

EXPANDING FUEL BREAKS TO BENEFIT WILDLIFE HABITAT

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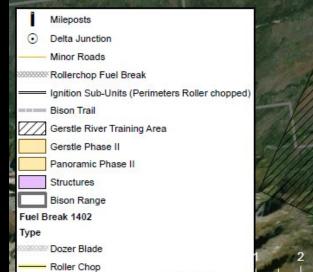
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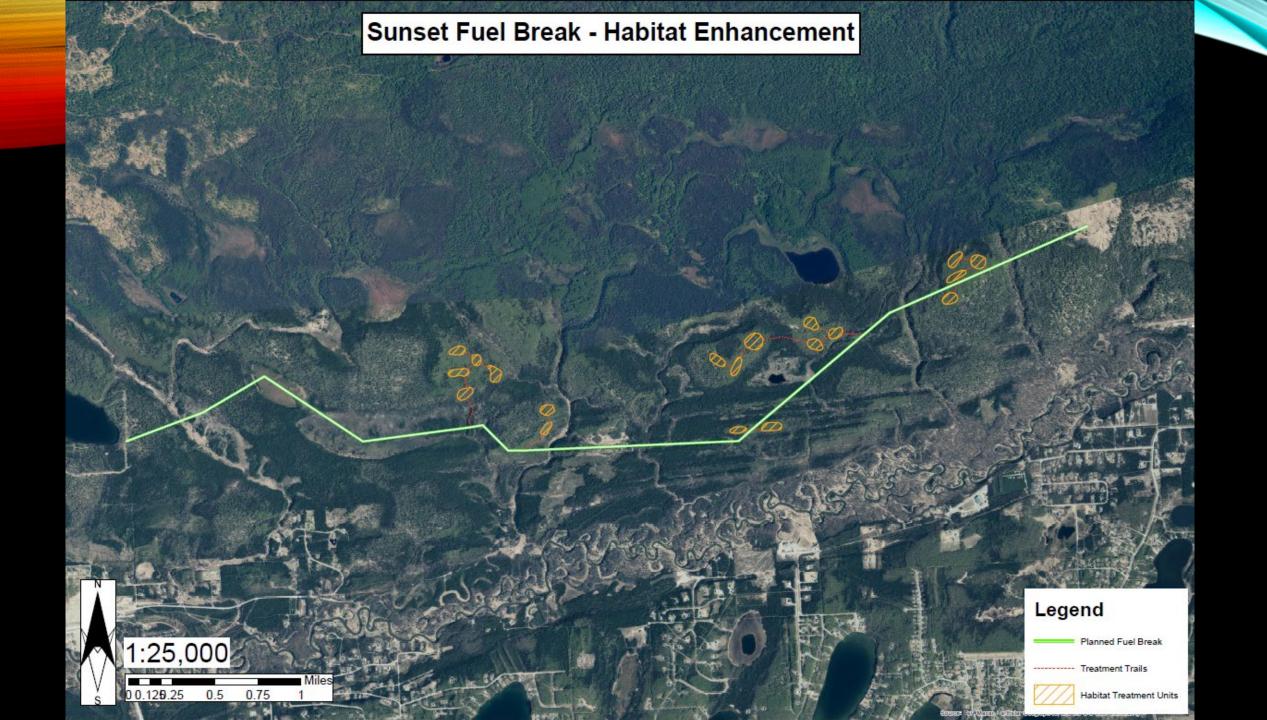
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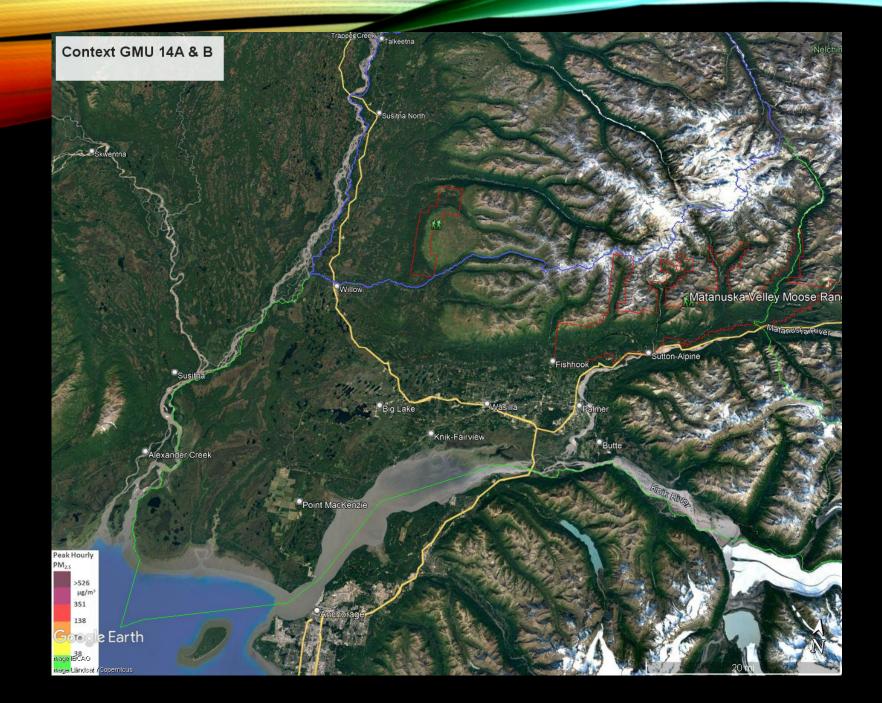




