the University's financial base.

Senator Wagoner
February 7, 2005
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For your information I have enclosed a Fact Sheet and a copy of the *University of Alaska Land Grant List 2005*. Thank you for your consideration. Please contact Janet Burleson Baxter at (907) 465-4730 if have any questions. You may also contact Bob Loeffler, Director of the Division of Mining, Land and Water at (907) 269-8600.

Sincerely,


for Thomas E. Irwin
Commissioner

Enclosures: University Land Fact Sheet, 2/4/05
University of Alaska Land Grant List 2005
Governor's Transmittal Letter

cc: Janet Baxter, Legislative Liaison, DNR
Bob Loeffler, Director, DMLW

Department of Natural Resources
University Land Transfer
Factsheet
February 4, 2005

Introduction

An academically strong and financially secure state university system is a cornerstone of the longer-term development of a stable population and of a healthy, diverse economy in Alaska. It is in the best interests of the State and the University of Alaska that the University own a significant and substantial portfolio of income-producing land to provide financial support for public higher education in Alaska. It is also in the interest of the State and the University to provide the University with land to encourage and foster natural resources education and research important for Alaska.

SB 7 (Chapter 136, SLA 2000)

In 2000, the Alaska Legislature passed Senate Bill 7, which provided a process for the University of Alaska to select and eventually own 260,000 acres of State land. Unfortunately, implementing the bill proved difficult, expensive, time-consuming, and subject to litigation. To date, no lands have been conveyed to the University to implement the law. In addition, uncertainty over what State land the University may or may not select created a disincentive for investment and development, and the 10-year conveyance process had the potential to discourage development and use of State land. The fiscal note that accompanied SB 7 envisioned a 10-year process that would cost \$17 million.

By identifying specific lands to transfer to the University, this proposal implements the intent of SB 7. It transfers the same amount of land, 260,000 acres, but does so in a way that is less expensive and quicker. All but one of the 71 parcels in the Governor's proposal will be transferred within three years at a cost that is less than 5% of the SB 7 estimate. This proposal also eliminates the potential disincentive to development, because once the legislation passes, the eventual land manager is immediately clear. Finally, restrictions in SB 7 made it difficult for the University to gain land with significant income producing potential. The Governor's 260,000-acre proposal provides much better income-producing land than was available under SB 7.

Lands to be Transferred to the University of Alaska

The lands proposed to be transferred to the University are summarized below:

Type of Property	No. of Parcels	Approximate Acreage
Investment Properties, Southeast Alaska	44	40,102
Investment Property, Other than Southeast	14	39,222
Nenana Basin Oil and Gas	1	90,000
Educational Properties	12	90,676
Total:	71	260,000

In developing a list of investment properties to be transferred, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the University of Alaska focused primarily on lands that had been designated settlement, general use, or general public recreation in DNR land-use plans. The list does not include any lands designated for timber harvest in Southeast Alaska because conveying these lands to the University would decrease DNR's allowable cut there. Nor does it include lands tentatively scheduled for sale by DNR within the next five years, as conveying these lands would leave DNR unable to meet its near-term land sale goals. The list does not include lands on which municipal selection applications have been filed. The list does not include any producing oil and gas or mineral properties, nor legislatively designated State Game Refuges, Critical Habitat Areas, Parks, or Public Use Areas.

The 44 investment parcels in Southeast Alaska are expected to have the greatest near-term income potential. Because of the limited State land in Southeast Alaska, these tracts are comparatively small and are distributed throughout the area.

The remaining investment properties, distributed throughout the State, include some lands suited for commercial or industrial development, but the majority is suited for residential or recreational development.

The Nenana Basin Oil and Gas property is a single 90,000-acre tract within the Nenana Basin. It is located west of the Nenana River across the river from the City of Nenana. DNR and the University believe the tract has significant potential for gas development. The area is part of the Oil and Gas License owned by Andex Corporation. The tract would be transferred to the University of Alaska subject to the Andex license.

The 12 educational properties are intended to strengthen the University of Alaska's education and research programs. Most are located in the Fairbanks area. The largest is a 51,820-acre tract southwest of Fairbanks within the Tanana Valley State Forest. This area, which includes the Bonanza Creek Experimental Forest, would become the University Research Forest. It will be one of the largest university-related forests in the country and will be an important asset to the University for forestry and related research. For at least the next 50 years, DNR would continue to manage the public uses in this area, such as recreation, and would continue to use the area for commercial timber sales, consistent with the needs of the University Research Forest.

Land Transfer Process

Under the proposed legislation, DNR will transfer all but one of the parcels to the University of Alaska within three years of the bill's passage. During those three years, DNR will complete the required title search, and will reserve appropriate public access easements, navigable waters, etc. Actual authority for management will change on the date the deeds are recorded. The exception to the three-year transfer is the University Research Forest. As noted above, for the next 50 years, DNR will continue to manage the forest for commercial timber and public use in a manner consistent with the University's research needs. Finally, all transfers are subject to valid existing rights.

Summary — A Strong Financial Base

This transfer will provide the University with potential for near-term and long-term income. The investment properties — those in Southeast and elsewhere in Alaska — provide some near-term and medium-term revenue potential. However, it will take some time and effort to turn even the land with near-term income potential into revenue for the University. Despite the delay in creating income for the University, this land will strengthen the University's financial base.

The Nenana Oil and Gas Tract provides important long-term income potential. If marketable quantities of gas are found and developed on that tract, there is the potential for a significant, multi-year income stream to the University.

Summary — A Strong Educational Base

The educational properties strengthen the University's educational mission. The University Research Forest and other properties, such as the Caribou-Poker Creek Watershed, provide dedicated land for University education and research. Ownership by the University strengthens its natural resources education and research missions.

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4/7/05

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 96(RES)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Offered:

Referred:

Sponsor(s): SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the grant of certain state land to the University of Alaska and
2 establishing the university research forest; and providing for an effective date."

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

4 * **Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section
5 to read:

6 **FINDINGS.** The legislature finds that

7 (1) as the beneficiary under the provisions of the Acts of August 30, 1890 (26
8 Stat. 417), and March 4, 1907 (34 Stat. 1281), designating the Alaska Agricultural College
9 and School of Mines as beneficiary, and of March 4, 1915 (38 Stat. 1214), transferring certain
10 land for its location and support, the University of Alaska is a land grant university;

11 (2) under the Acts of March 4, 1915 (38 Stat. 1214), and January 21, 1929 (45
12 Stat. 1091), the Congress of the United States granted the Territory of Alaska certain federal
13 land to be held in trust for the benefit of the predecessor of the University of Alaska;

14 (3) the territory was unable to receive most of the land conveyed by the Act of

1 March 4, 1915, before repeal of that Act by sec. 6(k) of the Alaska Statehood Act (P.L. 85-
2 508, 72 Stat. 339);

3 (4) the Congress of the United States granted the State of Alaska the right to
4 select 103,350,000 acres of federal land under sec. 6(a) and (b) of the Alaska Statehood Act;

5 (5) the land selection rights embodied in the Alaska Statehood Act reflect, in
6 part, congressional recognition that the state would need the land to support its government
7 and programs, and the Congress assumed that the State of Alaska would in turn devote some
8 of the land, and income from it, for the use and benefit of the University of Alaska;

9 (6) most land grant colleges in the western United States have obtained a
10 larger land grant from the federal government than the University of Alaska has received;

11 (7) an academically strong and financially secure state university system is a
12 cornerstone of the long-term development of a stable population and of a healthy, diverse
13 economy in the state;

14 (8) it is in the best interests of the state and the University of Alaska that the
15 Board of Regents of the University of Alaska take ownership of a significant and substantial
16 portfolio of income-producing land to provide income for the support of public higher
17 education in the state;

18 (9) it currently is in the best interests of the state and the University of Alaska
19 to establish a university research forest on some of the land to be conveyed to the Board of
20 Regents in trust for the university;

21 (10) in 2055, the University of Alaska should take ownership of the university
22 research forest land;

23 (11) renewable resources retained in ownership by the Board of Regents in
24 trust for the University of Alaska should be managed on a sustained-yield basis, taking into
25 account the total land grant;

26 (12) ch. 136, SLA 2000, was enacted to implement many of the findings stated
27 in this section by providing a process for the selection of land to be conveyed from the State
28 of Alaska to the University of Alaska;

29 (13) the land selection process provided for in ch. 136, SLA 2000, presents
30 significant difficulties, including the financial cost of the selection process and delay in the
31 Board of Regent's acquisition of income-producing land for the University of Alaska;

1 (14) the significant administrative expense and lengthy period of time required
2 for completing the land selection process under the existing law can be avoided by providing
3 for a more expedited conveyance of income-producing land;

4 (15) the State of Alaska and University of Alaska have identified particular
5 land to be conveyed to the Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska in order to
6 implement the findings in this section;

7 (16) except for university research forest land, conveyance of land identified
8 by the State of Alaska and the University of Alaska shall be largely completed within three
9 years after the effective date of this Act.

10 * Sec. 2. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
11 read:

12 LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the legislature that the Board of Regents
13 of the University of Alaska

14 (1) receive land in trust for the University of Alaska under this Act in an
15 expeditious manner; and

16 (2) encourage the development of in-state value-added industries to the extent
17 economically feasible and practicable when developing land conveyed under AS 14.40.365,
18 as repealed and reenacted by sec. 5 of this Act.

19 * Sec. 3. AS 14.40.170(a) is amended to read:

20 (a) The Board of Regents shall

21 (1) appoint the president of the university by a majority vote of the
22 whole board, and the president may attend meetings of the board;

23 (2) fix the compensation of the president of the university, all heads of
24 departments, professors, teachers, instructors, and other officers;

25 (3) confer such appropriate degrees as it may determine and prescribe;

26 (4) have the care, control, and management of

27 (A) all the real and personal property of the university; and

28 (B) land

29 (i) conveyed to the Board of Regents by the
30 commissioner of natural resources in the settlement of the claim of the
31 University of Alaska to land granted to the state in accordance with the

1 Act of March 4, 1915 (38 Stat. 1214), as amended, and in accordance
2 with the Act of January 21, 1929 (45 Stat. 1091), as amended; and

3 (ii) [SELECTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF
4 ALASKA AND] conveyed to the Board of Regents in trust for the
5 University of Alaska [IT] by the commissioner of natural resources
6 under AS 14.40.365;

7 (5) keep a correct and easily understood record of the minutes of every
8 meeting and all acts done by it in pursuance of its duties;

9 (6) under procedures to be established by the commissioner of
10 administration, and in accordance with existing procedures for other state agencies,
11 have the care, control, and management of all money of the university and keep a
12 complete record of all money received and disbursed;

13 (7) adopt reasonable rules for the prudent trust management and the
14 long-term financial benefit to the university of the land of the university;

15 (8) provide public notice of sales, leases, exchanges, and transfers of
16 the land of the university or of interests in land of the university;

17 (9) administer, manage market, and promote a postsecondary
18 education savings program, including the Alaska Higher Education Savings Trust
19 under AS 14.40.802 and the Alaska advance college tuition savings fund under
20 AS 14.40.803 - 14.40.817.

21 * Sec. 4. AS 14.40.291(a) is amended to read:

22 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, university-grant land, state
23 replacement land that becomes university-grant land on conveyance to the university,
24 land [SELECTED BY AND] conveyed to the Board of Regents in trust for the
25 University of Alaska under AS 14.40.365, and any other land owned by the university
26 [UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA] is not and may not be treated as state public domain
27 land. Land conveyed to the Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska
28 under AS 14.40.365 shall be managed as nontaxable trust land under AS 14.40.365 -
29 14.40.367 [AS 14.40.365 - 14.40.368] and policies of the Board of Regents [OF THE
30 UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA].

31 * Sec. 5. AS 14.40.365 is repealed and reenacted to read:

1 **Sec. 14.40.365. University land grant.** (a) Except as provided in (b) of this
2 section, before July 1, 2008, the commissioner of natural resources shall convey to the
3 Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska, by quitclaim deed, the state
4 land identified for conveyance to the university and described in the document titled
5 "University of Alaska Land Grant List 2005," dated January 12, 2005.

6 (b) As soon as practicable after June 30, 2055, the commissioner of natural
7 resources shall convey to the Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska,
8 by quitclaim deed, the state land described as the "University Research Forest" and
9 identified for conveyance to the university in the document titled "University of
10 Alaska Land Grant List 2005," dated January 12, 2005.

11 (c) As soon as practicable after the receipt of patent from the United States,
12 but not before the land is otherwise required to be conveyed under this section, the
13 commissioner of natural resources shall convey to the Board of Regents in trust for the
14 University of Alaska, by quitclaim deed, federal land that has been selected for
15 conveyance to the state under the Alaska Statehood Act but is subject to a federal
16 mining claim, and that is identified in the document titled "University of Alaska Land
17 Grant List 2005," dated January 12, 2005, for conveyance to the university upon the
18 state's acquisition of patent.

19 (d) Notwithstanding AS 38.05.125(a), and except as otherwise provided in this
20 section, the transfer of ownership of land from the commissioner of natural resources
21 to the Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska under this section
22 includes the interest of the state in the coal, ores, minerals, fissionable materials,
23 geothermal resources, and fossils, oil, and gas that may be in or on the land.

24 (e) Land conveyed under this section to the Board of Regents in trust for the
25 University of Alaska is subject to any valid possessory interest or other valid existing
26 right, including any lease, license, contract, prospecting site, claim, sale, permit, right-
27 of-way, or easement held by another person, including a federal, state, or municipal
28 agency, on the effective date of this section.

29 (f) Before conveying land under this section, the commissioner of natural
30 resources shall reserve access under AS 38.05.127, but other provisions of AS 38.04
31 and AS 38.05 do not apply to the commissioner's preparation for conveyance of land

1 to the Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska under this section. In
2 addition to access under AS 38.05.127, the commissioner may reserve in the
3 conveyance document existing trails, roads, and other access routes that provide public
4 access to adjacent land and public waterways.

5 (g) In addition to rights or an interest held by a person under (e) of this
6 section, land conveyed to the Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska
7 under this section

8 (1) is subject to

9 (A) sec. 6(i) of the Alaska Statehood Act (P.L. 85-508, 72 Stat.
10 339);

11 (B) AS 19.10.010;

12 (C) any easement, right-of-way, or other access under former
13 43 U.S.C. 932 (sec. 8, Act of July 26, 1866, 14 Stat. 253);

14 (D) the provisions of any memorandum of agreement entered
15 into between the University of Alaska and the commissioner of natural
16 resources governing shared benefits or costs associated with land to be
17 conveyed to the Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska;

18 (E) any interest transferred to the state by quitclaim deed dated
19 June 30, 1959, under authority of the Alaska Omnibus Act (P.L. 86-70, 73
20 Stat. 141); and

21 (2) excludes the mineral estate on land that is subject to a valid state
22 mining claim.

23 (h) As soon as practicable after the extinguishment, release, or expiration of a
24 valid state mining claim located on land to be conveyed under this section, but not
25 before the land is otherwise required to be conveyed under this section, the
26 commissioner of natural resources shall convey the mineral estate excluded from
27 conveyance under (g)(2) of this section.

28 (i) The responsibility for the management of land conveyed to the Board of
29 Regents in trust for the University of Alaska under this section vests with the Board of
30 Regents in trust for the University of Alaska on the date of recording of that
31 conveyance.

1 (j) The Board of Regents of the University of Alaska is entitled to receive any
2 income derived from land conveyed to the Board of Regents in trust for the University
3 of Alaska under this section accruing after the date of conveyance, including any
4 income accruing from an existing lease, license, contract, prospecting site sale, permit,
5 right-of-way, easement, or trespass claim.

6 (k) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, within 10 years after
7 conveyance of land under this section, the Board of Regents may reconvey to the
8 Department of Natural Resources land

9 (1) containing hazardous waste that was present on the land before
10 conveyance under this section;

11 (2) on which is located a historic or archeological site that is subject to
12 management under AS 41.35; or

13 (3) that the Board of Regents and the commissioner of natural
14 resources jointly agree is in the best interests of the state and the university to
15 reconvey.

16 (l) After the effective date of this section and before the conveyance of a
17 parcel of land to the Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska under this
18 section, the commissioner of natural resources may not convey, without consent of the
19 university, any irrevocable interest in a parcel that is required to be conveyed to the
20 Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska under this section.

21 (m) The commissioner of natural resources may make minor adjustments to
22 the maps or legal descriptions of the state land identified for conveyance to the
23 university and described in the document titled "University of Alaska Land Grant List
24 2005," dated January 12, 2005, to correct omissions or errors.

25 (n) Notwithstanding (a) of this section, the following state land described in
26 the document entitled "University of Alaska Land Grant List 2005," dated January 12,
27 2005, may not be conveyed to the University of Alaska under this section:

28 (1) Parcel Number CS.DI.1001, Duke Island;

29 (2) Parcel Number CS.KI.1001, Kelp Island;

30 (3) Parcel Number JU.LM.1001, Lena Creek;

31 (4) Parcel Number KT.1004, Neets Creek;

1 (5) Parcel Number MA.KR.1001, Kodiak Rocket Range;

2 (6) Parcel Number PA.1001, Port Alexander; and

3 (7) Parcel Number ST.1002, Warm Springs Bay.

4 (o) Notwithstanding (a) of this section, each of the following parcels described
5 in the document entitled "University of Alaska Land Grant List 2005," dated
6 January 12, 2005, may not be conveyed to the University of Alaska under this section
7 until all Native allotment applications applicable to that parcel have been denied:

8 (1) Parcel Number PA.1002, Biorka Island;

9 (2) Parcel Number NS.NS.1001, Lisjanski Peninsula.

10 * Sec. 6. AS 14.40.366 is repealed and reenacted to read:

11 **Sec. 14.40.366. Management requirements for university land.** (a) Before
12 the conveyance or the disposal of an interest in the land to a third party, land conveyed
13 to the Board of Regents in trust for the University of Alaska under AS 14.40.365 shall
14 be managed in a manner that, to the extent practicable, permits reasonable activities of
15 the public that do not interfere with the use or management of the land by the
16 university.

17 (b) For land conveyed to the Board of Regents in trust for the University of
18 Alaska under AS 14.40.365, the Board of Regents shall

19 (1) seek public comment on proposals for land development,
20 exchange, or sale; and

21 (2) adopt policies that require the preparation of land development
22 plans and land disposal plans.

23 (c) The Board of Regents shall adopt policies requiring public notice before
24 approval of land development plans and land disposal plans. The policies must
25 require that the notice be provided not less than 30 days before the proposed action
26 and that the notice be

27 (1) sent to local legislators, municipalities, and legislative information
28 offices in the vicinity of the action and at other locations as the university may
29 designate;

30 (2) published in newspapers of general circulation in the vicinity of the
31 proposed action at least once each week for two consecutive weeks; and

1 (3) published on state and university public notice Internet websites.

2 (d) In this section, "development, exchange, or sale" does not include the grant
3 of an easement or right of way or the development of a campus facility.

4 * Sec. 7. AS 14.40.400(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) The Board of Regents shall establish a separate endowment trust fund in
6 which shall be held in trust in perpetuity all

7 (1) net income derived from the sale or lease of the land granted under
8 the Act of Congress approved January 21, 1929, as amended;

9 (2) net income derived from the sale, lease, or management of the land
10 [SELECTED BY AND] conveyed to the Board of Regents in trust for the
11 University of Alaska under AS 14.40.365; however, the amount deposited in the
12 endowment trust fund under this paragraph resulting from mineral lease
13 royalties and royalty sales proceeds may not be less than 25 percent of all such
14 mineral lease royalties and royalty sales proceeds received by the university; and

15 (3) monetary gifts, bequests, or endowments made to the University of
16 Alaska for the purpose of the fund.

17 * Sec. 8. AS 14.40.461 is repealed and reenacted to read:

18 **Sec. 14.40.461. University research forest.** (a) For the purpose of
19 advancing research into forest practices, ecology, wildlife management, and
20 recreation, a university research forest is established on land described as the
21 "University Research Forest" and identified for conveyance to the Board of Regents in
22 trust for the University of Alaska in the document titled "University of Alaska Land
23 Grant List 2005," dated January 12, 2005.

24 (b) Before conveyance of university research forest land to the Board of
25 Regents in trust for the University of Alaska under AS 14.40.365(b), the commissioner
26 of natural resources shall manage the university research forest to accomplish the
27 purposes of this section and in accordance with state land use plans adopted under
28 AS 38.04.065, forest management plans adopted under AS 41.17.230, and other
29 provisions of law applicable to state-owned land.

30 (c) Notwithstanding the limitations of AS 14.40.365(l), on or before the date a
31 parcel is required to be conveyed to the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska

1 under AS 14.40.365(b), the commissioner of natural resources may

2 (1) convey an irrevocable interest in land located in the research forest
3 that terminates or returns to the state on or before the date the parcel is required to be
4 conveyed under AS 14.40.365(b);

5 (2) sell timber rights and dispose of other renewable resources located
6 in the research forest.

7 (d) After conveyance of university research forest land to the Board of
8 Regents in trust for the university under AS 14.40.365(b), the Board of Regents may
9 disestablish some or all of the university research forest established by this section,
10 and dispose of, or develop, land within the former research forest, if the Board of
11 Regents first

12 (1) provides to the public and the commissioner of natural resources
13 reasonable notice and an opportunity for comment on the board's proposed decision
14 regarding disestablishment;

15 (2) considers comments received from the public and the
16 commissioner of natural resources under (1) of this subsection;

17 (3) evaluates whether the objectives of advancing research into forest
18 practices, ecology, wildlife management, and recreation can be accomplished without
19 retaining some or all of the research forest;

20 (4) determines, following notice and any public comment by local
21 timber industry representatives, that disposal of the land will not interfere with
22 commercially viable timber harvest resource development; and

23 (5) concludes that it is in the best interest of the university to
24 disestablish some or all of the research forest.

25 * Sec. 9. AS 29.65.030 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

26 (d) For the purpose of determining the general land grant entitlement under (a)
27 of this section, the maximum total acreage of vacant, unappropriated, unreserved land
28 within the boundaries of the municipality between the date of its incorporation and
29 two years after that date shall be increased by the amount of land located within the
30 boundaries of the municipality that is transferred to the University of Alaska under
31 AS 14.40.365.

- 1 * **Sec. 10.** AS 14.40.368 is repealed.
- 2 * **Sec. 11.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2005.

Senate Resources Committee Hearing
Amendments in CSHB 130
Department of Natural Resources
April 7, 2005

The University Lands bill, (SB 96 and HB 130) was amended in House Resources. The Committee Substitute for HB 130 includes amendments to protect public access, make minor boundary adjustments, correct miscellaneous errors and omissions in the land list, address Native Allotments, protect timber harvest in the University Research Forest, ensure that potential municipalities do not receive less acreage as a result of the bill, and codify public notice requirements for the University. The CSHB 130 also eliminates seven parcels from the land list including: Neets Bay, Kodiak Launch Complex, Warm Springs Bay, Lena Creek, Port Alexander, Kelp Island and Duke Island. The amendments in the CS reduce the acreage by approximately 7000 acres. This brings the total acreage to approximately 253,000. A more detailed analysis of the CS follows.

page 5, line 27-28 - section on reserving valid existing rights, added "including a federal, state, or municipal agency" (DOT's request)

page 6, line 2-4 was added to allow DNR to reserve existing access routes, trails, roads in addition to those required under AS 38.05.127

page 7, lines 21-24, new section (m) allows DNR to make minor boundary adjustments to correct errors and omissions in the Lands List

page 7 - 8, new section (n) deletes seven parcels from the land list. These are:

- (1) Parcel Number CS.DI.1001, Duke Island;
- (2) Parcel Number CS.KI.1001, Kelp Island;
- (3) Parcel Number JU.LM.1001, Lena Creek;
- (4) Parcel Number KT.1004, Neets Creek;
- (5) Parcel Number MA.KR.1001, Kodiak Rocket Range;
- (6) Parcel Number PA.1001, Port Alexander; and
- (7) Parcel Number ST.1002, Warm Springs Bay.

page 8, lines 4-6, new section (o) prevents DNR from conveying two parcels (Biorka Island and Lisianski Peninsula) "until all Native Allotment applications ...have been denied"

Page 8, Section 6, was amended to reinstate more of what was in the 2000 Legislature's SB 7 regarding UA's process

Page 10, lines 20-22 were added as an additional requirement before land in the University Research Forest can be disposed of, specifically "that the disposal of the land will not interfere with commercially viable timber harvest and resource development".

Page 10, new section 9, adds to AS 29.65 a requirement that DNR include the acreage conveyed to UA under this bill when calculating entitlements for new municipalities. This provision prevents the acreage of their entitlement from being impacted by transfer to the University.

FISCAL NOTE

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 Component _____
 Sponsor: Rules Committee
 Requester: Governor Component No. _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2005) cost: 0.0

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ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
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Personal Services	18.6					
Travel	0.1					
Contractual	2.1					
Supplies	0.4					
Equipment	0.4					
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	21.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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1004 GF	21.6					
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Component: Title Acquisition and Defense
Sponsor: Rules
Requester: Governor Component No: 2459

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Equipment						
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Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	380.0	316.2	82.5	0.0	0.0	0.0

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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

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Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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contact for the project, coordinating with University staff, and reviewing the title research. This position will also be responsible for resolving any clouds on title issues.

Other costs include occasional travel to perform title research or survey inspection work. Contractual also includes office space rental (\$6,200 per person/year), phones, photo-copying, postage, etc. Supplies include basic office supplies and computer/software purchases.

This bill is intended to expedite the conveyance of state lands, including the mineral estate, to the University of Alaska by conveying to the Board of Regents by quitclaim deed those state lands identified for conveyance to the University in a document entitled "University of Alaska Land Grant List 2005." This "Land Grant List" includes lands that make up part of the Nenana oil and gas basin.

***Based on the subsurface information currently available, the Nenana basin is thought to be gas-prone. DNR believes that the gas potential of this basin ranges from moderate to good. The basin is also in close proximity to markets in Fairbanks. Andex Resources currently has an oil and gas exploration license for part of the Nenana Basin. It is impossible without further exploration to predict the exact fiscal impacts. However, the conveyance of part of the Nenana oil and gas basin to the University of Alaska could result in a significant new source of revenue and /or energy for the University with a corresponding decrease in general and permanent fund revenues.

There is a similar but lesser impact from transferring the surface and subsurface from other lands that DNR would otherwise sell or lease. That is, the Department anticipates an unspecified decrease in future revenues from the loss of these lands.

FISCAL NOTE

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 Title: University Lands RDU: Statewide Programs & Services
 Component: Statewide Services
 Sponsor: House Rules Committee
 Requester: Governor Murkowski Component No. 730

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual	500.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
TOTAL OPERATING	500.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0

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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

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1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)	500.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0
TOTAL	500.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2005) cost: 0.0
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POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

In the short term (6 years) this bill would provide very little operating revenue, due to the fact that the funding resulting from this bill is deposited into UA's Land Grant Trust Fund (LGTF, an endowment that has a payout policy similar to the POMV principles i.e., 5% of the prior five year endowment average), however in the long term, after substantial additions to the LGTF endowment UA can see modest operating revenue i.e., in approximately 20 years UA anticipates annual investment earnings on new land sales to reach 1% of state general fund support or \$2.6M.

UA Land Management will add minimal staff to accomplish management of the new lands as this land transfer would roughly replace land inventory available for sale. Land Management operating costs are already considered in the net revenue projections.

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**Annual Land Sales Investment Endowment
(All Figures x\$1,000)**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>UA LGTF Endowment Annual Additional Principle</u>	<u>UA LGTF Endowment Cumulative Increment</u>	<u>UA Annual Operating Revenue (Based on UA LGTF endowment using POMV principles 5% of prior 5 year endowment average)</u>
FY2006	2,000.0	2,000.0	0.0
FY2007	3,000.0	5,000.0	0.0
FY2008	4,000.0	9,000.0	30.0
FY2009	5,000.0	14,000.0	100.0
FY2010	5,000.0	19,000.0	220.0
FY2011	5,000.0	24,000.0	390.0
FY2012	5,000.0	29,000.0	610.0
FY2013	5,000.0	34,000.0	850.0
FY2014	5,000.0	39,000.0	1,100.0
FY2015	5,000.0	44,000.0	1,350.0
FY2016	5,000.0	49,000.0	1,600.0
FY2017	5,000.0	54,000.0	1,850.0
FY2018	5,000.0	59,000.0	2,100.0
FY2019	5,000.0	64,000.0	2,350.0
FY2020	5,000.0	69,000.0	2,600.0

FISCAL NOTE

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 Component: Statewide Services
 Sponsor: House Rules Committee
 Requester: Governor Murkowski Component No.: 730

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual	500.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0
Supplies						
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Grants & Claims						
TOTAL OPERATING	500.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0

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TOTAL	500.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0	250.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2005) cost: 0.0

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FY2014	5,000.0	39,000.0	1,100.0
FY2015	5,000.0	44,000.0	1,350.0
FY2016	5,000.0	49,000.0	1,600.0
FY2017	5,000.0	54,000.0	1,850.0
FY2018	5,000.0	59,000.0	2,100.0
FY2019	5,000.0	64,000.0	2,350.0
FY2020	5,000.0	69,000.0	2,600.0

FISCAL NOTE

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2005 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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 Bill Version: SB 96
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Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Fish and Game
 Title: Draft University Lands Bill RDU: _____
 Component: _____
 Sponsor: Rules Committee Component No: _____
 Requester: Governor

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
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 Requester: _____ Component No. _____

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 Agency: Natural Resources

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contact for the project, coordinating with University staff, and reviewing the title research. This position will also be responsible for resolving any clouds on title issues.

Other costs include occasional travel to perform title research or survey inspection work. Contractual also includes office space rental (\$6,200 per person/year), phones, photo-copying, postage, etc. Supplies include basic office supplies and computer/software purchases.

This bill is intended to expedite the conveyance of state lands, including the mineral estate, to the University of Alaska by conveying to the Board of Regents by quitclaim deed those state lands identified for conveyance to the University in a document entitled "University of Alaska Land Grant List 2005." This "Land Grant List" includes lands that make up part of the Nenana oil and gas basin.

***Based on the subsurface information currently available, the Nenana basin is thought to be gas-prone. DNR believes that the gas potential of this basin ranges from moderate to good. The basin is also in close proximity to markets in Fairbanks. Andex Resources currently has an oil and gas exploration license for part of the Nenana Basin. It is impossible without further exploration to predict the exact fiscal impacts. However, the conveyance of part of the Nenana oil and gas basin to the University of Alaska could result in a significant new source of revenue and /or energy for the University with a corresponding decrease in general and permanent fund revenues.

There is a similar but lesser impact from transferring the surface and subsurface from other lands that DNR would otherwise sell or lease. That is, the Department anticipates an unspecified decrease in future revenues from the loss of these lands.

University of Alaska Land Grant List 2005



Alaska Department of Natural Resources
January 12, 2005

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January 14, 2005

Dear Interested Alaskan:

The Governor is announcing new legislation that would transfer 260,000 acres of state land managed by the Department of Natural Resources to the University of Alaska. I am pleased to provide this list of lands for this transfer. The transfer will fulfill the intent of Senate Bill 7 passed by the 2000 Alaska Legislature as Chapter 136 SLA 2000. It will do so in a manner that is quicker, less expensive, and provides more valuable lands to the university than the process envisioned by SB 7.

Background — Senate Bill 7. In 2000, the Alaska Legislature passed SB 7, which provided a 10-year process during which the University of Alaska would select up to 260,000 acres of state-owned land to be conveyed to the university for the primary purpose of generating revenue for the university. Specifically, the bill provided that:

- "most land grant colleges in the western United States have obtained a larger land grant from the federal government than the University of Alaska has received;
- an academically strong and financially secure state university system is a cornerstone to the long-term development of a stable population and to a healthy, diverse economy in the state;
- it is in the best interests of the state and the University of Alaska that the university take ownership of a significant substantial portfolio of income producing land in order to provide income for the support of public higher education in the state;"

SB 7 had a 10-year fiscal note and forecast the need for approximately \$1.7 million each year to complete the selection, decision, and transfer process.

Unfortunately, implementing the bill proved difficult, expensive, time-consuming, and subject to litigation. To date, no lands have been conveyed to the University of Alaska to implement the law. In addition, uncertainty over what state land the university may or may not select creates a disincentive for investment and development, and the 10-year conveyance process had the potential to discourage the development and use of state land.

Land List and Accompanying Legislation. Over the course of the past several years, the University of Alaska and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) have worked to reach agreement on lands proposed for transfer to the university to fulfill the intent of SB 7. These lands include some that were not selectable under SB 7. However, the proposal includes a portfolio of lands that should produce income for the university both in the near-term and long-term, and will provide more income than was available to the university under the provisions of SB 7. The new

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legislation requested by the Governor eliminates the lengthy selection process required under SB 7 and directs DNR to convey these specific lands to fulfill the 260,000-acre intent of SB 7.

This new legislation provides a single decision for determining what lands will be transferred to the University of Alaska, rather than a protracted 10-year decision process. This is a quicker and significantly less expensive process. It also eliminates the potential disincentive to development because once the legislation passes, the eventual land manager is immediately clear.

Summary of the Lands to be Transferred to the University of Alaska. The lands proposed to be conveyed to the university are summarized below:

Type of Property	No. of Parcels	Approximate Acreage
Investment Properties, Southeast Alaska	44	40,102
Investment Property, Other than Southeast	14	39,222
Nenana Basin Oil and Gas	1	90,000
Educational Properties	12	90,676
Total:	71	260,000

In developing a list of investment properties to be transferred, DNR and the University of Alaska focused primarily on lands that had been designated settlement, general use, or general public recreation in DNR Area Plans. The list does not include any lands designated for timber harvest in Southeast Alaska because conveying these to the university would decrease DNR's allowable cut there. Nor does it include lands tentatively scheduled for sale by DNR within the next five years, as conveying these would leave DNR unable to meet near-term land sale goals. The list does not include lands on which municipal selection applications have been filed. The list does not include any producing oil and gas or mineral properties, nor legislatively designated State Game Refuges, Critical Habitat Areas, Parks, or Public Use Areas.

The 44 parcels in southeast are expected to have the greatest near-term income potential. Because of the limited state land in southeast, these tracts are comparatively small and are distributed throughout southeast Alaska.

The remaining investment properties, distributed throughout the state, include some lands suited for commercial or industrial development, but the majority is suited for residential or recreational development.

The Nenana Basin Oil and Gas property is a single 90,000-acre tract within the Nenana Basin. It is located west of the Nenana River generally across the river from the City of Nenana. DNR and the University believe the tract has significant potential for gas development, and the area is part of the Oil and Gas License owned by Andex Corporation. The tract would be transferred to the University of Alaska subject to the Andex license.


The 12 educational properties are intended to strengthen the University of Alaska's education and research programs. Most are located in the Fairbanks area. The largest is a 51,820-acre tract southwest of Fairbanks within the Tanana Valley State Forest. This area, which includes the Bonanza Creek Experimental Forest, would become the University Research Forest. It will be one of the largest university-related forests in the country and will be an important asset to the university for forestry and related research. For at least the next 50 years, DNR would continue to manage the

public uses in this area, such as recreation, and would continue to use the area for commercial timber sales, consistent with the needs of the University Research Forest.

Land Transfer Process. Under the proposed legislation, DNR will convey the lands to the University of Alaska within three years of the bill's passage. During those three years, DNR will complete the required title search, and will reserve appropriate public access easements, navigable waters, etc. Actual authority for management will change on the date the deeds are recorded.

Conveying these lands will accomplish the goals of SB 7 in a manner that is faster and less expensive than the 10-year process previously envisioned. I am pleased to recommend this portfolio of lands for transfer to the University of Alaska. I believe that these lands will provide the university with significant value and future revenue to help fund public education. The transfer helps fulfill the promise of a land grant University.

Sincerely,



for Tom Irwin
Commissioner

**Land List
Maps**

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Land Grant List 2005
Summary

Total Acreage: 260,000

Type	Acres
Educational Properties	90,676
Nenana Basin Oil and Gas	90,000
Southeast Alaska Investment Properties	40,102
Other Investment Properties (excluding SE)	39,222
Total	260,000

	Percent
Educational Properties	34.9%
Nenana Basin Oil and Gas	34.6%
Southeast Alaska Investment Properties	15.4%
Other Investment Properties (excluding SE)	15.1%
Total	100.0%

Region	Acres
Southeast	40,114
Southcentral	17,110
Northern Interior	202,776
Total	260,000

	Percent
Southeast	15.4%
Southcentral	6.6%
Northern Interior	78.0%
Total	100.0%

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Parcel #	Name	Approx Area in Acres
Non-producing Oil and Gas Resources		
	Nenana Gas Basin Tracts - Mineral *	90,000
	Nenana Gas Basin Tracts - Land **	90,000
	Oil and Gas Resources, Subtotal	90,000
Investment Properties		
Northern/ Interior Region		
DH IS 1001	Dalton Highway MP 48 to 54	1,360
DH SR 1001	Dalton Highway MP 345 to 347	880
MA HR 1001	Haul Road Nodes-Coldfoot	1,700
M1 JC 1001	Jarvis Creek (Mineral)	16,000
FA JC 1001	Jennie M Creek C	5
N1 LS 1001	Lake Snohomish	740
NZ FA 1003	Noyes Slough (See Fairbanks Area Parcels map)	7
N5 RS 1001	Summit Lake (Parks Highway)	960
N1 WT 1001	West Twin Lake	1,560
N5 WL 1001	Wien Lake	1,780
	Northern Interior Region Subtotal	24,992
Southcentral Region		
SU DC 1001	Deception Creek	280
SU FP 1001	Frying Pan Lake	450
MA MC 1001	McCarthy-Nizina	12,500
SU WC 1001	Willow Creek Road	1,000
	Southcentral Region Subtotal	14,230
	Investment Properties Total	39,222

* The mapped extent of the parcel exceeds this amount, but will be reconfigured when the Remote Staking for Teklanika II has been completed to equal approximately 90,000 acres

** The University will provide, at no charge to the state, reasonable access to the state land and resources west and north of the Nenana parcel

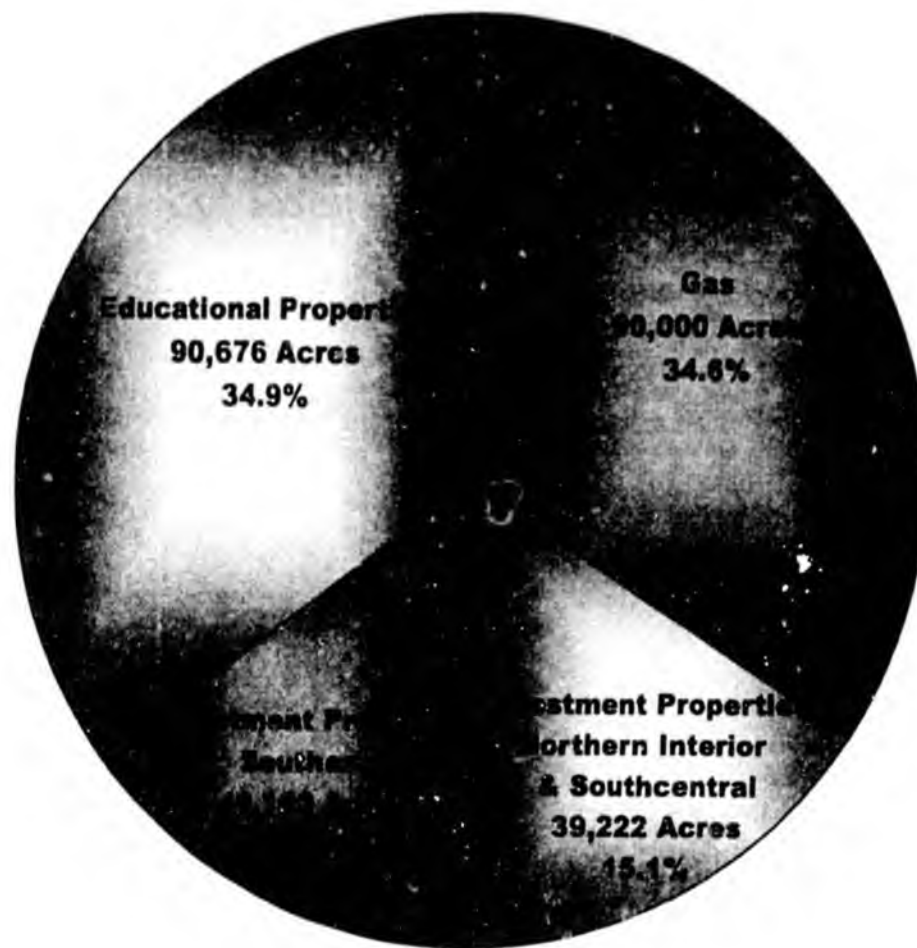
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Parcel #	Name	Approx Area in Acres
Southeast Alaska		
SD 1001	Beecher Pass	1,193
PA 1002	Biorka Island	438
KT 1002	Cleveland Peninsula	~0,055
PW CC 1001	Coffman Cove	1,984
CS DI 1001	Duke Island	1,440
CS EW 1001	Earl West Cove	3,564
PW ED 1001	Edna Bay	250
PW EC 1001	El Capitan North	1,847
PW ES 1005	El Capitan South	865
NS EX 1002	Excursion Inlet	477
SD 1001	Favor Peak	1,290
HA CH 1001	Haines - Chilkoot	60
CR 1001	Harris Road Junction	320
PW HO 1001	Hollis	622
PW HK 1001	Hook Arm	1,280
MF 1002	Idaho Inlet	539
JU NL 1001	Ivanhoe	120
CS KI 1001	Kelp Island	535
CS LE 1001	Leask Cove	460
JU LM 1001	Lena Creek	610
NS NS 1001	Lisianski Peninsula	1,443
JU 1002	Lynn Canal	1,358
NS MI 1001	Middle Island	665
PA 1002	Mite Cove	320
PW MS 1001	Moira Sound/Nowiskay Cove	160
CS MB 1001	Moser Bay	906
PW NA 1001	Naukati Sound	937
KT 1004	Neets Creek	1,500
CS OV 1001	Olive Cove	450
ST 1002	Pelican	851
PA 1001	Port Alexander	267
PA 1001	Port Conclusion (See Port Alexander map)	10
PW PD 1001	Port Delores	1,100
SD 1001	Read Island	706
CS RB 1001	Rowan Bay	665
SD 1001	Sumdum	5
ST 1003	Tenakee Springs	346
SD 1001	Thoms Place	2,360
PW TH 1001	Thorne Bay	2,557
CS TL 1001	Three Lake Road	640
CS WA 1001	Ward Cove	3

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Parcel #	Name	Approx Area in Acres
ST 1002	Warm Springs Bay	267
SD 1001	Whitney Island	316
JU 1001	William Henry Bay	321
	Southeast Region Subtotal	40,102
Educational Properties		
JU AU 1002	Auke Weir	6
LG.PC.01	Carbou-Poker Creeks Drainage	24,250
MA XS 1001	Delta Ag & Forestry Exp Station	363
N2 FA 1004	Fairbanks Parking Garage (includes Court House conveyance)	2
NZ FA 1004	Key Bank Site (See Fairbanks Area Parcels map)	1
MA KR 1001	Kodiak Rocket Range	2,880
MA PF 1002	Poker Flat (Special Use Area)	6,680
MA PF 1001	Poker Flat Lease	533
MA SF 1001	Silver Fox Mine	120
ST 1001	Sitka Campus	6
TV RF 1001	Tok Research Forest	4,015
TV TV 1001	University Research Forest	51,820
	Educational Properties Subtotal	90,676
TOTAL		260,000

Resource Distribution of Parcels

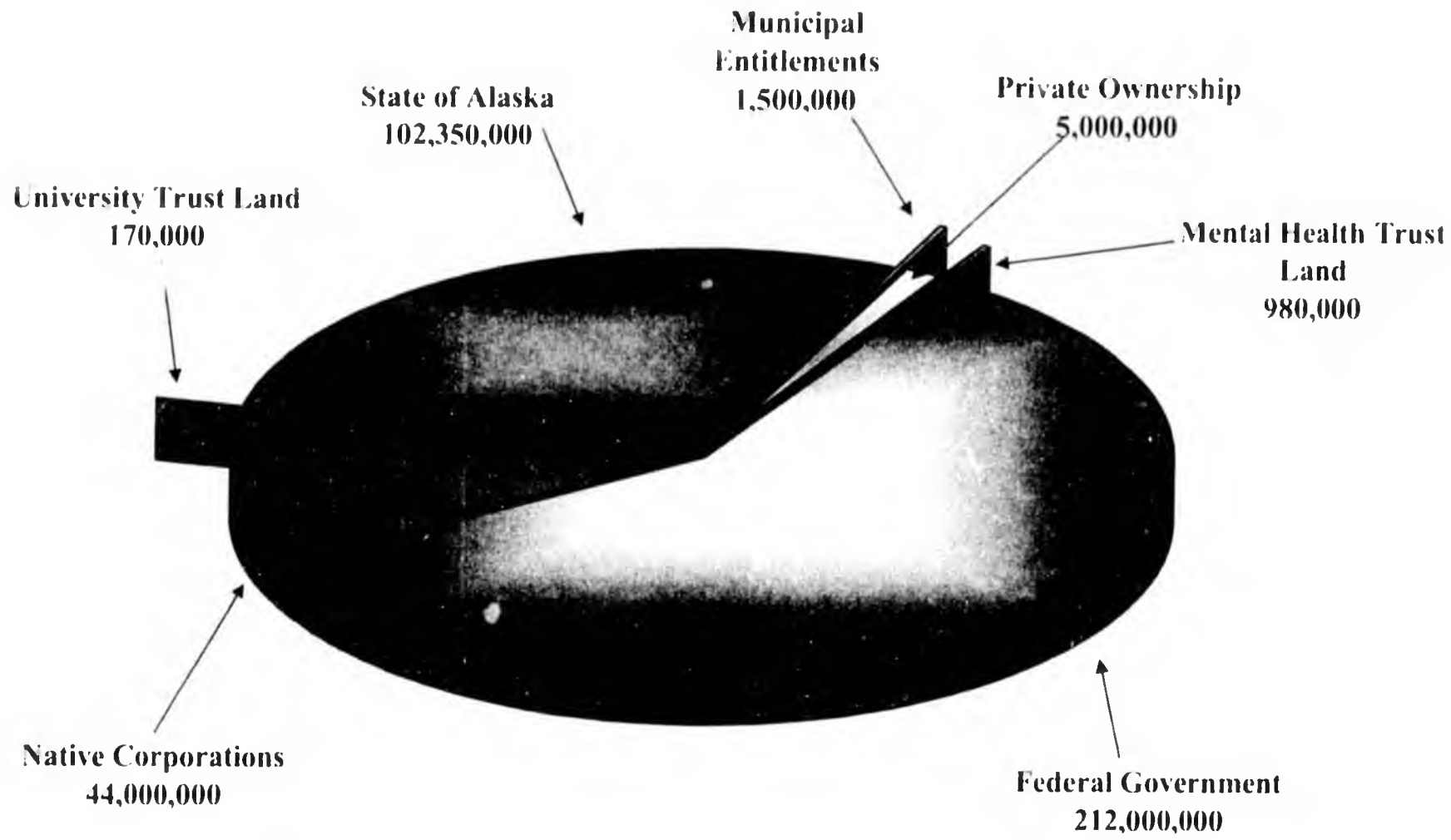


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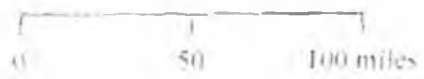
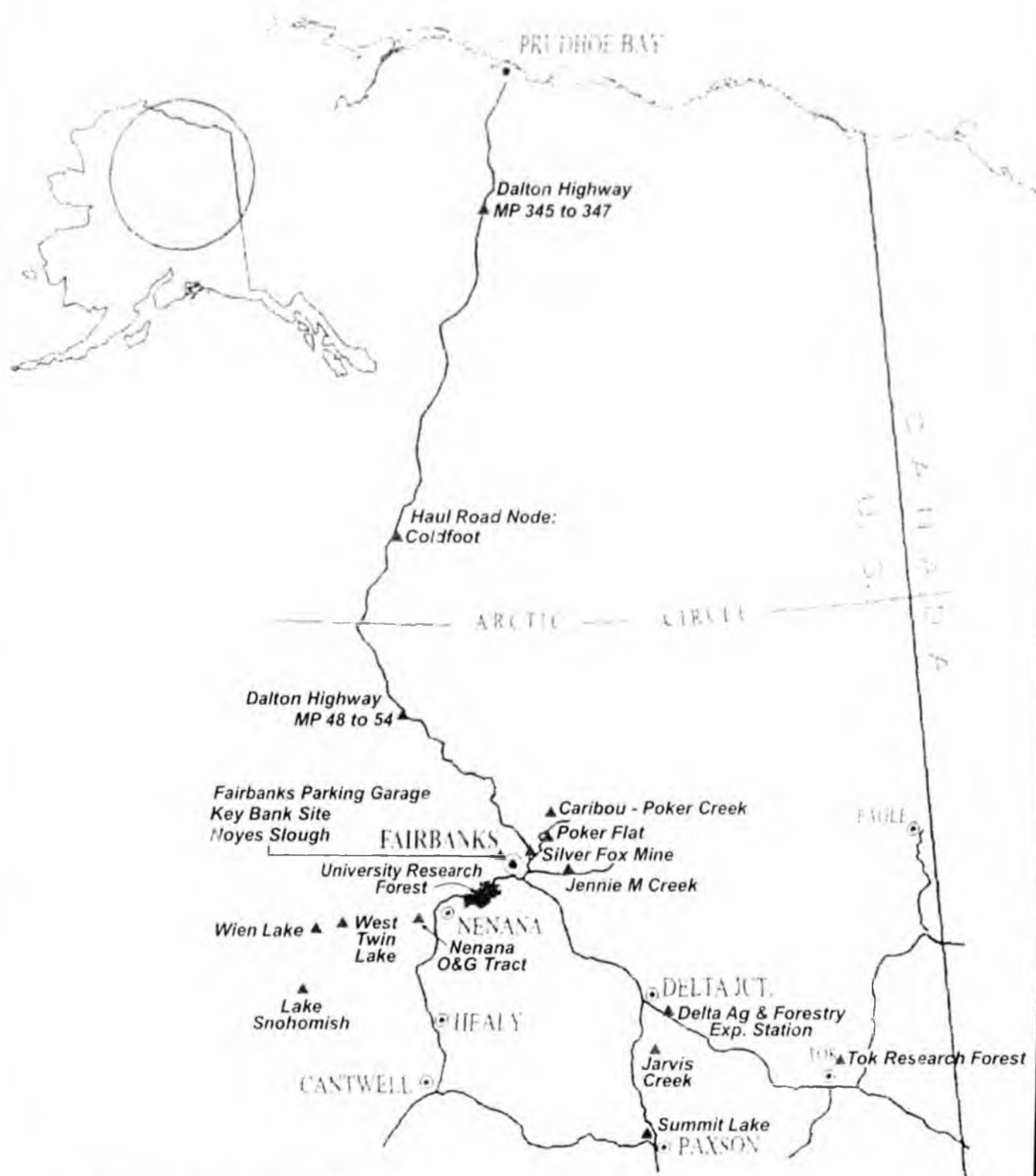
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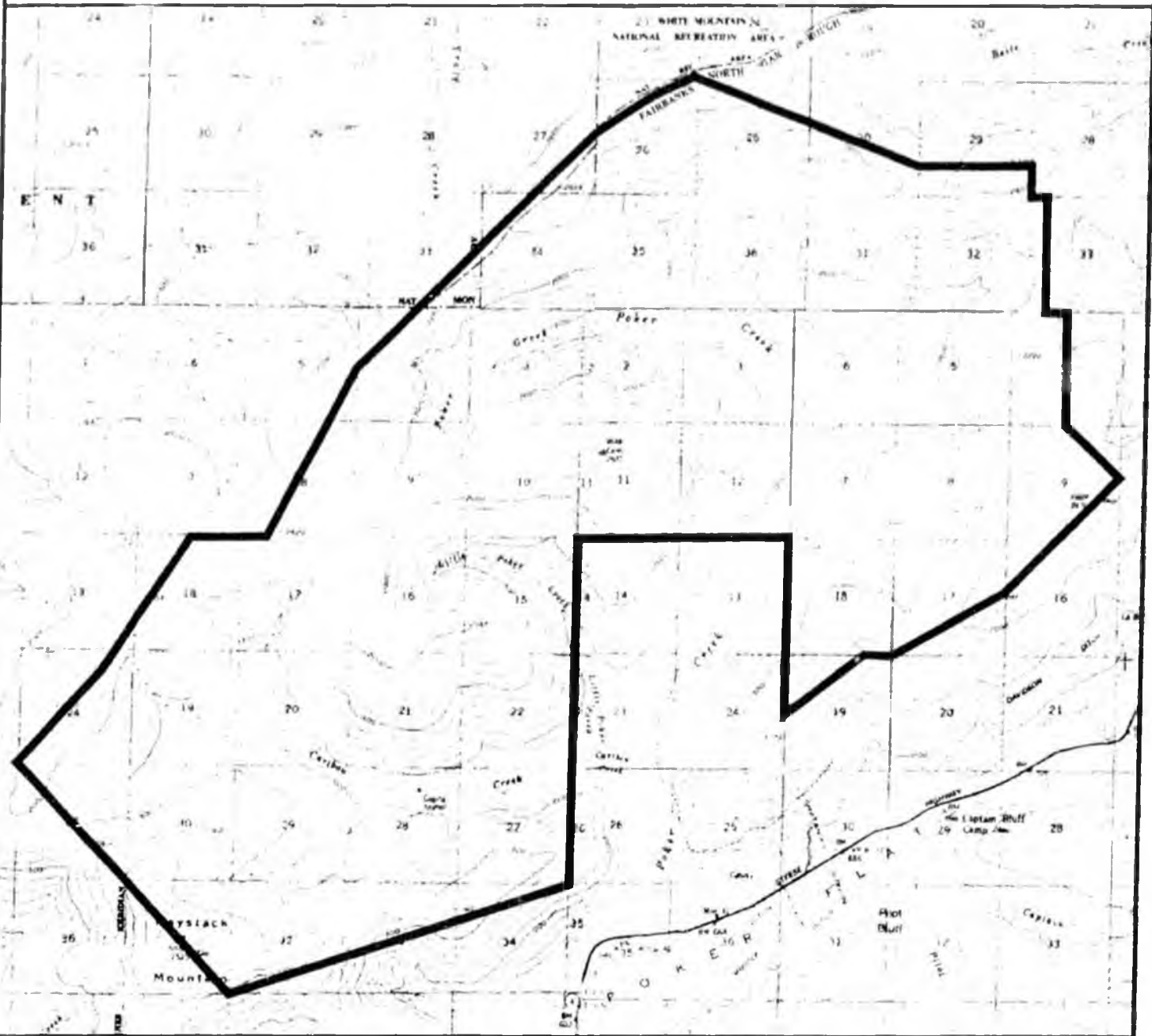


Northern - Interior
Maps

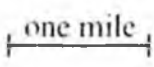
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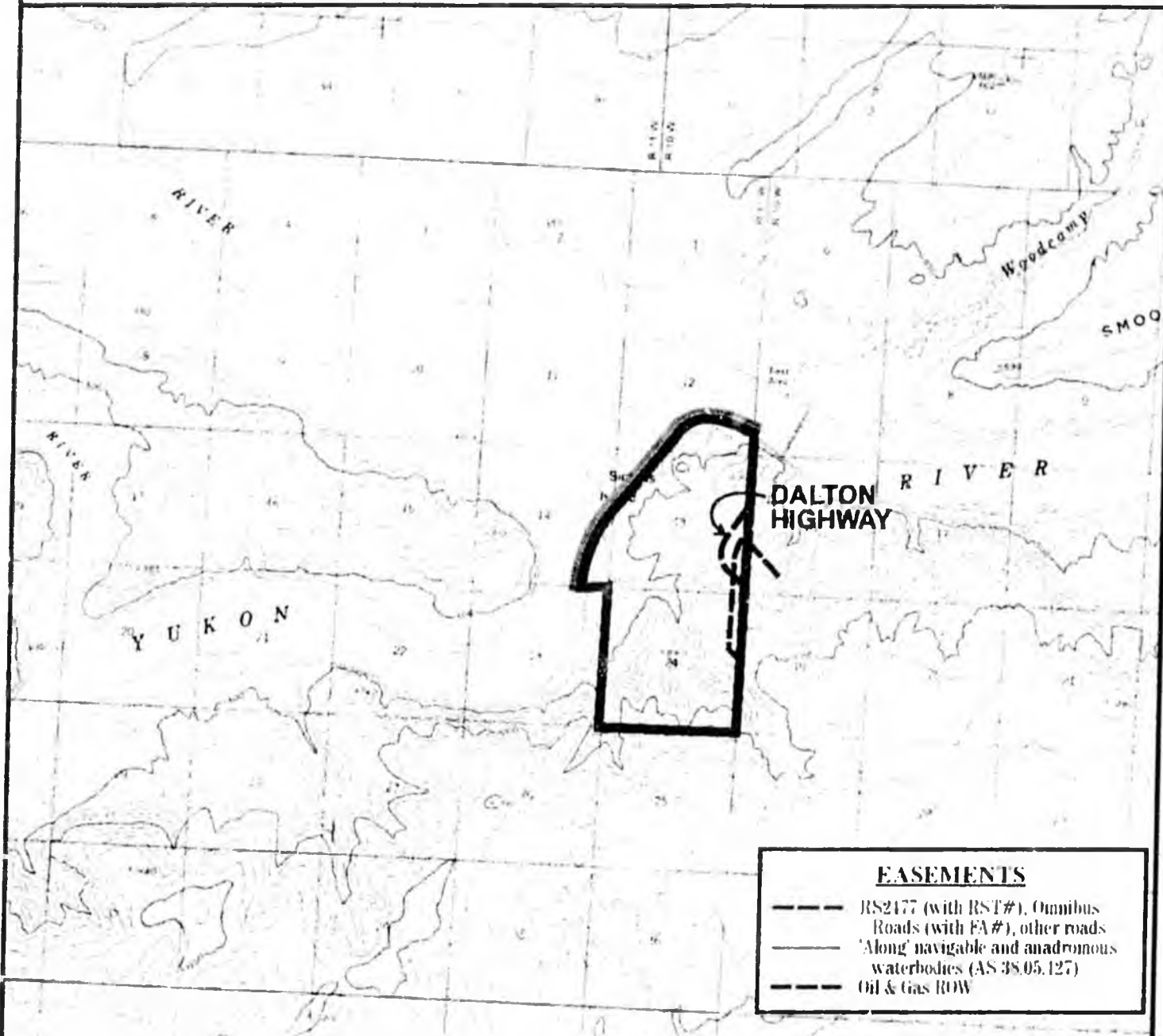
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Dalton Highway MP 48 to 54

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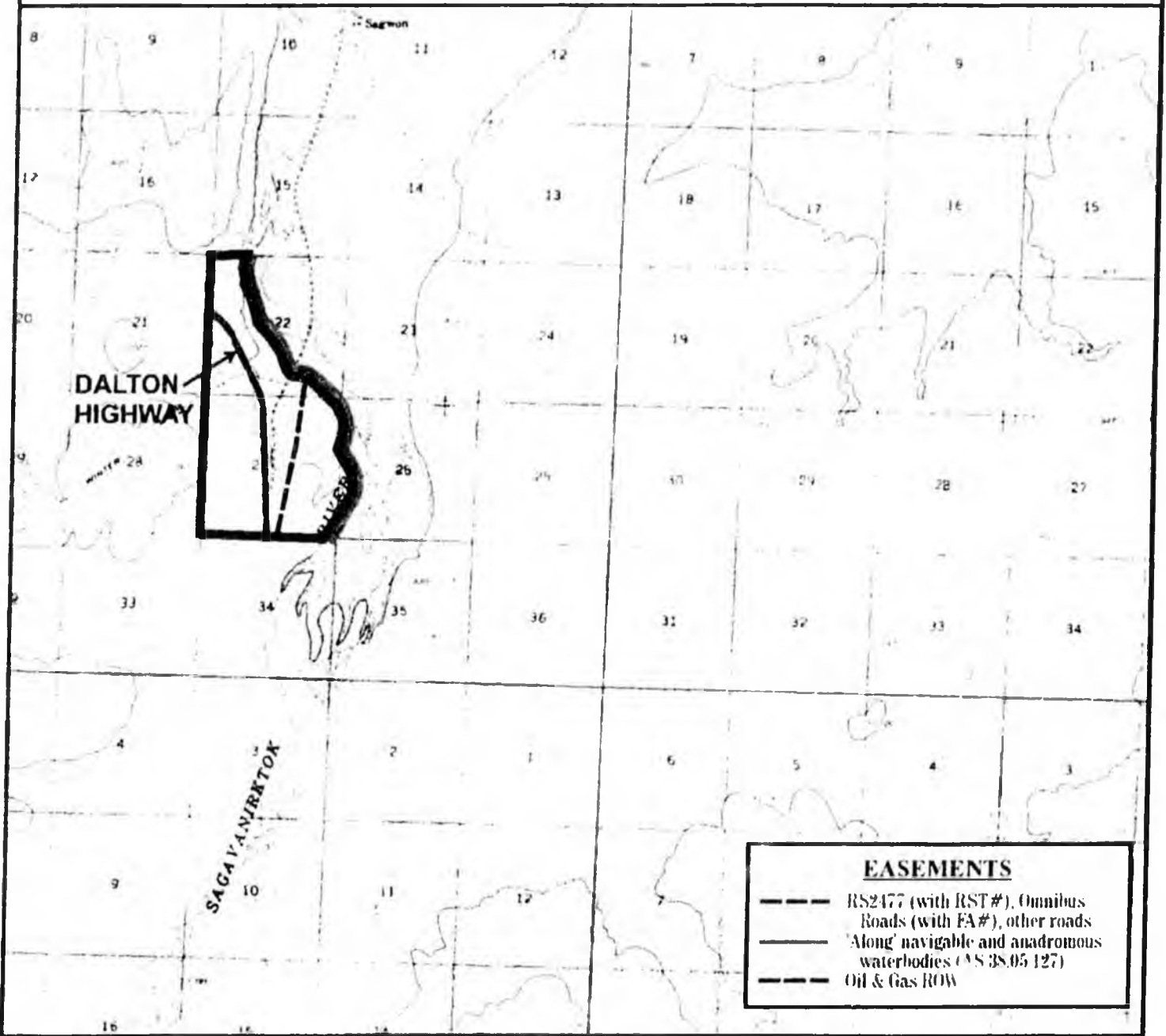
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Dalton Highway MP 345 to 347

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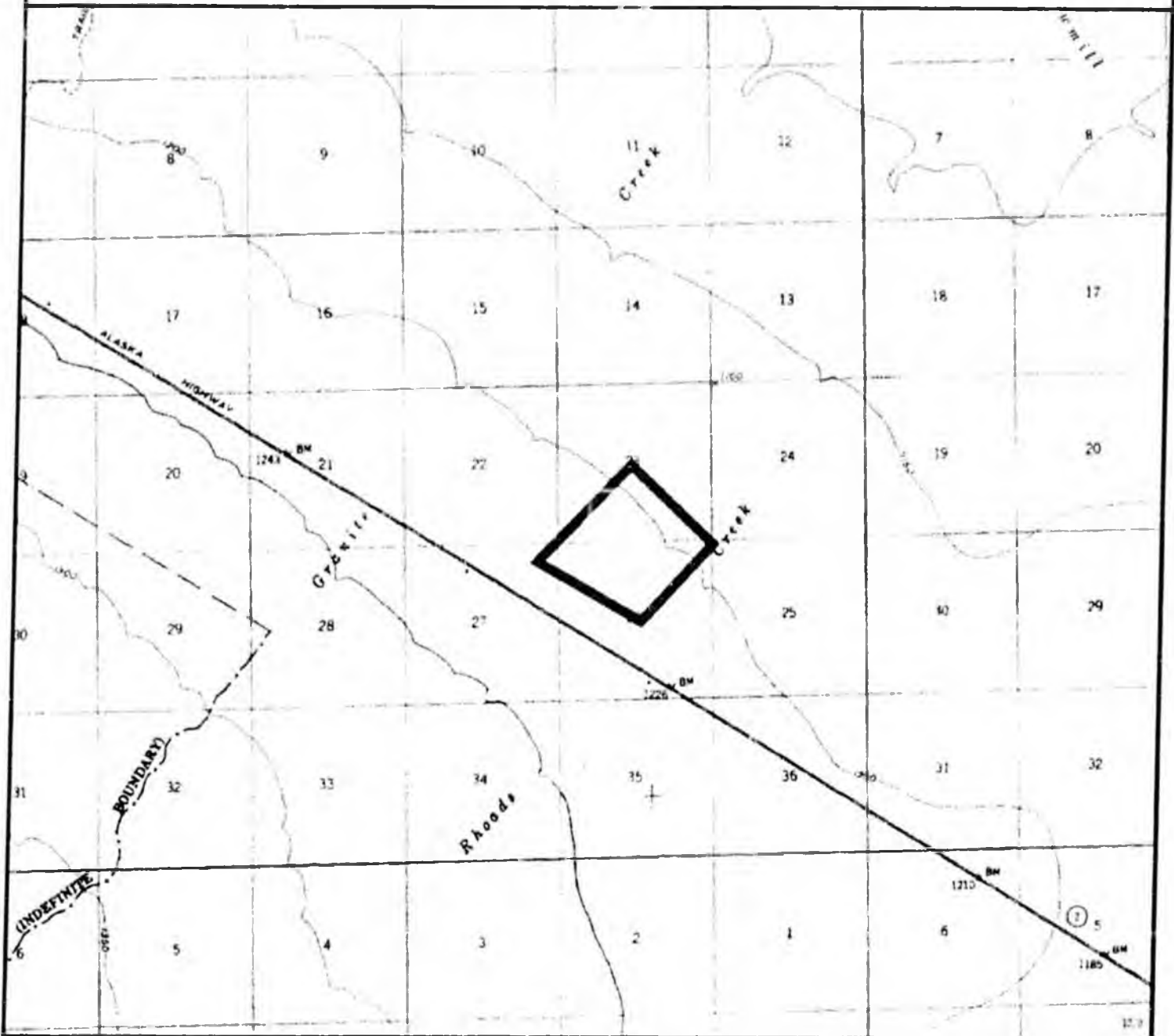
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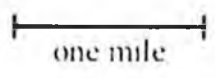
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Delta Ag & Forestry Exp. Station

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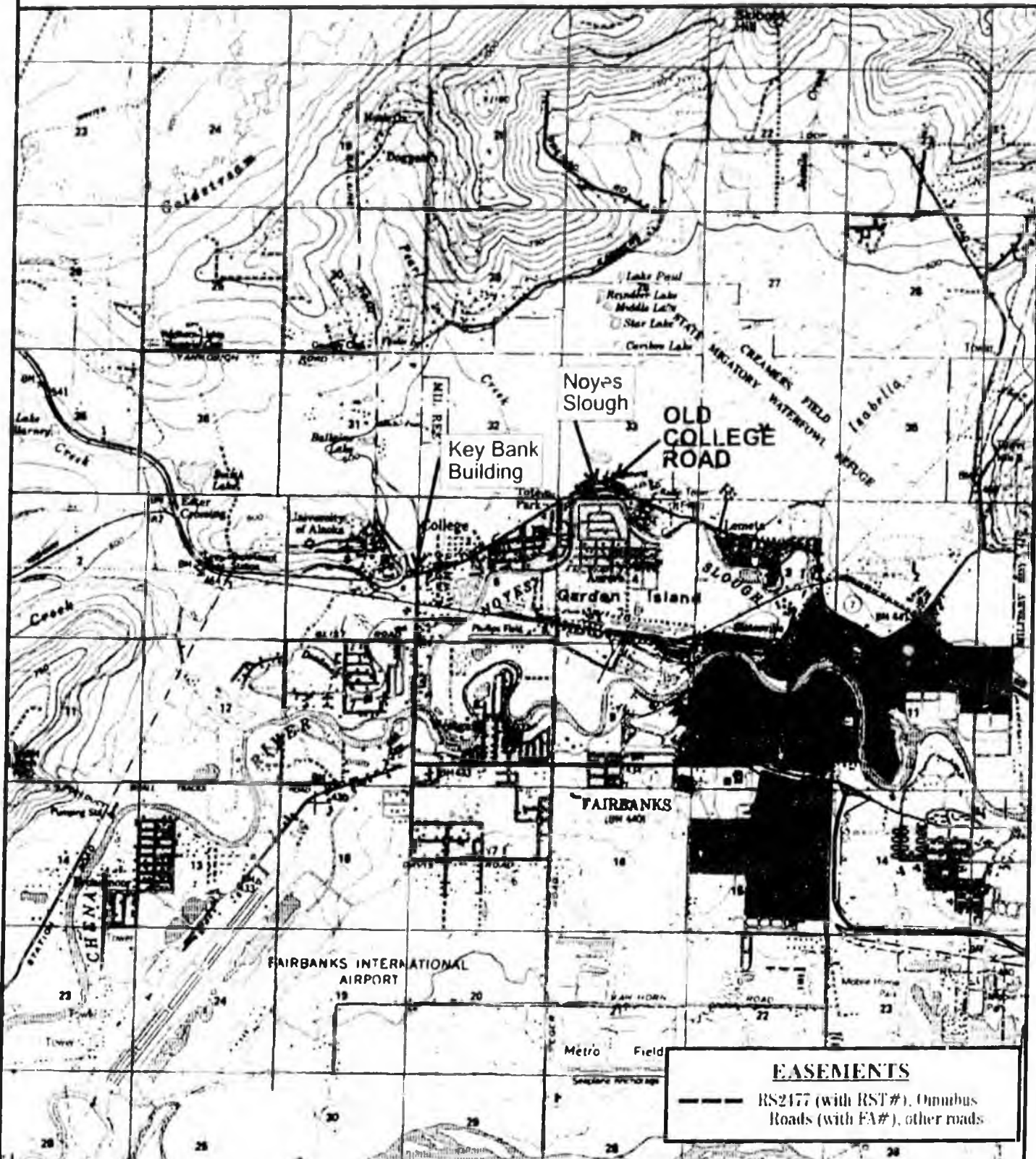
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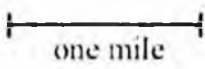
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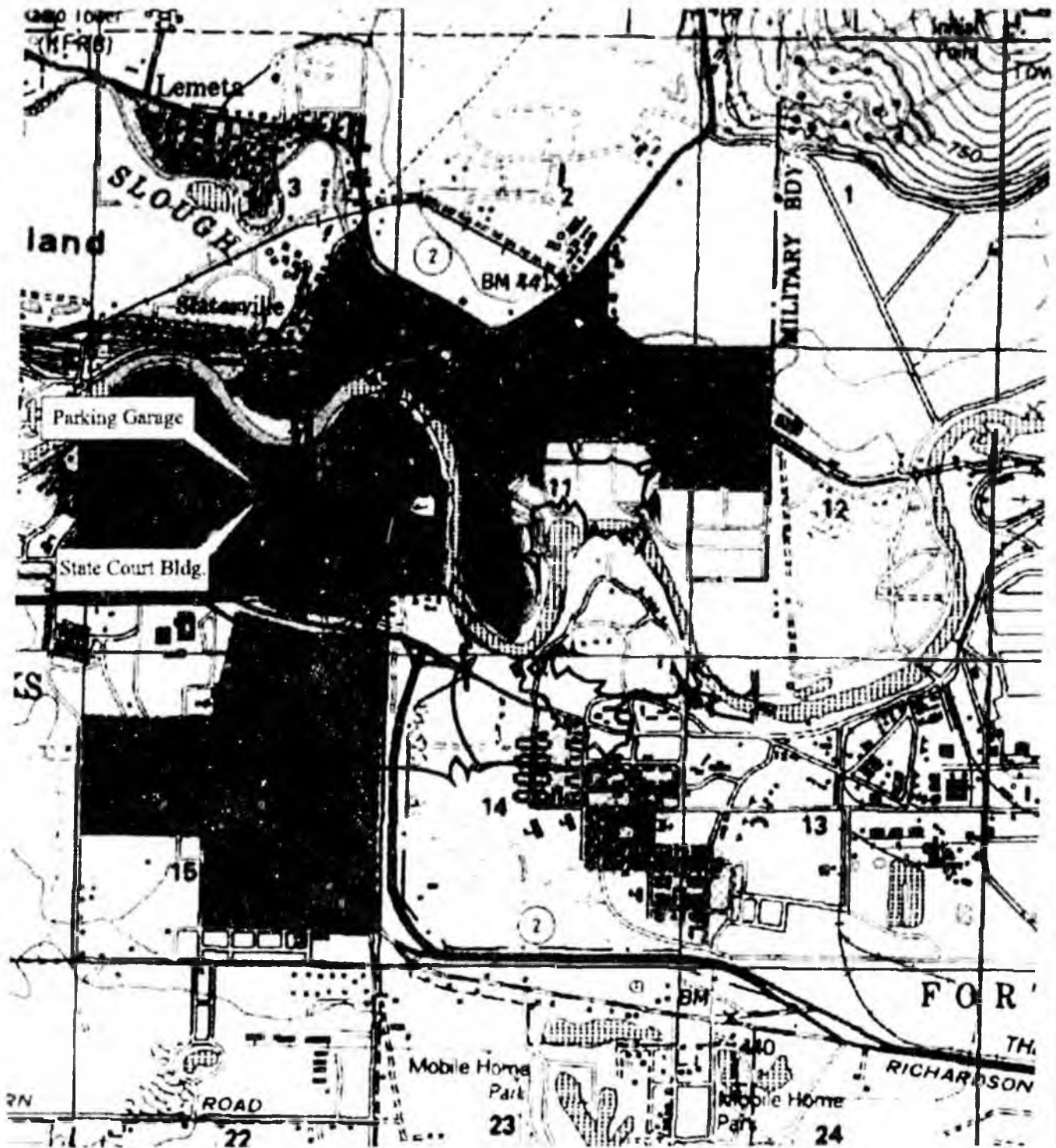


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Fairbanks Downtown Parcels

N2.FA.1001 Parking Garage

N2.FA.1002 Old State Court Building



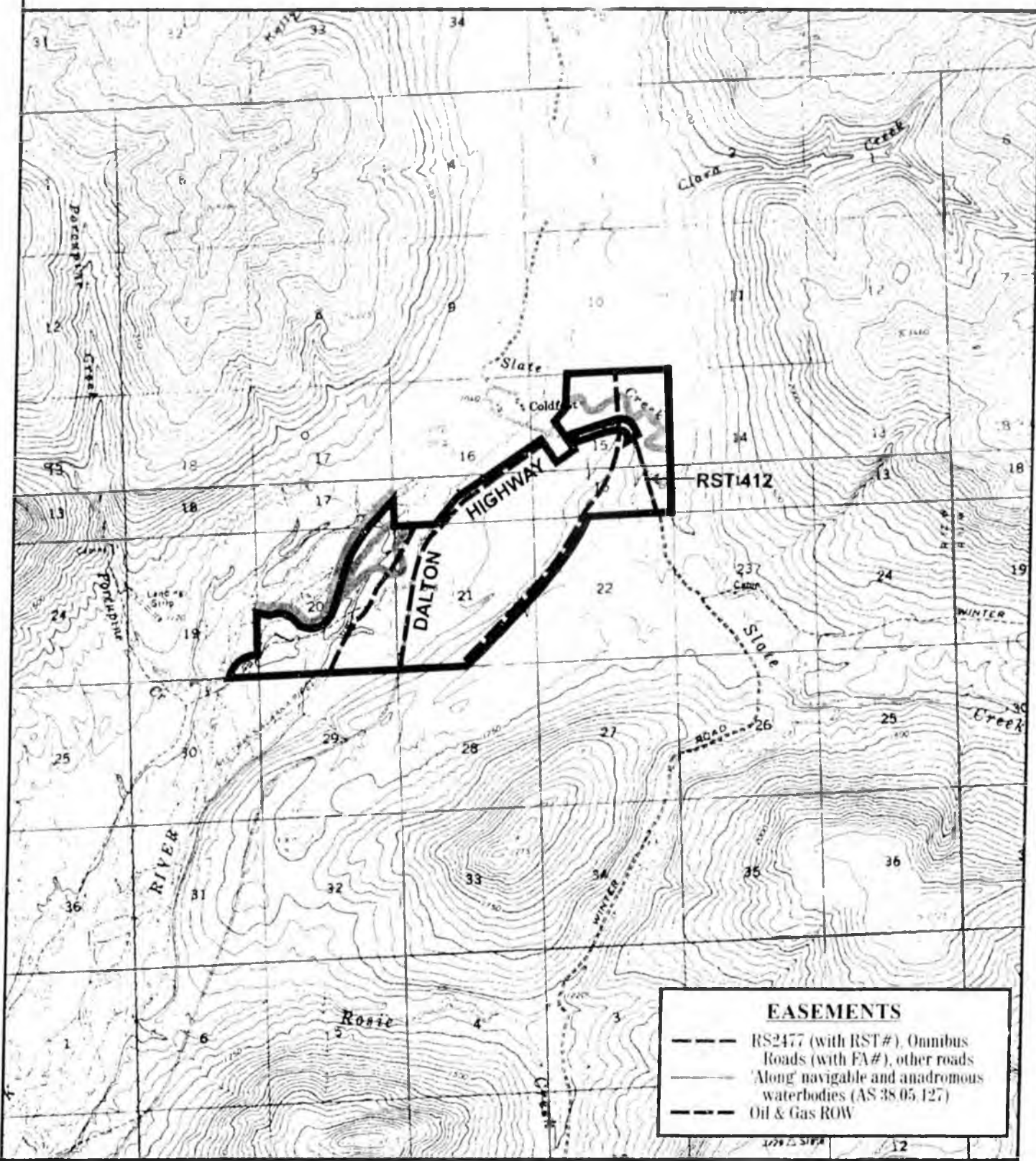
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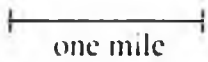
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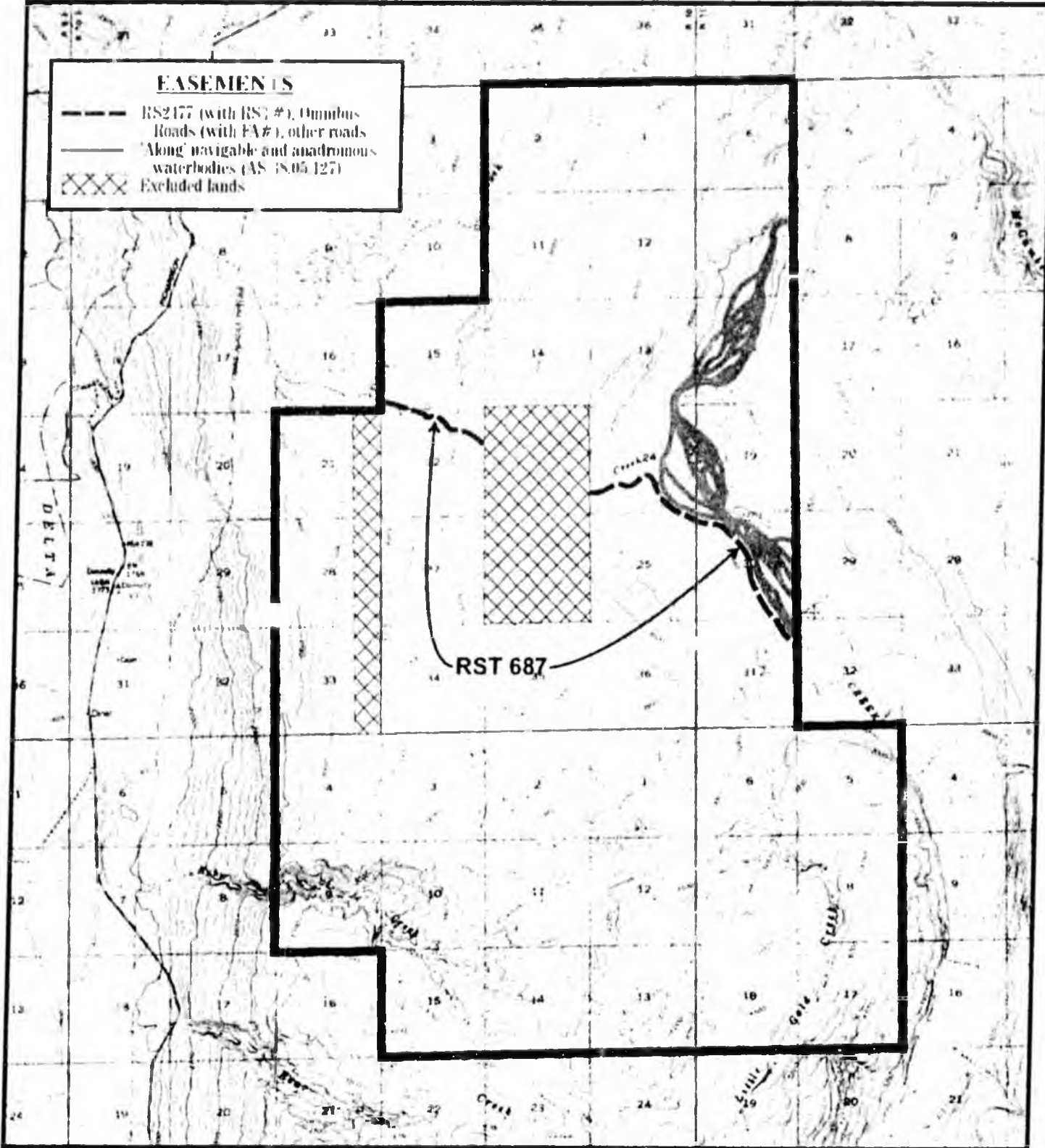
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Jarvis Creek Coal Field



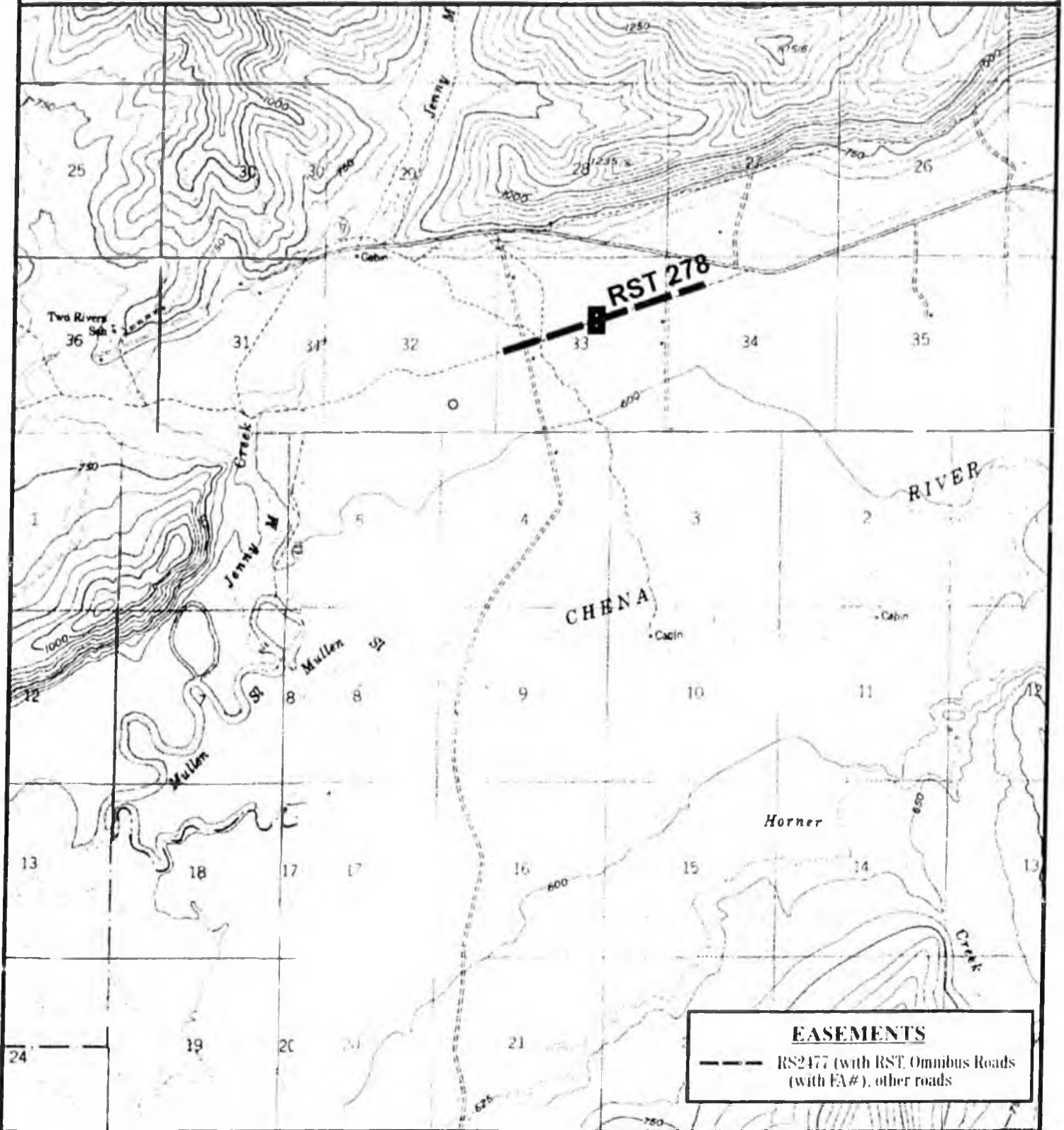
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FM	14-15S	10-11E

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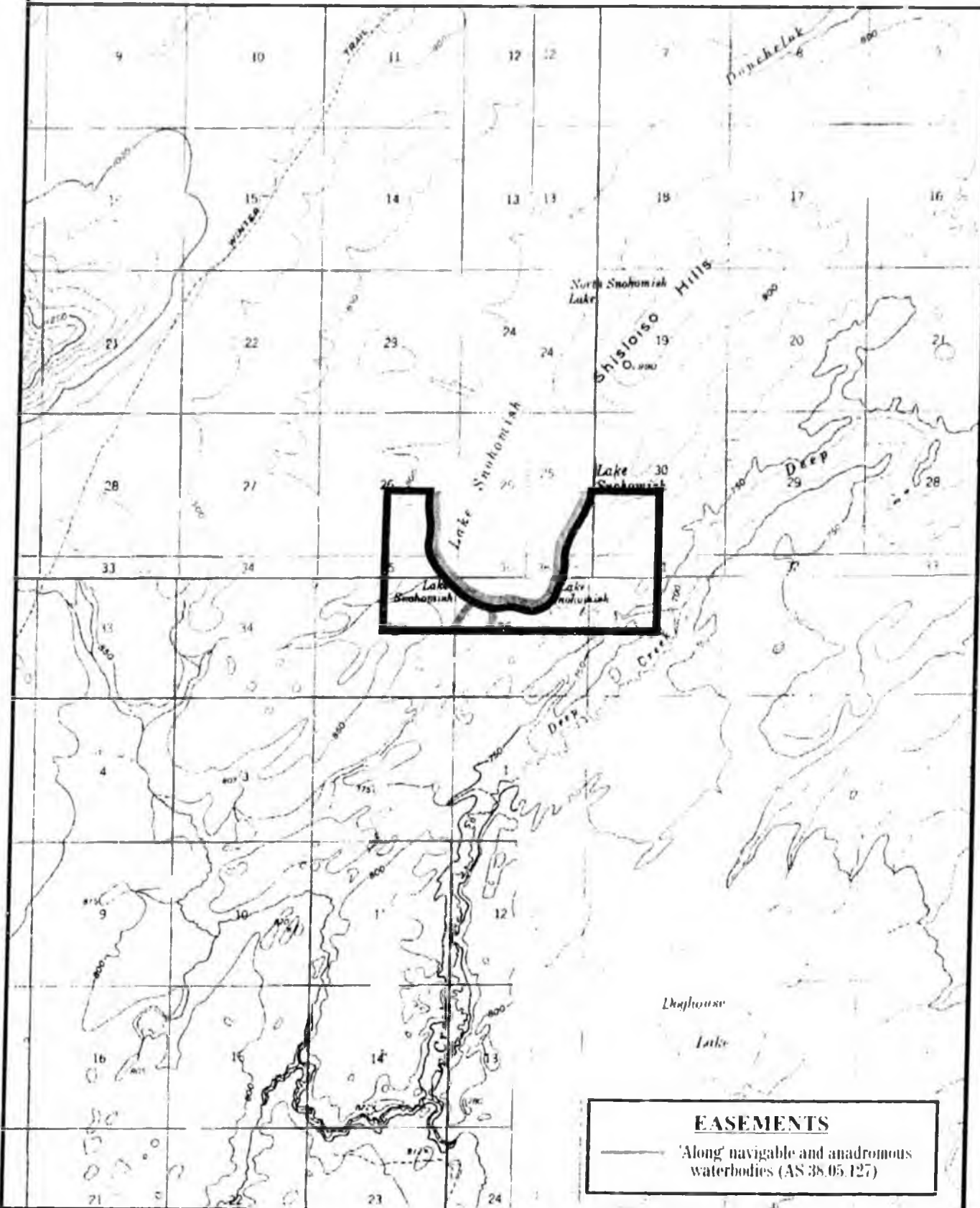
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Township
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Lake Snohomish

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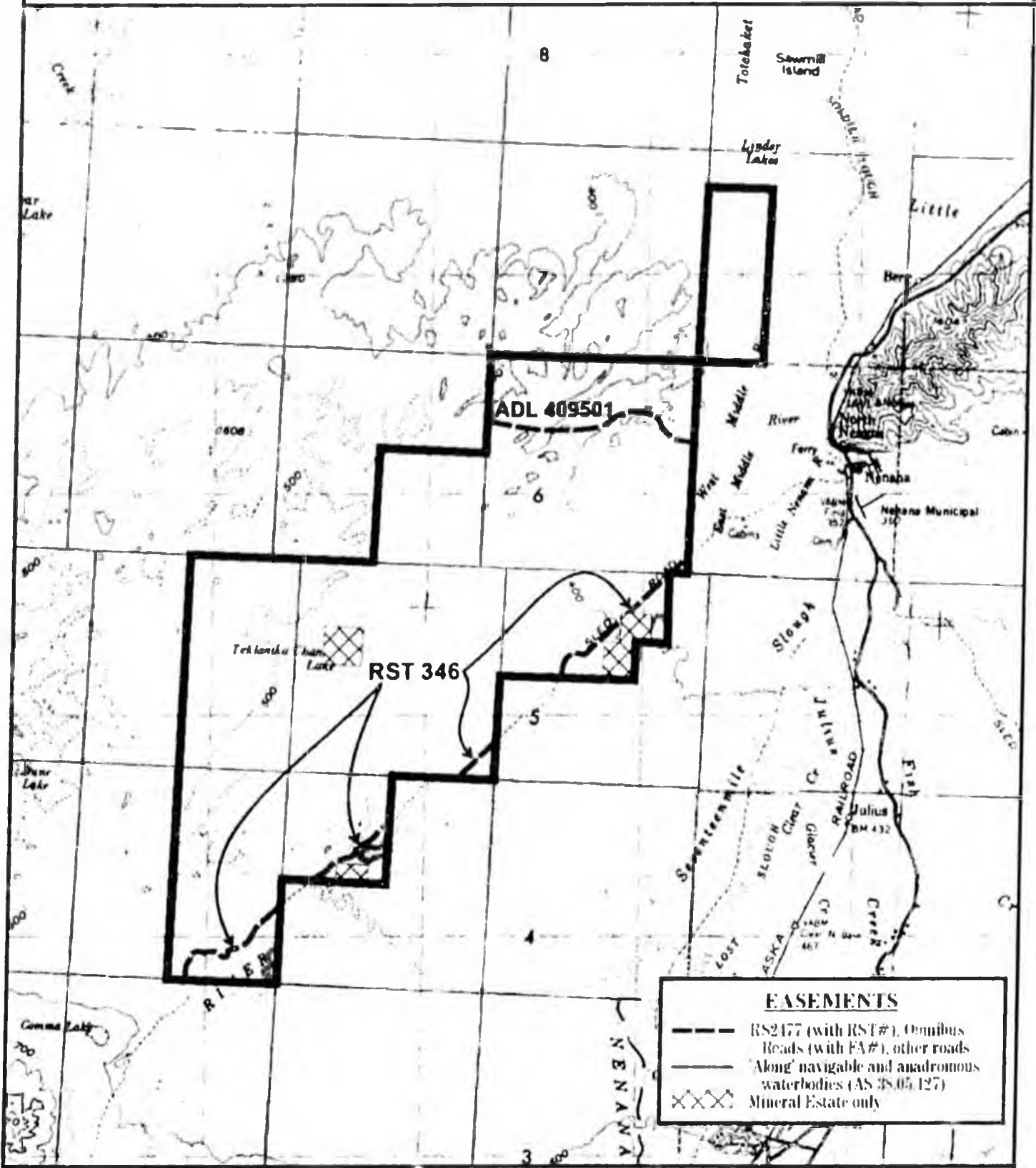
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Nenana Oil & Gas Tract



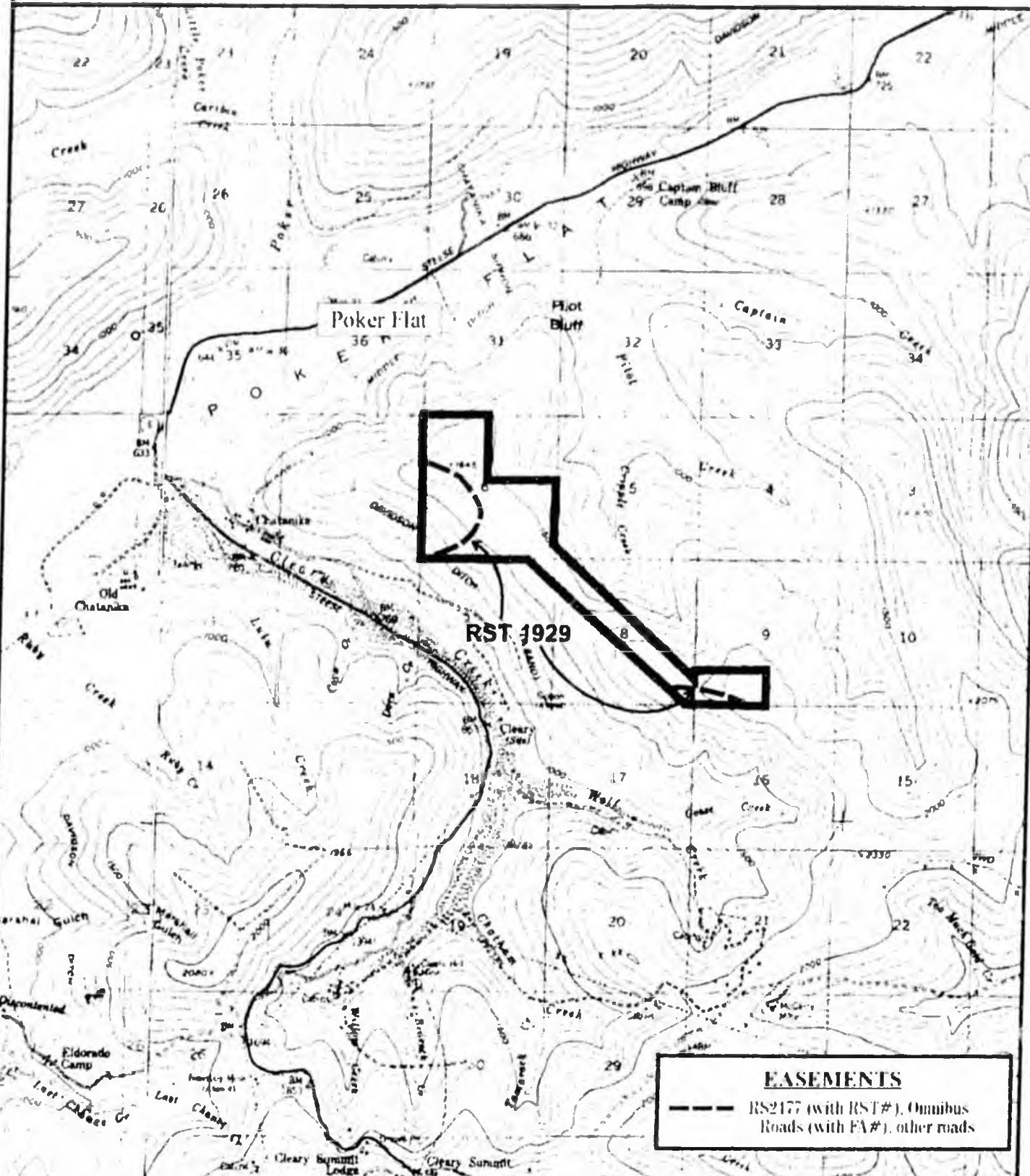
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Meridian Township Range
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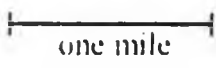
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Poker Flat Lease