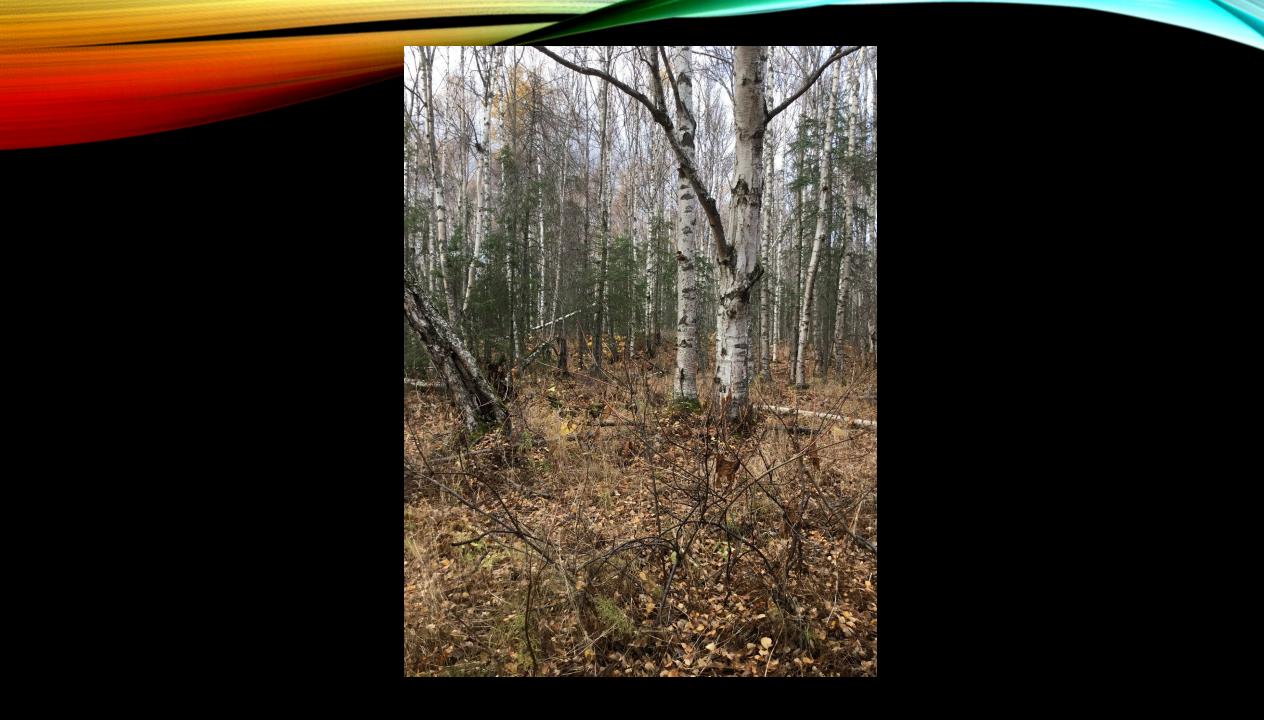
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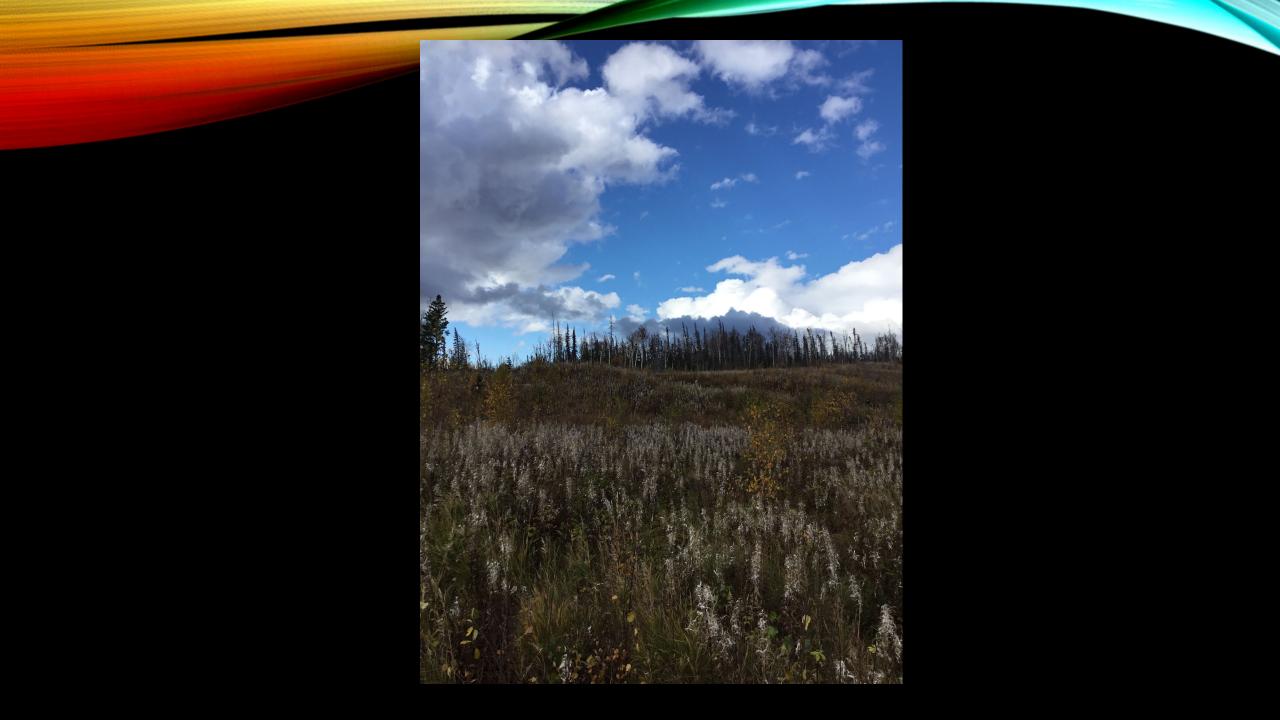
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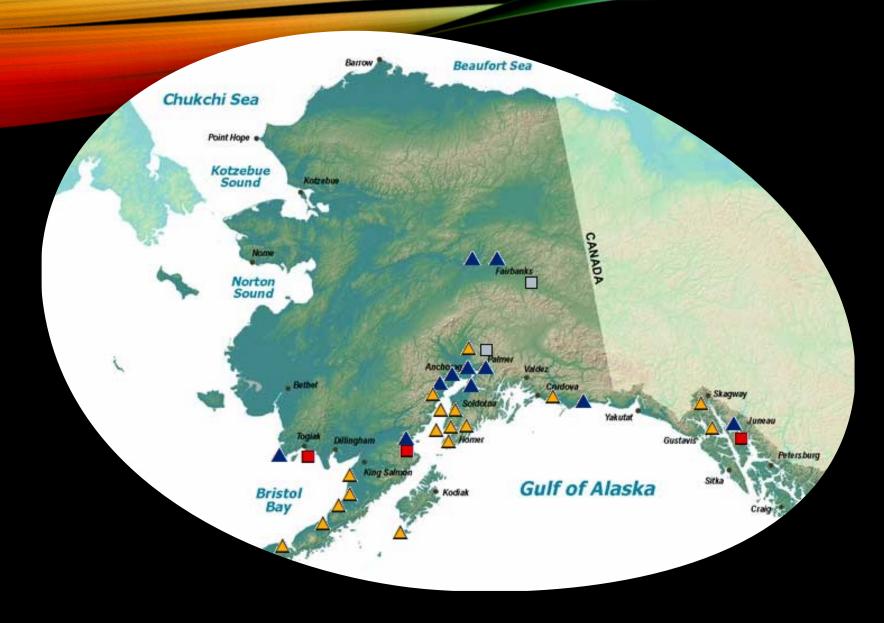






COORDINATING WILDLIFE HABITAT ENHANCEMENT WITH FUEL BREAKS

- Consistent with the 2020 Alaska Forest Action Plan, this concept provides for wildlife habitat through silvicultural practices based on guidance from agency literature
- ADFG can apply the same or similar public scoping process to the project as done by DOF&FP for the fuel break – or coordinate simultaneously
- Suggest to implement a cooperative agreement between agencies to describe the expectations, process, and other details to ensure feasibility and functionality.
- ADFG is planning to dedicate up to \$1M for habitat enhancement projects beginning FY24. Non-federal match is required; in-kind match is allowed fuel break construction does count toward a match.
- ADFG offers staff support to DOF&FP partnership projects.



OPPORTUNITIES TO ENHANCE HABITAT AND MITIGATE FIRE HAZARD CAN BE EXPLORED AT FUEL BREAK LOCATIONS NEAR COMMUNITIES AND ON ADFG REFUGES, CRITICAL HABITAT AREAS & WILDLIFE RANGES.