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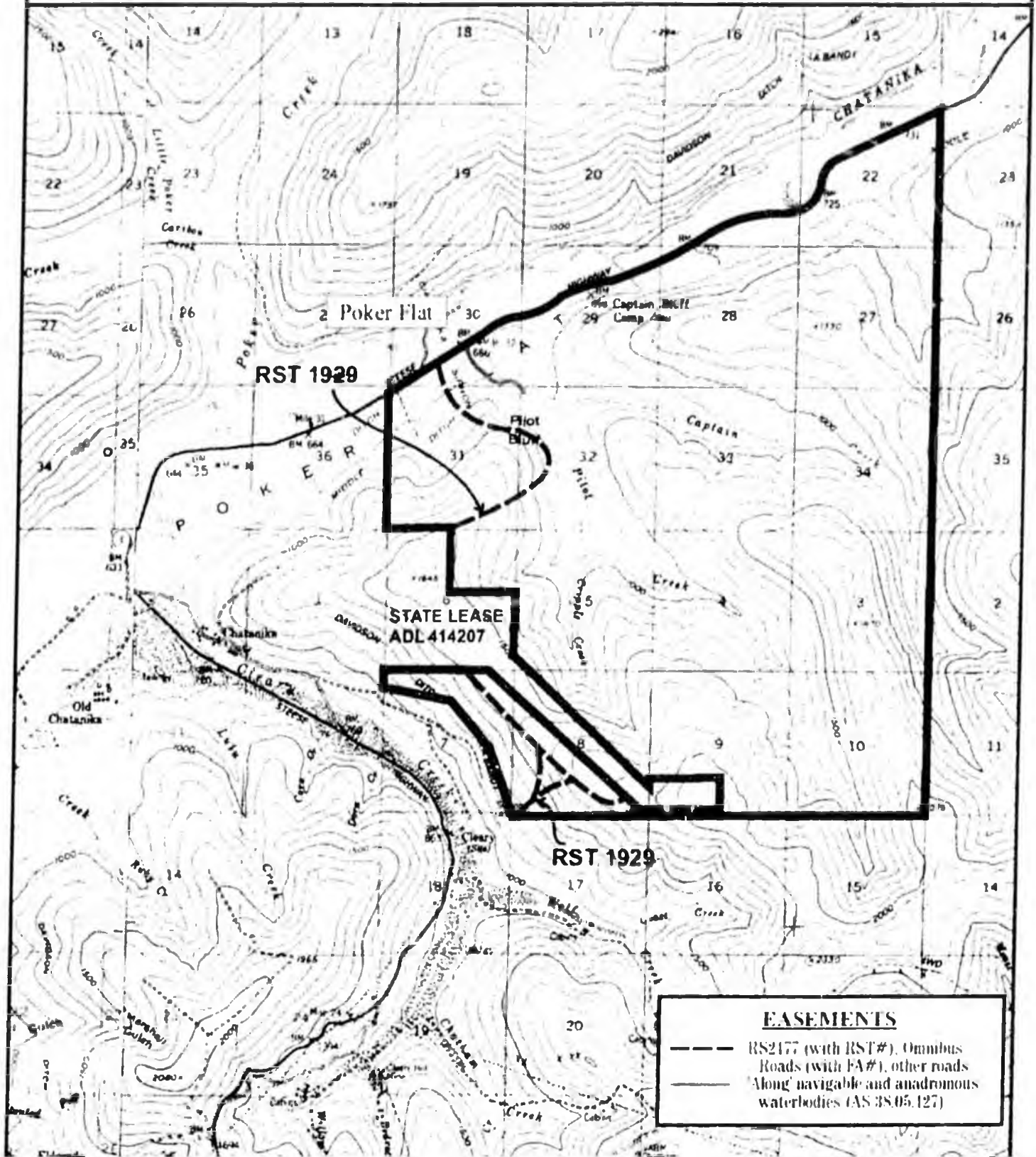
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Meridian	Township	Range
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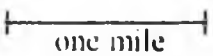
Poker Flat (SUA)

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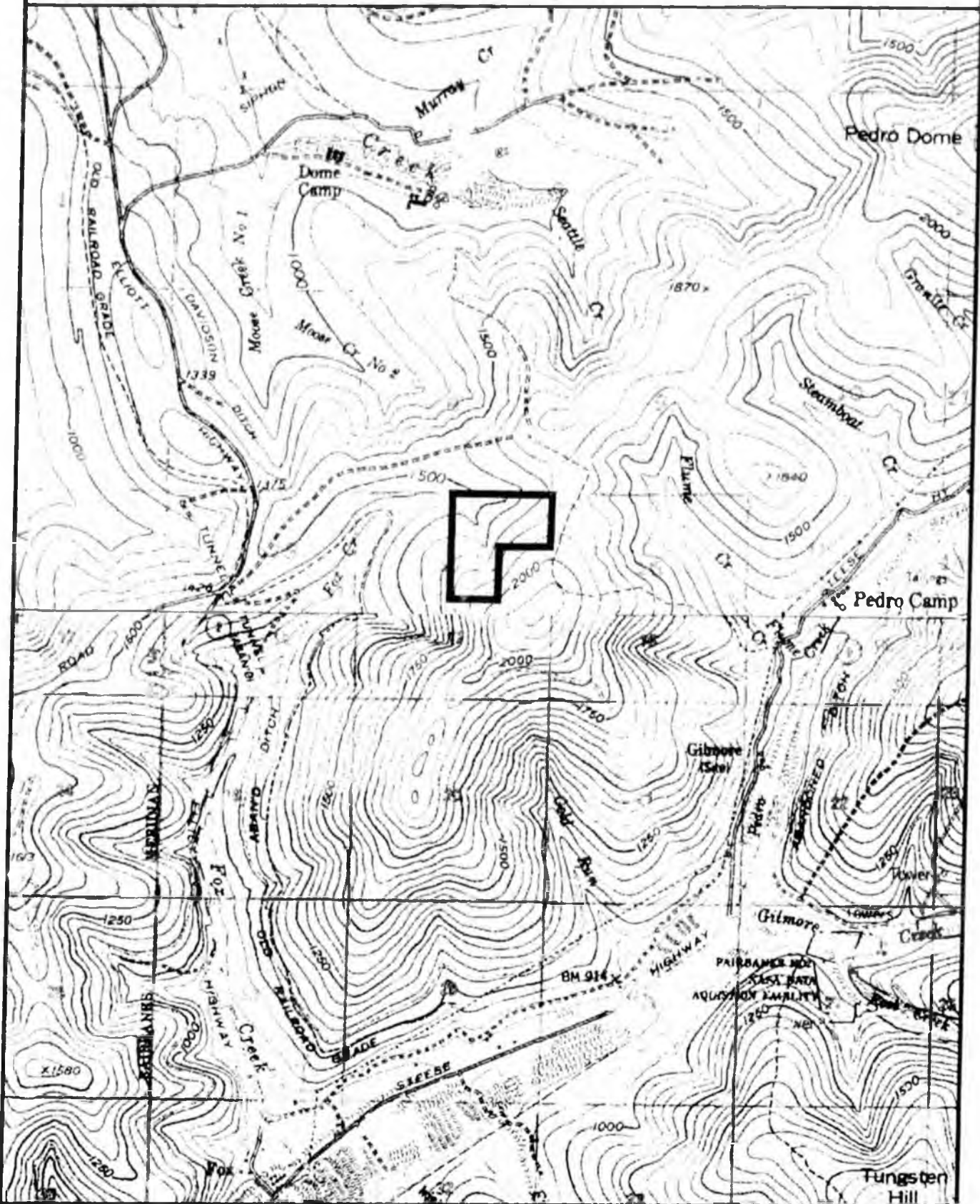
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Silver Fox Mine

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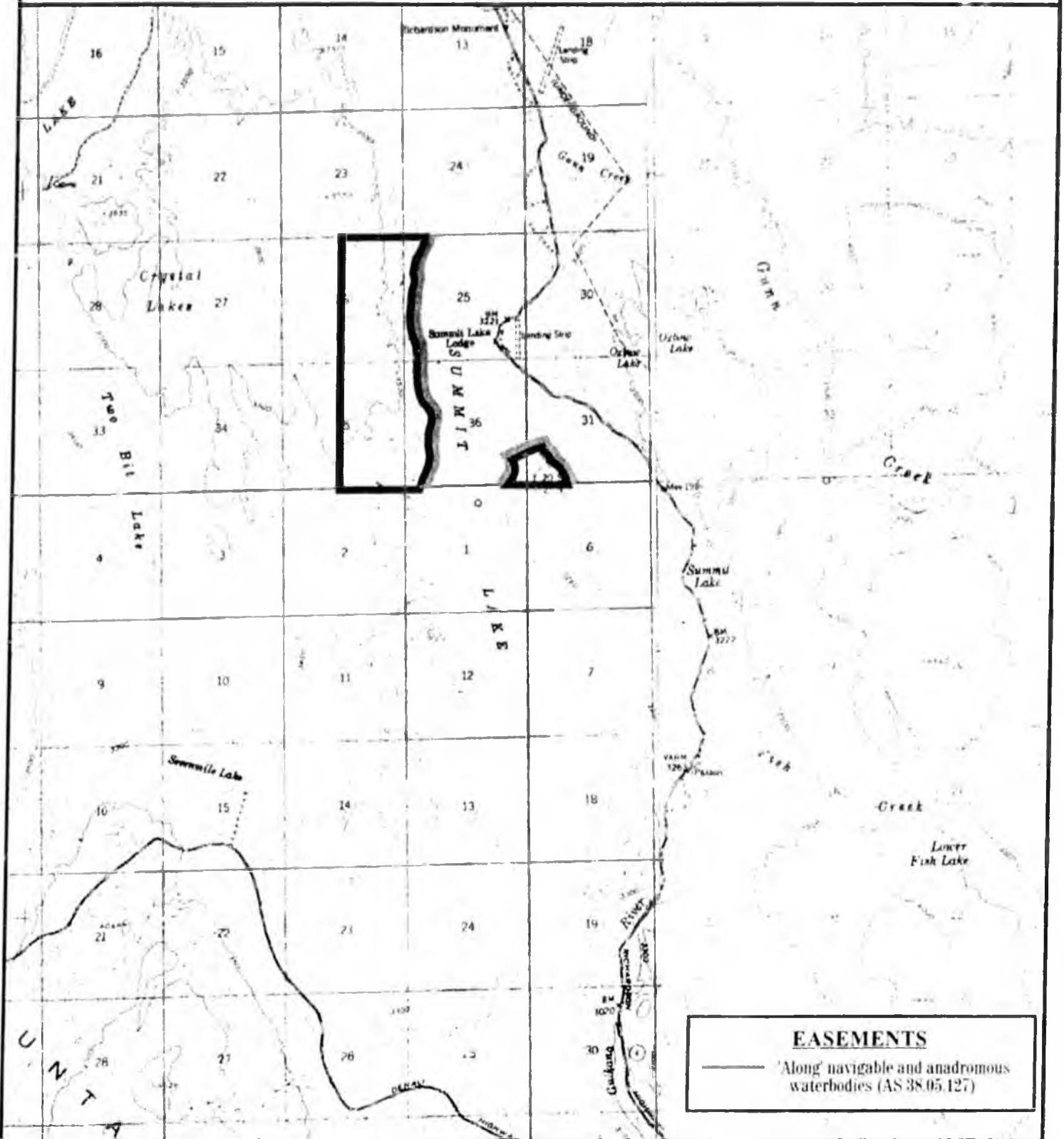
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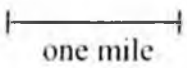
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Summit Lake

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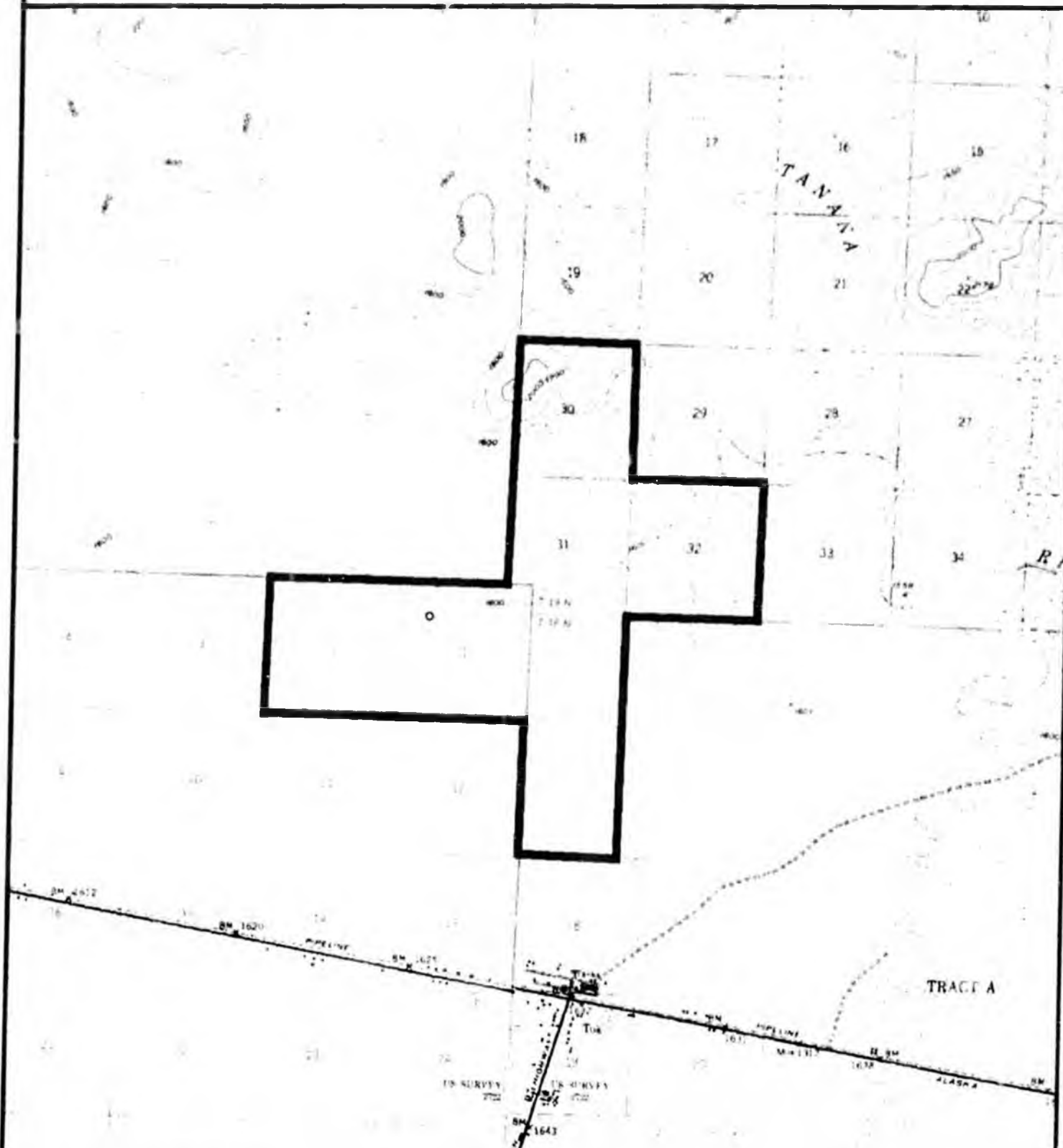
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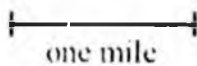
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FM	20S-21S	11E-12E

Tok Research Forest

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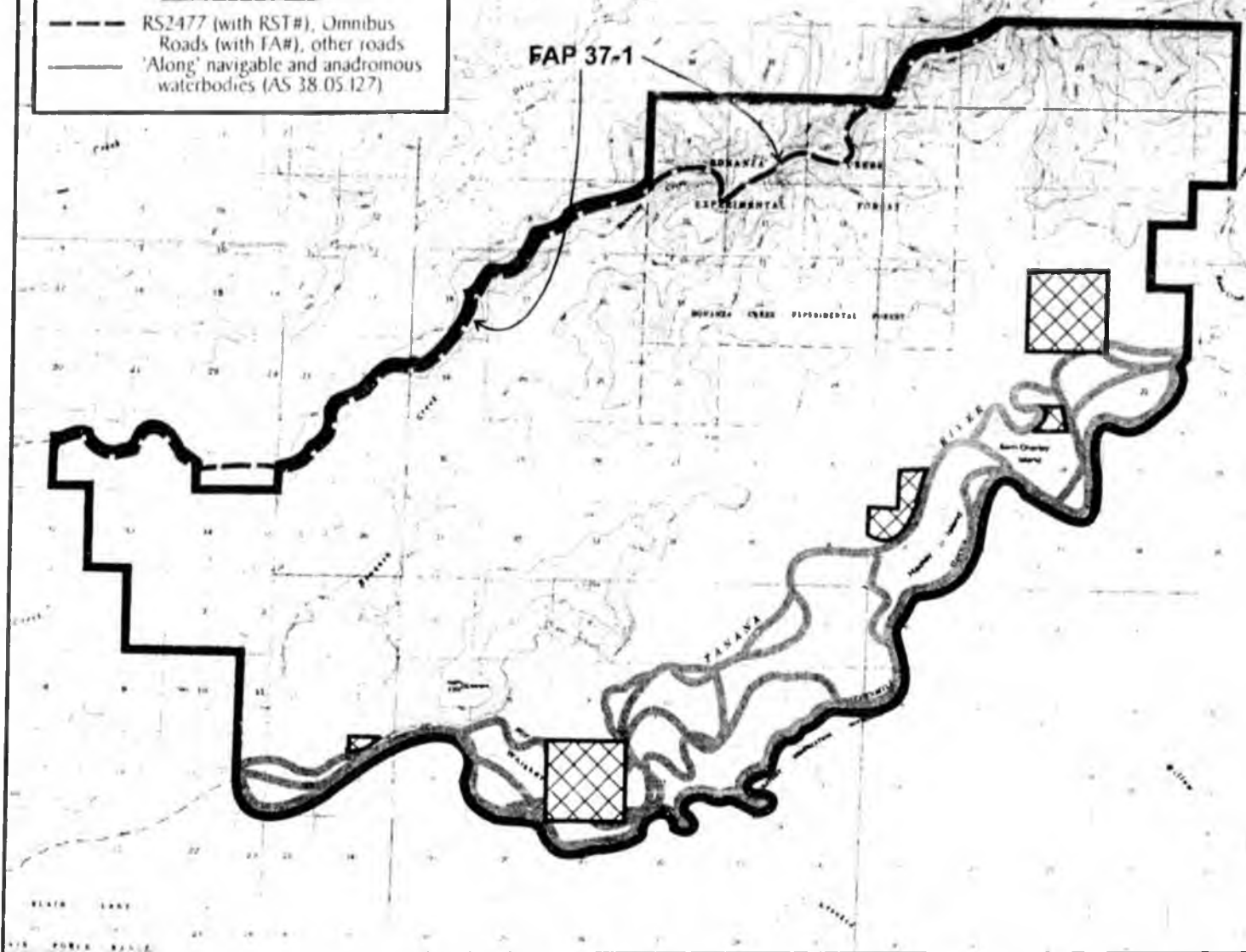
University Research Forest

NS.EX.1002

EASEMENTS

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- 'Along' navigable and anadromous waterbodies (AS 38.05.127)

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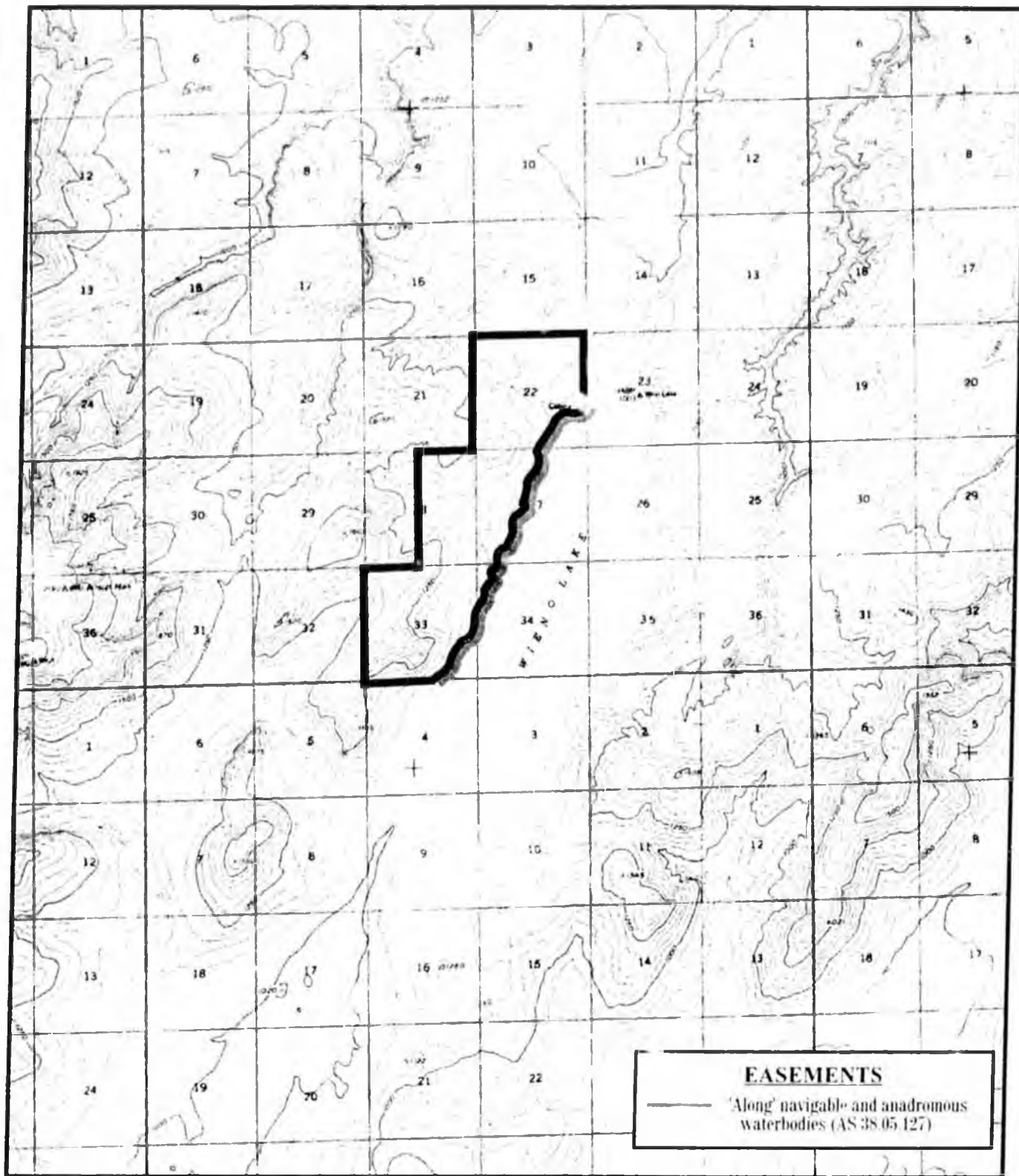


Excluded Lands

Meridian	Township	Range
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Wien Lake

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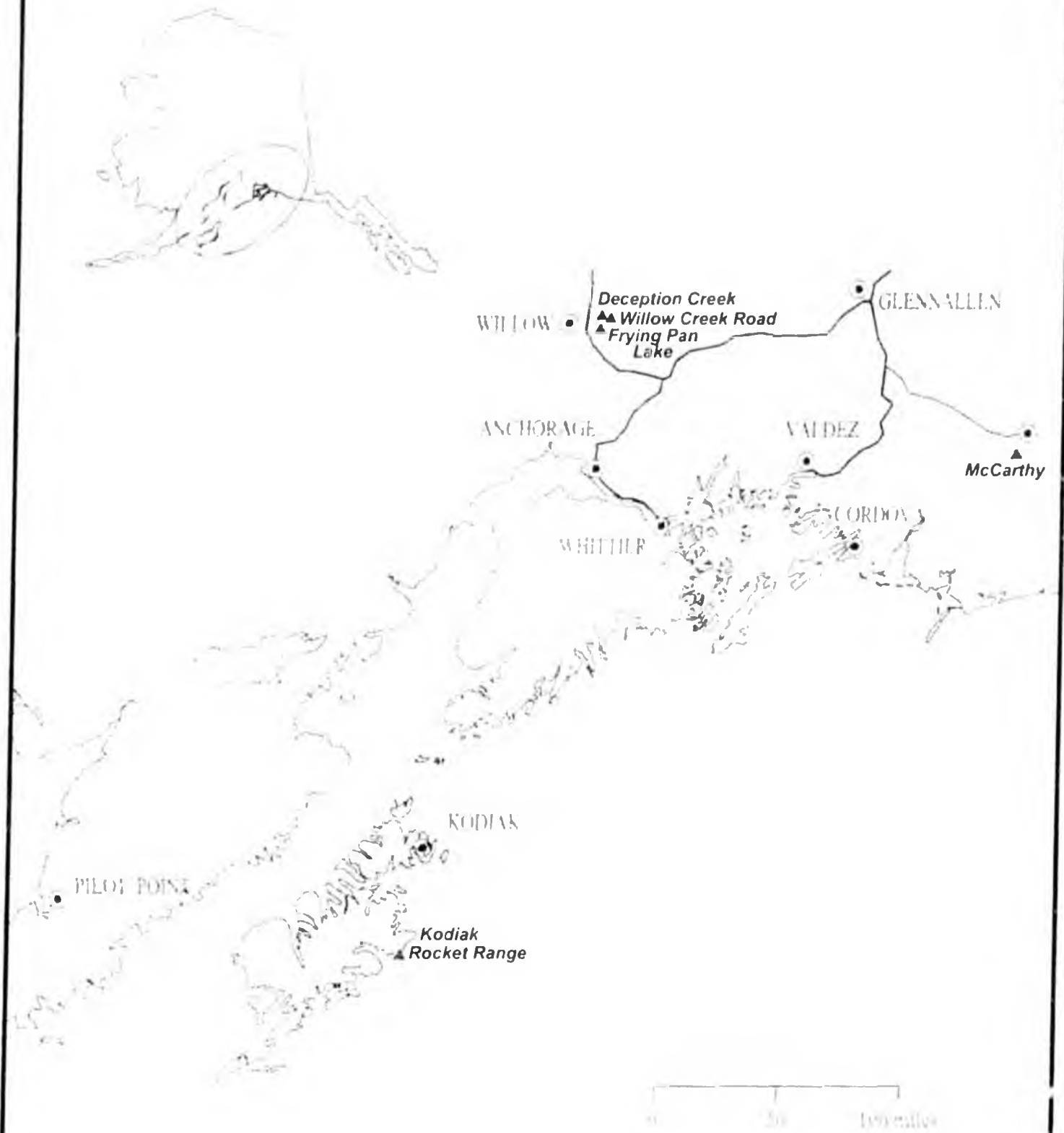
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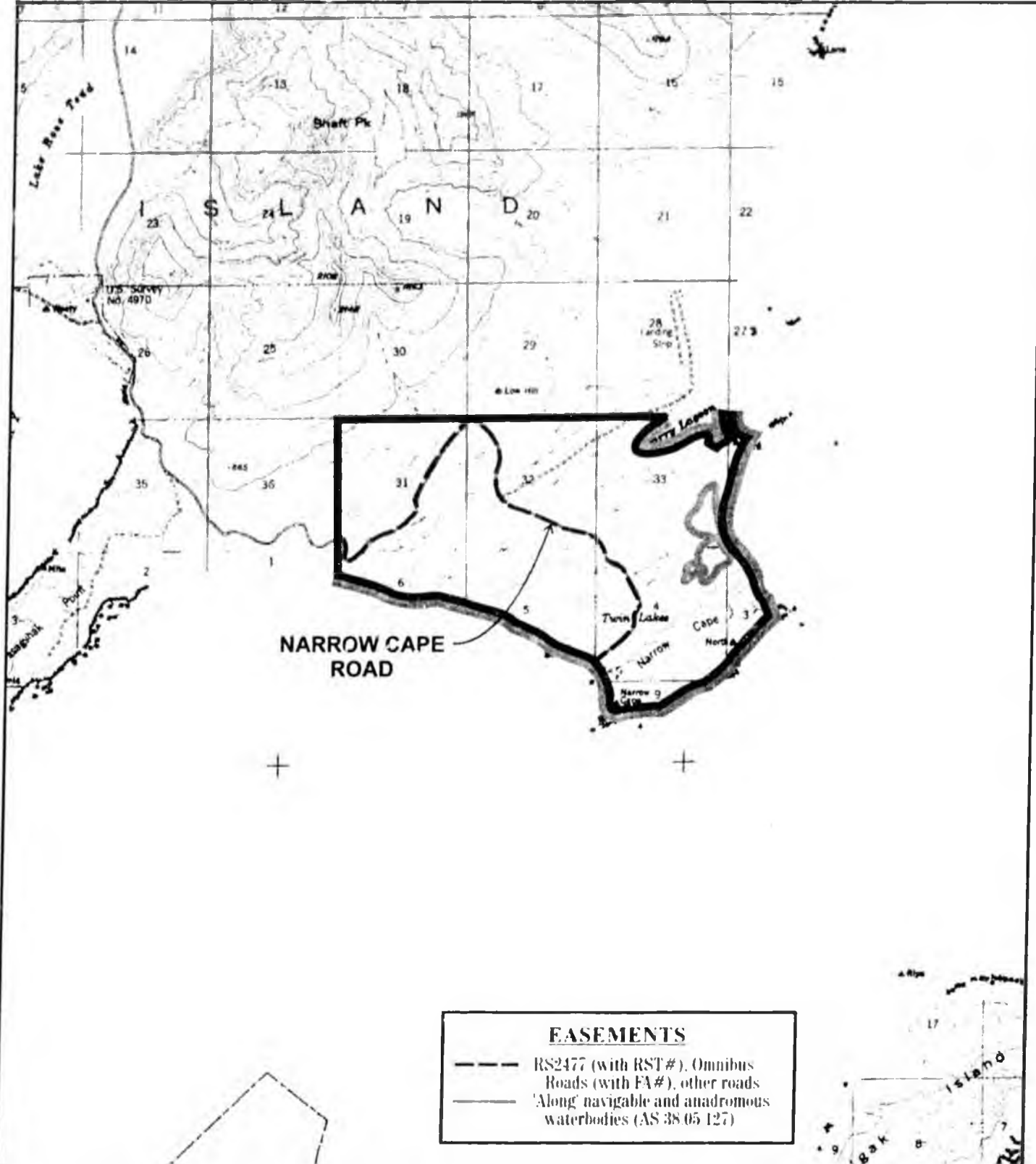
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Maps**

SOUTHCENTRAL REGION



Kodiak Rocket Range

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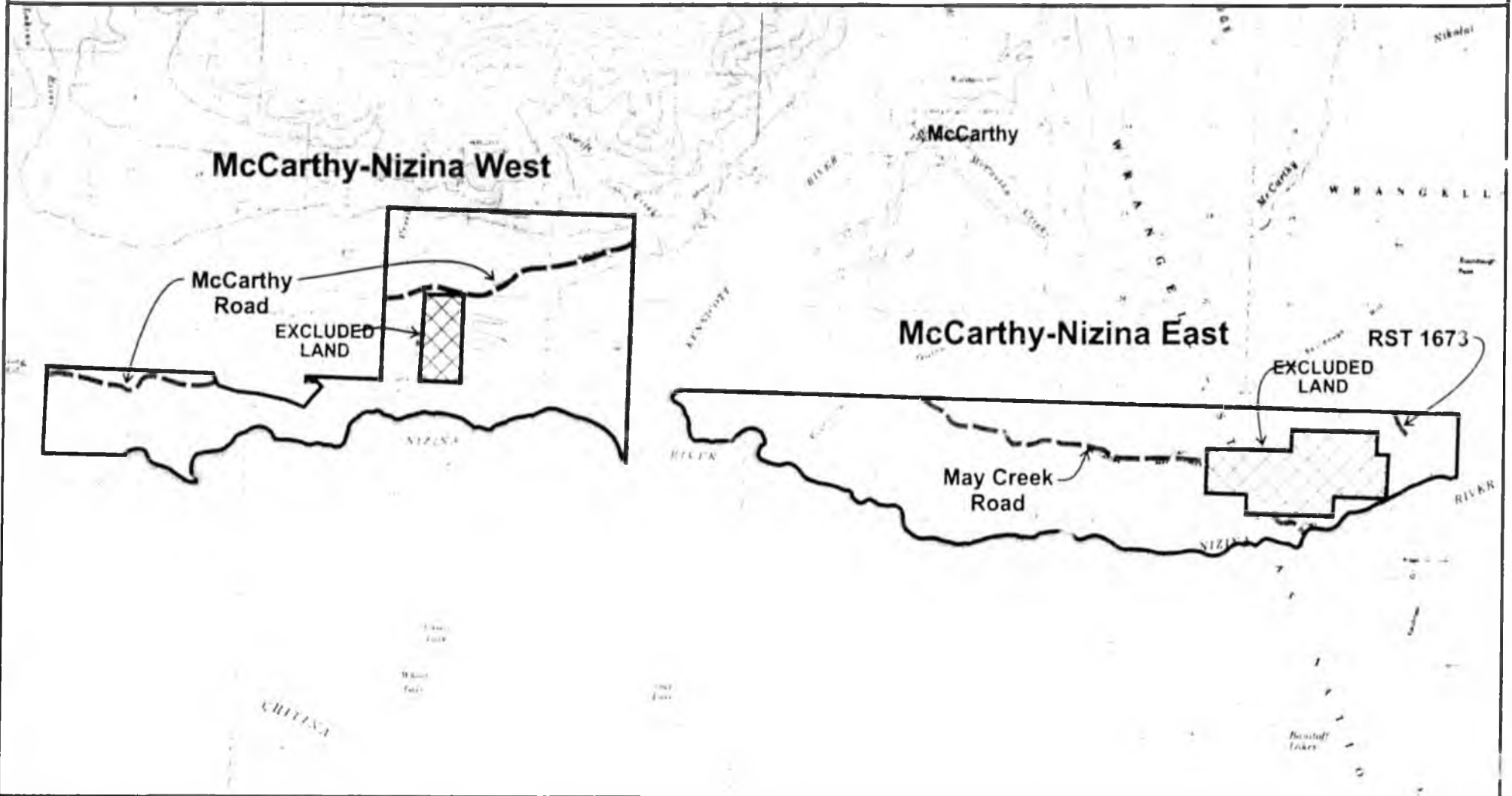
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Meridian	Township	Range
CRM	31-32S	19W

McCarthy-Nizina, East & West

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Date: 12/2004

one mile

Meridian	Township	Range
CRM	5-6S	13, 14, 15E

Southeast
Maps

SOUTHEAST REGION



HAINES

William Henry Bay
Chilkoot
Ivanhoe

Haines
Chilkoot

Ivanhoe

William Henry Bay

JUNEAU

Auke Weir
Lynn Canal
Sumdum
Lena Creek

Excursion Inlet

Lynn Canal

Lena Creek

Auke Weir

Juneau

Idaho Inlet

Mite Cove

Pelican

NORTHERN SOUTHEAST

Excursion Inlet
Pelican
Tenakee Springs
Idaho Inlet
Mite Cove

Tenakee Springs

Sumdum

SITKA

Middle Island
Sitka Campus
Biorka Island
Warm Springs Bay
Port Conclusion
Port Alexander
Lisianski Peninsula

Sitka Campus
Middle Island

Lisianski Peninsula

Sitka

Warm Springs Bay

Biorka Island

PETERSBURG

Beecher Pass
Favor Peak
Three Lake Road
Read Island
Whitney Island

Whitney Island

Read Island

Petersburg

Rowan Bay

Three Lake Road

Beecher Pass

Favor Peak

Wrangell

WRANGELL

Earl West Cove
Olive Cove
Thoms Place

Earl West Cove

KUIU ISLAND

Rowan Bay

Port Conclusion

Port Alexander

PRINCE OF WALES ISLAND

Coffman Cove
Edna Bay
El Capitan North, South
Hollis
Harris Road Junction
Hook Arm
Mora Sound/Nowiskay Cove
Naukati Sound
Port Delores
Thorne Bay

El Capitan North

El Capitan South

Edna Bay

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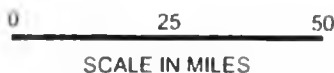
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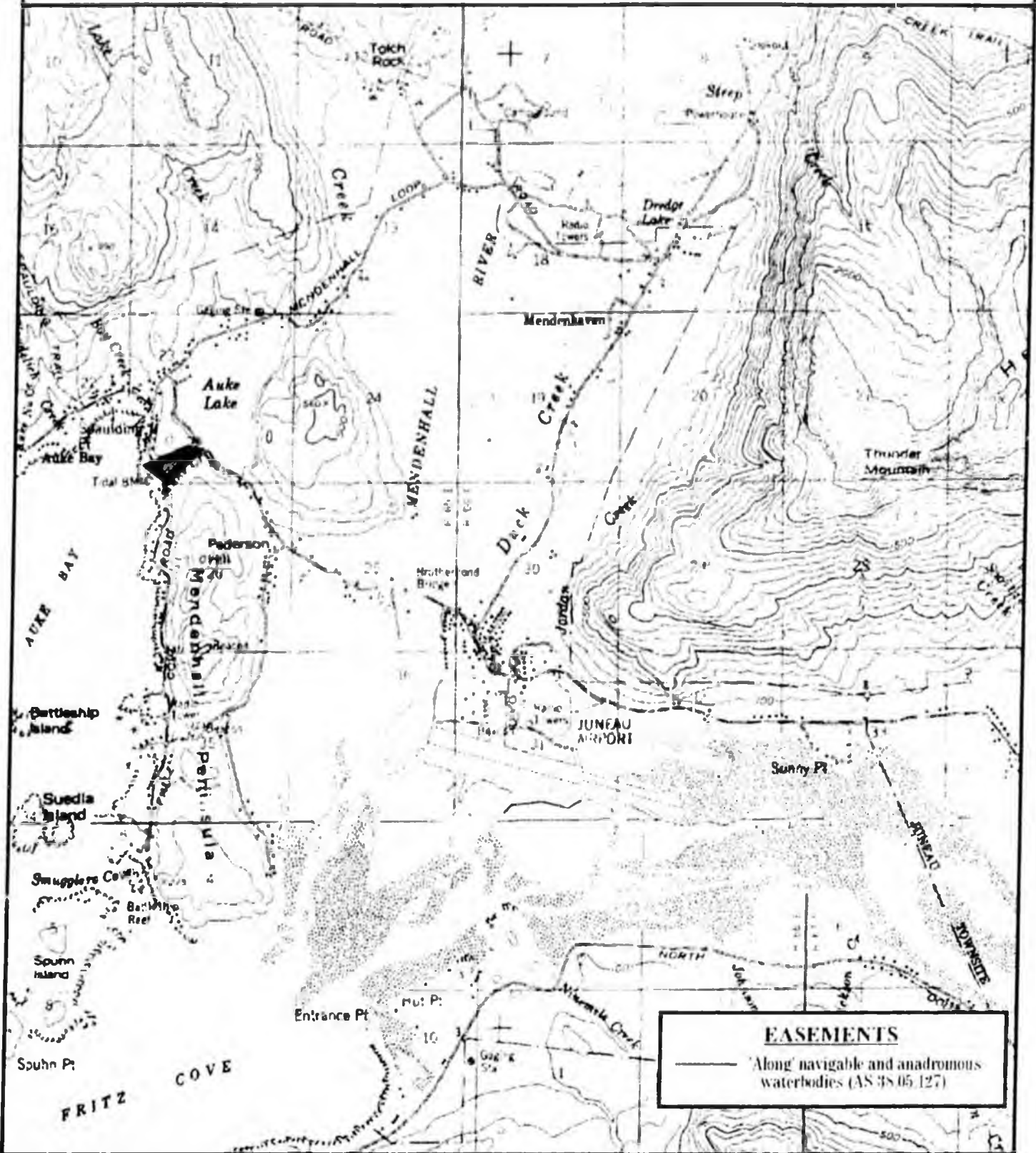
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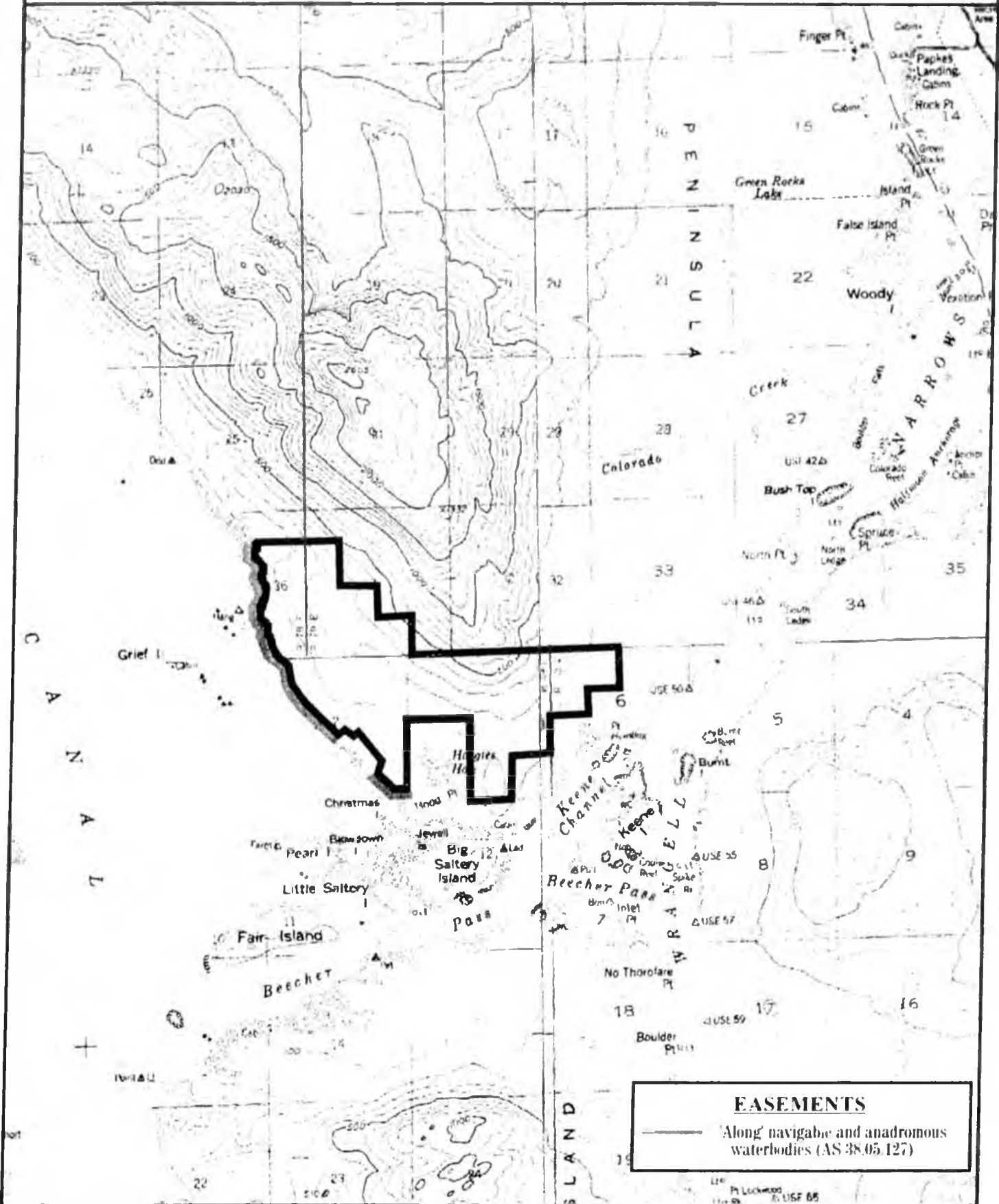
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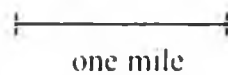
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Beecher Pass

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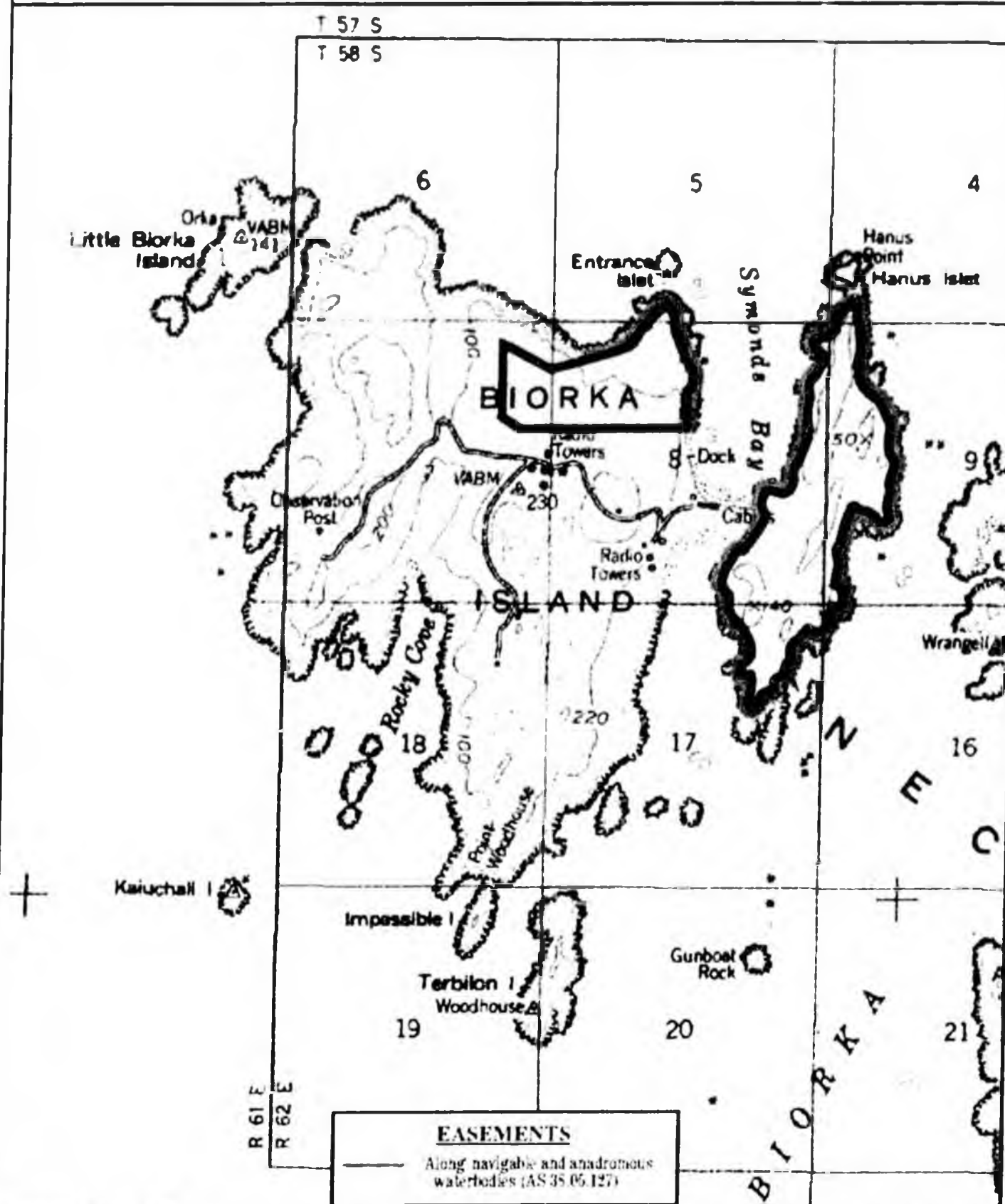
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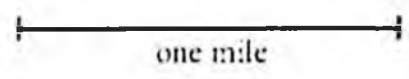
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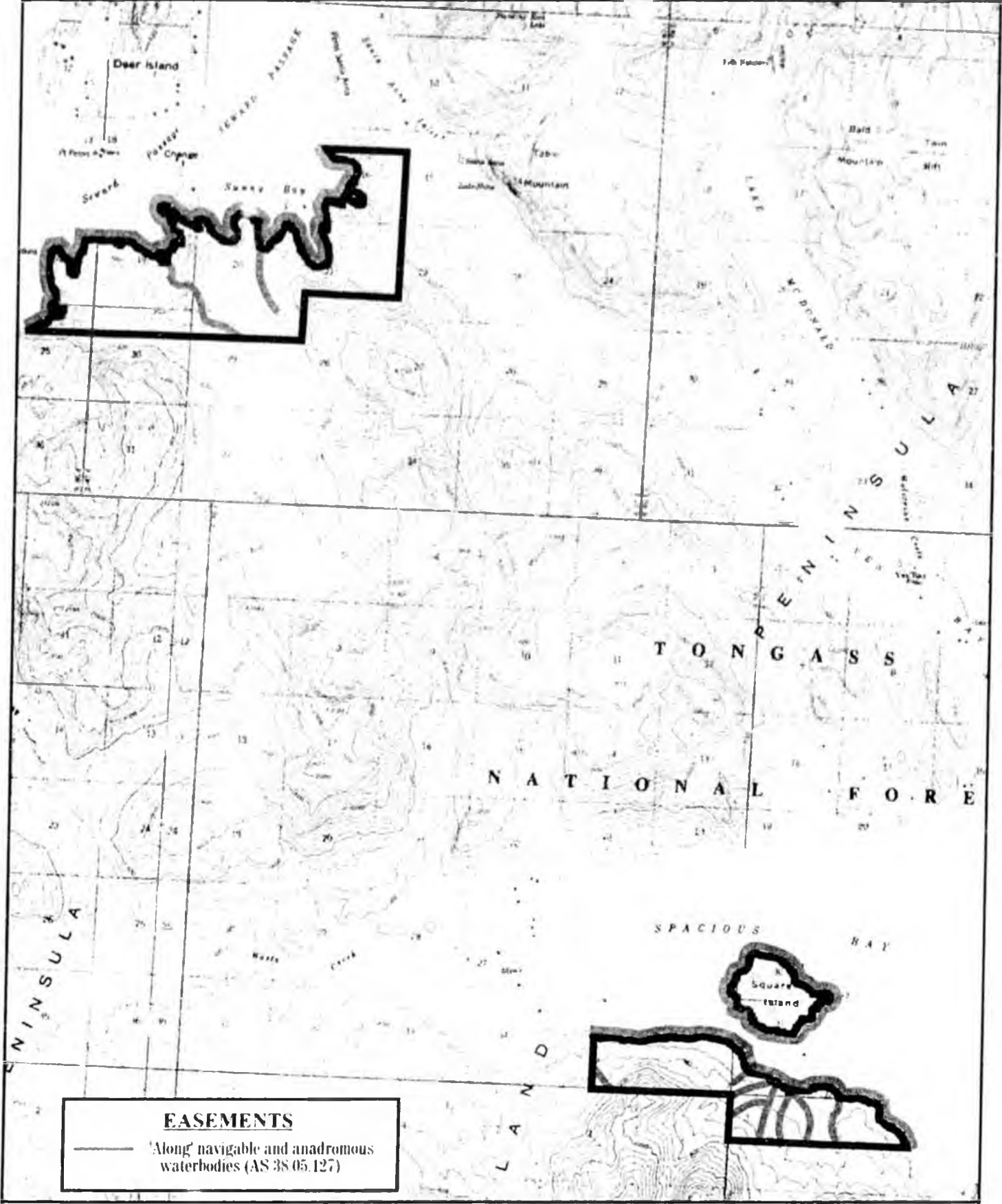
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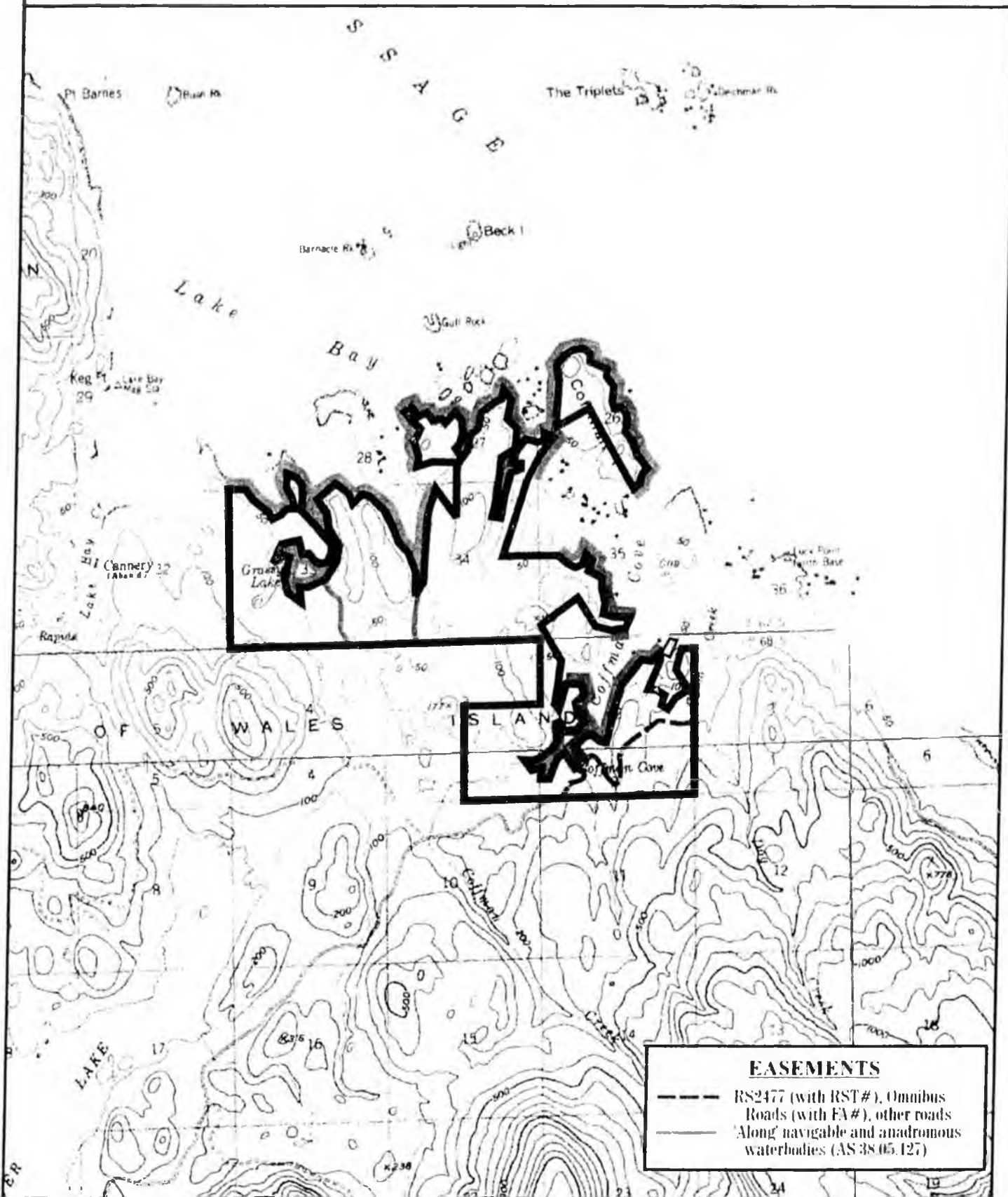
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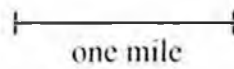
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Coffman Cove

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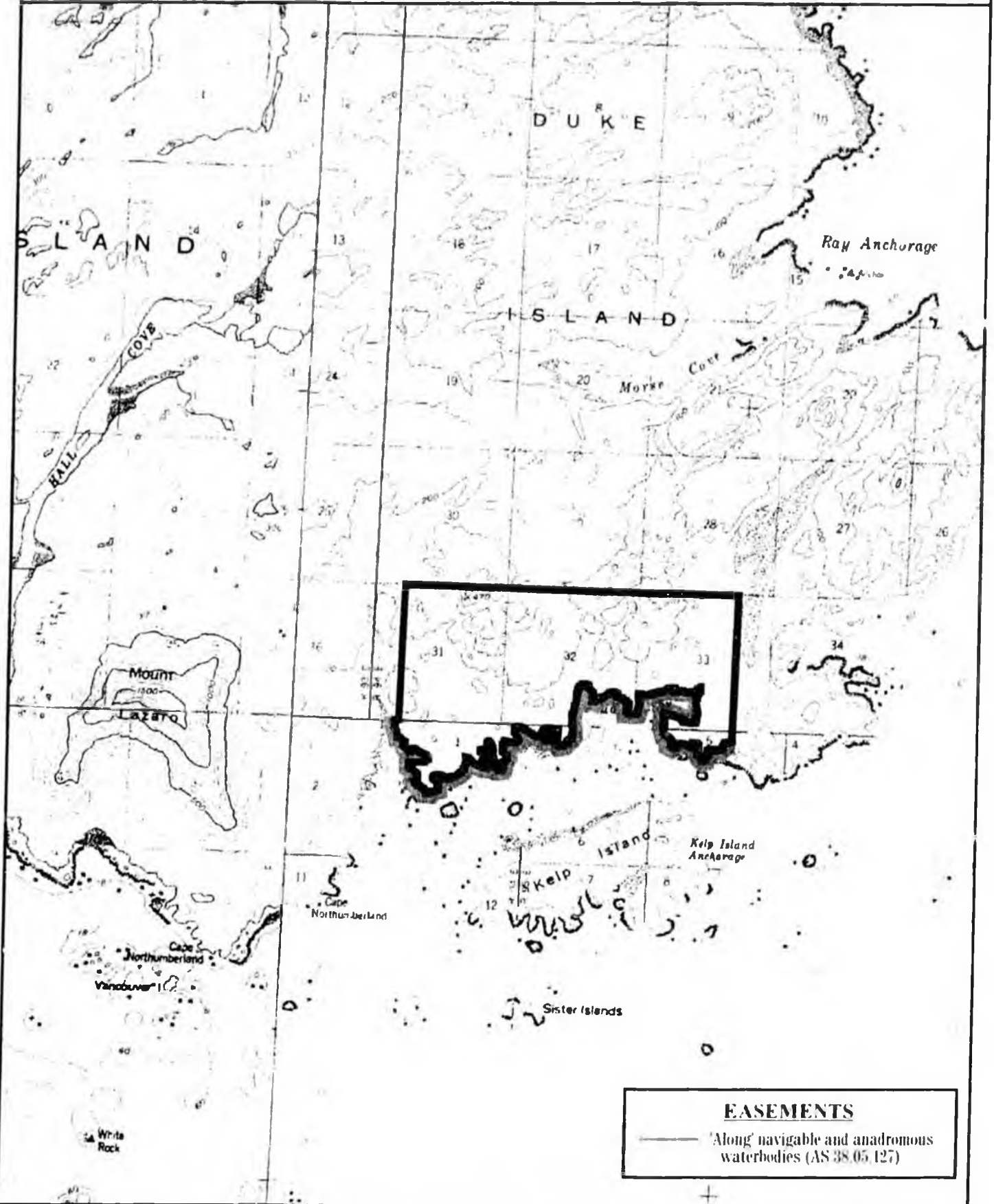
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Duke Island

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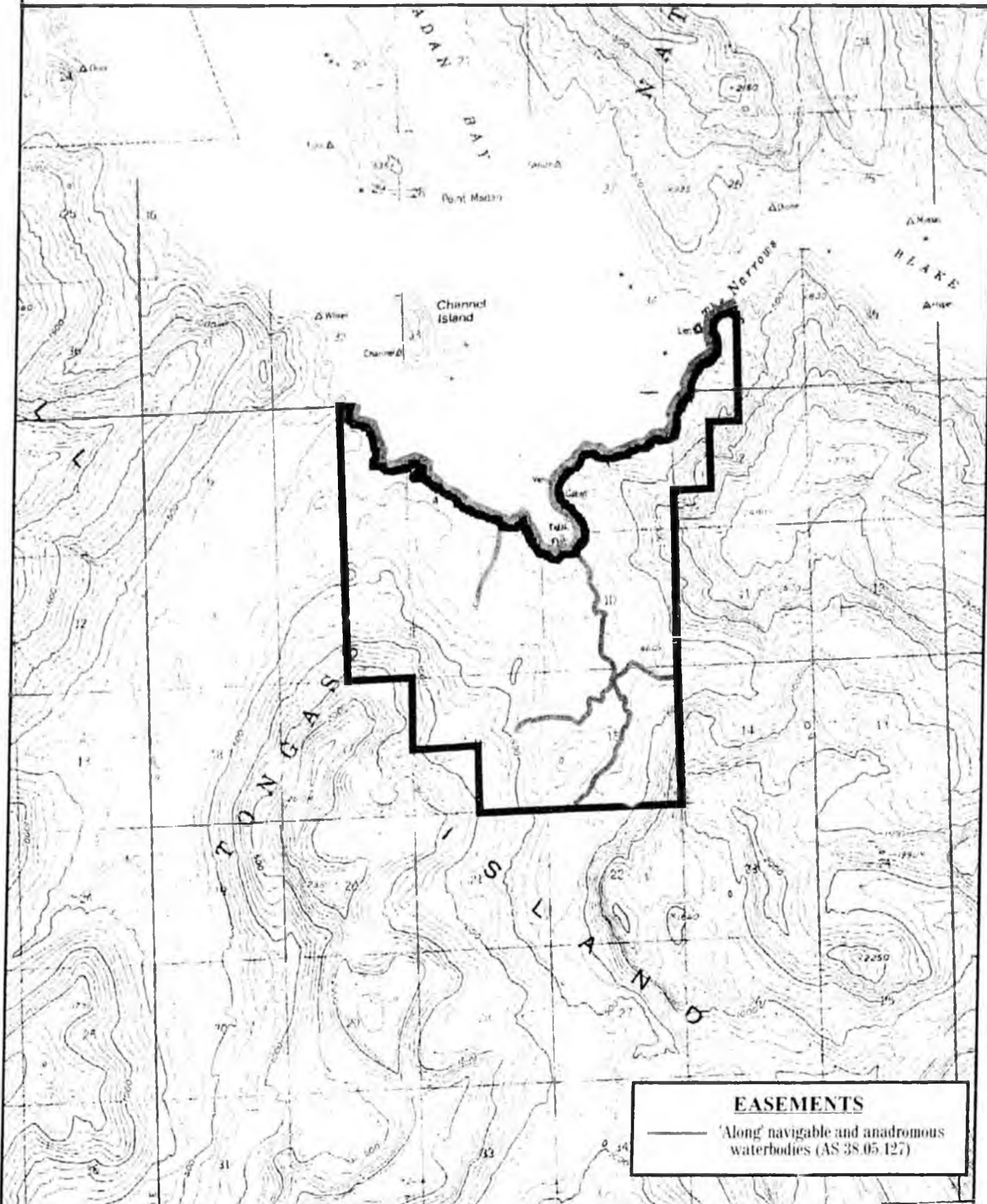
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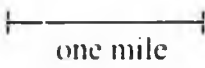
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Earl West Cove

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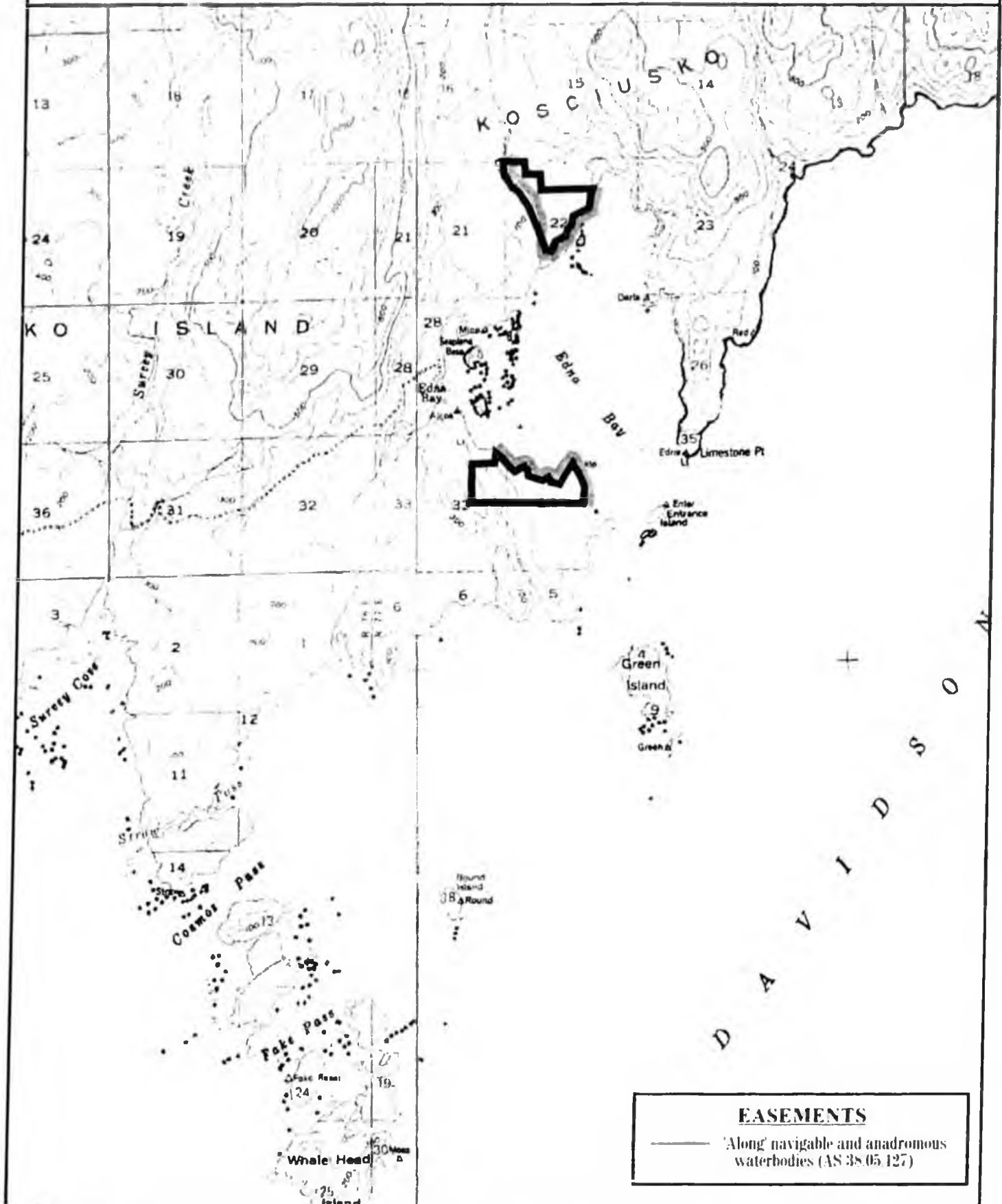


EASEMENTS
— Along navigable and anadromous waterbodies (AS 38.05.127)

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Edna Bay

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EASEMENTS
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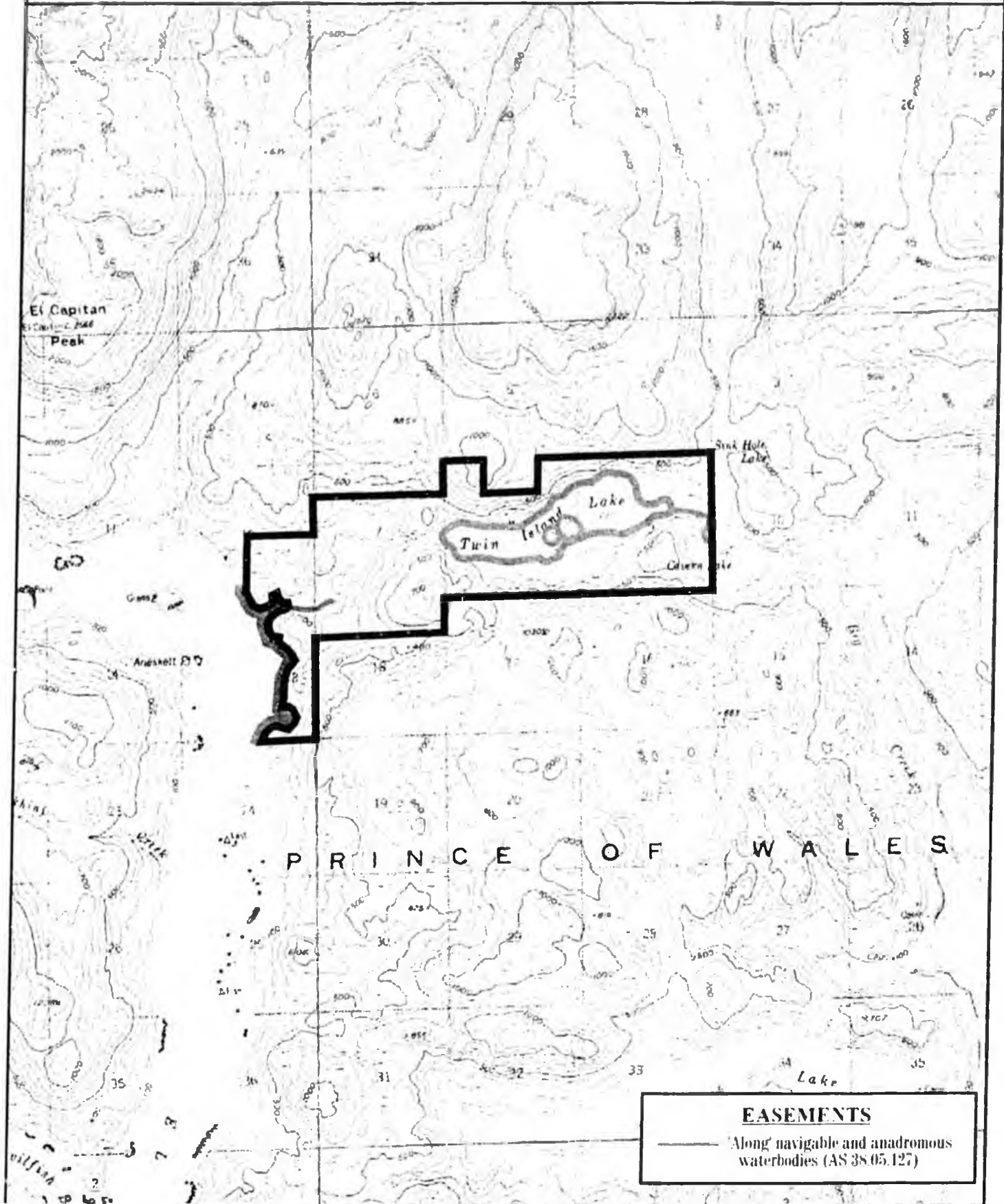
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Meridian	Township	Range
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El Capitan North

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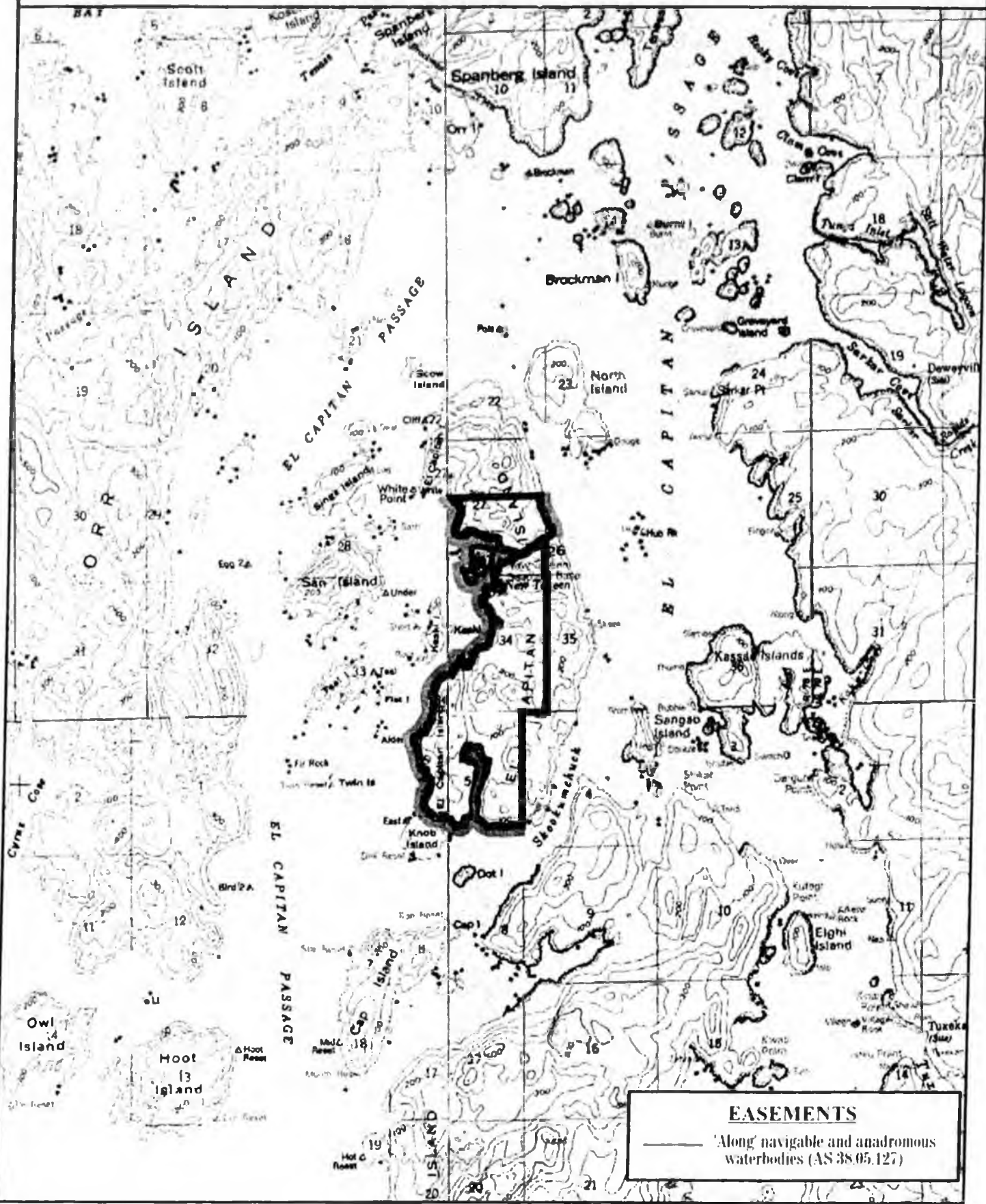
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Meridian	Township	Range
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El Capitan South

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EASEMENTS
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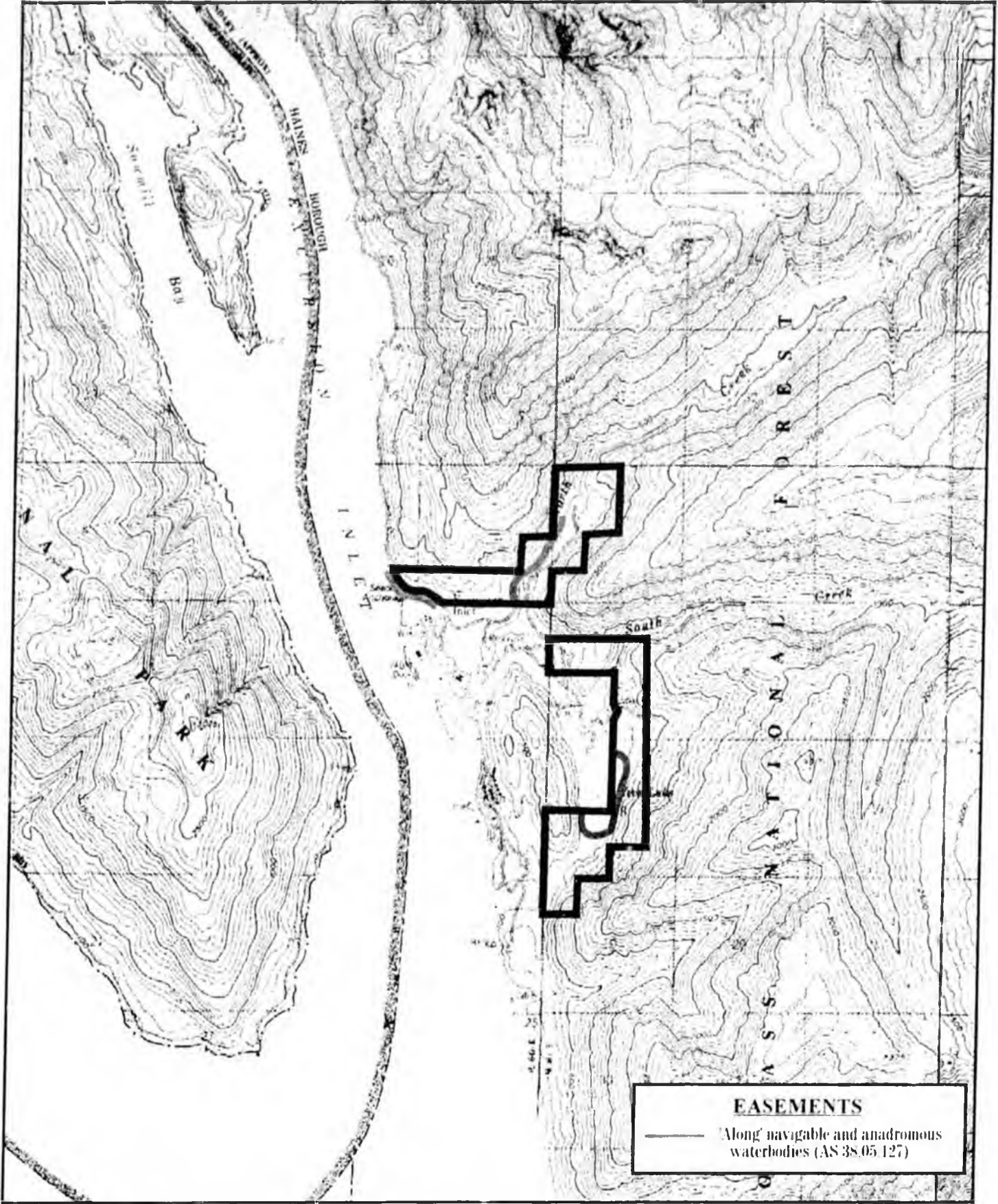
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Excursion Inlet

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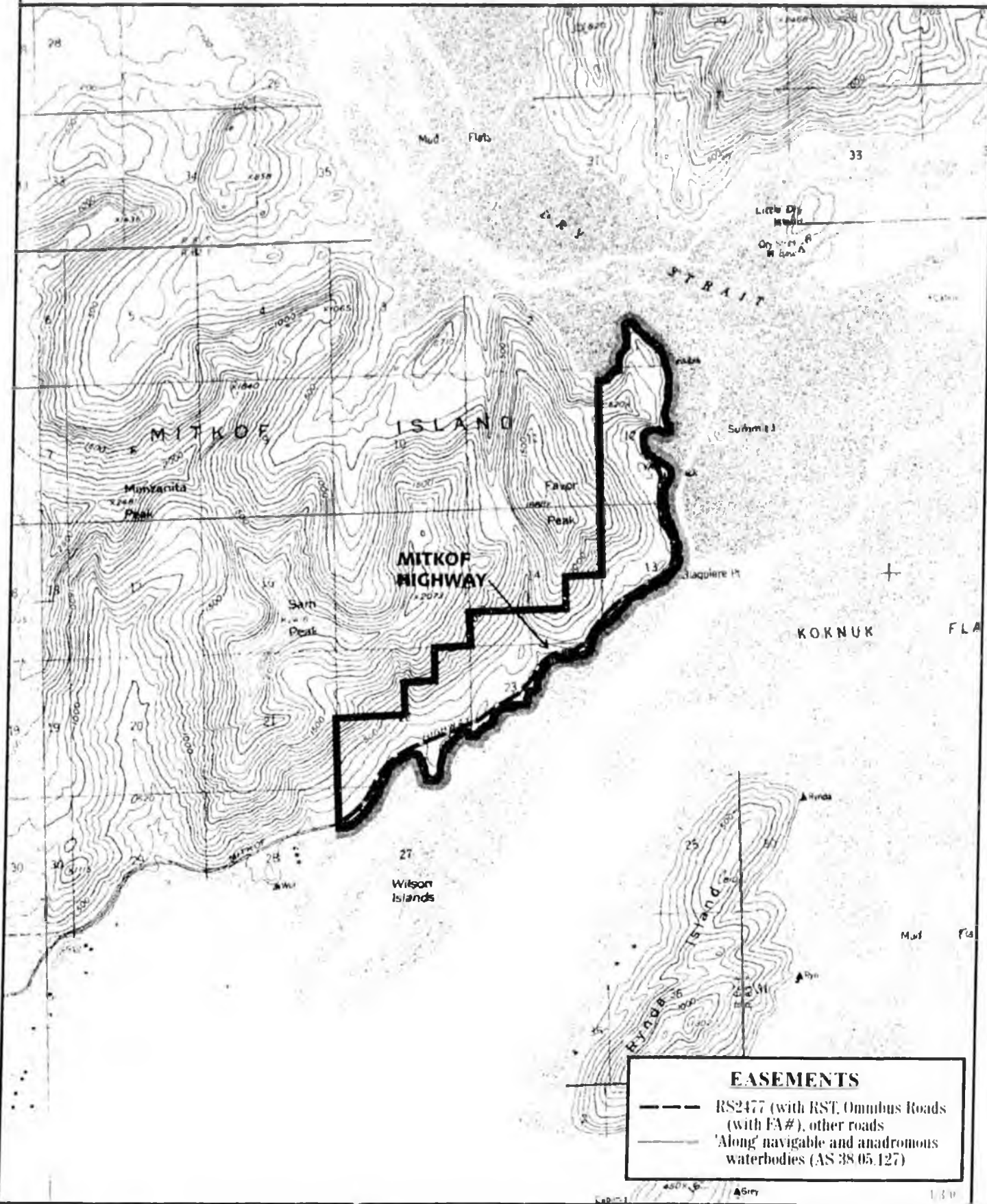
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Meridian	Township	Range
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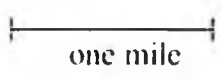
Favor Peak

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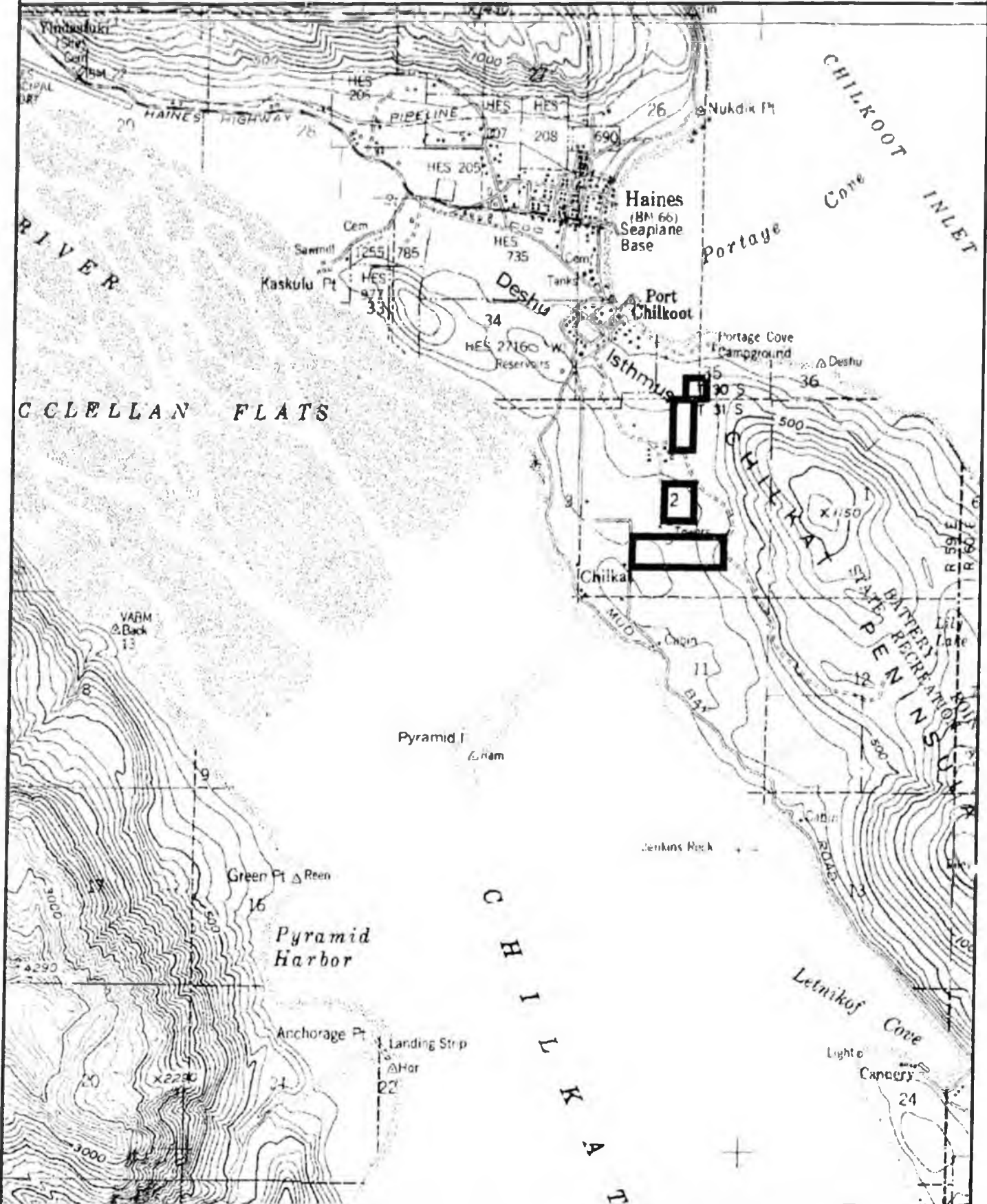
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Haines-Chilkoot

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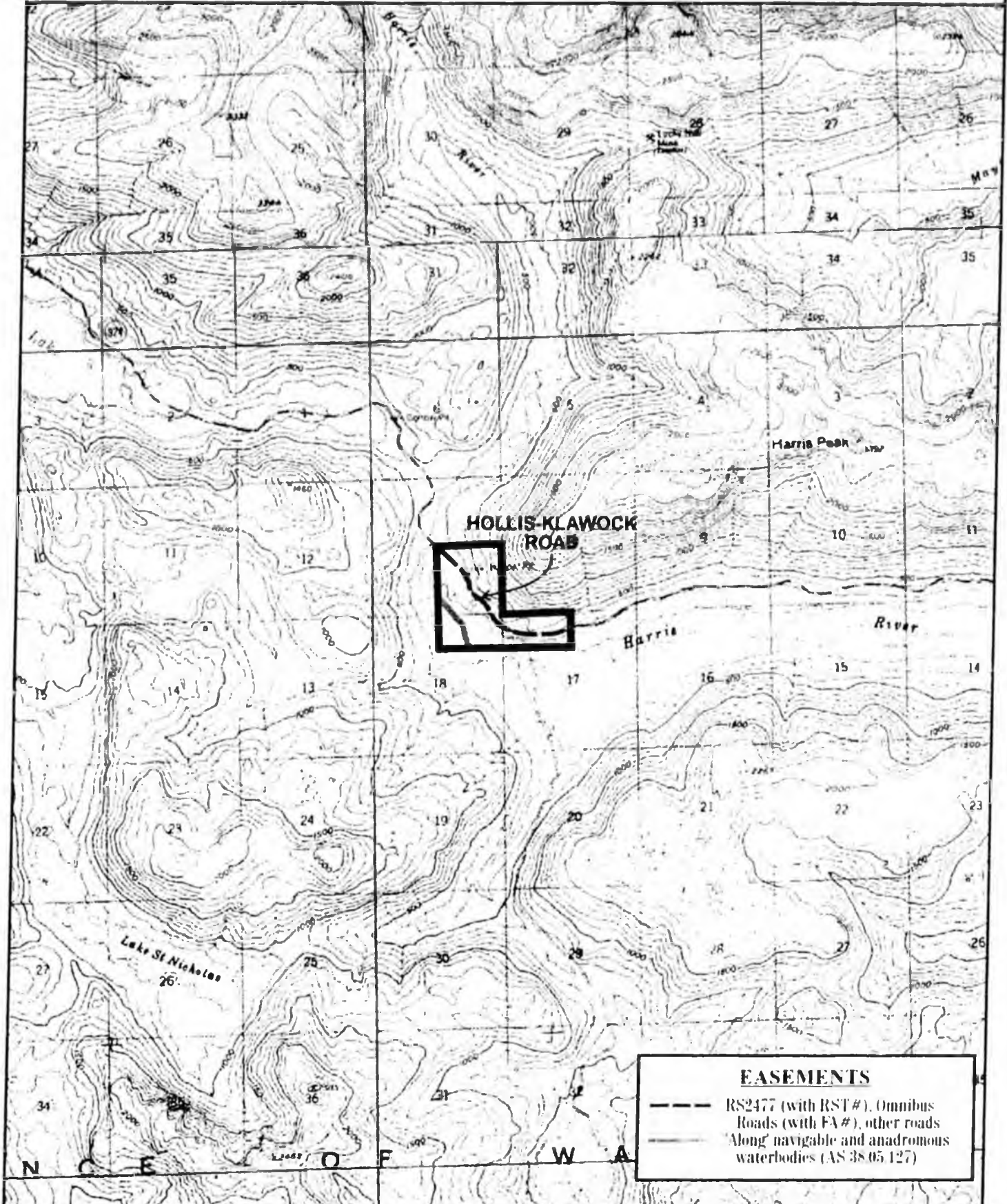
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Meridian	Township	Range
CRM	30-31S	59E

Harris Road Junction

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EASEMENTS

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- Along navigable and anadromous waterbodies (AS 38.05 127)

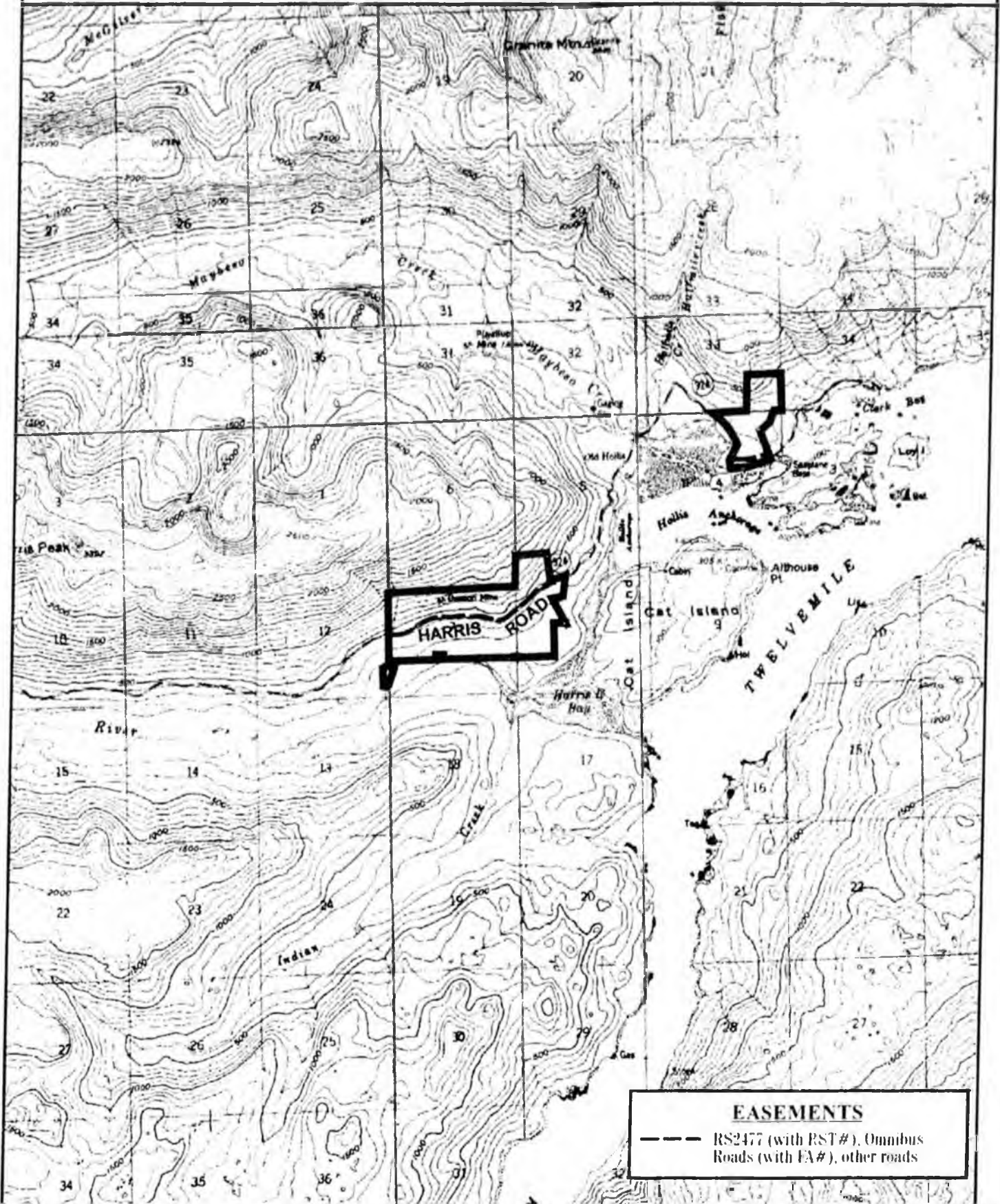
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Hollis

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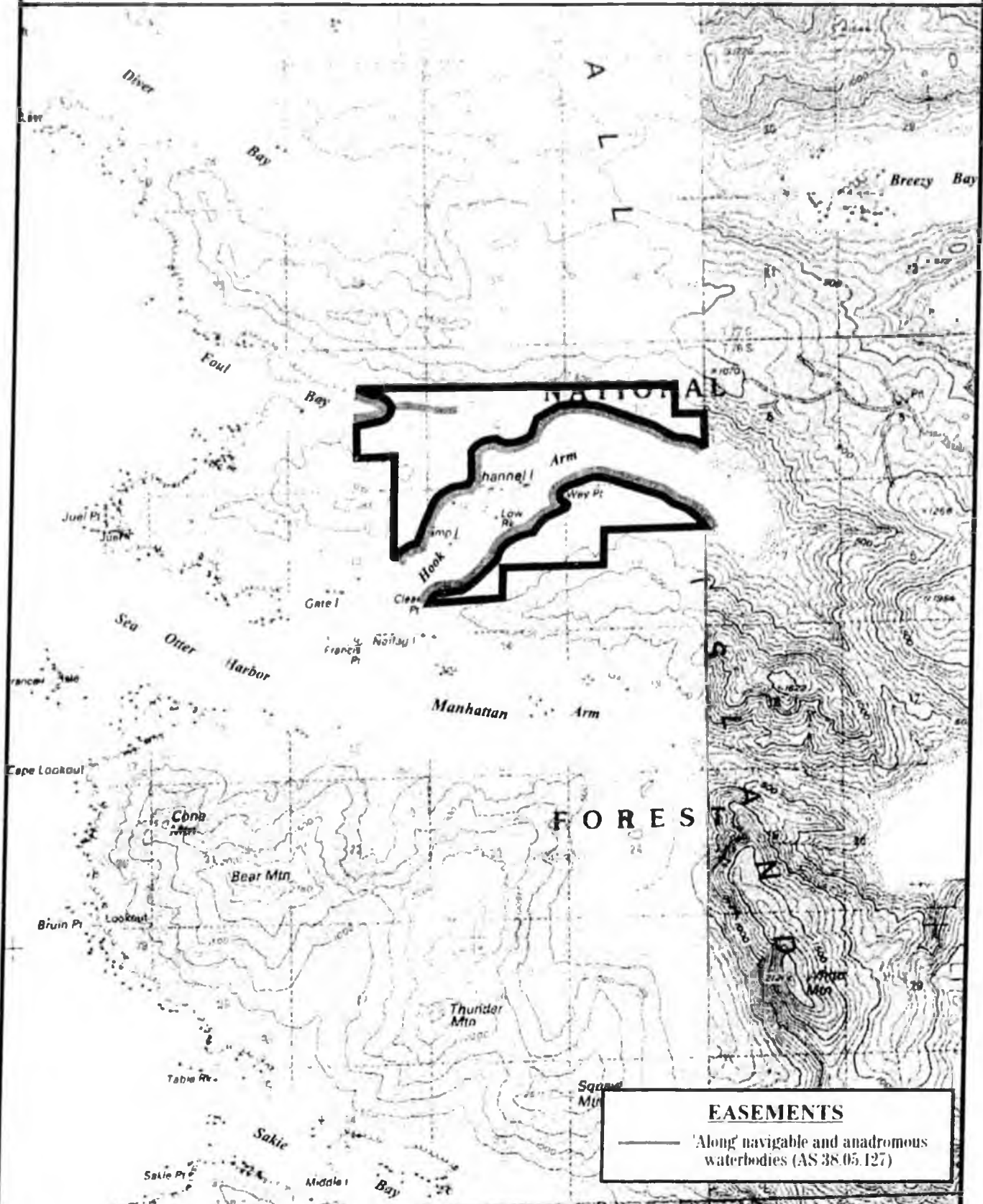
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Meridian Township Range
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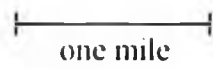
Hook Arm

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EASEMENTS
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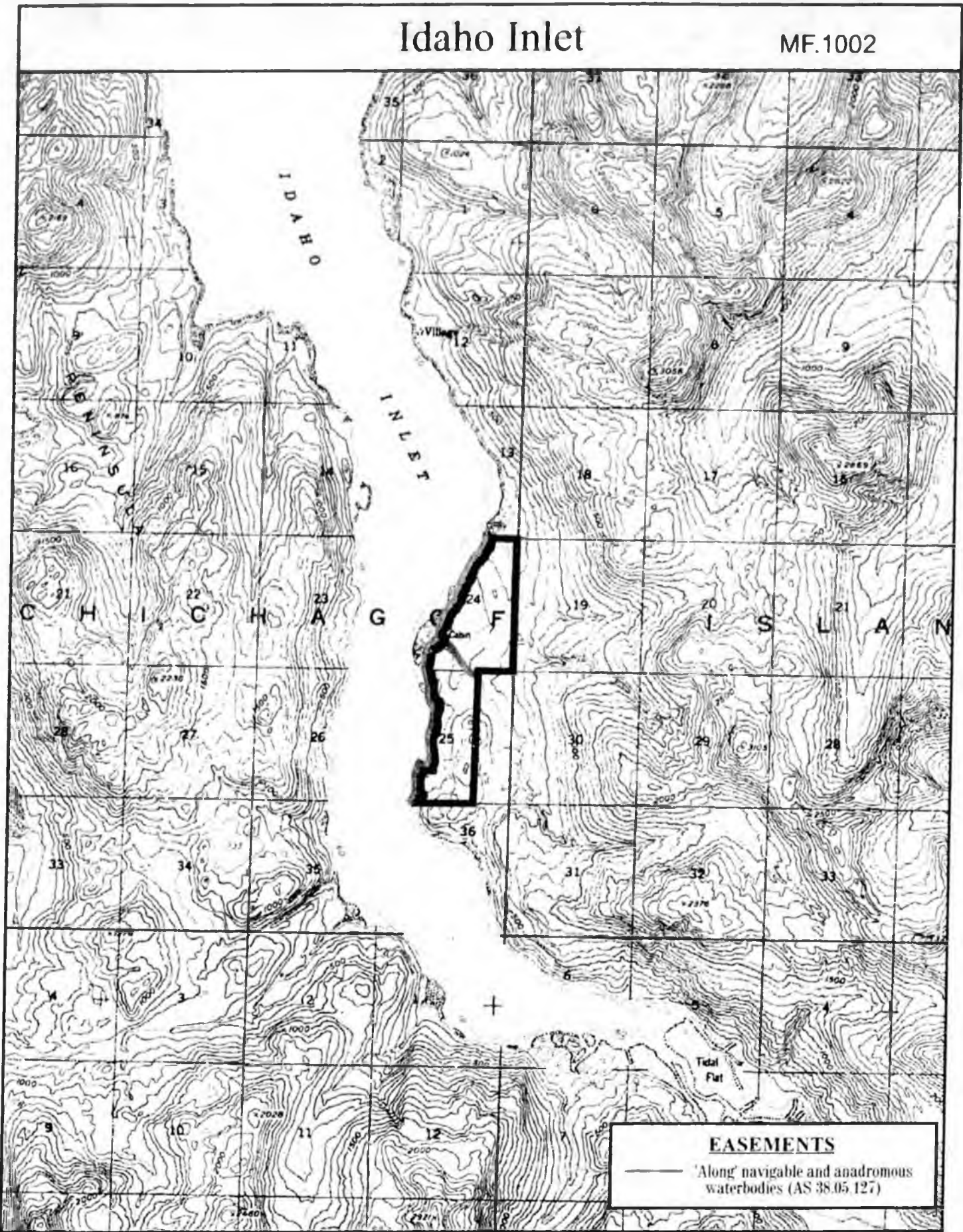
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Meridian Township Range
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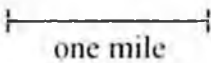
Idaho Inlet

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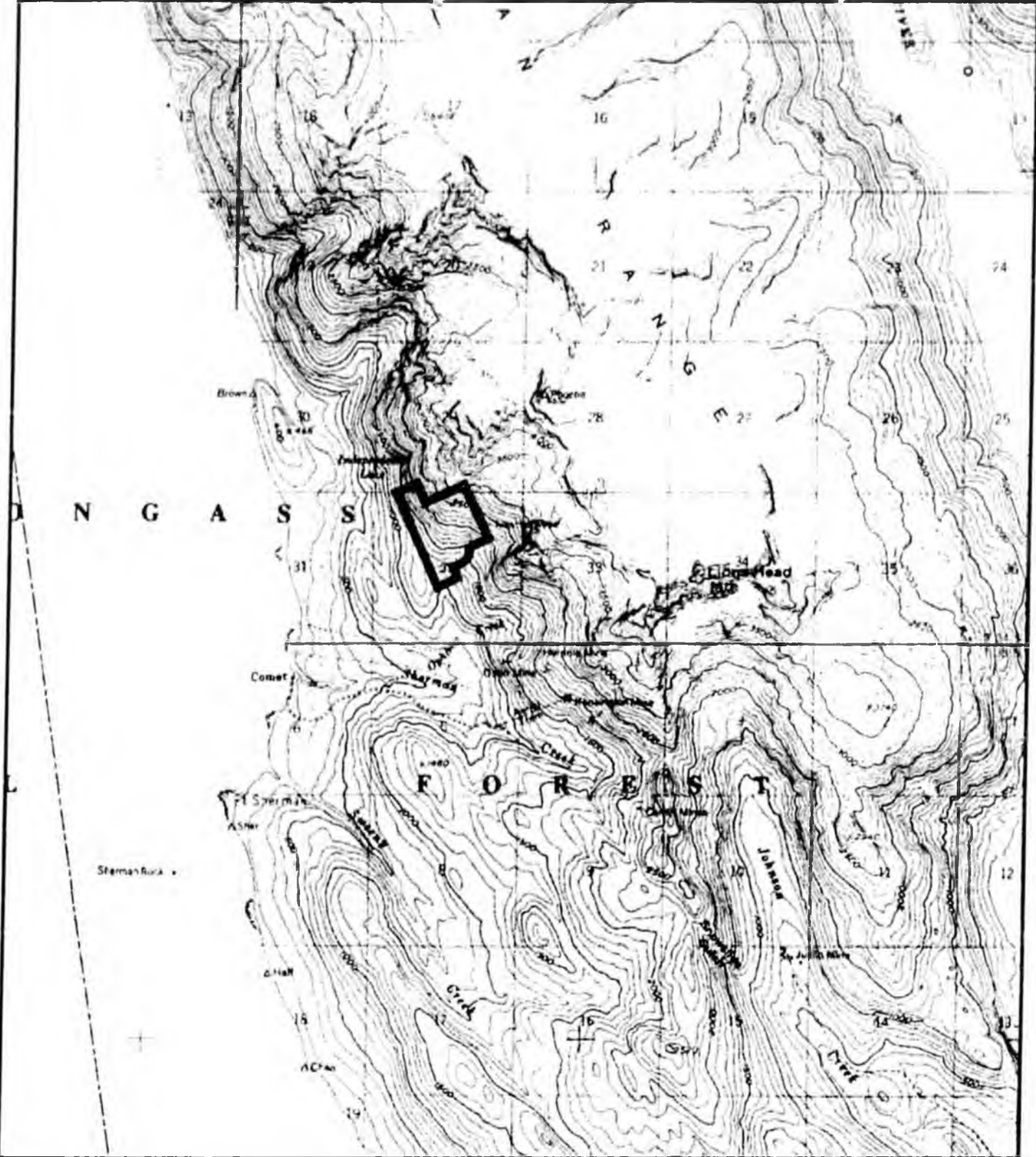
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Ivanhoe

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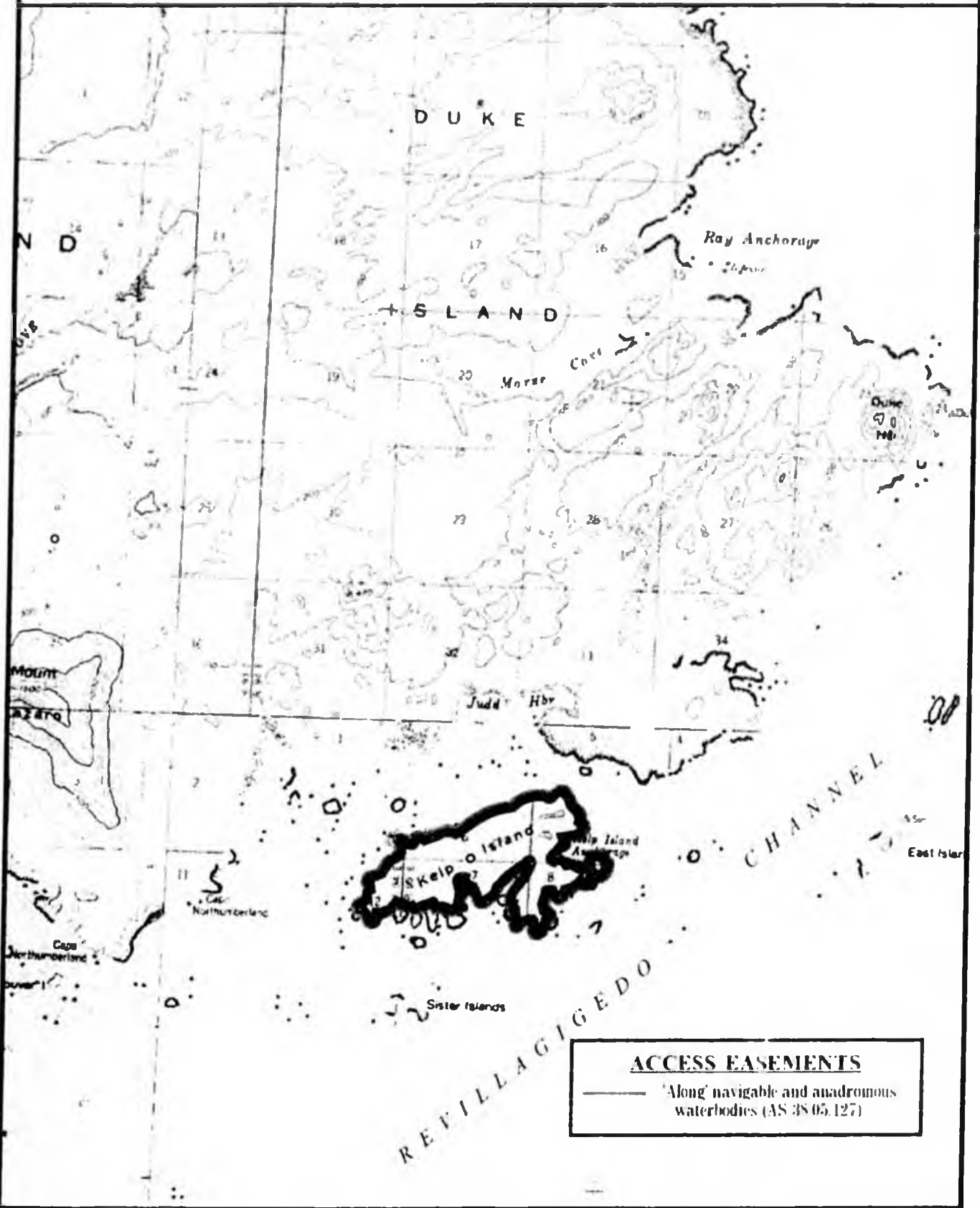
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Meridian Township Range
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Kelp Island

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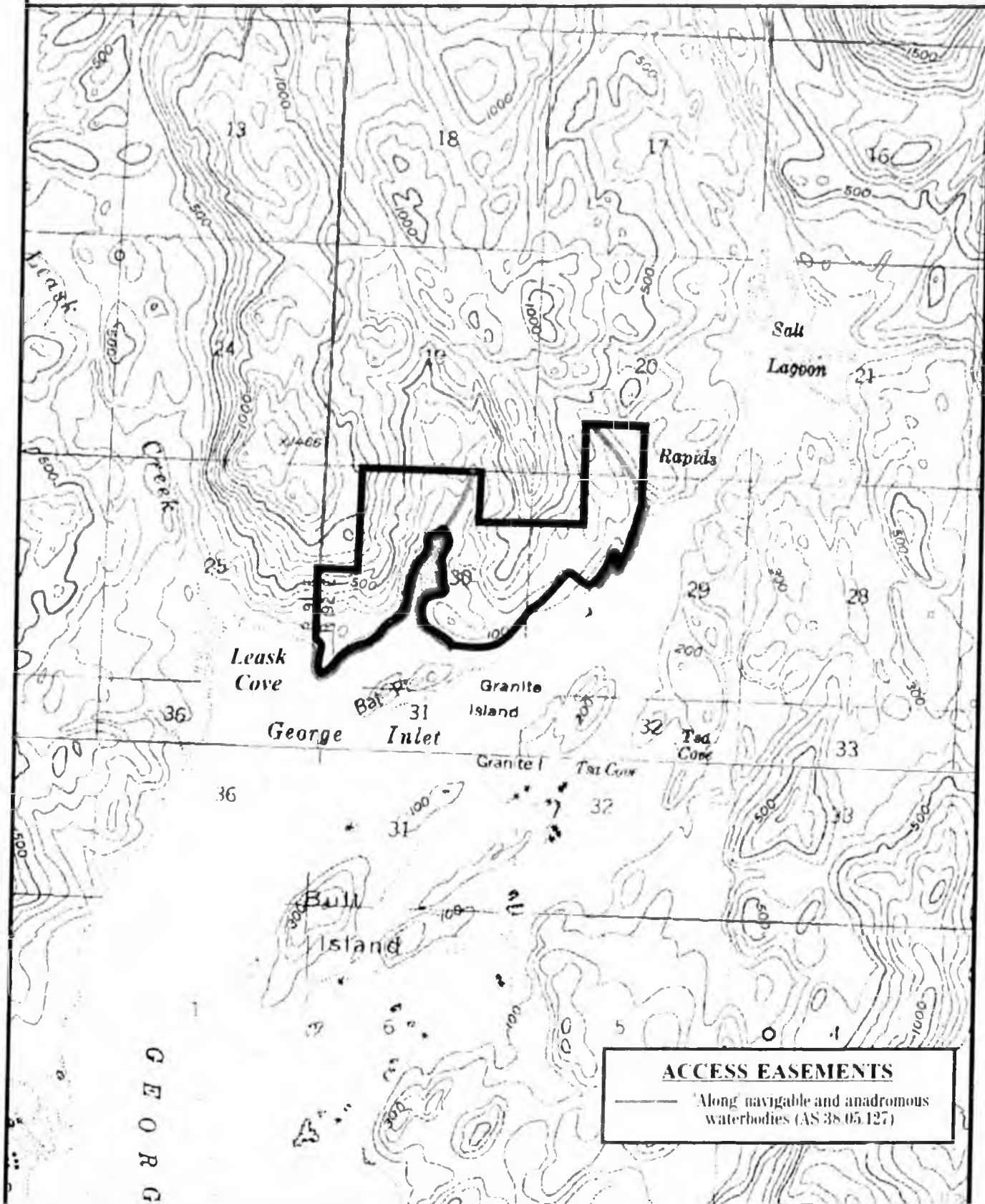
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Leask Cove

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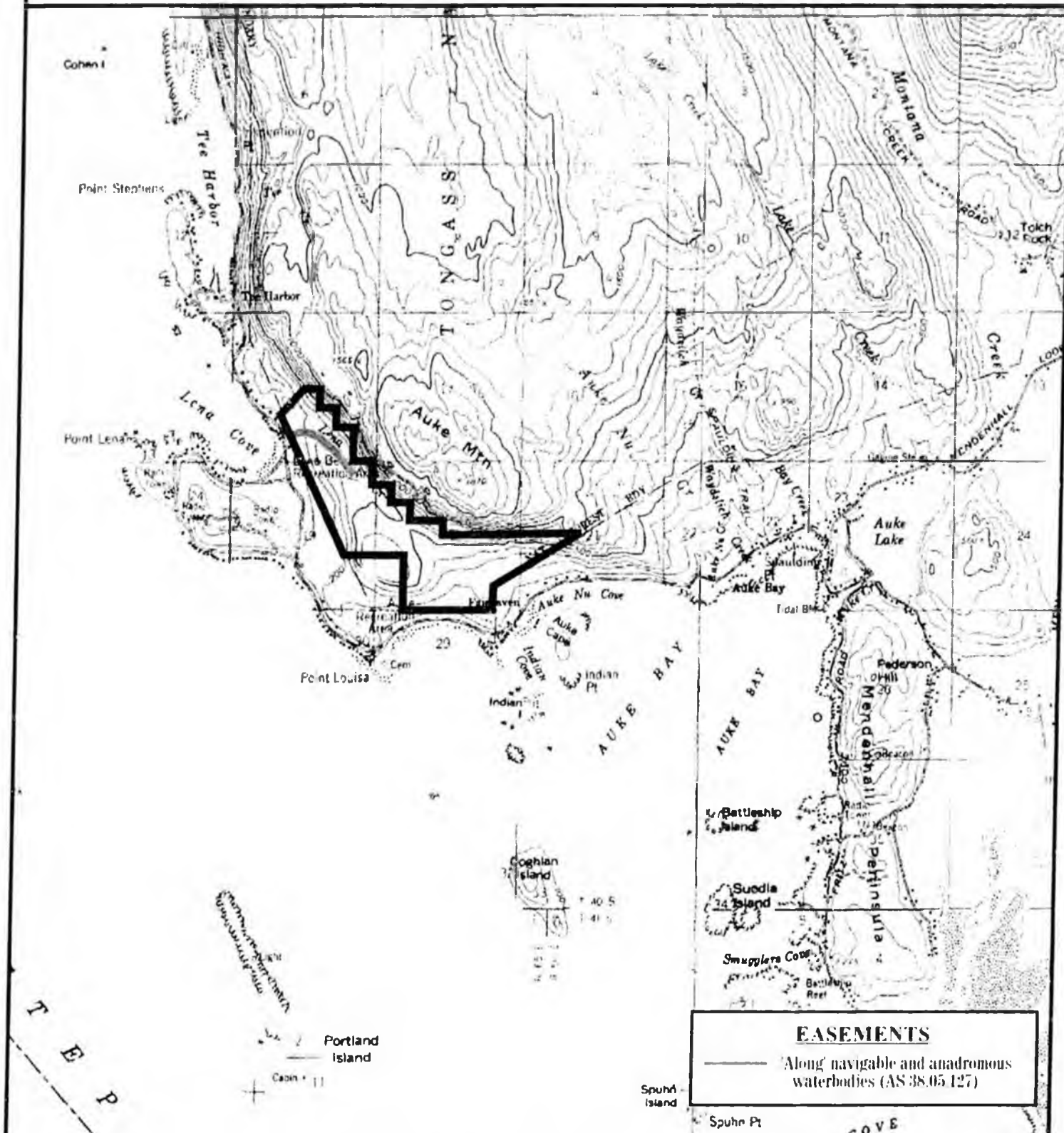
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Meridian Township Range
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Lena Creek

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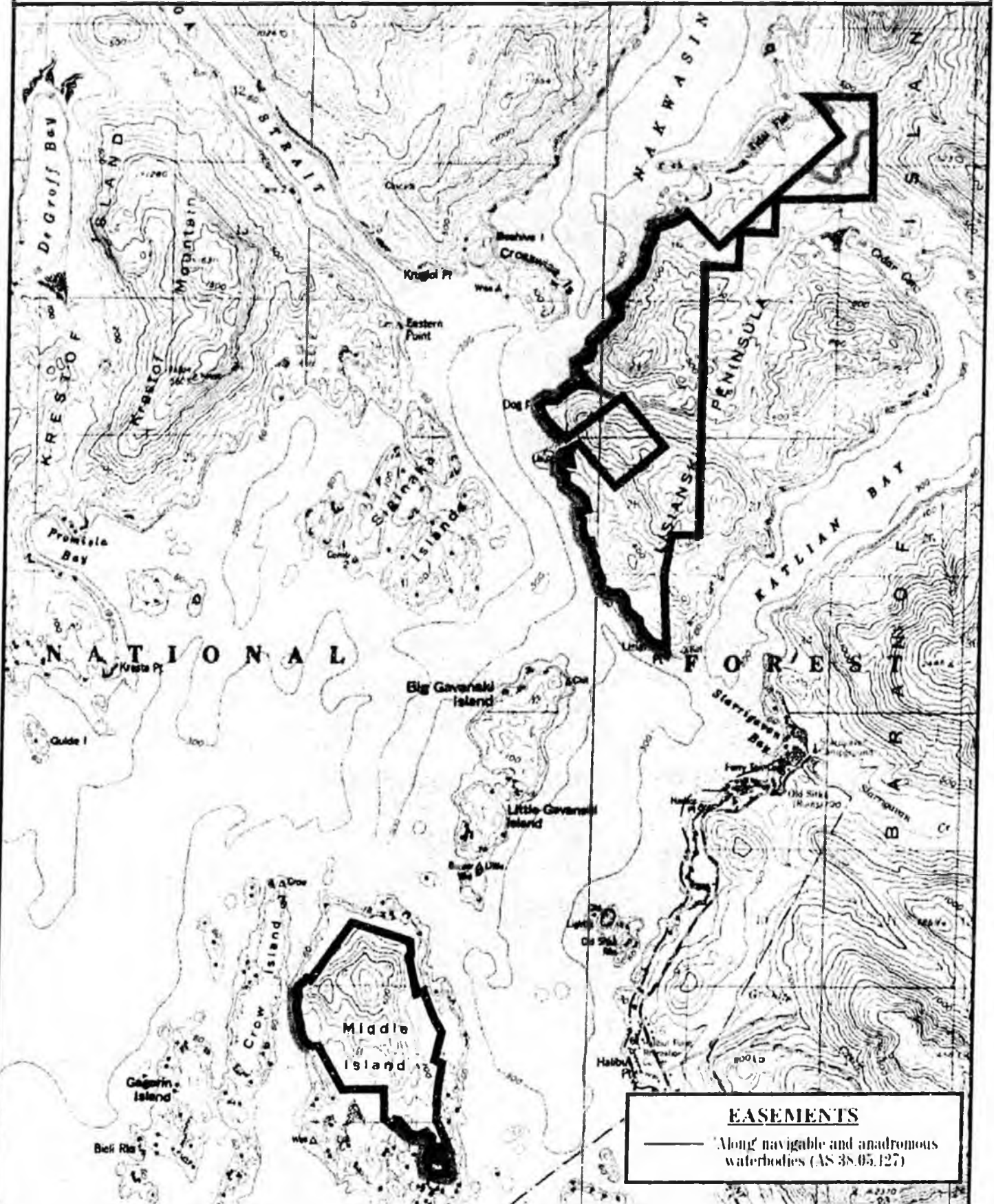
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Lisianski Peninsula

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EASEMENTS
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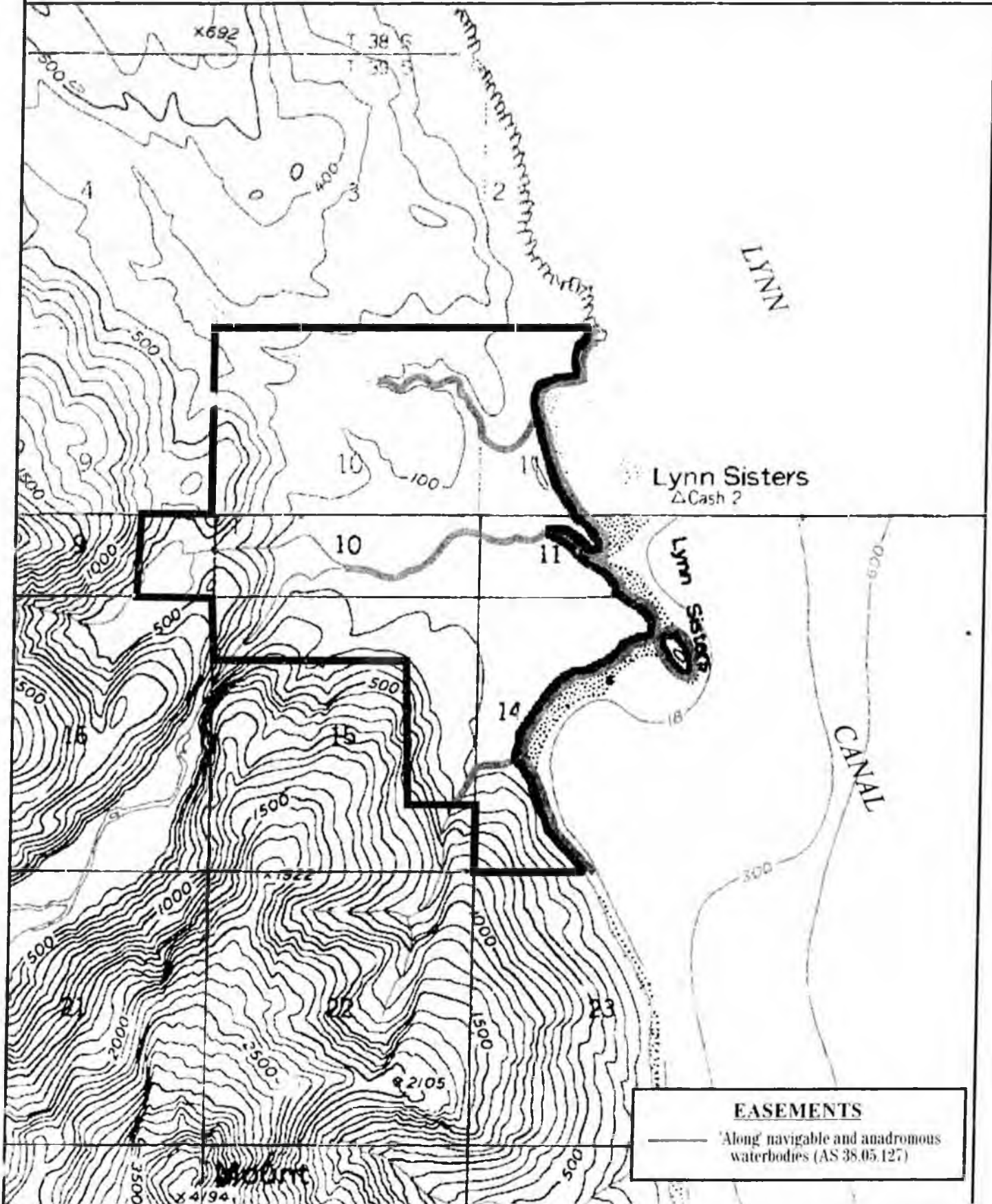
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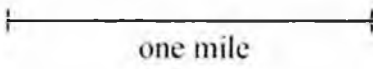
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Lynn Canal

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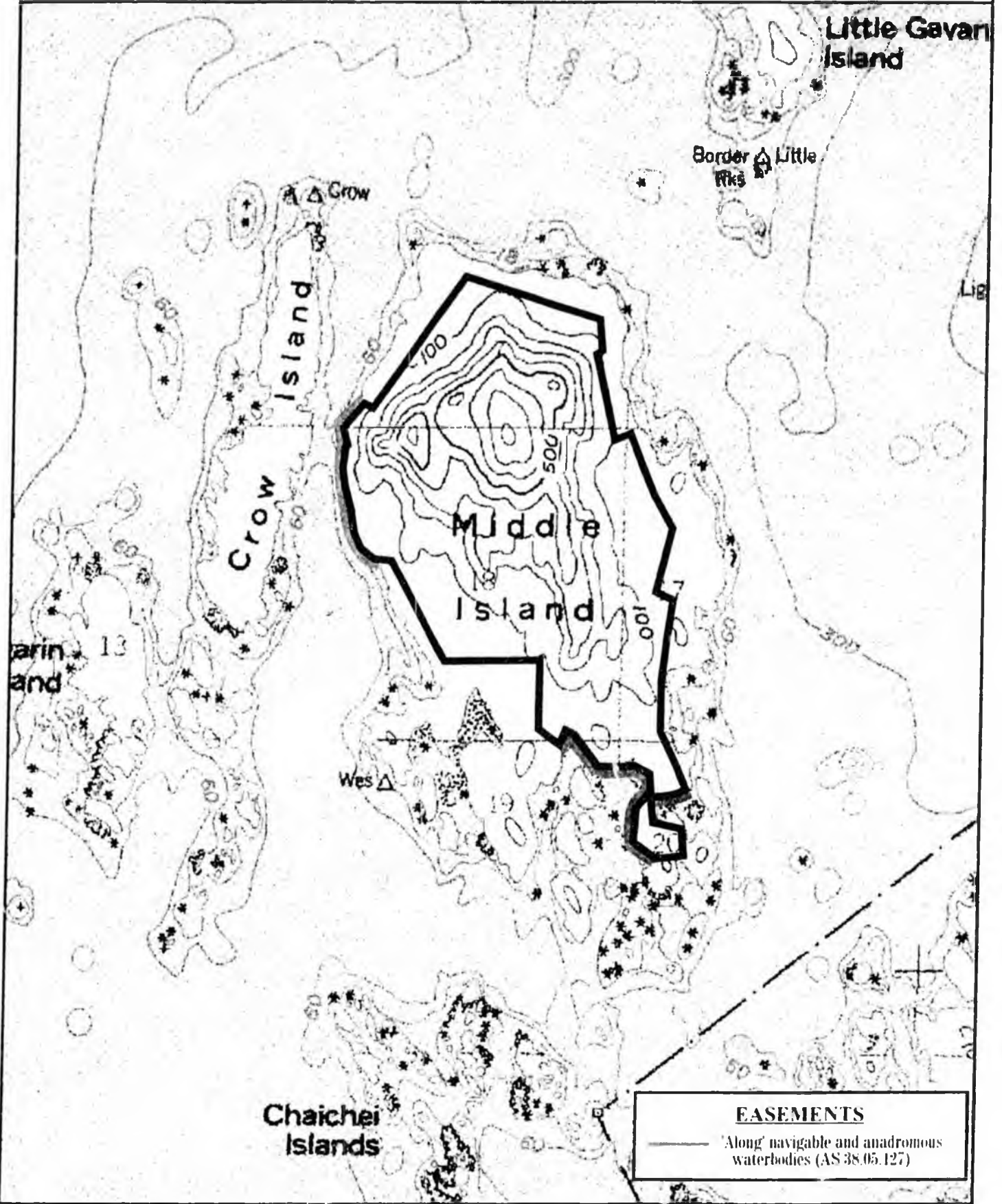
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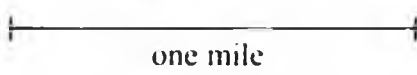
Middle Island

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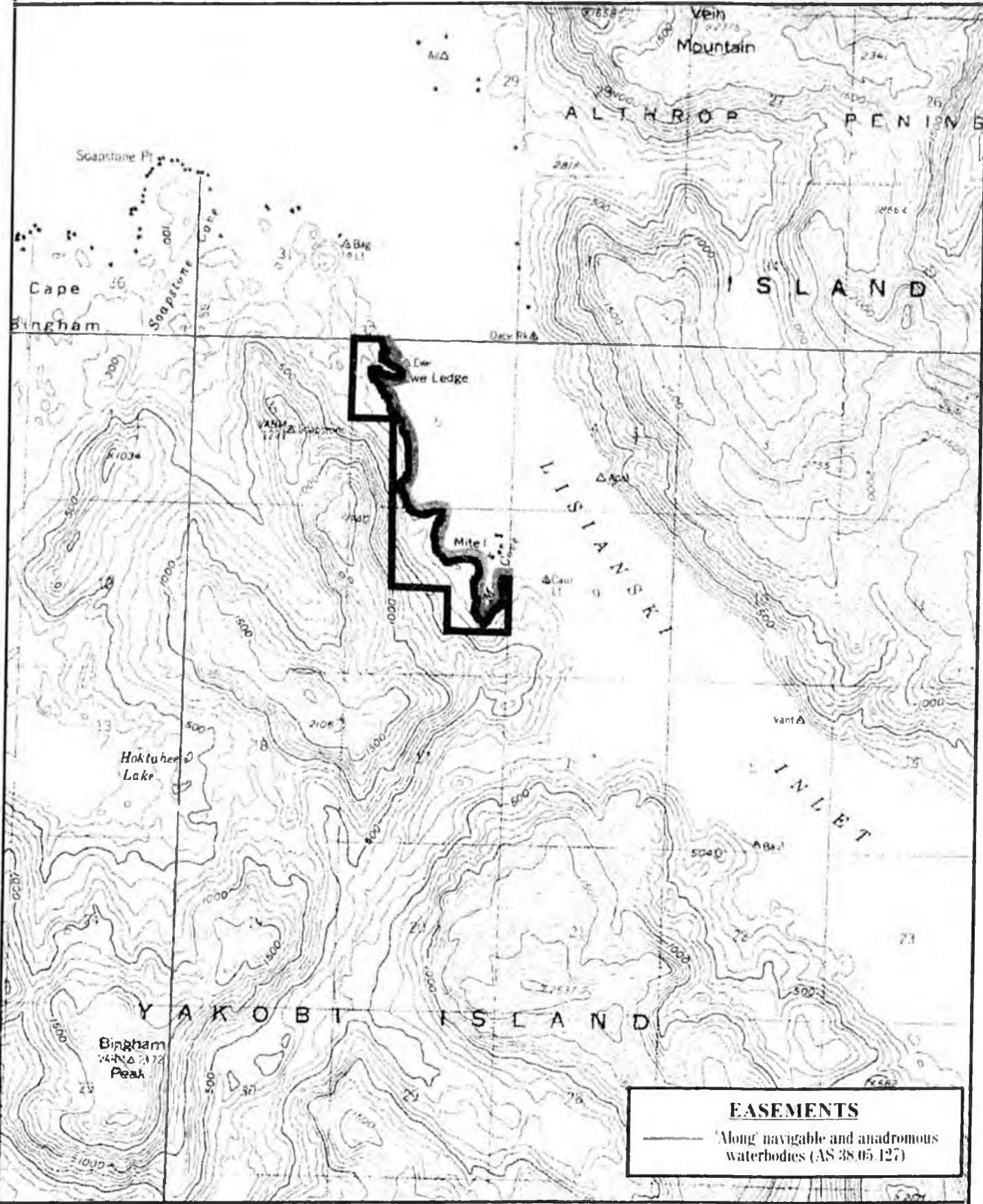
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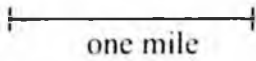
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Mite Cove

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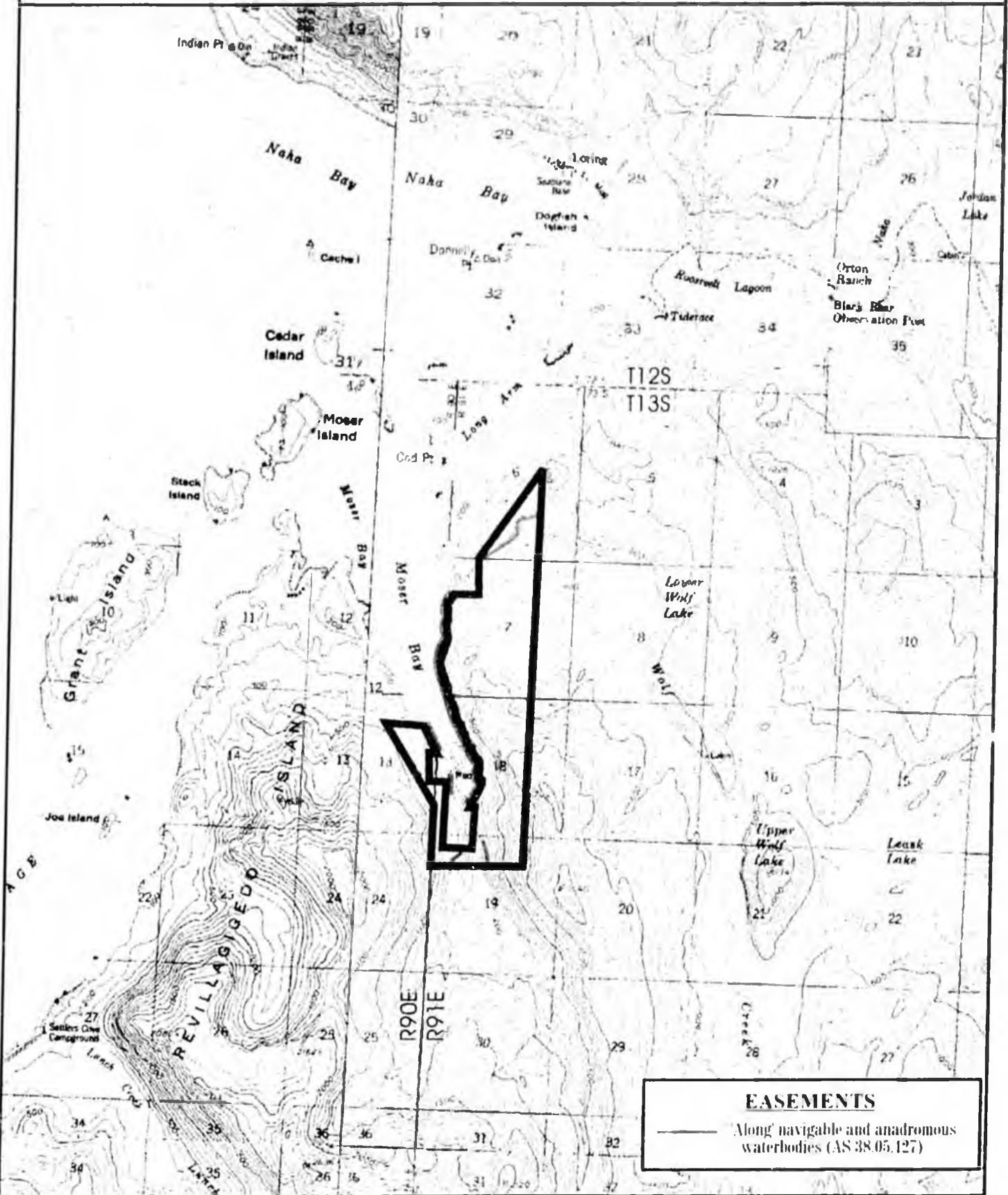
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Moser Bay

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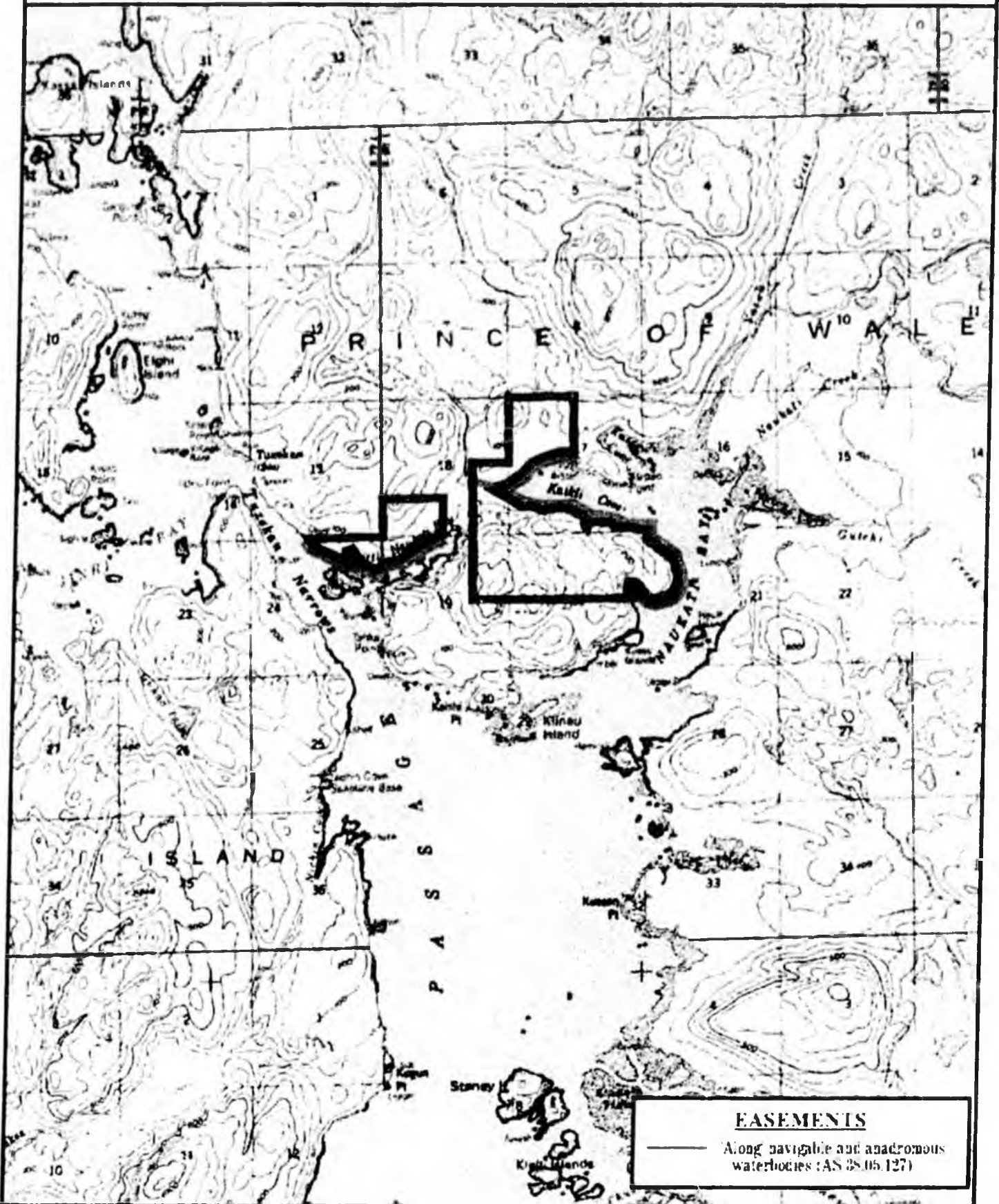
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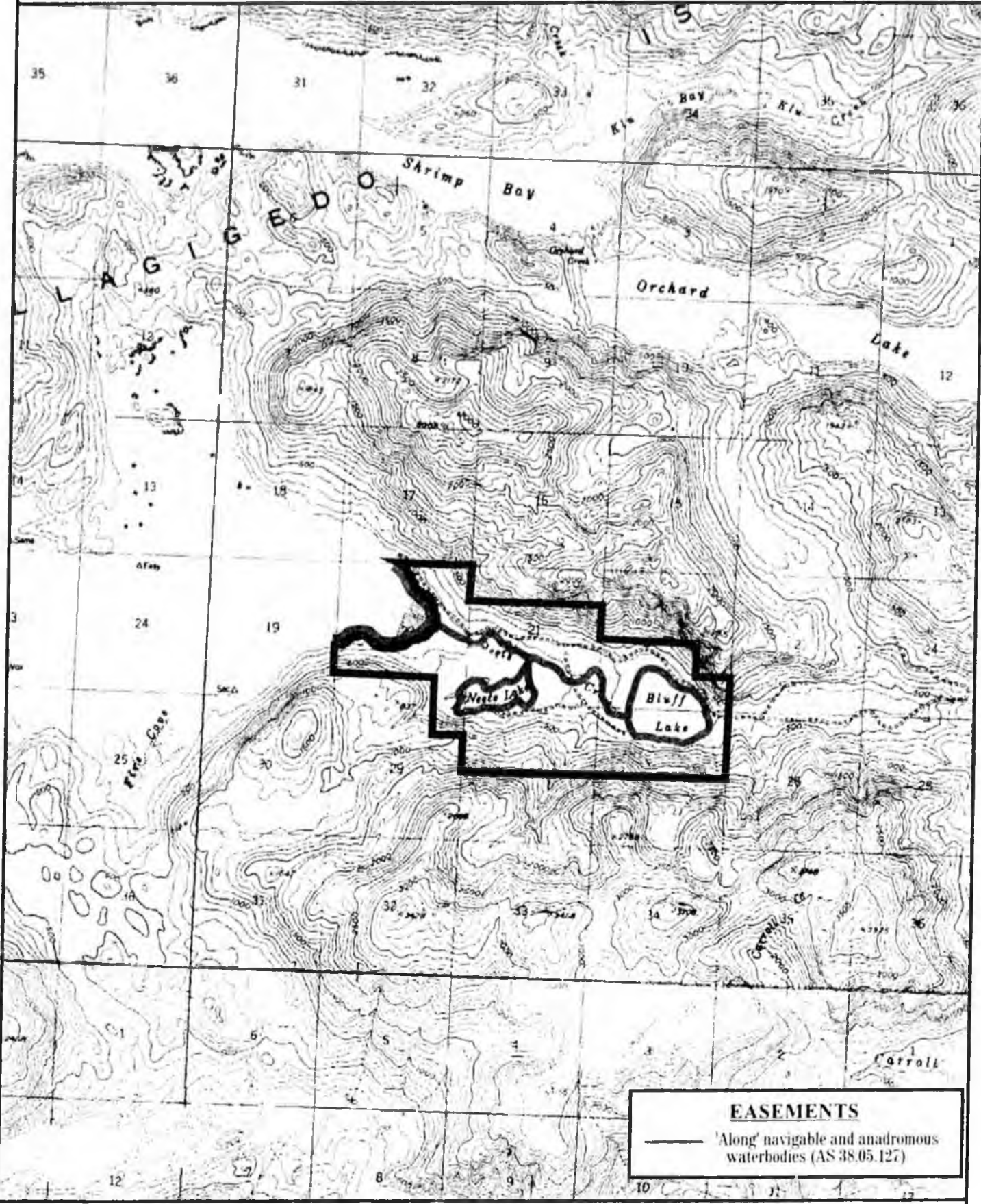
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Neets Creek

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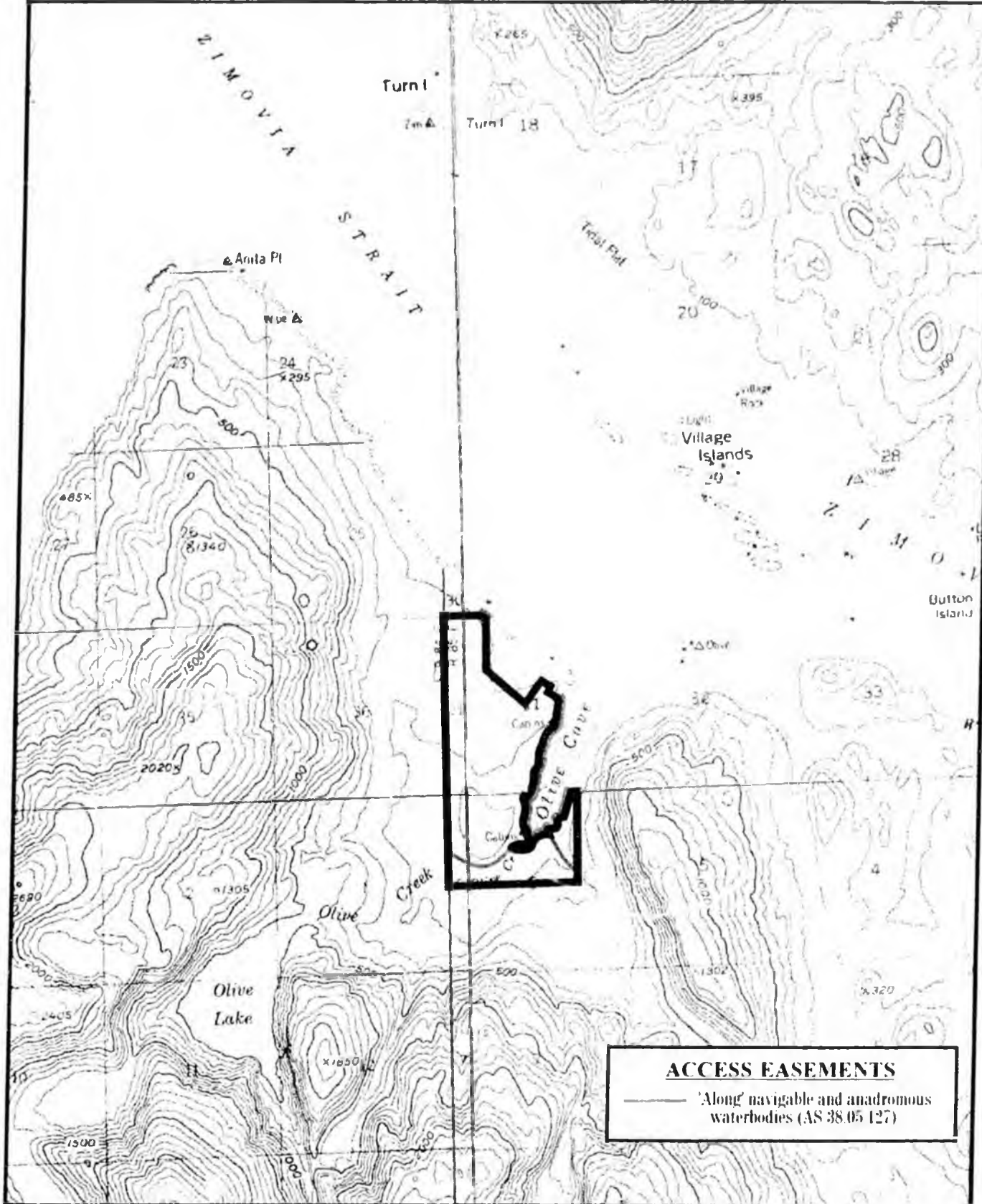
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Meridian	Township	Range
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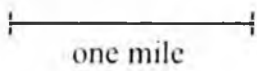
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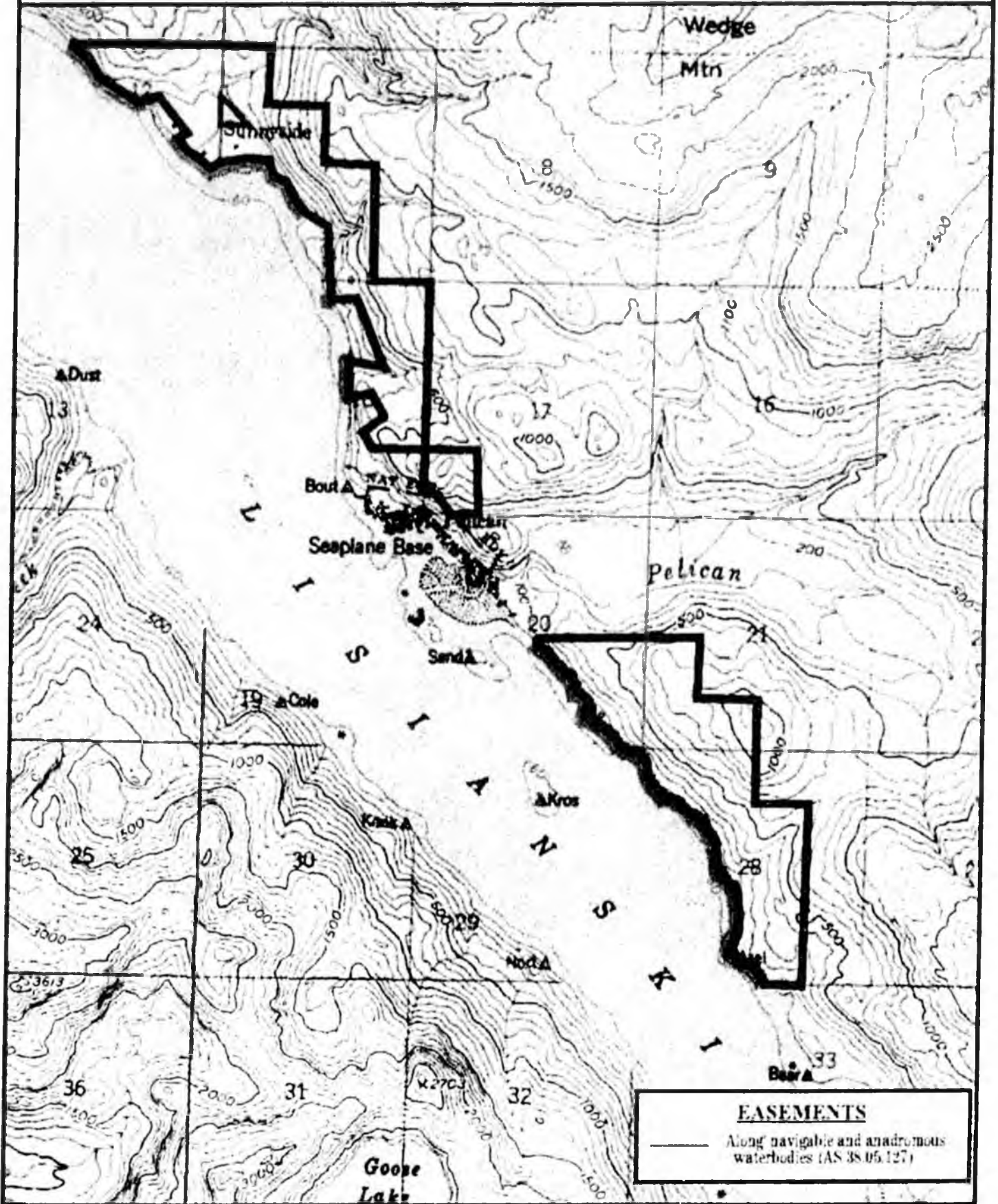
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Pelican

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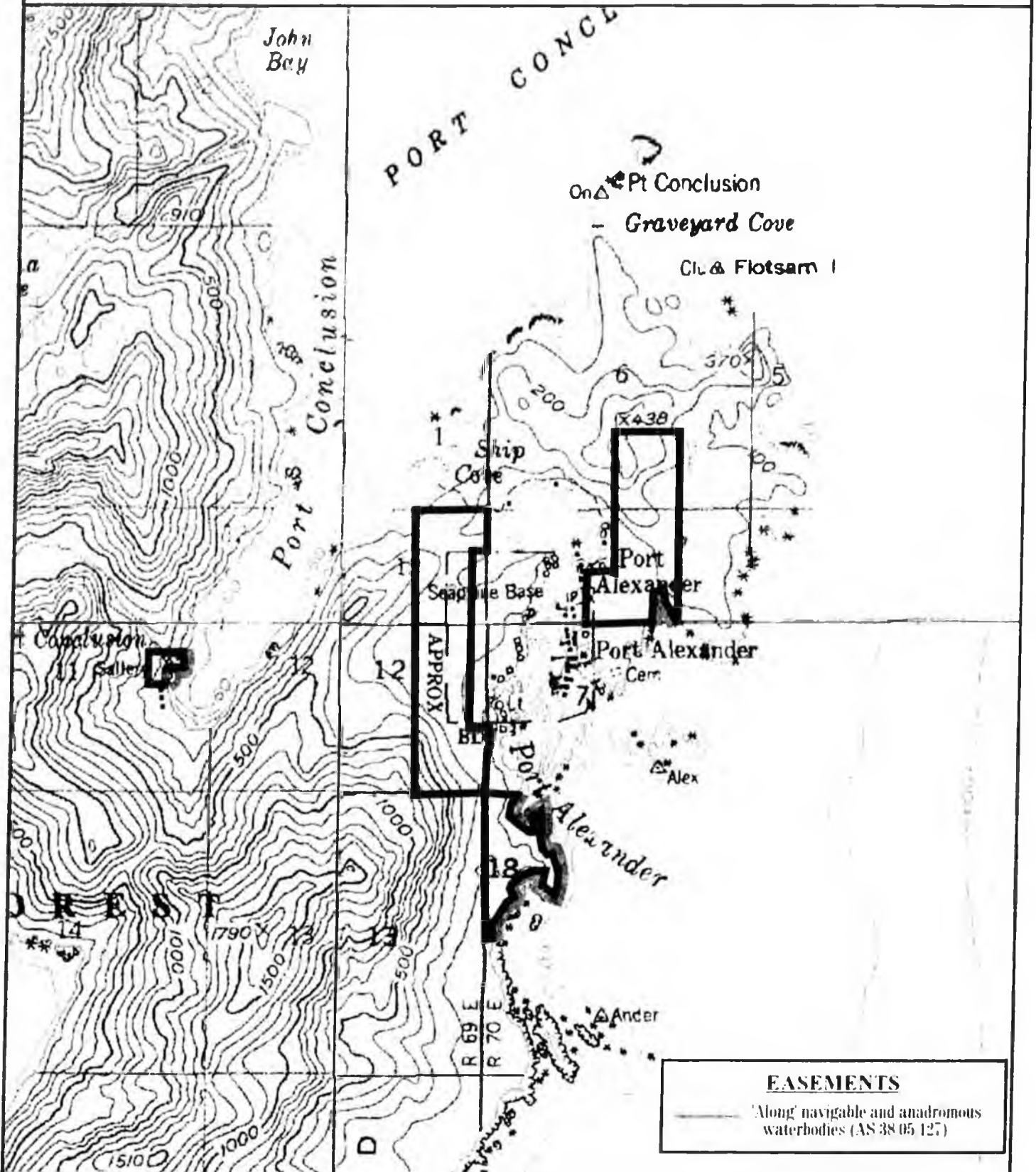
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Port Alexander & Port Conclusion

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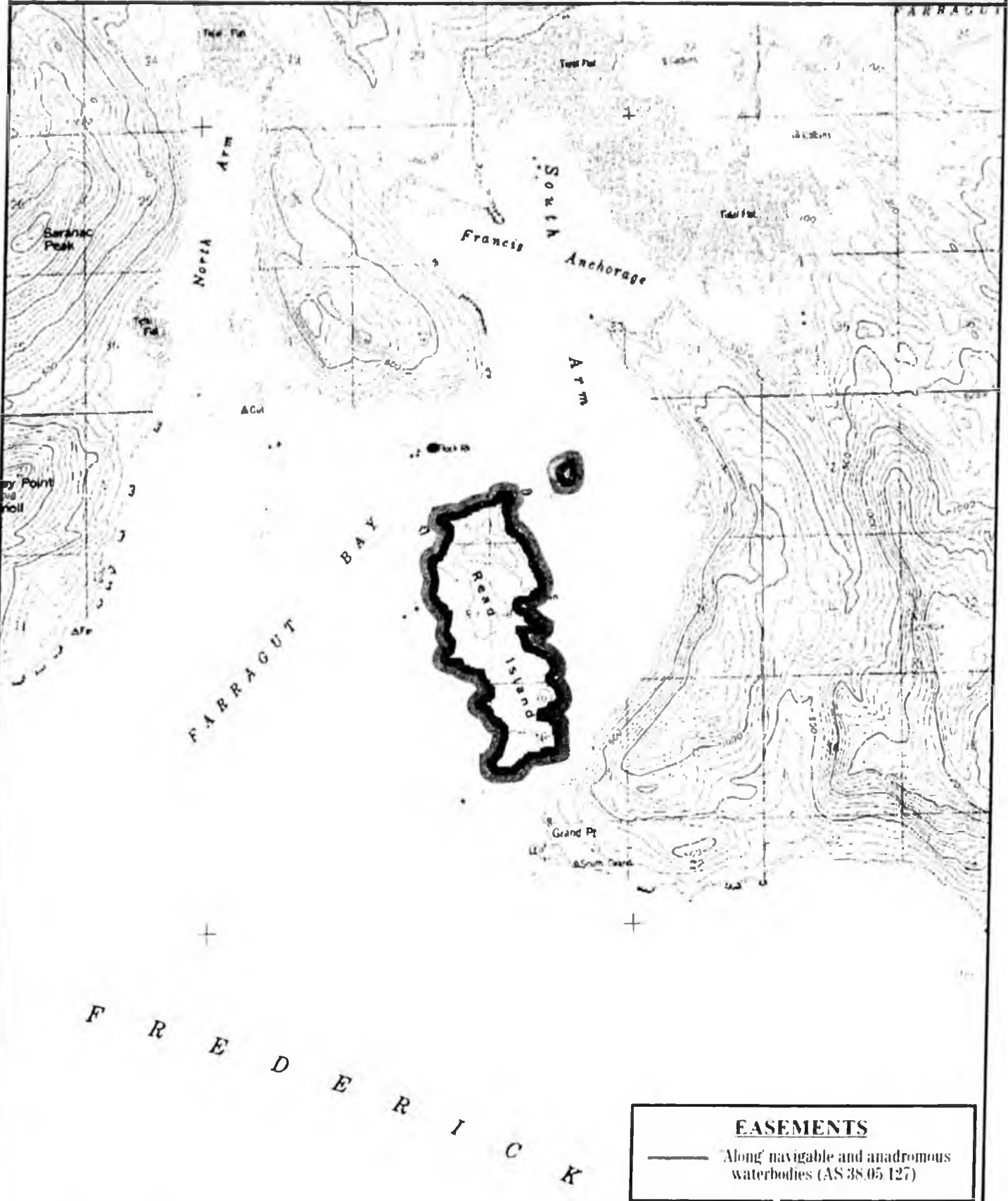
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Meridian	Township	Range
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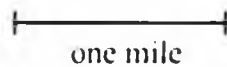


Read Island

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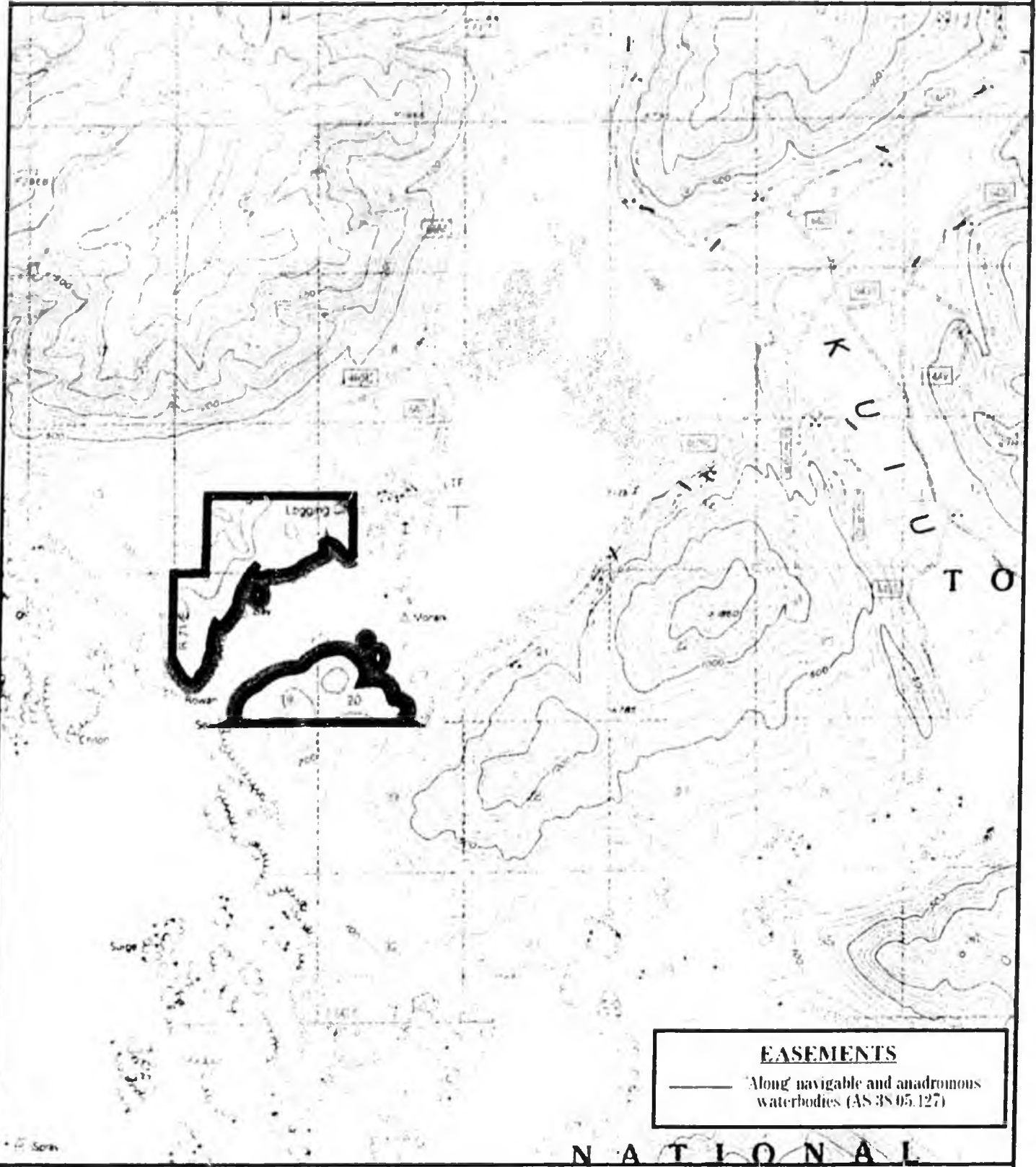
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Rowan Bay

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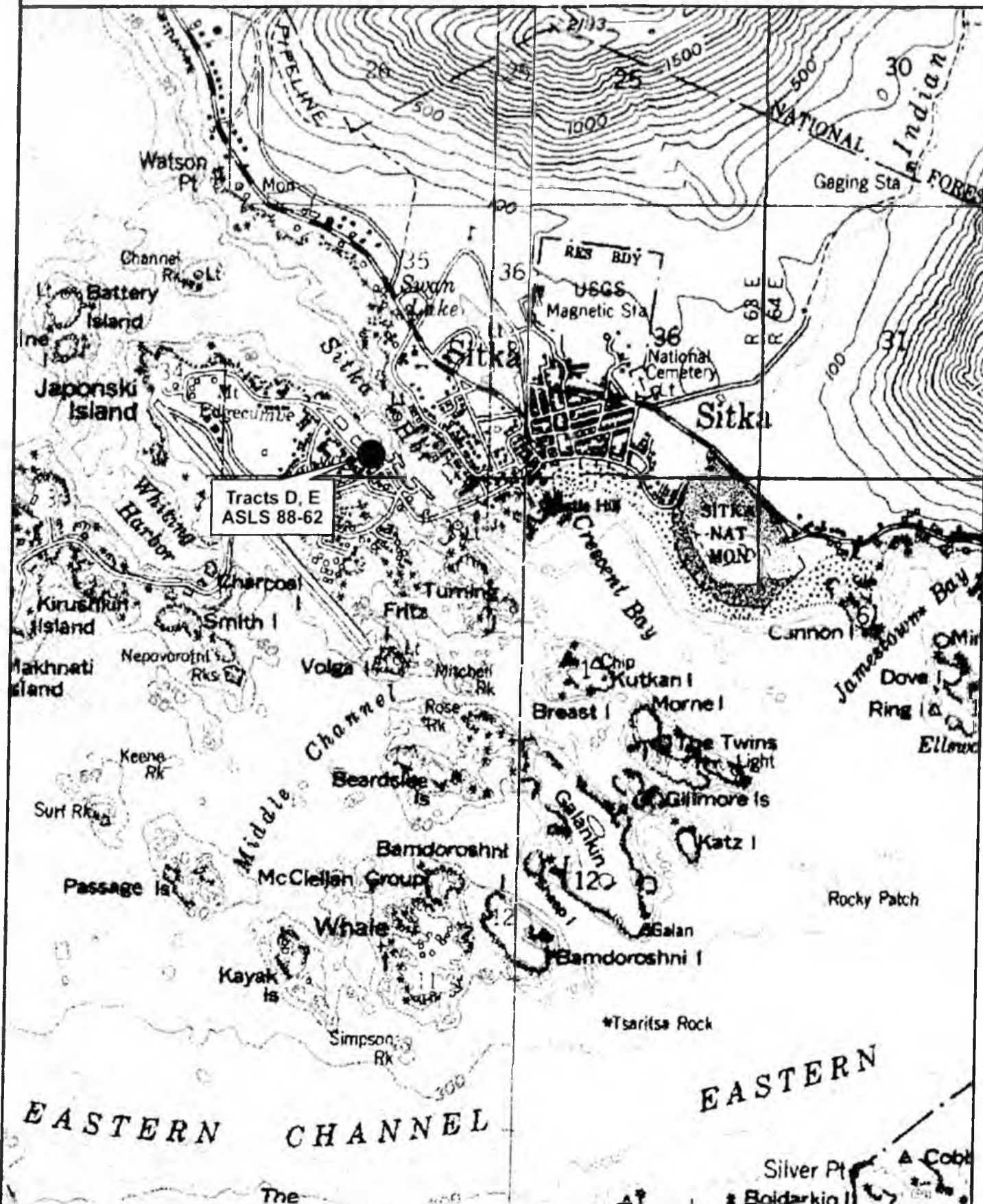
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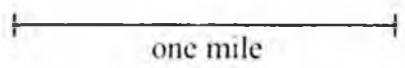
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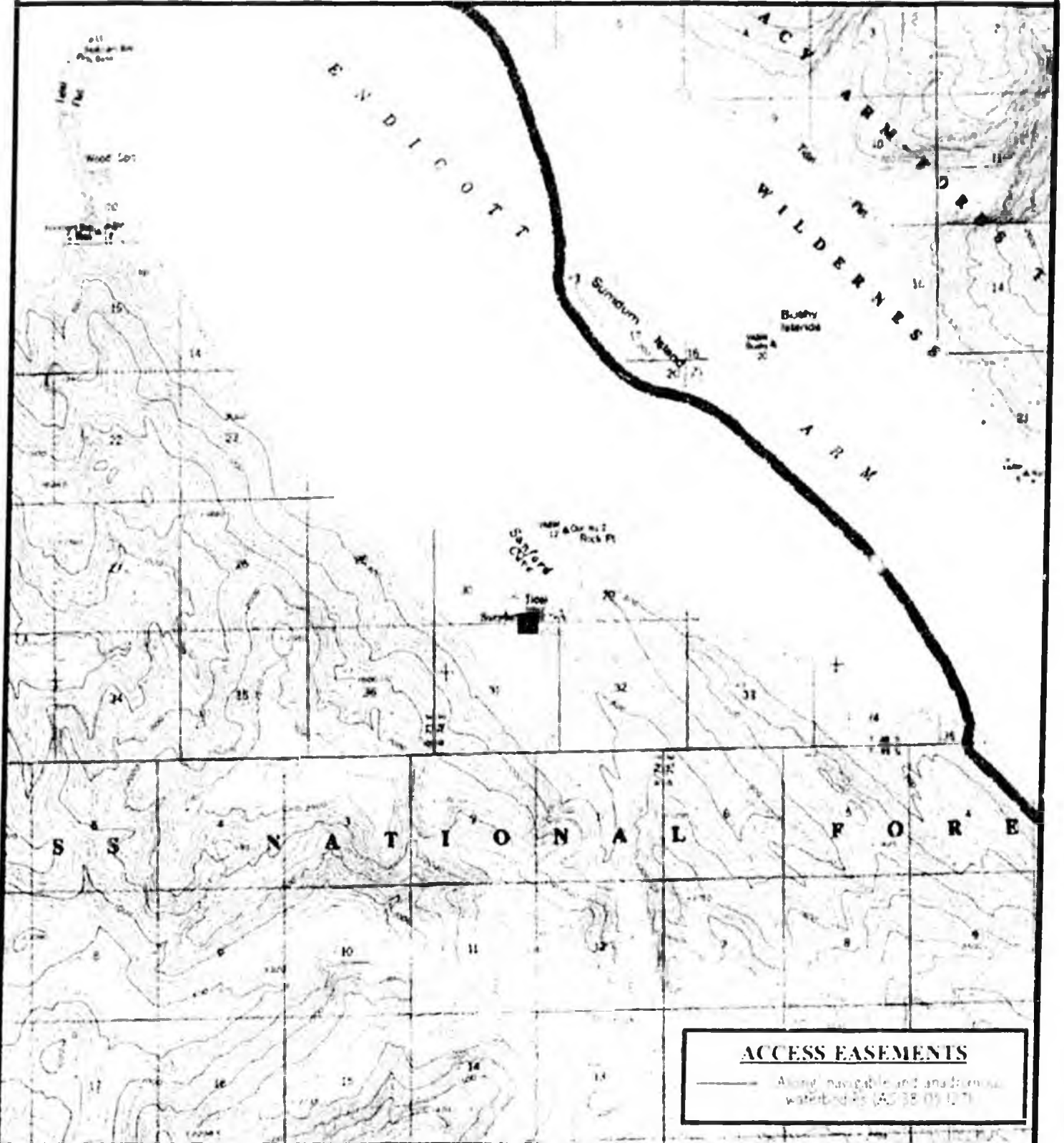
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Sumdum

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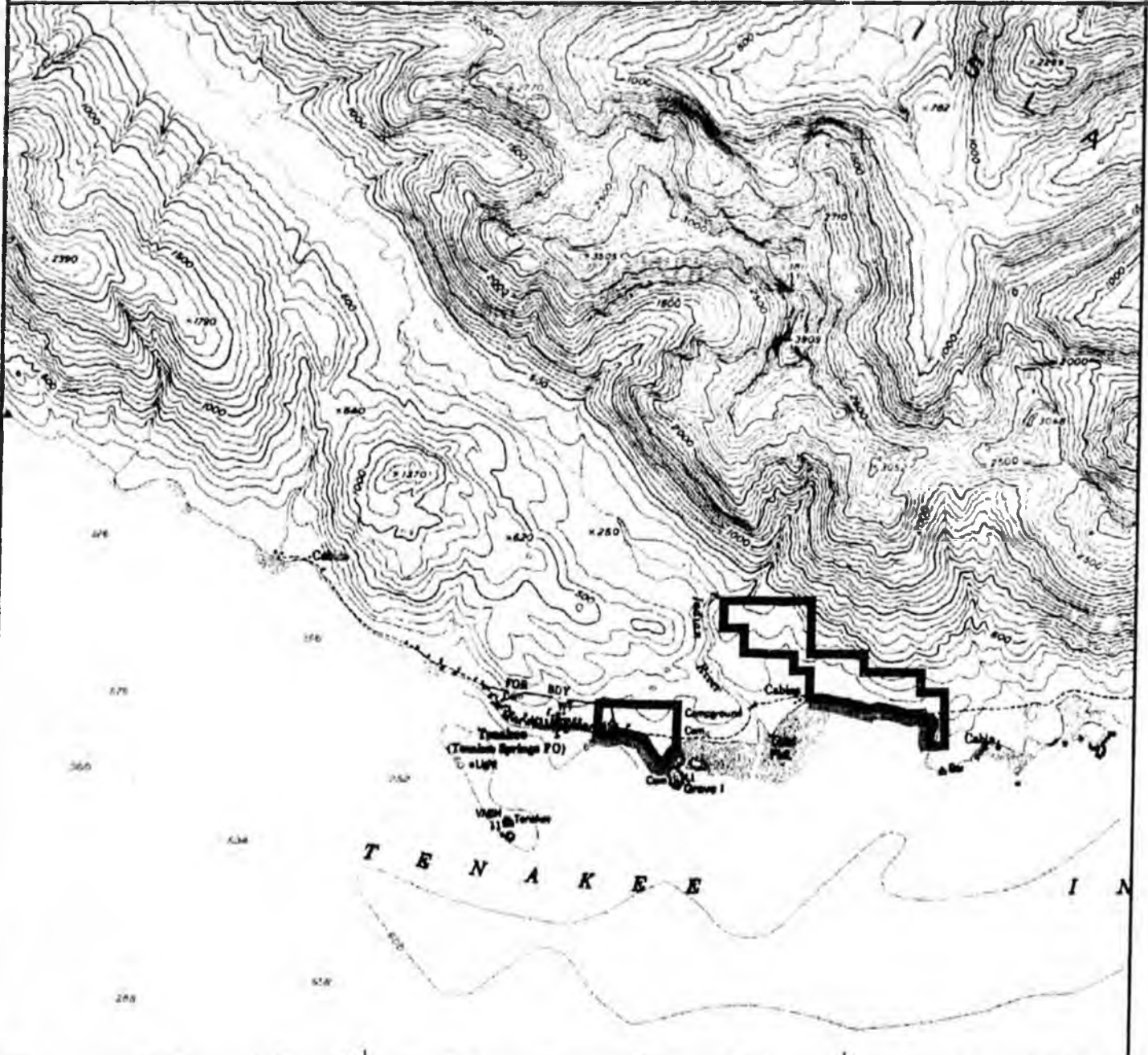
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Meridian Township Range
CRM 48S 74E

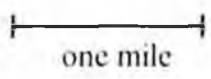
Tenakee Springs

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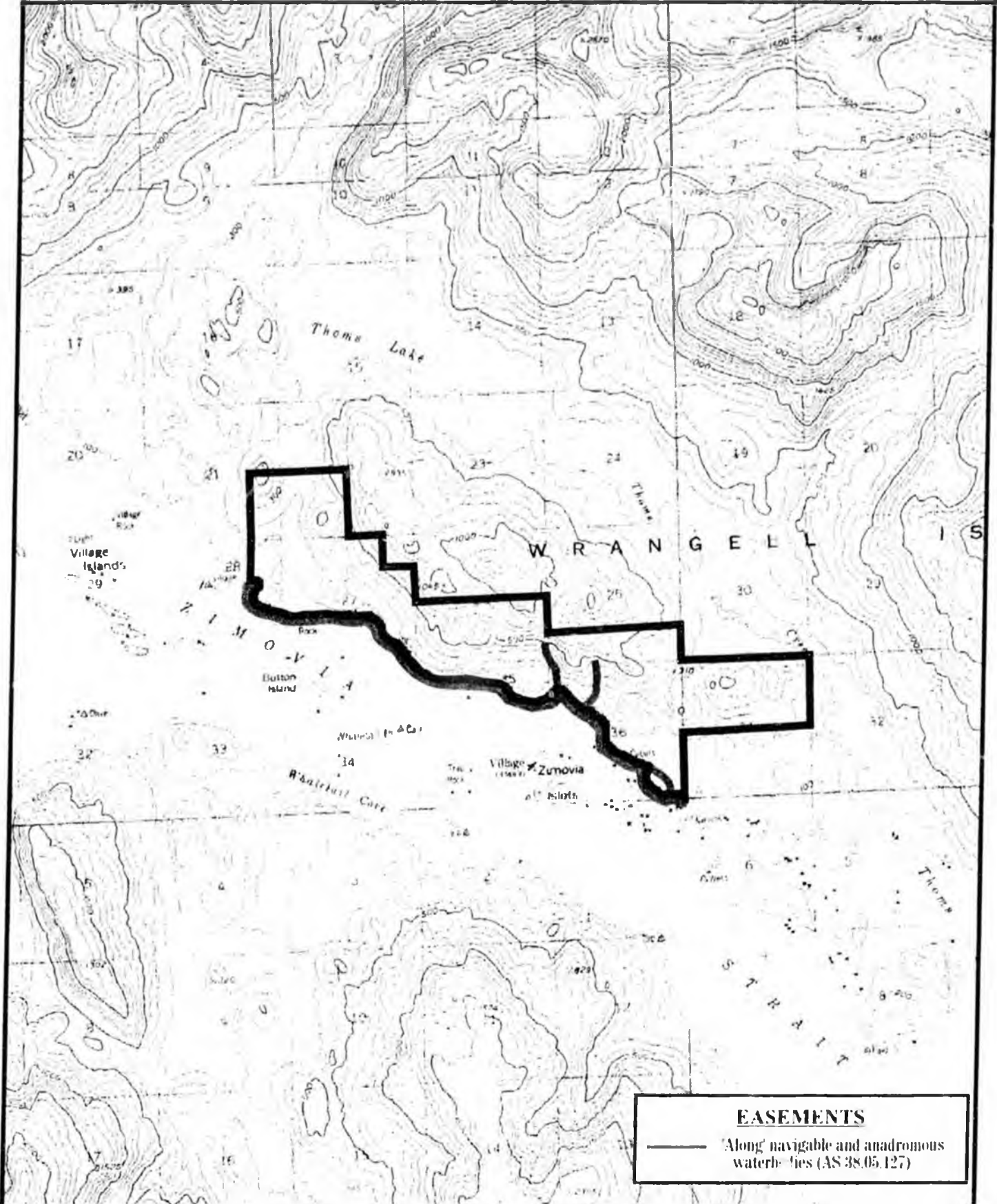
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Meridian Township Range
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Thoms Place

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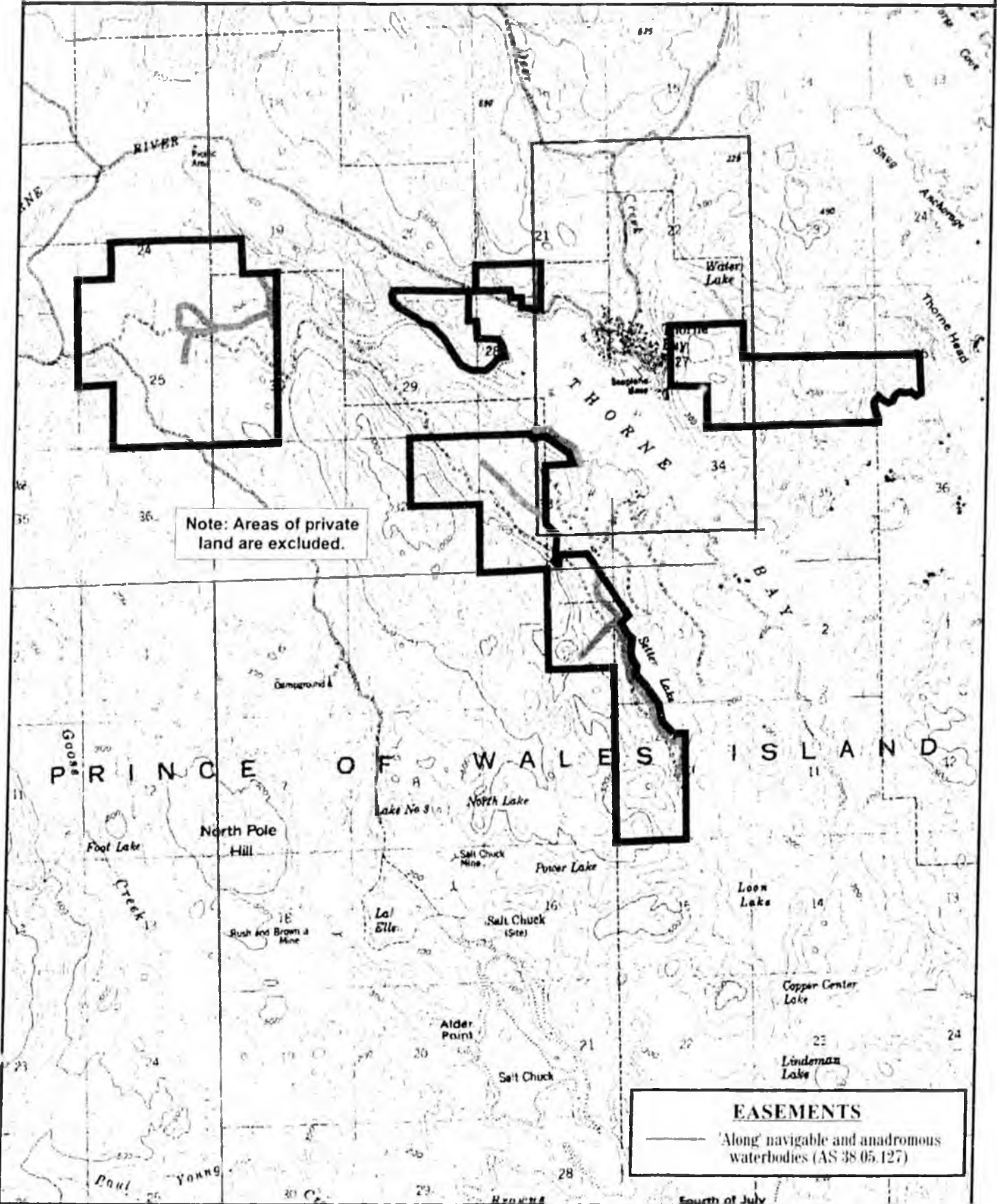
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Thorne Bay

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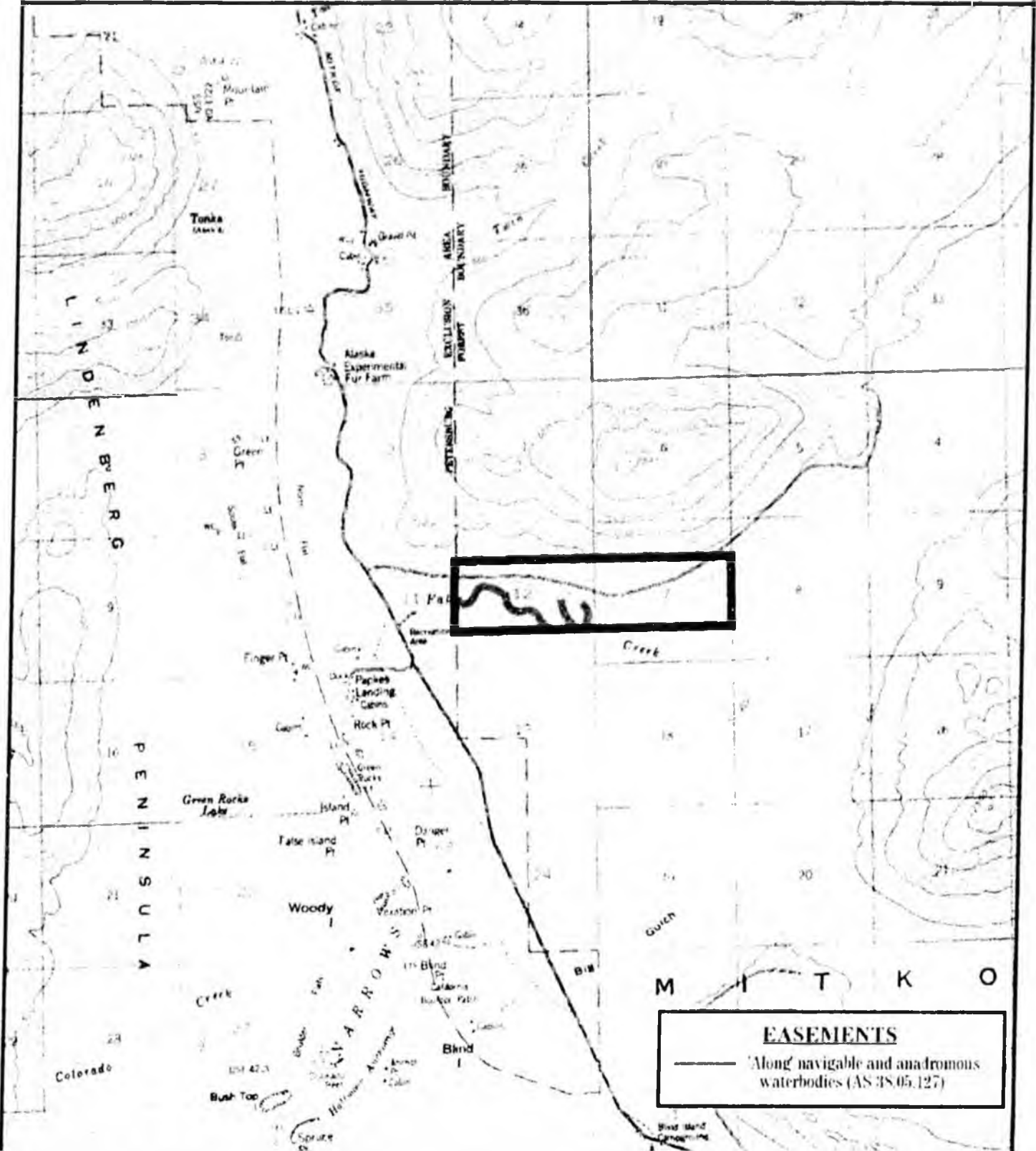
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Meridian Township Range
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Three Lake Road

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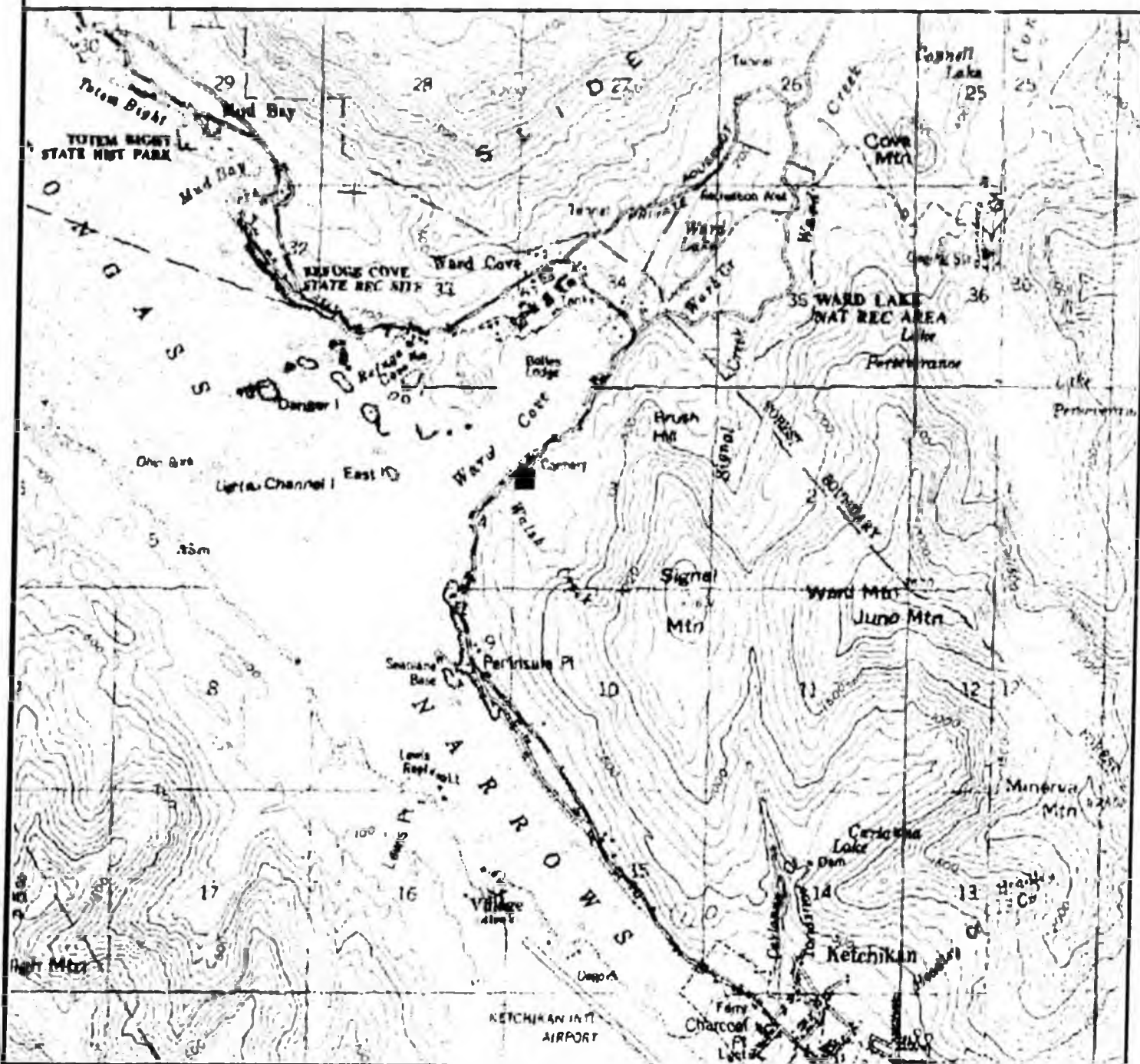
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Meridian	Township	Range
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Ward Cove

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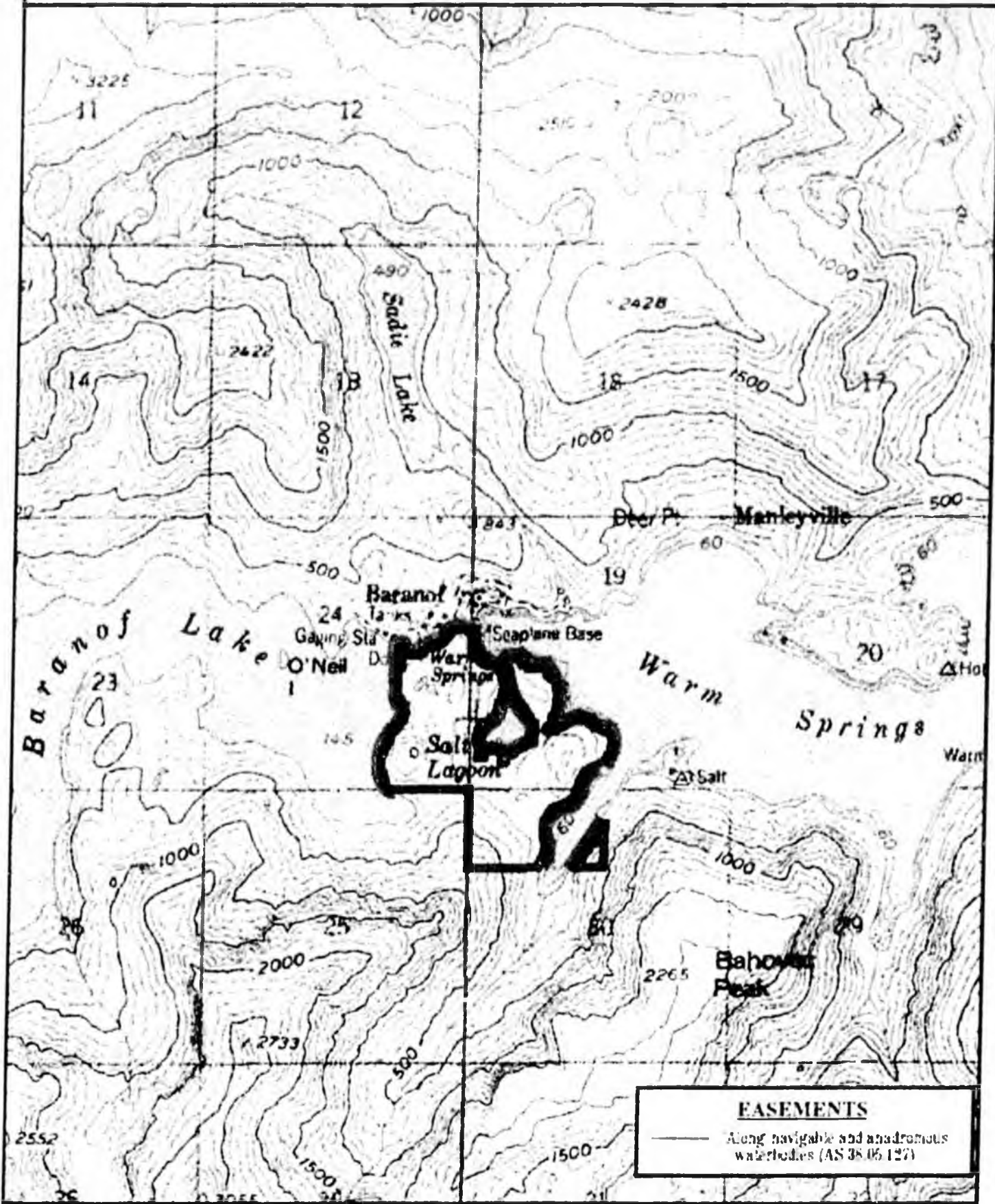
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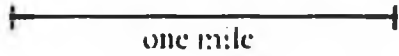
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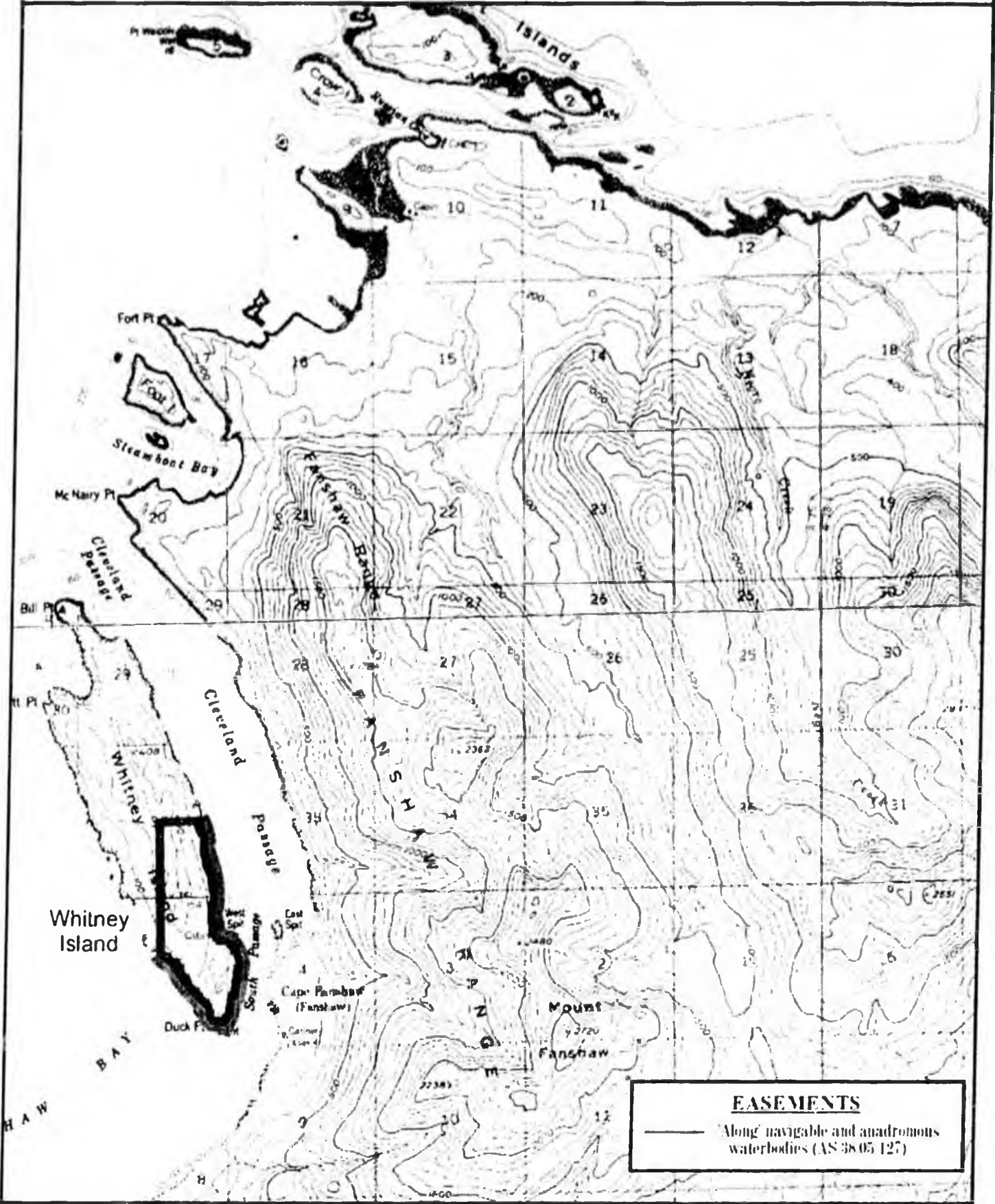
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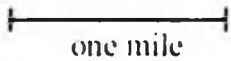
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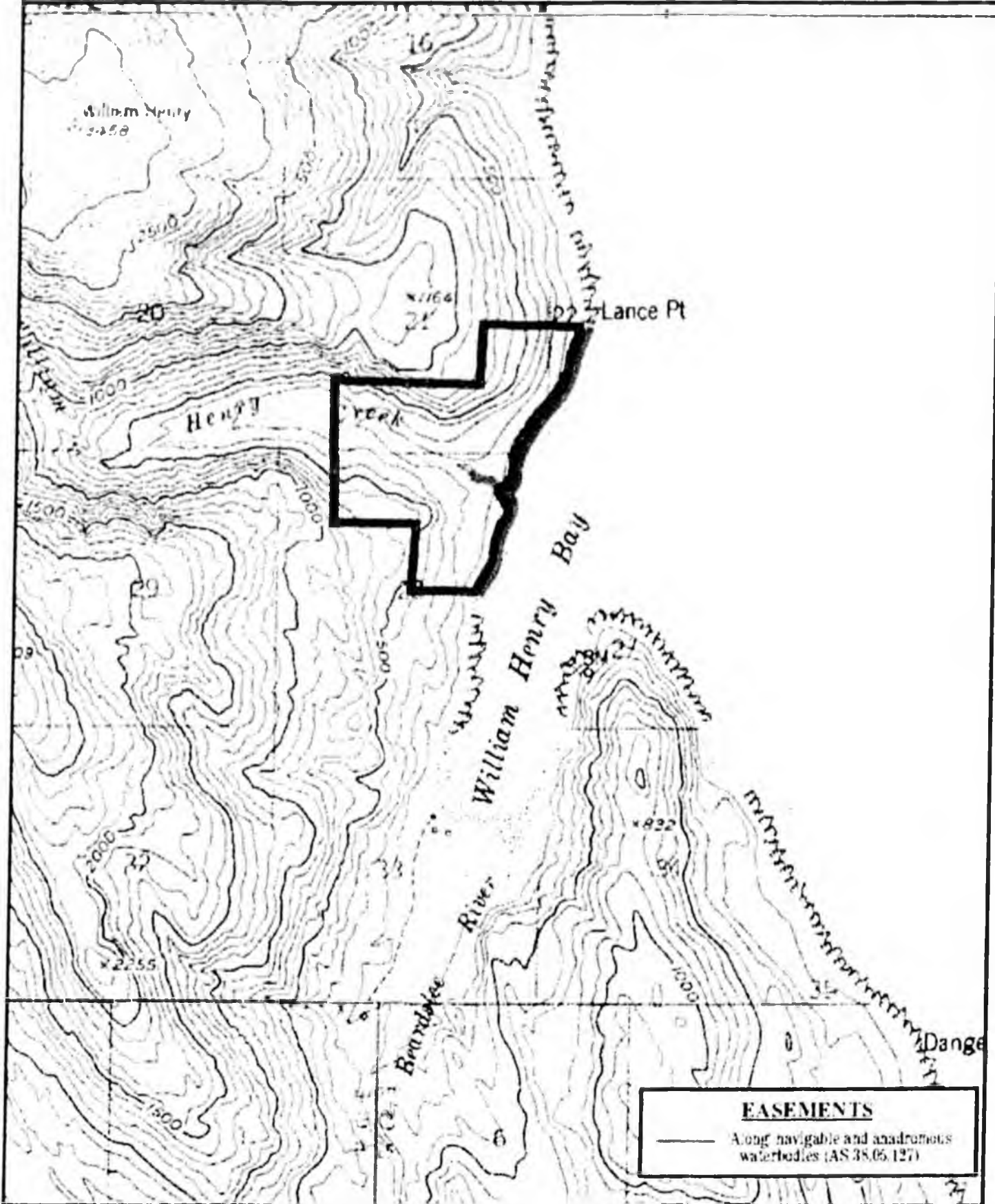
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Meridian	Township	Range
CRM	53-54S	75E

William Henry Bay

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CRM	36S	61E

**Land List:
Summary**

Overview of The Land List

This section provides a general description of the Land List and a table containing specific information related to the parcels in the Land List.

Geographic Distribution.

Most of the land proposed for transfer to the University of Alaska is in the Northern and Interior area of the state. This is primarily because two large parcels — the University Research Forest and the Nenana Oil and Gas Basin are in the Interior. Both South-central and Southeast have considerably smaller amounts of state land.

- **Northern/Interior.** Most state land on the Land List occurs in the Northern region, which comprises 202,776 acres or 78.0% of the total acreage. Most of this land is associated with oil and gas (90,000 acres) and coal (16,000 acres) resource values, or are intended for educational/research functions (87,784 acres). The oil and gas tract is situated west of Nenana and the coal tract, within an area known as 'Jarvis Creek', which is situated south of Delta Junction. Tracts with an intended education function are associated either with forestry research in the proposed University Research Forest (a part of today's Tanana Valley State Forest) and the Tok Research Forests (55,835 acres) or with watershed research in the Caribou and Poker creeks watersheds north of Fairbanks (24,250 acres). There is a small amount of investment properties in the Northern region, which are primarily intended for residential, commercial, or industrial development.
- **Southcentral.** South-central tracts total 17,110 acres (6.6% of the total) and consists of mostly of investment properties near the Willow-Houston (1,730 acres) and McCarthy (12,500 acres) areas and some educational properties (2,880 acres at the Kodiak Launch Facility).
- **Southeast.** Southeast, with 40,114 acres or 15.4% of the total, consists largely of remote tracts and areas around communities, which have mostly settlement, general recreation, and some limited forestry values. These tracts are scattered throughout Southeast Alaska, extending from the Lynn Canal north of Juneau to Duke and Kelp Islands south of Ketchikan. Most of these tracts are situated within Prince of Wales Island or near the communities of Wrangell, Pelican, Sitka, and Tenakee Springs. Only a small amount (12 acres) of education properties occur in the Southeast (a research facility in Juneau and the Sitka Campus of the University).

Parcel Description

The table that follows gives a brief description of the each parcel proposed for transfer. It describes Investment and Oil and Gas tracts geographically by the three regions of Northern/Interior, South-central, and Southeast. A description of Educational Properties follow this listing. The table contains the following information: parcel number, parcel

name, acreage, and a column titled 'Comments'. The Comments column indicate the general location of each parcel, describes the main features of the parcel, indicates its possible use, and indicates the land use designation(s) for the parcel based on existing DNR land use plans. The land use designations contained in the DNR land use plans do not apply to the land after it is transferred to the University. Generally, the 'Investment Properties' parcels have been selected based upon their development potential and are designated in DNR land use plans for multiple use, settlement, or public recreation. These plan designations are italicized in the table.

This table is linked to the maps that follow the Land List. Parcel numbers and names are the same in the land list, table, and maps.

Summary of Parcel Resource Values

- Nenana Oil and Gas Tract (90,000 acres)

A 90,000 acre tract of state-owned land with oil and gas potential within the Nenana Basin is proposed for conveyance. This basin has a high probability for presence of gas source, and a high probability that reservoir quality rocks are also present. This tract excludes previous state subdivisions and DNR remote recreational cabin staking areas. Although the tract includes the remote recreational cabin staking area known as Teklanika II, where staking is still underway, buffers of state land will be retained by DNR before this tract is conveyed to the University. The area is part of the Oil and Gas License owned by Andex Corporation, and the land will be transferred subject to the License.

- Investment Properties *other than* in Southeast (39,222 acres)

Lands proposed for transfer include 39,222 acres of state land within the South-central and Northern Interior regions that are considered to have investment potential. Certain of these tracts are probably best suited for commercial or industrial development; examples include the tracts along the Dalton Highway. The majority are probably best suited for some form of residential development, either for rural subdivisions near community areas (Willow Creek Road and Frying Pan Lake) or for remote recreational development (Lake Snohomish and Wien Lake).

The Jarvis tract provides a coal production potential. A 16,000-acre area near Jarvis Creek occupies the easternmost sub-basin of the Nenana Basin, a coal trend that holds the third largest coal reserve in Alaska. Identified resources are 75 million short tons with a hypothetical resource of 175 million short tons. The areas of Mental Health Trust Land and active mining claims are excluded from the tract. The 2,560 acres of coal leases would be conveyed, subject to the continuation of the lease for the period of their duration.

- Southeast Alaska (40,114 acres)

40,114 acres of state land in Southeast Alaska are to be conveyed. Because the state owns only a small amount of land scattered throughout Southeast, these tracts are comparatively small in size and are distributed throughout Southeast. Most of these tracts were acquired by the state for community and recreational development and may be developed by the University for community or remote recreational settlement; examples include state land at Hollis, Ketchikan, or Edna Bay. There are also a few that have commercial potential; examples include Harris Road Junction, Ward Cove, El Capitan South, and Idaho Inlet, although most of these could also be used for residential purposes. A limited number of tracts have commercial timber potential. The latter are not considered essential to the existing DNR Southeast Alaska value-added forestry program.

- Educational Properties (90,676 acres)

This category includes twelve properties that are either important to current University educational or research programs or that can be developed for such programs. Their primary purpose is educational, not for revenue-generation. These state land tracts occur in the Northern Region, except for the Sitka Campus, Auke Weir tracts in Juneau, and the Kodiak Launch Facility. Two tracts constitute the bulk of the acreage in this category: the Caribou-Poker creeks watershed and the proposed University Research Forest. The former, consisting of about 24,250 acres is located north of Fairbanks and is used exclusively by the University for hydrologic research. The University Research Forest includes land currently within the Tanana Valley State forest. It is 51,820 acres and is situated southwest of Fairbanks. This acreage of this parcel constitutes the bulk of the Educational Property acreage.

The University Research Forest will be retained and managed by DNR for a period of 50 years, after which it will be conveyed to the University. This will allow DNR to continue to manage the public uses such as recreation and hunting, and to continue the commercial timber harvest operation for this period of time. However, all management activities are to be consistent with the research needs for the Forest. This Forest will be one of the country's largest university-related forests and may be an important asset for University forest-related research.

Public Access

Public access is retained across the state land conveyed to the University. DNR has identified known access routes, including Omnibus Roads, existing state or federal rights-of-way, and RS2477 trails). These routes are depicted on the parcel maps. Public access is also been retained along coastlines, navigable rivers and lakes, routes traditionally used by the public for access, and along section-line easements. Except for section line easements, these access routes are depicted on the parcel maps.

On-line information and Contact Information

This report, including the parcel maps, may be viewed at the DNR website:
<http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/>

For general information regarding the Land List, contact either Bob Loeffler or Dick Mylius (269-8600) in Anchorage. For more detail on specific parcels, contact Bruce Phelps at 269-8592 in Anchorage or email: bruce_phelps@dnr.state.ak.us

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Parcel #	Name	Approx. Area in Acres	Description/ <i>Plan Designation</i>
Non-producing Oil and Gas Resources			
OG NE 1001	Nenana Gas Basin Tract	90,000	This parcel has oil and gas potential. Situated within the Nenana geologic basin this area has a high probability for the presence of gas source rocks and a high probability that reservoir rocks are also present. Parcel excludes previous state subdivisions and DNR remote staking areas, and a current DNR remote staking area (Teklanika II). Buffer areas are to be created around this staking area, reducing the size of the parcel to about 90,000 acres. Public access, including future road access to state lands to the north and west of the parcel, are retained. <i>Wildlife Habitat and Forestry</i>
	Oil and Gas Resources, Subtotal	90,000	
Investment Properties			
Northern/ Interior Region			
DH IS 1001	Dalton Highway MP 48 to 54	1,360	This parcel is located adjacent to the south bank of the Yukon River and the Dalton Highway. It is rather rugged topography, but has road access and views of the Yukon. <i>Public Recreation and Wildlife Habitat</i>
DH SR 1001	Dalton Highway MP 345 to 347	880	This parcel is south of the old Sagwon airstrip, includes the Sagavanirktok River, the Dalton Highway, and the Alyeska pipeline. It is located near the intersection of winter trails to Umiat, proposed for a major road. The APSC 8" fuel gas line runs through the property. May be subject to AS 19.40.200(b) (2). <i>Transportation Corridor Land</i>
MA HR 1001	Haul Road Nodes-Coldfoot	1,700	This parcel includes portions of the Coldfoot development node on the Dalton Highway. <i>Settlement</i>
M1 JC 1001	Jarvis Creek	16,000	This coalfield occupies the easternmost sub basin of the Nenana Basin, a coal trend that holds the third largest coal reserve base in Alaska. The coal bearing section of this field is about 2,000 feet thick. Identified resources are 75 million short tons with a hypothetical resource of 175 million short tons. Tract excludes Mental Health Trust Land and active mining claims are excluded.

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FA JC 1001	Jennie M. Creek C	5	Situated near Fairbanks, this small parcel has good access and gentle to level slopes. It is situated within a residential subdivision. Zoned General Use. It occupies a small lot south of Chena Hot Springs Road 3 miles east of Two Rivers School. <i>No current classification</i>
N1.LS 1001	Lake Snohomish	740	Parcel is located 10 miles southwest of the airstrip at Lake Minchumina, with access by trail. Terrain is flat, surrounding Lake Snohomish. <i>Settlement</i>
NZ FA 1003	Noyes Slough (See Fairbanks Area Parcels map)	7	This parcel was added at the request of the University in order to resolve an old title problem created when DOT moved College Road to its current location. <i>No classification</i>
N5 RS 1001	Summit Lake (Richardson Highway)	960	This parcel includes areas on the east and west side of Summit Lake, situated west of the Richardson Highway. This is a very popular winter recreation area, especially for snowmachiners. DNR land disposals are scheduled for other parts of lake. <i>Public Recreation and Wildlife Habitat</i> . Adjacent areas are designated <i>Settlement</i>
FA NS 1001	West Twin Lake	1,560	Situated in a remote area west of Nenana, this lake is considered to have recreation use potential and some recreational development already exists. Access via float plane or ATV. DNR land disposals are scheduled for other areas along the lake. <i>Settlement</i>
N5 WL 1001	Wien Lake	1,780	This is a fly-in lake with access via snowmachine in winter located in the Kantishna area. Some property has been sold in the area. It is a popular Fairbanks recreation area. DNR land disposals are scheduled to occur along other parts of lake. <i>Settlement</i>
	Northern/ Interior Region Subtotal	24,992	

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Southcentral Region			
SU DC 1001	Deception Creek	280	Situated east of Willow, this fairly level parcel is covered with mature birch with some spruce, and has some wetlands in its western part. There is road access to this parcel by way of state-maintained 4 Mile Road off the Willow Creek Road. ATV trails also provide some access. It is part of the land previously reserved for the Willow Capital Site. <i>Settlement</i> .
SU FP 1001	Frying Pan Lake	450	Situated southeast of Willow, this lake has recreational potential for picnicking, swimming, and camping. It is located about a mile from the Parks Highway. It is part of the land previously reserved for Willow Capital Site. <i>Settlement</i> .
MA MC 1001	McCarthy-Nizina	12,500	This large parcel is situated near the community of McCarthy, situated within the National Park. Considered good for settlement. Excludes area of possible land exchange and critical salmon spawning areas at Long Lake. <i>Wildlife Habitat and Public Recreation</i> .
SU WC 1001	Willow Creek Road	1,000	Parcel is near Willow Creek Rd and is part of the land formerly reserved for the Willow Capital Site. Tract is considered good for settlement. Deception Creek runs through this parcel. <i>Settlement</i> .
	Southcentral Region Subtotal	14,230	
	Investment Properties Total	39,222	

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Southeast Region			
SD 1001	Beecher Pass	1,193	Parcel is located on Kupreanof Island, southwest of Petersburg. It consists of a gently sloping coastal plain, covered in parts by spruce bog. The steeper slopes inland contain dry uplands and are vegetated with hemlock and spruce forest. The parcel also contains part of a previous state subdivision (ASLS 81-9), areas within the subdivision remaining in state ownership and designated as Settlement are included. Another state subdivision (ASLS 81-8) occurs to the east. The parcel is considered appropriate for settlement. Beecher Pass State Park is situated immediately to the south. <i>General Use and Settlement</i> .
PA 1002	Biorka Island	438	This parcel, situated on Biorka Island southwest of Sitka, consists of two separate parts. The westerly parcel is situated northeast of an FAA radar facility, with access provided by a road which, in turn, accesses a landing/beach area for the island situated to the east. The easterly part is situated east of the main part of Biorka Island and is joined to it by a narrow beach area. Both parcels are flat and are covered by forested wetlands. Considered appropriate for settlement (remote cabin sites). <i>General Use</i> .
KT 1002	Cleveland Peninsula	4,055	This parcel consists of three distinct parts, all of which occupy the northern part of the Cleveland Peninsula, located northwest of Ketchikan. The two large parcels occupy uplands at Spacious Bay and Sunny Bay, both of which are important recreational destinations. The third parcel occurs at Square Island, within Spacious Bay. The two larger parcels support hemlock and spruce along the coast and forested wetlands further inland. Both parcels contain commercial forest resources, most of which occur in the more inland, higher elevations. Square Island is a gently sloping and flat island covered by forest and muskeg, except for coastal rainforest along and near the coast. There is limited use of Square Island for recreation purposes. Considered appropriate for remote recreation or remote settlement. <i>General Use</i> .

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Parcel #	Name	Approx. Area in Acres	Description/ <i>Plan Designation</i>
PW.CC.1001	Coffman Cove	1,984	Parcel is situated in and near the community of Coffman Cove, on POW Island. It consists of three separate units of land, each of which is considered good for settlement or recreational development. University already owns land in area and this will infill around their existing holdings. Coffman Cove has protected waters and road access. <i>Settlement</i>
CS.DI.1001	Duke Island	1,440	Parcel adjoins the southern coast and is generally flat, and has several good anchorages. It is considered best for commercial development related to marine services and associated residential uses. It is covered with mining claims. In selection status. <i>General Use</i>
CS.EW.1001	Earl West Cove	3,564	Situated southeast of Wrangell, this parcel is considered good for land disposals and/or timber harvest. There is a hemlock and mixed hemlock/spruce forest that contains some commercial timber. An existing road system accesses previously harvested areas. An abandoned LTF provides water access. A crude ramp system also exists. <i>General Use</i>
PW.ED.1001	Edna Bay	250	Parcel is situated in the community of Edna Bay, on POW Island. It includes fairly flat areas that are considered suitable for settlement. Parcel is near other University owned land. Roads access the parcel. Public docks are available and have improved the anchorage. <i>Settlement</i>
PW.EC.1001	El Capitan North	1,847	Parcel occupies areas considered suitable for settlement and community recreation because of road access, terrain, and views of the protected waterway and Twin Lake. Parcel adjoins El Capitan Passage and Twin Island Lake. Parcel excludes Twin Island Lake and its islands. <i>Settlement</i>
PW.ES.1005	El Capitan South	865	Parcel occupies most of El Capitan Island, which is strategically located in the protected waters of Sea Otter Sound. A small island, situated to the west, is also included in this parcel. Tract includes land suitable for commercial recreation and residential development. A particularly suitable site for commercial recreation development occurs in a sheltered bay on the south end of the island. Good anchorages exist. <i>Settlement/Commercial</i>

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NS EX 1002	Excursion Inlet	477	This parcel, which consists of four separate parts, is situated north and east of the current subdivisions in Excursion Inlet. Access is provided by water, local roads, and an old Forest Service road. Topography varies from generally flat to moderately sloped. Vegetation consists of hemlock and spruce on the better drained soils and by wetlands in the wetter areas, portions of the parcel may be de-vegetated. Considered suitable for remote settlement. This parcel is the last holding of state land in Excursion Inlet. <i>Settlement and General Use</i>
SD 1001	Favor Peak	1.290	This parcel is located on the southeastern tip of Mitkof Island, from Banana Point to Dry Strait. It is served by a well established road system (Forest Service Road 7). Several areas of commercial forest were harvested in the early 1970s and are dispersed throughout the unit. Areas of the parcel that adjoin the coast may be suitable for settlement. Areas north of the road are fairly steep, and contain areas of hemlock and spruce. <i>General Use</i>
HA CH 1001	Haines - Chilkoot	60	This parcel actually consists of four small individual tracts, all of which are situated south of the community of Haines. All adjoin existing residential areas and are accessed by road. <i>Settlement</i>
CR 1001	Harris Road Junction	320	Parcel consists of fairly flat, vegetated terrain consisting of hemlock and spruce. It is situated along the main island road west of the community of Hollis, at its intersection with the Harris River. In selection status. Potential exists for residential development. <i>Settlement/Commercial</i>
PW HO 1001	Hollis	622	Parcel is situated in the community of Hollis, on POW Island. Parcel consists of three separate parts, two of which have direct road access (Klawock-Hollis highway) and adjoin areas of existing development. Land is suitable for residential development and, in some locations, commercial use. Previous state subdivisions occur throughout the Hollis. <i>Settlement</i>
PW HK 1001	Hook Arm	1.280	Parcel is situated on the west side of Dali Island, southwest of POW Island. This parcel has a good anchorage, high fish and game values, offshore commercial fishing activities, and resource development activities planned nearby. Tract may be suited for remote residential development or commercial use. In selection status. <i>General Use</i>

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MF 1002	Idaho Inlet	539	This parcel is situated on the east side of the Idaho Inlet, southeast of Elfin Cove. It has gentle to moderately sloping terrain near the coast and steeper terrain further inland. Parcel is heavily vegetated by spruce and western Hemlock, with scattered wetlands. A secure anchorage provides protection from northerly winds. This tract is considered a strategic site, allowing access to nearby active fishing and transportation waters. Considered appropriate for commercial recreation, general commercial or remote residential. <i>General Use</i>
JU NL 1001	Ivanhoe	120	This parcel is comprised of patented mining claims in a known mineralized area north of Juneau. <i>Mineral and Habitat</i>
CS KI 1001	Kelp Island	535	Kelp Island adjoins Duke Island and of the two locations, the best anchorage is situated here. It occupies a strategic location near a major navigation route. It would have the same type of commercial marine services and ancillary residential uses as Duke Island. In selection status. <i>General Use</i>
CS LE 1001	Leask Cove	460	Situated in upper George Inlet north of Ketchikan, this parcel occupies relatively flat coastal areas, much of which has been previously harvested, and which has some potential for remote settlement. Most of the commercial forested area outside of the existing subdivision is in rotation. The cove provides a good anchorage. There are several previous state subdivisions nearby. <i>Settlement and General Use</i>
JU LM 1001	Lena Creek	610	This parcel is located near Lena Creek, north of downtown Juneau. This parcel excludes an approved municipal conveyance of approximately 100 acres to the CBJ. The exact location of this CBJ tract must still be surveyed, so the area conveyed to the UA is somewhat uncertain at this time. The parcel map indicates the general location. <i>Transportation, Settlement, Public Recreation--Dispersed</i>

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ST LS 1001	Lisianski Peninsula	1,443	This parcel occupies the remaining areas of state land on the Lisianski Peninsula, situated directly north of Sitka. Portions of the parcel are relatively flat, although the central and southern parts are quite steep. Within areas along the coast and in some inland areas, hemlock and spruce forests predominate; other areas are occupied by scattered wetlands. Water access is available from Cedar Cove; a forest service road accesses the central portions of the parcel. Adjacent land to the north is part of the Tongass National Forest; MH Trust lands are situated to the east. Considered appropriate for remote residential. May have some limited commercial timber potential; some areas of previous harvest exist. <i>General Use</i>
JU 1002	Lynn Canal	1,358	This parcel occupies a fairly flat area on the west side of Lynn Canal, north of Juneau, that is heavily vegetated with a mixture of wetlands in poorly drained areas and Western Hemlock and Sitka Spruce in drier, better drained sites. It is bounded on the west by the Tongass National Forest. The parcel is easily visible from the marine highway route in Lynn Canal, and is considered suitable for commercial recreation or settlement. <i>Public Facilities-Transfer, Public Recreation and Tourism-Undeveloped</i>
ST 1001	Middle Island	665	This parcel includes the remaining state lands on Middle Island that are not part of the previous state subdivision (ASLS 87-129) or conveyed to the City/Borough of Sitka or the Mental Health Trust Authority. Middle Island is situated west of Sitka. The parcel occupies the central part of Middle Island, although portions front the water on the northwest and south. Except for areas near the coast on the south and northwest, which are considered suitable for settlement, the remainder of the parcel contains steep terrain. Forested wetlands cover most of the less severe terrain while western Hemlock and Sitka Spruce cover the remainder. <i>Settlement, General Use</i>

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PA 1002	Mite Cove	320	This parcel occupies nearly 200 acres at the northeastern tip of Yakobi Island, at the end of Lisianski Inlet where the Inlet enters Icy Strait. Pelican is the nearest community. Mite Cove is a regionally significant anchorage that is used by both recreational and commercial boaters. It is vegetated with Western Hemlock and Sitka Spruce, and is characterized by steeply sloping terrain throughout most of its eastern and southern parts. Areas along the coast in the northern part of the parcel and near/adjacent to Mite Cove are relatively flat. Considered appropriate for remote residential or commercial recreation marine services. <i>Public Recreation and Tourism-Undeveloped</i>
PW MS 1001	Moira Sound/Nowiskay Cove	160	This small parcel occupies patented federal mining claims. It may be suitable for a variety of uses, including timber harvest and settlement. It is situated on Sound on POW Island. <i>General Use</i>
CS MB 1001	Moser Bay	906	Parcel is steep in eastern section but the western portion, adjacent to the coast, can accommodate settlement. Other residential use occurs nearby. Access is by water and it is relatively close to Ketchikan. Contains areas of commercial timber that may be suitable for selective logging. <i>Settlement</i>
PW NA 1001	Naukatli Sound	937	Situated in the community of Naukatli on POW Island, parcel occupies areas of generally flat land considered good for settlement. Development would be infill around current residential uses or adjacent to current road system. Road and water access. State land disposal is scheduled in Naukatli. <i>Settlement and General Use</i>
KT 1004	Neets Creek	1,500	Located at the head of Neets Bay northwest of Ketchikan, this parcel generally consists of a fairly flat area adjacent to the coast, two lakes, and the floodplain of Neets Creek. The valley walls are covered by a mixture of hemlock and spruce forests. The parcel may be accessed by either water or air, although previous logging roads are scattered throughout the parcel. A portion of the tract is used by a regional aquaculture association. Contains both previously harvest and available commercial timber (1,800 acres total). Considered appropriate for remote residential use, may have significant commercial timber value. <i>General Use</i>

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CS OV 1001	Olive Cove	450	Parcel occupies flat coastal plain vegetated by hemlock and spruce forest good for settlement. Adjoins an existing subdivision. Situated southwest of Wrangell on Zimovia Island. Direct water access to Zimovia Strait. <i>General Use</i>
ST 1002	Pelican	851	This parcel occupies almost all of the remaining state land in and around the community of Pelican, on Lisianski Inlet. Portions of this parcel are relatively flat to moderately sloping near the coast or coastal valleys, but are steeply sloped in most of the remaining areas. There are two distinct parts of the parcel, the first part occupies areas north of this community, some of which are accessed by road. The other part is situated south of the community proper and access is only by water. Both parts adjoin Lisianski Inlet and are heavily vegetated with hemlock and spruce. A previous state subdivision ASLS 80-183, is situated immediately to the south. <i>Public Recreation - Dispersed, Settlement</i>
PA 1001	Port Alexander	267	This parcel contains some of the last remaining state land in and adjacent to the community of Port Alexander situated at the southern tip of Baranof Island. Two parts adjoin the community to the west and east, while a third occupies an area southwest of the community. It consists of flat to moderately sloping terrain and is heavily vegetated by spruce and hemlock, with scattered wetland areas. Access is primarily limited to trails to the western and eastern parts, while the southern has good water access. Several small off shore islands are included in this parcel. <i>General Use. Some areas of Public Recreation -- Dispersed</i>
PA 1001	Port Conclusion (See Port Alexander map)	10	This parcel occupies an area near the end of Port Conclusion, which is situated to the west of the community of Port Alexander. Except for an area near the coast, the parcel is steep and heavily vegetated with western Hemlock, Sitka Spruce, and by areas of forested palustrine wetlands. Considered suitable for remote settlement. <i>General Use</i>
PW PD 1001	Port Delores	1,100	Port Delores is a protected anchorage with potential for commercial recreation and remote settlement. Some commercial timber exists in the interior of the parcel which may be accessed via Forest Service roads. <i>Settlement</i>

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SD 1001	Read Island	706	Situated south of Cape Fanshaw, parcel consists of Read Island and two smaller islands. These occupy the entrance to Farragut Bay, an important commercial tour destination. Read Island is fairly flat, and except for a few small knobs that support dry uplands, the entire island is covered by wetlands. <i>Public Recreation and Tourism-Undeveloped</i>
CS RB 1001	Rowan Bay	665	Parcel occupies flat and gently rolling coastal plain adjoining Rowan Bay, on the west side of Kuru Island. Considered good for timber harvest and remote settlement. There have been previous timber harvests. Direct water and road access. <i>General Use</i>
SD 1001	Sundum	5	This small parcel occupies the head of Sanford Cove, and lies adjacent to a popular cruise ship, charter and recreational boat travel corridor to Endicott Arm. Considered a regionally significant recreational site. <i>Public Recreation -- Dispersed</i>
ST 1003	Tenakee Springs	346	This parcel consists of three distinct parts and constitutes the last remaining developable state land in Tenakee Springs. The first is situated at the end of the main area of community development near the ADOT/PF boat harbor. It abuts the harbor and is used for marine and other types of storage, and is fairly level and heavily vegetated. The second consists of a heavily vegetated, generally flat area that extends further east to Indian River and an old LTF. The third consists of an interior part within sections 15 and 22 situated eastward and upslope of the community, and a part within section 23 that stretches along the coast. This area, which is generally level and heavily vegetated, could be used for commercial and industrial development. <i>Public Facilities-Retail, Settlement-Commercial</i>
SD 1001	Thoms Place	2,360	Situated south of the community of Wrangell, this parcel consists of fairly level to moderately sloping land situated to the west of the Thoms Place community. It is vegetated by hemlock and spruce forest. The unit adjoins Zimovia Strait, which is used as a route of the Alaska Marine Highway. A previous state subdivision and the Thoms Place State Marine Park exist to the south. Considered suitable for settlement. <i>Settlement, General Use</i>

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Parcel #	Name	Approx. Area in Acres	Description/Plan Designation
PW TH 1001	Thorne Bay	2,557	Parcel consists of three separate tracts, two of which have direct road access and are near the community of Thorne Bay. These are considered good for commercial/industrial development. The other adjoins an existing subdivision and has direct road access. <i>Settlement/Commercial</i>
CS TL 1001	Three Lake Road	640	Situated south of Petersburg, this parcel is near popular fishing streams and adjoins Three Lake Road. Portions of this parcel are previously harvested and are heavily vegetated. It has commercial as well as residential potential. <i>General Use</i>
CS WA 1001	Ward Cove	3	Small parcel adjoining Tongass Highway north of Ketchikan. This OSL parcel is believed to be part of an old cannery. <i>Settlement/Commercial</i>
ST 1002	Warm Springs Bay	267	This parcel consists of the remaining state land in the southern part of the Warm Springs community, a popular recreation area for the Sitka community. Area is generally flat and is covered by a mixture of forested wetlands and spruce/hemlock coastal rainforest in the drier parts. Considered suitable for commercial recreation or remote settlement. Previous state subdivision exists on the north side of Warm Springs Bay. <i>Public Recreation -- Dispersed</i>
SD 1001	Whitney Island	316	This unit occupies the generally level southern end of Whitney Island, which is situated immediately west of Cape Fanshaw, an important commercial and recreational anchorage. Most of the island is covered by wetlands except for areas adjacent to the coast covered by spruce and hemlock forest where this parcel is situated. <i>Public Recreation and Tourism-Undeveloped</i>
JU 1001	William Henry Bay	321	Parcel is situated on the west side of Lynn Canal, northwest of Juneau. It occupies the drainage of William Henry Creek in the northwestern part of William Henry Bay. Hemlock and spruce are the dominant vegetation. Areas adjoining the coast at the mouth of the creek are somewhat flat, but are steeper inland. Considered to have commercial recreation or remote settlement potential. <i>General Use</i>
	Southeast Region Subtotal	40,102	

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Parcel #	Name	Approx. Area in Acres	Description/Plan Designation
Educational Properties			
JU AU 1002	Auke Weir	6	Situated close to the UAJ campus along Auke Creek in Juneau, an anadromous fish stream, the parcel includes a fish weir and is suitable for academic and research projects of the UAJ. Includes existing UAJ facilities. <i>Public Recreation/Habitat</i>
LG PC 01	Caribou-Poker Creeks Drainage	24,250	Situated north of Fairbanks, parcel is currently used and administered by University for hydrologic and water quality research. Occupies portion of the current research watershed used by UA. <i>Watershed</i>
MA XS 1001	Delta Ag & Forestry Exp. Station	363	Parcel is currently patented to the UA (No. 15524) with restrictions on use to forestry and agricultural research, and contains a reverter. University wants to acquire unrestricted title to allow other uses. <i>Agriculture and Settlement</i>
N2 FA 1004	Fairbanks Parking Garage (includes Court House conveyance)	2	Parcel is already conveyed. UAF agreed to "count" the acreage should there be a State Land Grant. Parcel was acquired by DOT/PF with federal funds. Provides addition to the University campus. <i>Not classified</i>
NZ FA 1004	Key Bank Site (See Fairbanks Area Parcels map)	1	This parcel adds land to UAF from an area of excess highway right-of-way. It was acquired by DOT/PF with federal funds, the University may be required to reimburse ADOT/PF to compensate for the loss of federal highway funds. <i>Not classified</i>
MA KR 1001	Kodiak Rocket Range	2,880	This parcel occupies an area on southern Kodiak Island that includes the Kodiak Launch Complex. Portions of the parcel are used for grazing. Conveyance would be subject to the current Inter-agency Land Management Agreement for the Rocket Launch Facility and the grazing lease. Current access and public use areas are retained, including access to Fossil Beach. <i>Grazing General Use</i>
MA PF 1002	Poker Flat (Special Use Area)	6,680	This is a large area under permit that the University has reserved for a buffer for its Poker Flat research activities. <i>Resource Management, Forestry, Mining, Public Recreation, Wildlife Habitat</i>
MA PF 1001	Poker Flat Lease	533	This area is under lease (ADL 414207) from the state and contains university-owned facilities. <i>Forestry, Mining, Public Recreation</i>
MA SF 1001	Silver Fox Mine	120	This proposal is adjacent to patented federal claims which the University owns in fee. Now used for UAF mining program. <i>Settlement</i>

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Parcel #	Name	Approx Area in Acres	Description/Plan Designation
ST 1001	Sitka Campus	6	Parcel contains the Sitka campus. Management authority would be transferred from the Department of Education to the University. <i>Public Facilities</i>
TV RF 1001	Tok Research Forest	4.015	Parcel is to be used for forestry research by UAF. <i>Forestry</i>
TV TV 1001	University Research Forest	51.820	This parcel contains portions of the Tanana Valley State Forest as well as other state land classified <i>Forestry and Settlement</i> . Parcel is to be retained and managed by DNR for the next fifty years after which it will be conveyed to the University. Parcel would also be used for forestry research by UAF. DNR would continue to manage the other uses that occur within this area, including timber harvest and public recreation. Public access is to be maintained. <i>Forestry and Settlement</i>
	Educational Properties Subtotal	90,676	
TOTAL		260,000	

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To provide for the continuation of higher education through the conveyance of certain public lands in the State of Alaska to the University of Alaska, and for other purposes. (Introduced in Senate)

S 293 IS

109th CONGRESS

1st Session

S. 293

To provide for the continuation of higher education through the conveyance of certain public lands in the State of Alaska to the University of Alaska, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

February 3, 2005

Ms. MURKOWSKI introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

To provide for the continuation of higher education through the conveyance of certain public lands in the State of Alaska to the University of Alaska, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.

(a) Findings- The Congress finds that--

(1) the University of Alaska is the successor to and the beneficiary of all Federal grants and conveyances to or for the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines;

(2) under the Acts of March 4, 1915, 38 Stat. 1214, and January 21, 1929, 45 Stat. 1091, the United States granted to the Territory of Alaska certain Federal lands for the University of Alaska;

(3) the Territory did not receive most of the land intended to be conveyed by the Act of March 4, 1915, before repeal of that Act by section 6(k) of the Alaska Statehood Act (Public Law 85-508, 72 Stat. 339);

(4) only one other State land grant college in the United States has obtained a smaller land grant from the Federal Government than has the University of Alaska, and all land grant colleges in the western States of the United States have obtained substantially larger land grants than has the University of Alaska;

(5) an academically strong and financially secure state university system is a cornerstone to the long-term development of a stable population and to a healthy, diverse economy and is in the national interest;

(6) the Federal Government now desires to acquire certain lands for addendum to various conservation units;

(7) the national interest is served by transferring certain Federal lands to the University of Alaska which will be able to use and develop the resources of such lands and by returning certain lands held by the University of Alaska located within certain Federal conservation system units to Federal ownership; and

(8) the University of Alaska holds valid legal title to and is responsible for management of lands transferred by the United States to the Territory and State of Alaska for the University and an exchange of lands for lands that are capable of producing revenues to support the education objectives of the original grants is consistent with and in furtherance of the purposes and terms of, and thus not in violation of, the Federal grant of such lands.

(b) Purposes- The purposes of this Act are--

(1) to fulfill the original commitment of Congress to establish the University of Alaska as a land grant university with holdings sufficient to facilitate operation and maintenance of a university system for the inhabitants of the State of Alaska; and

(2) to acquire from the University of Alaska lands it holds within Federal parks, wildlife refuges, and wilderness areas to further the purposes for which those areas were established.

SEC. 2. LAND GRANT.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and subject to valid existing rights, the University of Alaska ('University') is entitled to select up to 250,000 acres of Federal lands or interests in lands in or adjacent to Alaska as a land grant. The Secretary of the Interior ('Secretary') shall promptly convey to the University the Federal lands selected and approved in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

(b)(1) Within forty-eight (48) months of the enactment of this Act, the University of Alaska may submit to the Secretary a description of lands or interests in lands for conveyance. The initial

selection may be less than or exceed 250,000 acres and the University may add or delete lands or interests in lands, or until 250,000 patented acres have been conveyed pursuant to this Act, except that the total of land selected and conveyed shall not exceed 275,000 areas at any time.

(2) The University may select lands validly selected but not conveyed to the State of Alaska or to a Native Corporation organized pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (85 Stat. 688), except that these lands or interests in lands may not be approved or convey to the University unless the State of Alaska or the Native Corporation relinquishes its selection in writing.

(3) The University may not make selections within a conservation system unit, as defined in the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 3101), or in the Tongass National Forest except within lands classified as LUD III or LUD IV by the United States Forest Service and limited to areas of second growth timber where timber harvest occurred after January 1, 1952.

(4) The University may make selections within the National Petroleum Reserve--Alaska ('NPRA'), except that--

(A) no selection may be made within an area withdrawn for village selection pursuant to section 11(a) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act for the Native villages of Atkasook, Barrow, Nuiqsit and Wainwright;

(B) no selection may be made in the Teshekpuk Lake Special Management Area as depicted on a map that is included in the final environmental impact statement for the Northeast NPRA dated October 7, 1998; and

(C) No selections may be made within those portions of NPRA north of latitude 69 degrees North in excess of 92,000 acres and no selection may be made within such area during the two year period extending from the date of enactment of this Act. The Secretary shall attempt to conclude an agreement with the University of Alaska and the State of Alaska providing for sharing NPRA leasing revenues within the two year period. If the Secretary concludes such an agreement, the Secretary shall transmit it to the Congress, and no selection may be made within such area during the three year period extending from the date of enactment of this Act. If legislation has not been enacted within three years of the date of enactment of this Act approving the agreement, the University of Alaska may make selections within such area. An agreement shall provide for the University of Alaska to receive a portion of annual revenues from mineral leases within NPRA in lieu of any lands selections within NPRA north of latitude 69 degrees North, but not to exceed ten percent of such revenues or \$9 million annually, whichever is less.

(5) Within forty-five (45) days of receipt of a selection, the Secretary shall publish notice of the selection in the Federal Register. The notice shall identify the lands or interest in lands included in the selection and provide for a period for public comment not to exceed sixty (60) days.

(6) Within six months of the receipt of such a selection, the Secretary shall accept or reject the selection and shall promptly notify the University of his decision, including the reasons for any rejection. A selection that is not rejected within six months of notification to the Secretary is deemed approved.

(7) The Secretary may reject a selection if the Secretary finds that the selection would have a significant adverse impact on the ability of the Secretary to comply with the land entitlement

provisions of the Alaska Statehood Act or the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601) or if the Secretary finds that the selection would have a direct, significant and irreversible adverse effect on a conservation system unit as defined in the Alaska National Interest Conservation Act.

(8) The Secretary shall promptly publish notice of an acceptance or rejection of a selection in the Federal Register.

(9) An action taken pursuant to this Act is not a major Federal action within the meaning of section 102(2)(C) of Public Law 91-190 (83 Stat. 852, 853).

(c) The University may not select Federal lands or interests in lands reserved for military purposes or reserved for the administration of a Federal agency, unless the Secretary of Defense or the head of the affected agency agrees to relinquish the lands or interest in lands.

(d) The University may select additional lands or interest in lands to replace lands rejected by the Secretary.

(e) Lands or interests in lands shall be segregated and unavailable for selection by and conveyance to the State of Alaska or a Native Corporation and shall not be otherwise encumbered or disposed of by the United States pending completion of the selection process.

(f) The University may enter selected lands on a non-exclusive basis to assess the oil, gas, mineral and other resource potential therein and to exercise due diligence regarding making a final selection. The University, and its delegates or agents, shall be permitted to engage in assessment techniques including, but not limited to, core drilling to assess the metalliferous or other values, and surface geological exploration and seismic exploration for oil and gas, except that exploratory drilling of oil and gas wells shall not be permitted.

(g) Within one year of the Secretary's approval of a selection, the University may make a final decision whether to accept these lands or interests in lands and shall notify the Secretary of its decision. The Secretary shall publish notice of any such acceptance or rejection in the Federal Register within six months. If the University has decided to accept the selection, effective on the date that the notice of such acceptance is published, all right, title, and interest of the United States in the described selection shall vest in the University.

(h) Lakes, rivers and streams contained within final selections shall be meandered and lands submerged thereunder shall be conveyed in accordance with section 901 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (94 Stat. 2371, 2430; 43 U.S.C. 1631).

(i) Upon completion of a survey of lands or interest in lands subject to an interim approval, the Secretary shall promptly issue patent to such lands or interests in lands.

(j) The Secretary of Agriculture and the heads of other Federal departments and agencies shall promptly take such actions as may be necessary to assist the Secretary in implementing this Act.

SEC. 3. RELINQUISHMENT OF CERTAIN UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA HOLDINGS.

(a) As a condition to any grant provided by section 2 of this Act, the University shall begin to

convey to the Secretary those lands listed in 'The University of Alaska's Inholding Reconveyance Document' and dated November 13, 2001.

(b) The University shall begin conveyance of the lands described in section 3(a) of this Act upon approval of selected lands and shall convey to the Secretary a percentage of these lands approximately equal to that percentage of the total grant represented by the approval. The University shall not be required to convey to the Secretary any lands other than those referred to in section 3(a) of this Act. The Secretary shall accept quitclaim deeds from the University for these lands.

SEC. 4. JUDICIAL REVIEW.

The University of Alaska may bring an appropriate action, including an action in the nature of mandamus, against the Department of the Interior, naming the Secretary, for violation of this Act or for review of a final agency decision taken under this Act. An action pursuant to this section may be filed in the United States District Court for the District of Alaska within two (2) years of the alleged violation or final agency decision and such court shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any such suit.

SEC. 5. STATE MATCHING GRANT.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and subject to valid existing rights, within forty-eight (48) months of receiving evidence of ownership from the State, the University may, in addition to the grant made available in section 2 of this Act, select up to 250,000 acres of Federal lands or interests in lands in or adjacent to Alaska to be conveyed on an acre-for-acre basis as a matching grant for any lands received from the State of Alaska after February 1, 2005.

(b) Selections of lands or interests in lands pursuant to this section shall be in parcels of 25,000 acres or greater.

(c) Grants made pursuant to this section shall be separately subject to the terms and conditions applicable to grants made under section 2 of this Act.

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S.293

Title: A bill to provide for the continuation of higher education through the conveyance of certain public lands in the State of Alaska to the University of Alaska, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Murkowski, Lisa \[AK\]](#) (introduced 2/3/2005) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/3/2005 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

ALL ACTIONS: *(color indicates Senate actions)*

2/3/2005:

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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PARCEL #	NAME	ACRES	REMOVE	NATIVE	BOROUGH
Non-producing Oil and Gas Resources					
	Nenana Gas Basin Tracts - Mineral	90,000			
	TOTAL OIL AND GAS	90,000	0	0	0
Investment Properties					
Northern/ Interior Region					
DH.IS.1001	Dalton Highway MP 48 to 54	1,360			
DH.SR.1001	Dalton Highway Mi 345 to 347	880			
MA.HR.1001	Haul Road Nodes-Coldfoot	1,700			
MI.JC.1001	Jarvis Creek (Mineral)	16,000			
FA.JC.1001	Jennie M. Creek C	5			
NI.LS.1001	Lake Snohomish	740			
NZ.FA.1003	Noyes Slough	7			
N5.RS.1001	Summit Lake (Richardson Highway)	960			
NI.WT.1001	West Twin Lake	1,560			
N5.WL.1001	Wien Lake	1,780			
	Northern Interior Region Subtotal	24,992	0	0	0
Southcentral Region					
SU.DC.1001	Deception Creek	280			
SU.FP.1001	Frying Pan Lake	450			
MA.MC.1001	McCarthy-Nizina	12,500			
SU.WC.1001	Willow Creek Road	1,000			
	Southcentral Region Subtotal	14,230	0	0	0
Southeast Alaska					
SD.1001	Beecher Pass	1,193			1,193
PA.1002	Biorka Island	438		438	
KT.1002	Cleveland Peninsula	4,055			
PW.CC.1001	Coffman Cove	1,984			
CS.DI.1001	Duke Island	1,440	1,440		
CS.EW.1001	Earl West Cove	3,564			3,564
PW.ED.1001	Edna Bay	250			
PW.EC.1001	El Capitan North	1,847			
PW.ES.1005	El Capitan South	865			
NS.EX.1002	Excursion Inlet	477			
SD.1001	Favor Peak	1,290			1,290
HA.CL.1001	Haines - Chilkoot	60			
CR.1001	Harris Road Junction	320			
PW.HO.1001	Hollis	622			
PW.HK.1001	Hook Arm	1,280			
MF.1002	Idaho Inlet	539	539		
JU.NL.1001	Ivanhoe	120			
CS.KI.1001	Kelp Island	535	535		
CS.LE.1001	Leask Cove	460			
JU.LM.1001	Lena Creek	610			
NS.NS.1001	Lisianski Peninsula	1,443		1,443	

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PARCEL #	NAME	ACRES	REMOVE	NATIVE	BOROUGH
JU.1002	Lynn Canal	1,358			
NS.MI.1001	Middle Island	665			
PA.1002	Mite Cove	320	320		
PW.MS.1001	Moira Sound/Nowiskay Cove	160			
CS.MB.1001	Moser Bay	906			
PW.NA.1001	Naukati Sound	937			
KT.1004	Neets Creek	1,500	1,500		
CS.OV.1001	Olive Cove	450			450
ST.1002	Pelican	851	851		
PA.1001	Port Alexander	267	267		
PA.1001	Port Conclusion	10			
PW.PD.1001	Port Dolores	1,100			
SD.1001	Read Island	706			706
CS.RB.1001	Rowan Bay	665			
SD.1001	Sumdum	5			
ST.1003	Tenakee Springs	346			
SD.1001	Thoms Place	2,360			
PW.TH.1001	Thorne Bay	2,557			
CS.TL.1001	Three Lake Road	640			
CS.WA.1001	Ward Cove	3			
ST.1002	Warm Springs Bay	267	267		
SD.1001	Whitney Island	316			316
JU.1001	William Henry Bay	321			
	Southeast Region Subtotal	40,102	5,719	1,881	7,519
	TOTAL INVESTMENT	79,324	5,719	1,881	7,519
Educational Properties					
JU.AU.1002	Auke Weir	6			
I.G.PC.01	Caribou-Poker Creeks Drainage	24,250			
MA.XS.1001	Delta Ag & Forestry Exp. Station	363			
N2.FA.1004	Fairbanks Parking Garage/Courthouse	2			
NZ.FA.1004	Key Bank Site	1			
MA.KR.1001	Kodiak Rocket Range	2,880	2,880		
MA.PF.1002	Poker Flat (Special Use Area)	6,680			
MA.PF.1001	Poker Flat Lease	533			
MA.SF.1001	Silver Fox Mine	120			
ST.1001	Sitka Campus	6			
TV.TV.1001	Tanana Valley Demonstration Forest	51,820			
TV.RF.1001	Tok Research Forest	4,015			
	TOTAL EDUCATIONAL	90,676	2,880	0	0
	GRAND TOTAL	260,000	REMOVE	NATIVE	BOROUGH
	ACRES PROPOSED FOR POTENTIAL REMOVAL	17,999	8,599	1,881	7,519
	REMAINING ACRES	242,001			

NOT OFFERED

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AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR ELTON

TO: CSSB 96(RES), Draft Version "G"

1 Page 9, following line 1:

2 Insert a new subsection to read:

3 "(d) Before the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska offers a parcel of
4 land for sale under this section, the board shall offer first refusal to the closest
5 municipality or the closest appropriate village entity recognized by the commissioner
6 of commerce, community, and economic development under AS 44.33.755."

7

8 Reletter the following subsection accordingly

AMENDMENT #2

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR ELTON

TO: CSSB 96(RES), Draft Version "G"

1 Page 7, line 30:

2 Delete "JU.LM.1001, Lena Creek" X

3 Insert "SD.1001, Sumdum"

4

5 Page 8, line 2:

6 Delete "and"

7

8 Page 8, line 3, following "Bay":

9 Insert ";

10 (8) Parcel Number MF.1002, Idaho Inlet; §

11 ~~(9) Parcel Number PA.1002, Mite Cove; and~~

12 ~~(10) Parcel Number ST.1002, Pelican"~~

(9)

Senator

THIS Amendment* was
previously offered & defeated
by this committee.

* Sen. Elton's

AMENDMENT

#1

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR STEDMAN

TO: CSSB 96(RES), version "G"

Page 7, line 30:

Delete "JULM.1001, Lena Creek", and insert "HACH.1001, Haines-Chilkoot"

Page 8, following line 9:

Insert:

(p) Notwithstanding (a) of this section, the state land identified in this subsection and described in the document entitled "University of Alaska Land Grant List 2005," dated January 12, 2005, may not be conveyed to the University of Alaska under this section if the land is included in a borough formed before July 1, 2009, that includes Wrangell or Petersburg. If such a borough is not formed before July 1, 2009, the following land shall be conveyed to the University of Alaska on July 1, 2009; or if land within the following parcels is not selected by a borough before January 1, 2013, the following land shall be conveyed to the University of Alaska on June 30, 2013:

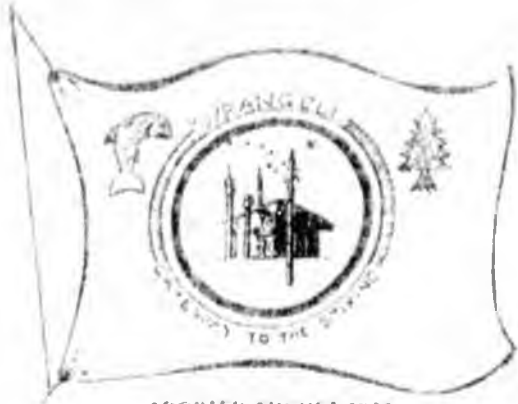
- (1) Parcel Number SD.1001, Beecher Pass;
- (2) Parcel Number SD.1001, Favor Peak;
- (3) Parcel Number CS.TL.1001, Three Lake Road;
- (4) Parcel Number SD.1001, Read Island;
- (5) Parcel Number SD.1001, Whitney Island;
- (6) Parcel Number CS.FW.1001, Earl West Cove;
- (7) Parcel Number CS.OV.1001, Olive Cove;
- (8) Parcel Number SD.1001, Thoms Place;

Amend to Amend #1
→ P

8 line 3 subs N add # 8, 9, 10

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Stedman
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Wagner

Yes
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Elton



ADOPTED AUGUST 1977

March 11, 2005

CITY OF WRANGELL, ALASKA

INCORPORATED JUNE 19, 1947

BOX 551, 99929

(907) 874-2361

FAX: (907) 874-3652

Dear Representatives and Senators:

The City of Wrangell would like to present the following comments regarding HB130, an Act granting certain state land to the University of Alaska. It appears that our comments opposing HB130 have not been loud enough to be heard.

Wrangell is not in favor of HB130. We are very frustrated with the process of selection and information dissemination regarding this bill. I am not aware that any community, certainly not Wrangell, was consulted before the selection of land to be granted to the University was finalized. The public meeting that was held in February, in Wrangell, to discuss the land selection was not advertised to explain what was happening, officials were not notified, and the full implications of the impact to our community were not identified or understood fully.

The lands in the vicinity of Wrangell that are being proposed to grant to the University are the prime areas that Wrangell would select when we become a borough. We are currently actively pursuing a borough petition to be submitted this summer or fall. These lands are the prime settlement, recreational and cultural lands within the proposed borough boundary. We are only eligible to select a small percent of lands that are classified a certain way. There are not many other lands that are appropriately designated from which we could select.

We ask that you remove from your list of lands to grant to the University of Alaska, the following: Thoms Place, Earl West Cove and Olive Cove.

Sincerely,

Robert S. Prunella,
City Manager

RSP:cj



ADOPTED AUGUST 1972

CITY OF WRANGELL, ALASKA

INCORPORATED JUNE 15, 1902

BOX 511, 99929

(907) 874-2381

FAX (907) 874-3952

March 15, 2005

Dear Representatives and Senators:

The City of Wrangell would like to present the following comments regarding HB130, an Act granting certain state land to the University of Alaska. Wrangell is not in favor of HB130 and we wish to go on record with our concerns.

Wrangell is very frustrated with the process of selection and information dissemination regarding this bill. We are not aware that any community that was consulted before the selection of land that was granted to the University was finalized. Wrangell, most emphatically, was not.

The public meeting that was held in Wrangell during February was not adequately advertised beforehand. My initial notification of this very important meeting was five minutes before it was to begin.

Our city manager and other council members were not included at the presentation which had a total attendance of seven Chamber of Commerce members and myself. We were completely caught off guard as to the full implications and impact to our community of the selection of these particular parcels.

The lands in the vicinity of Wrangell that are being proposed to grant to the University are the prime settlement, recreational and cultural lands that Wrangell would select when we become a borough. We are presently actively pursuing a borough petition to be submitted this summer or fall. We are only eligible to select a small percent of lands that are classified a certain way and so these parcels are particularly important to us.

Our city council has been approached by the Wrangell Cooperative Association (our local native organization) with their written concerns which we will forward to you. Areas selected include important archeological sites that they wish to address with you.

CITY OF WRANGELL, ALASKA

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Representatives and Senators
March 15, 2005

Wrangell respectfully asks you to remove from your list of lands to grant to the University of Alaska, the following: Thoms Place, Earl West Cove and Olive Cove. We would then be willing to enter into a discussion of alternate parcels.

Respectfully,

Valery McCandless, serving as Mayor
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serving as Mayor

VM:cj

Attachments: WCA letters

WRANGELL COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 848 • Wrangell, Alaska 99281 • (907) 874-3481

February 28, 2005

Governor Frank Murkowski
State of Alaska
Office of the Governor
P.O. Box 110001
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Governor Murkowski:

The Wrangell Cooperative Association is the federally recognized tribe in Wrangell, it is our responsibility to protect our native lands and lands that hold historic value to our community members.

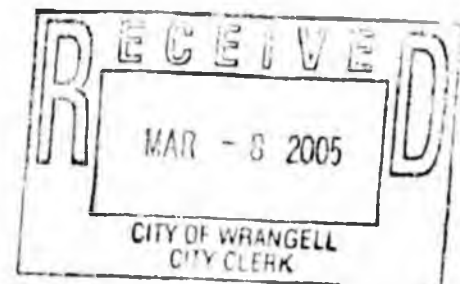
The Wrangell Cooperative Association is opposed to the University of Alaska lands bill presently in the State Legislation. We are opposed because we feel that the lands that are to be picked were used by our ancestors. These lands have historic values to our people and should not be just given away for others to sell.

Thank you for your time in reading this letter. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (907) 874-3481.

Sincerely,



Theresa Dow, Secretary for
Wilma Stokes, President
Wrangell Cooperative Association



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WRANGELL COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 808 • Wrangell, Alaska 99679 • 907-874-1481



March 8, 2005

Dear Legislators

Re: House Bill 130 - University Lands

The Wrangell Cooperative Association is the federally recognized tribe for the Wrangell area. We are adamantly opposed to House Bill 130. The areas we are especially concerned about are parcel CS F-W 1001 - Earl West, CS OV 1001-Olive Cove, and SD1001-Thoms Place. These areas have not only historical but archeological significance as well. A recent dig near Thoms Place dated activity in that area back several thousand years.

We request that these parcels be removed from House Bill 130. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

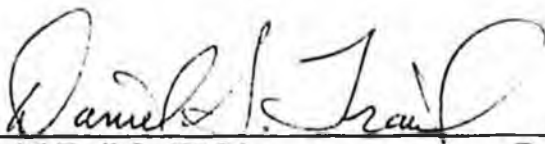
A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Theresa Dow".

Theresa Dow
Secretary

**A RESOLUTION FOR THE THOMS PLACE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
OPPOSING UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA LAND BILLS IN THE ALASKA STATE
LEGISLATURE**

- WHEREAS** The University Lands Bills (SB 96, HB 130) introduced in the Alaska State Legislature would transfer a large 2,360 acre tract to the University of Alaska which is located immediately adjacent to the community of Thoms Place, and;
- WHEREAS** Transferring this entire tract to the University could have a serious negative impact on the property values of Thoms Place Community Association members, and;
- WHEREAS** It is in Thoms Place Community Association's best interest that this tract be managed according to Alaska Department of Natural Resources Central/Southern Southeast Area Management Plan, i.e. for community development and community recreation, and;
- WHEREAS** The University of Alaska has historically managed its lands for the purpose of generating the most revenue possible regardless of local community plans or concerns, and;
- WHEREAS** Thoms Place Community Association has no reason to believe that the University will treat our community with any greater deference than it has other communities in the past.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Thoms Place Community Association opposes the transfer of the Thoms Place tract to the University of Alaska in SB 96 and HB 130 unless the University can be duly obligated by the legislation to manage these lands for the next ten-year period according to the management direction prescribed by the Central/Southern Southeast Area Management Plan, i.e. with an emphasis on community development and community recreation.


Daniel Trail for TPCA 2/9/05
Date

APRIL 9, 2005

THOMS PLACE - WRANGELL

PETITION

OPPOSING

	HB	130
#	SB	96

37 SIGNED PETITIONS

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As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Peter Brouson

wish to protest the joint bills HB130 and SB96, which attempt to privatize and open for development a very significant chunk of our neighborhood.

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Sincerely,

P. Brouson

Date: 4/3/05

Address: PO Box 1254, Wrangell AK 99929

Residence
house at
Thom's
Place

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

I've lived at Thom's Place for over 20
years and don't like the governor giving
away our backyard without at least a
hearing in our community. Give the university
the money they need! don't force them
(my Alumnus) into the logging business - especially
with today's timber prices.

Thanks, Peter Brouson

As a land owner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,
I, William and Heather Rosborough

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Sincerely,

William & Heather Rosborough

Date: 4-2-05

Address: LOT 6 Block 2 Thom's Place, Wrangell Island

AK
99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: These lands if offered
to the public should be considered in the
same way as other lands offered through a
home-site process to Alaska residents.

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Brian Castle,

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Sincerely,

Brian Castle

Date: March 3, 05

Address: Box 243 Craig, Ak. 99921

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

I do not wish to see more private land opened up in this area. I got the land over 20 years ago so it would be secluded. If people want land in that area there is plenty for sale already.

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, DANIEL S. TRAIL

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Sincerely,

Daniel S. Trail

Date: 04/09/05

Address: Block #2, Lot #7, THOM'S PLACE SUBD.

WRANGELL
ISLAND

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Although we're limiting our comments to our localities, really the entire bill is full of troubling selections and we understand the feelings of our fellow Alaskans all across the State. This bill makes a mockery of democracy and the public process. The free reign and lack of accountability that is simply given to the University is unacceptable. It is a twisted way of doing business, and any representative who votes for this bill over the

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I, _____,

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Sincerely,

Steph Holgerson

Date: _____

Address: _____

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: I do not want a large clear cut near my property at Thom's place. I am now forced to live in the middle of one created by the Governor's involvement in the Mental Health Trust logging in Wrangell. Please do not shove another one down our throats!!!

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place - Wrangell,

I, Robert V. Paul Davis,

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Sincerely,

R. V. Paul Davis

Date: 4-04-05

Address: P.O. box 2042, Kasaan, HI 96749

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: There has been an
understanding with our community &
Local, state, and Federal agencies that
we want to keep our neighborhood free
from "Resource Development". And that
we expect to be informed & involved
in any & all matters pertaining to such !!

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place - Wrangell,
I, Janet A Wallin

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Sincerely,

Janet A Wallin

Date: 4-5-05

Address: c/o Byford PO Box 132 Wrangell AK
99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

I own the northern most parcel of Thom's Place Community so I am tremendously impacted by these bills. In getting ready to retire + move there full time, the paradise of 25 years of my dreams, looking that area would ruin it. Destroying the beauty, animal habitat, ecosystems of rare old growth forests, water quality + on + on. Considering the resource value of that Ancient Forest + Historical monument in surprised logging it could be legal.

(the outskirts of old town)
↑
monument

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,
I, Virginia Helgeson

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Sincerely,

Virginia Helgeson

Date: 4-8-05 (9 mile Zimovia Highway)

Address: P.O. Box 588 Wrangell AK 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: We own 2 recreational lots at Thom's Place, and do not wish to see any development in the area. We have it for the wilderness aspect and fear that this joint bill will allow severe logging to take place. I hope this is not a "done deal" like the mental health land that is now being clear cut from 6-9 mile in Wrangell. Since it was "private land" they did not have to go through any public process which upset a large number of land owners, which we live at a mile. Don't let this happen.

PLEASE!

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, WE, WAYNE & CARLEEN DE LONG,

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Sincerely,

Wayne & Carleen De Long

Date: 4/6/05

Address: POB 432 (Unit 3 Bldg 2 Lot 12 Thom's Place) Wrangell AK
99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

-- We are greatly opposed -- take stand
with our neighbors at Thom's Place & Glue
Pond. We value the beautiful & natural
lay of the land that surrounds us & do
not wish to see it disturbed at the expense
of progress.

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, J. Keith Appleman

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Sincerely,

J. Keith Appleman

Date: 4/2/05

Address: P.O. Box 1817 Wrangell, AK. 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

The lack of public process on this
land disposal is most upsetting
to me. I cannot get any information
on these bills from my local
representative, Peggy Wilson. This is an
extremely poor method to secure adequate
funding for education in this state.

JKA

As a landowner/resident of ~~Thom's Place~~ - Wrangell,
I, Lucille Merrill

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Sincerely,

Lucille Merrill

Date: Apr. 4 - 2005

Address: P.O. BOX 702 WRANGELL, AK. 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: We depend on the tourist industry. Tourists do not want to see clear cuts. These areas are on the route to ANAN CREEK where my family takes tourists to view the Bears. Logging at Earl West's Cove or Thom's Place would be devastating to the visitor's total experience.

As a landowner/resident of ~~Thom's Place~~ Wrangell,

I. Sylvia A Geraghty

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Sincerely,

Sylvia A. Geraghty

Date: 4/5/05

Address: Box 1861, Wrangell, AK 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: are you deliberately

trying to hurt and offend as many
RESIDENTS OF ALASKA as possible?

There are many less painful ways
of making money. Why not solicit
ideas - OPENLY?

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,
I, KURT & SUZANNE WELSER

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Don - Thanks for including us!
we have been there since the lands
around our home in Thom's Place -
we have property but have filed a
claim case - don't want it to
leave Thom's Place - will
be fighting that it will not go through
regard - just

Date: 03/31/85

Address: PO Box 19136 Thom's Place, AK 99919

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: We have watched
our Neighborhood Lands and old Growth forests
IN Thom's Place Turn to Clearcut wasteland
ON STATE UNIVERSITY and mental Health Land, for
"quick profit." Do NOT LET this happen again in
Thom's Place or Olive Cove.

As a landowner with a current interest in Thoms Place, Wrangell property I, Chuck Chism wish to protest the joint bills HB130 and SB96 which attempt to privatize and open for development a very significant chunk of our neighborhood without adequate public input.

My property was purchased from the University so I appreciate the possibilities of privatization but I feel the covert method being used this time is unfair and unjust.

Please remove the Wrangell Island lands from this bill and find some other equitable way of funding our Universities. It is inappropriate to place the University of Alaska in such a compromising position.

Sincerely,
Chuck Chism

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Elizabeth Geyer

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth Fortner Geyer

Date: March 27, 2005

Address: POB 1530 - WRANGELL, AK. 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

See attached _____

I have three grandchildren approaching the age to take advantage of the wonderful opportunities offered by the University of Alaska. So I have a personal interest in hoping that the University gets all the funding it needs to continue on in its quest to educate Alaska's young adults. But forcing the University to become a real estate broker in order to do this is certainly a classic example of passing the buck.

The governor's call to convey 260,000 acres to the University to dispose of for cash, without any discussion with the citizens of Alaska, has managed to offend almost everyone in the state.

260,000 acres of land is just too much property to slip under the radar of the general populace. If the governor had called for some forestry land to be given to the University for study within three years, probably the response to that call would have been minimal. Some conservationists may have grouched that it wasn't enough, some timber companies would have seen lost profits, but most of us would have gone on without noticing what was happening.

Now even that land slated for University study is suspect. In the governor's letter he states, "while the research forest land is under department management, the department would be able to dispose of certain natural resources located on that land, so long as the disposal is consistent with the purposes of the research forest and complies with other applicable law."

"Dispose of certain natural resources located on that land?" Hmm. Does make one pause and reflect on how the land will be changed by the time the University gets its hands on it. This land would not come under the jurisdiction of the University until 2055. This is 2005. 50 years later and the University gets the property? All the people responsible for that land today will probably be planted under the ground by the time any blame gets shared for what is no longer there.

Closer to home, I would like to respond to the selling of the 2360 acres at Thom's Place on Wrangell Island.

My husband and I live there. We are one of two families that are year around residents. So I understand the draw of the place and why the land is so appealing and so valuable.

Most of the people that spend a goodly amount of time here don't want roads, or utilities or lots of neighbors. That's why we're here.

I don't want to sound like "Pull up the ladder, Jack, I'm all right." If we can live here, other people should be allowed to do so as well. But not 2360 acres worth. And not without a lot more careful planning than the first go around.

Living out here comes with inconveniences, that's all part of being here. But lugging generators, and power tools and building supplies to the New Town of Thom's Place should not be such an ordeal for those buying property on the interior of the land sale.

What I am saying is that some thought should go into the lot splits. Make the lots large enough so that people can feel like they are in the bush. Not

crunched up against a neighbor whose land they have to cross to get to their own. Why move out here if it's just like town?

Taking such a huge mass of property and dividing it up into lots without proper planning, is criminal and a terrible waste of what is an incredible legacy.

And how can we expect the University to take all of this into consideration? All they want is money to keep their doors open. Can't we just give them money? Do we have to make them have Bake Sales?

Emilie Huber

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I, *Emilie Huber*,

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Sincerely,

Emilie Huber

Date: *04-02-05*

Address: *P.O. 543 Wrangell AK 99929*

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Please consider our Watershed
Protecting - Lakes - Economy &
Watershed

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Russ Ruge & Mike Ruge,

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Sincerely,

Russ Ruge Mike Ruge

Date: 3/29/05

Address: PO Box 1424 Wrangell, AK 99957

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____



danieltrail@hotmail.com

Printed: Friday, April 8, 2005 10:49 AM

From : Dan & Teresa McIntyre <threebearscove@starband.net>
Sent : Wednesday, April 6, 2005 2:39 PM
To : <danieltrail@hotmail.com>
Subject : oppose Univ. land trade

Hello Dan

This is to inform you that Frank and Connie Heller have our permission to proxy sign on our behalf the petition in opposition of the University land trade on Wrangell Island.

Thanks

Dan & Terri McIntyre

Back Channel

Wrangell AK 99929

Carl West

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place - Wrangell,
I, Jerry - McJannet

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Sincerely,

Jerry McJannet

Date: 04-04-05

Address: Pc 257 Wrangell WA 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Daniel McInnis

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Sincerely,

Daniel McInnis

Date: 4-4-05

Address: PO Box 287 Wrangell AK 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Joan W. Emde,

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Sincerely,

Joan W. Emde

Date: Apr. 6, 2005

Address: P.O. Box 867, Wrangell, Ak. 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, JESSE K. FRANK,

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Sincerely,

Jesse K. Frank

Date: April 6, 2005

Address: P. Box 1109 Wrangell Alaska 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, WELLEN J. FRANK

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Sincerely,

Wellen J. Frank

Date: 10/22/10

Address: 20 Park Hill Dr Wrangell Alaska 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place - Wrangell,

I, LONNIE DELONG

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Sincerely,

Lonnie Delong

Date: 04/04/05

Address: PO BOX 2162, WRANGELL

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Kim Fisher

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Sincerely,

Kim Fisher

Date: 4-5-5

Address: Box 1928 Wrangell, AK 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place Wrangell

I, Jean Petticrew,

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Sincerely,

Jean Petticrew

Date: 4-5-05 ✓

Address: P.O. Box 971

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a ~~landowner~~/resident of ~~Thomas Blase~~ - Wrangell,

I, TERRE L PINO

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Sincerely,

Terre L. Pino

Date: 4-5-05

Address: 117 FORT ST. WRANGELL AK 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place - Wrangell,

I, Andrea L. Fizzia

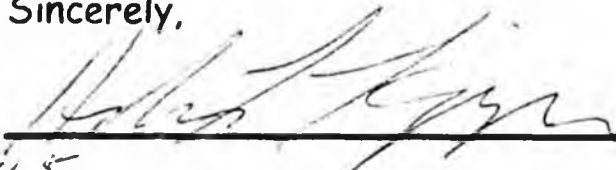
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Sincerely,



Date: 4-5-05

Address: 12 S. K. Commercial Hwy (PO Box 929)

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, DONALD LEE ROBERTS,

wish to protest the joint bills H'9130 and SB96, which attempt to privatize and open for development a very significant chunk of our neighborhood.

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Sincerely,


Donald L. Roberts

Date: 4/1/03

Address: PO-BOX 483 Wrangell Alaska 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Yes Zouly
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Sincerely,

Yes Zouly

Date: 4/1/05

Address: P.O. Box 2153 Wrangell AK 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

as a former landowner of property in Thoms Place -
Wrangell I, Shalline Chism wish to protest the
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Shalline Chism

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I, JOSEPH D'ARLENZO

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Sincerely,

Joseph D'Arlenzo

Date: March 31, 05

Address: 2219 SMC STREET AK

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of ~~Thom's Place~~ -Wrangell,

I, David Rak

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Sincerely,

David Rak

Date: 4/2/05

Address: P.O. Box 1852 Wrangell AK 99529

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Alan Deming,
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Sincerely,

Alan Deming

Date: 4/3/05

Address: Rt 1762

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Joanne J. Roberts,

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Sincerely,

Joanne J. Roberts

Date: 4-4-05

Address: Box 483, Wrangell, AK 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,

I, Joseph Wade Whitmore

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Sincerely,

Joseph Wade Whitmore

Date: April 04 05

Address: 220 Conally Wrangell AK 99929

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

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As a landowner/resident of ~~Frank's Place~~ -Wrangell,
I, Frank J. Heller

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Sincerely,

Frank J. Heller

Date: 4-5-05

Address: PO Box 543 Wrangell AK

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

As a landowner/resident of Thom's Place -Wrangell,
I, Toby Wondler and Michelle Wondler
wish to protest the joint bills HB130 and SB96, which
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Sincerely,

Date: 4/4/05

Address: 63 EDWAZIA ST #B SEATTLE WA 9810

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR ELTON

TO: CSSB 96(RES), Draft Version "G"

1 Page 7, line 30:

2 Delete "JU.LM.1001, Lena Creek"

3 Insert "SD.1001, Sumdun"

5 Page 8, line 2:

6 Delete "and"

8 Page 8, line 3, following "Bay":

9 Insert ";

10 (8) Parcel Number MF.1002, Idaho Inlet;

11 ~~(9) Parcel Number PA.1002, Mite Cove; and~~

12 ~~(10) Parcel Number ST.1002, Pelican"~~

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OFFERED IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR STEDMAN

TO: CSSB 96(RES), Draft Version "G"

Page 6, line 4, following "waterways":

Insert "; however, an easement reserved under AS 38.05.127 by the
Commissioner along saltwater shall not exceed 25 feet"

(Bob Loeffler suggested adding "unless site specific circumstances require it" at the
end. I did not include that on the draft I prepared for the committee)

Senator Wagner: Please read Back

Subject: House Bill 130 SB 96

We would like to emphasize we are not against this bill, but feel that there is a significant problem with this bill as currently written.

At statehood the only regions of the state where selections were limited were the Tongass and Chugach National Forest. These were limited to 400,000 acres combined. Under ANSCA Native selections were limited to 23,500 acres in SE.

The current selection of 40,000 acres in SE by the University amounts to over 10% of total allocated lands in Southeast Alaska, which compares to .21% of total allocated lands in the remainder of the state. Worked out on an equivalent basis through out the state, Southeast would be asked to contribute less than 1,000 acres instead of the 40,000 acres we are being asked to contribute at this time. In NW Chichagof we have already contributed 850 acres to the University of Alaska.

Of the 40,000 acres the majority is not currently within boroughs. It makes up virtually 100% (99.76%) of state lands in the NW Chichagof area.

HB 130 includes the following parcels

320 acres - Mite Cove
851 acres - Pelican
539 acres - Idaho Inlet

1,710 acres



P. Johnson
Box 22
Glen Cove, AK
99825

After the original DNR land selections and distributions of the 70s and 80s, 2,545 acres remained. The University had already selected 835 acres, or 30% of those lands, and sold them in 2001.

They are now asking for an additional 1,710 acres, which as stated is virtually 100% (99.76%) of all state land in the NW Chichagof area.

Consider the following 4 points.

- 1 The University selections leave nothing for future borough selections for NW Chichagof.
- 2 Does not provide for the future. It precludes any future commercial opportunities.
- 3 The Bohemia Basin nickel mine, which as kept out of ANILCA, reverted to wilderness status in 2001.
- 4 Land from prior DNR distributions is available. Because of shifting economic conditions land prices are depressed. Currently land is available. Large amounts of land would flood the market and depress the local prices further.

5 These parcels do not have timber value and would consequently be sold as cabin sites. History shows that these would be sold primarily to non residents, which history shows do not contribute significantly to the local economy.

We are not against this bill but feel that the original University selection of 835 acres (30% of state land) is more than our fair share to support the University.

Solutions

Amend the bill to remove:

MF 1002

ST 1002

PA 1002

Or

Pass the bill with an amendment that these parcels will go through a more thorough review.

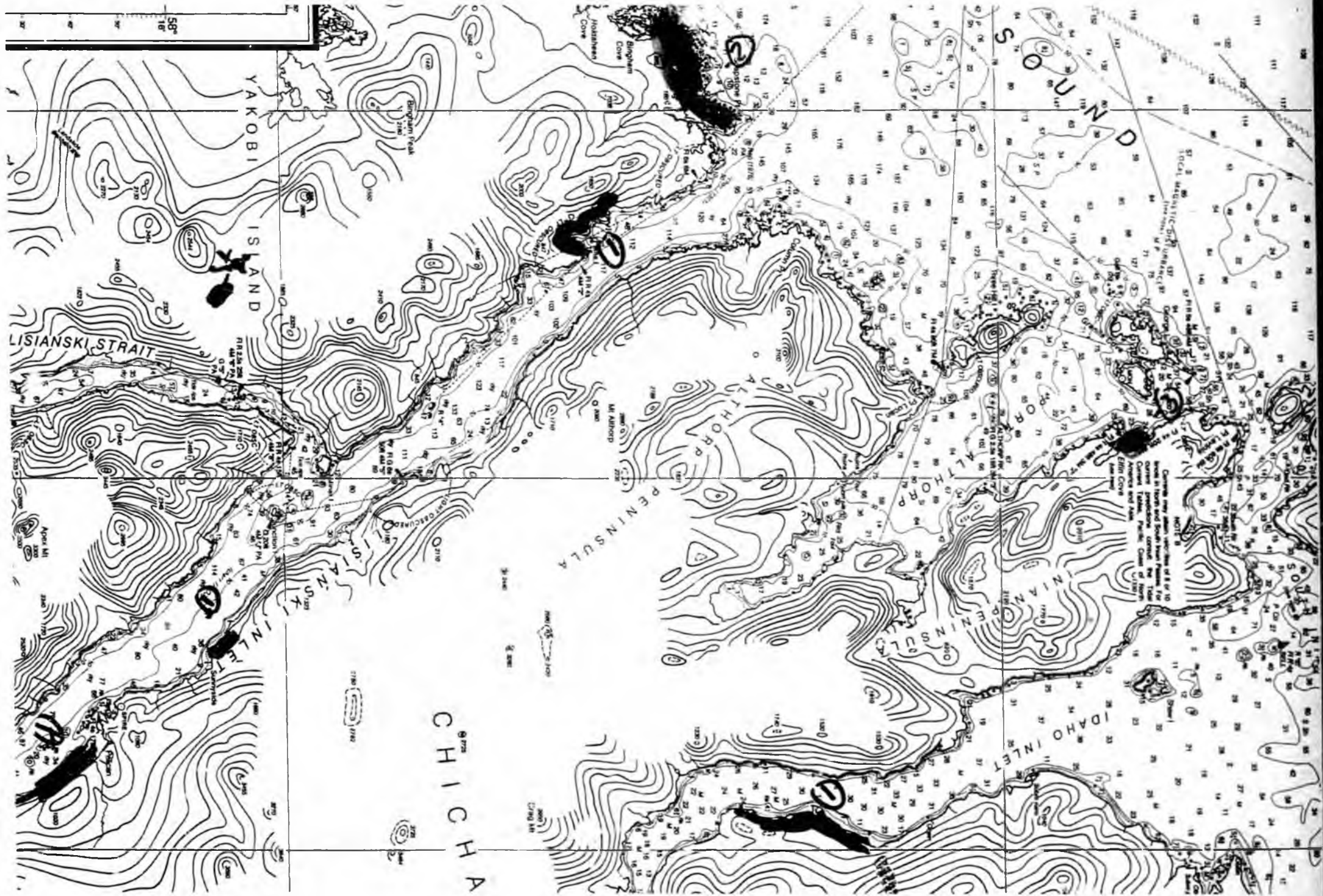
Please do not put us in the NW Chichagof area at an economic disadvantage when we eventually end up in an organized borough.

Rod Selvig
Maryln Selvig
Steve Hemenway
Debbie Hemenway
Tammy Mulick
Paul Johnson
Jane Button
and lots of other NW Chichagof residents

- Notes to Chart 17302

- *1 Red - Remaining DNR land on NW Chichagof, proposed to be selected by University of Alaska.
- *2 Green - Land the University of Alaska has already selected and sold in 2001.
- *3 Purple - What would be the remaining DNR land left in NW Chichagof area.
- *4 Orange - Nickel deposit kept out of ANILCA, but turned back over to the Forest Service.
- *5 Orange - Nickel deposit on patented property last reported to be owned by the University of Alaska.

all other land is Federal, other than Elfin Cove,
Pelican, and other small parcels.
This is the only state land we have!



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February 14, 2005

Dear Legislators:

We the undersigned, residents of Pelican and Lisianski Inlet, request that you reject HB 130 and SB 96, The University Lands Bill. We urge you to protect the lands slated for transfer in Lisianski Inlet for the following reasons:

- They are highly used for subsistence and recreation purposes. Privatization of these lands designated as "Public Recreation and Tourism -Undeveloped" in DNR's own Northern Southeast Area Plan (NSEAP) would open them for any type of commercial development.
- They are adjacent to Wilderness and Roadless areas and large-scale development would be an inconsistent use. Further, this use would be inconsistent with local planning documents.
- There are no safeguards in the bill that mandate the University manage these lands in a manner that is consistent with community planning and resident's needs. "[Land] shall be managed in a manner that, to the extent practicable, permits reasonable activities of the public that do not interfere with the use or management of the land by the university." is insufficient to protect the public's best interest.
- There is already a process in place whereby the transfer of land to the University may be accomplished that allows for greater public process. Moreover, SB 7 requires the University to establish a management plan and seek public comment before land disposals. This bill seeks to circumvent the public process.
- The University is compelled to manage these parcels for profit only. DNR's management mandate is more encompassing to include recreation, compatibility with adjacent lands, local planning, traditional uses including subsistence, habitat, and development among other needs.
- The Mite Co parcel is an important anchorage for commercial fishermen and the uplands are a documented deer and bear corridor. The NSEAP recognizes this critical habitat and use and protects this land from private ownership.
- Businesses holding DNR tidelands leases adjacent to these parcels would be displaced by private ownership.
- These parcels were designated as primarily "Public Recreation and Tourism - Undeveloped" in DNR's NSEAP; this calls for land to be remain undeveloped and cannot be sold to individuals. Other uses included water uses and some settlement, but only on the beach fringe. This is a far cry from DNR's own characterization of the bill as "focused primarily on lands that had been designated settlement, general use, or general public recreation in DNR land-use plans." Of note, "general public recreation" does not exist in the NSEAP as a land use designation.

Please carefully consider the negative impacts on the residents of Pelican and Lisianski Inlet of this legislation. We can only extrapolate the deleterious effects statewide of the University Lands Bill.

Thank you for your consideration.
Sincerely,

The Residents of Pelican and Lisianski Inlet

James C Slater

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Signature and Telephone Number Responses Opposed to the FISHM 24, University Lands Bill

The undersigned individuals either filed comments with the state office February 24, 2005 regarding impact of state land the University:

Name	Date	Signature	Mailing Address	Phone	Response
TRAVI M. LASHLEY	2/24/05	[Signature]	PO Box 3 Pelican AK 735228	735-2228	YES
Robert R. Lashley	2/24/05	[Signature]	PO Box 3 Pelican AK 735228	735-2228	YES
Edna J. Pearson	2/24/05	[Signature]	POB 96 Pelican AK 735-2228	735-2228	NO
LARRY N. CARSON	2/24/05	[Signature]	PO Box 98 Pelican AK 735-2228	735-2228	YES
LINDA J. CARSON	2/24/05	[Signature]	PO Box 98 Pelican AK 735-2228	735-2228	YES
AUDREY G. SIMMONS	2/24/05	[Signature]	PO Box 95 Pelican AK 735-2228	735-2228	YES
Edwina Barnett Simmons	2/24/05	[Signature]	PO Box 95 Pelican AK 735-2228	735-2228	YES
JAMES C. SLATER	3/1/05	[Signature]	PO Box 63 Pelican AK 735-2229	735-2229	YES
LORETTA VALDEZ	3/1/05	[Signature]	P.O. Box 63, Pelican AK 735-2229	735-2229	NO

MS 13028 05 Pelican Proton

Pelican and Lisianski Inlet Residents Opposed to HB 130/SB 96, University Lands Bill

The undersigned residents offer their concurrence with the letter dated February 14, 2005 regarding transfer of state land the University:

Name	Date	Signature	Mailing Address	Phone	Registered Voter? (Y/N)
Deb Jensen	2-13-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	PO Box 619 Pelican	735-2145	Y
Keith Heller	2-13-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 304 Pelican	735-2145	Y
Patricia Stewart	2-14-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 402 Pelican	735-2148	Y
Mary Allard	2/14/05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 27 Pelican	735-2631	Y
Harold Allard Sr	2-14/05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 27 Pelican	735-2631	Y
Gail Jensen	2-14/05	<i>[Signature]</i>	P.O. Box 26 Pelican		Y
William C. Stewart	2-14-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	PO Box 703 Pelican	735-2340	
Royce J. Mattison	2-14-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 94 Pelican	99832 735-2303	Y
Eudelia F. Paddock	2-14-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 29 Pelican AK 99832	735-2288	Y
DAVID DUFFEY	2-14-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 23 Pelican AK 99832	735-2288	Y
Mary Strahm	2-14-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 723 Pelican AK 99832	735-2297	Y
William STRAHM	2-14-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 723 Pelican AK 99832	735-2297	Y
William H. Paddock	2-14-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 29 Pelican AK 99832	735-2288	Y
Harold R. ALLARD JR	2-14-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 416 Pelican AK 99832		Y
Michael Allard	2-14-05	<i>[Signature]</i>	Box 738 Pelican AK 99832		Y
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FROM: Jeffrey Sauer

REGARDING: HB130 SB 96

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Please accept this fax as my comments on what I see as a very bad bill. The My Turn by Anissa Berry says everything that I would like to say on the subject. I agree completely. If there is a need then direct fund the university. But do not set up the university to screw up more of Alaska lands. Thanks for consideration.

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Originally, the coastal management program was designed to provide an essential role for local governments and to allow the "little guys" to express concerns during the permitting process. Recent changes to the program have removed local control and reduced public participation to an empty and futile exercise.

The administration introduced House Bill 191 that com-

ceive the general public into thinking that the coastal management program is a failure and slows development. Although press releases and letters continually refer to how the program has delayed projects, there are never examples of specific projects that have been delayed by the ACMP. The reason for this is that less than one percent of projects are appealed, and most of those appealed projects are eventually ap-

tuning our coast will offer Alaskans valuable resources and uses for our children's children. Join now and express your concerns to our leadership and our administration that the ACMP is an essential part of Alaska, local control, states rights, and sustainable development.

• John Ocker is the coastal coordinator for the Central Coastal Resource Service Area, which serves the Yukon-Kuskokwim area.

University threatens lands while projecting wilderness image

By ANISSA BERRY

In the March issue of Outside magazine, a University of Alaska Southeast advertisement portrays the university as situated in an "idyllic" environment, with "magnificent wilderness" surrounding campus. I find that highly ironic, since the University of Alaska is hustily pursuing 760,000 acres of state and federal land in Alaska to develop into hard cash. The glossy ad shows forested mountains reflected in calm waters. I guess the darker reality of university clearcuts and angry communities doesn't draw new students.

I find it appalling that the university is participating in a cheap land grab that infuriates many Alaskan towns, costing them valuable local lands to potential logging, subdivision development or cruise-ship company lodge operations. The underlying blame lies at the feet of the Murkowski father-daughter tag-team, who are pushing a sour deal for many Alaskan communities by privatizing public lands across Alaska.

Murkowski-driven land grabs are nothing new. Frank Murkowski, while in the U.S. Senate, failed in multiple attempts to privatize public lands through university land grabs. Sen. Lisa Murkowski's SB 293 should meet the same fate. When I was president of the UAS Student Conservation Club in 1997-98, the students exposed the shocking truth about the university's poor land management and stewardship record. Entire valleys were clearcut at Cape Yakotaga, Icy Bay, and Slide Ridge in Ketchikan. Equipped with the fundamental truth about the university and

startling pictures to prove it, we helped stop bad legislation that would have allocated millions of acres to the university. The result? The university simply carried on with proper funding

from the Legislature.

The most recent university land bills (HB130 and SB 96) in the state

Legislature were planned behind closed doors by the university and the Department of Natural Resources. They give valuable lands adjacent to communities and in important habitat areas to the university in the name of generating revenue. The bill also repeals public oversight provisions for university land use on any university owned lands. Revenues from development would only cover about 1 percent of the university's budget.

In the case of my little town, Port Alexander, robbing Peter to pay Paul steals 267 acres of state land surrounding town. DNR's October 2002 Northern Southeast Area Plan states "development is not considered appropriate" for a multitude of community and habitat reasons. There is no mention of settlement or timber production. Port Alexander will lose some of our critical economic land base, hunting, recreating and subsistence lowlands within reach of town. Neither our community nor the university will benefit from this land swap; I certainly won't recommend that students attend a university so blatantly disrespectful of the land and people.

None of the tribal leaders,

mayors, hunters or other Alaskans who testified about the state university lands proposal supports it. In fact, we are angry and insulted. When the bill was sent back to be re-worked for March 2, co-chairman Ramras stated that DNR would be working with the affected communities. Has the university or DNR approached Port Alexander? No. In addition, Ramras firmly stated that the land bill will be kept together, and he hopes that the parcels put forward will be in the amended bill. Why can't communities be a part of the discussion with DNR and the university? What's the rush to push this through? Yes, there were opportunities for public testimony, but communities had only a few days notice, and no time to orient themselves to the implications of the bill. A bill that is not significantly changed to include meaningful public process and remove controversial community use lands is a no-go.

If financial solvency is the issue, then clearly the university would better benefit from direct funding from the Legislature. The way the university develops, with massive clear-cutting or land sales with little public notice, do not qualify it to act as a steward of valuable neighboring community lands. Even the university says land won't solve long term financial needs. Please contact our state legislators and Sen. Lisa Murkowski to let them know that we don't support bills that harm our communities and fail to truly support our university.

• Anissa Berry lives in Port Alexander and is a former president of the University of Alaska Student Conservation Club.