

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 272(RES)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/20/18

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES JOSEPHSON, Tarr

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

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

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

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

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

8                   (1) Township 20 South, Range 6 East, Fairbanks Meridian

9                           Protracted Section 11: That portion easterly of the ordinary high  
10                           water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the  
11                           Maclaren River

12                           Protracted Sections 12 - 13: All

13                           Protracted Section 14: That portion easterly of the ordinary high  
14                           water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the

Maclaren River

Protracted Section 23: That portion easterly of the ordinary high water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the Maclaren River

Protracted Sections 24 - 25: All

Protracted Section 26: That portion easterly of the ordinary high water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the Maclaren River

Protracted Sections 35 - 36: That portion easterly of the ordinary high water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the Maclaren River;

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

Protracted Sections 7 - 36: All;

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

Protracted Sections 7 - 36: All, excluding U.S. Survey No. 7153;

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

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

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

Protracted Section 23: E1/2

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

Protracted Section 25: W1/2

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

Protracted Section 34: SE1/4

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

Protracted Section 36: W1/2;

Tract A, the portions within the following protracted parts:

Sections 7 - 12: All

Section 13: NW1/4NW1/4

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

Sections 15 - 22: All

Section 23: W1/2

Section 26: NW1/4, N1/2SW1/4, SW1/4SW1/4

Sections 27 - 33: All

Section 34: N1/2, SW1/4

Section 35: W1/2NW1/4;

Tract B: All;

(5) Township 20 South, Range 10 East, Fairbanks Meridian

Protracted Section 7: S1/2

Protracted Section 18: NE1/4, W1/2, W1/2SE1/4

Protracted Section 19: N1/2NW1/4;

Tract A, the portions within the following protracted parts:

Section 18: E1/2SE1/4

Section 19: NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, S1/2

Sections 25 - 36: All;

Tract B, the portion within the following protracted part:

Section 7: N1/2;

(6) Township 20 South, Range 11 East, Fairbanks Meridian

Protracted Section 25: That portion westerly of the ordinary  
high water line of Summit Lake

Protracted Sections 26 - 35: All

Protracted Section 36: That portion westerly of the ordinary  
high water line of Summit Lake;

(7) Township 21 South, Range 6 East, Fairbanks Meridian

Protracted Section 1: That portion easterly of the ordinary high  
water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the  
Maclaren River and northerly of the northern boundary of the  
Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Section 2: That portion easterly of the ordinary high  
water line of the outermost channel of the left bank of the  
Maclaren River and northerly of the northern boundary of the  
Denali Highway right-of-way, excluding Lot 3, U.S. Survey

No. 4242;

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

Protracted Sections 1 - 4: All

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

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

Protracted Sections 9 - 12: All

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

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

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

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

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

Protracted Sections 1 - 15: All

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Protracted Section 25: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Sections 26 - 30: All

Protracted Section 31: That portion northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Section 32: All

Protracted Sections 33 - 36: Those portions northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way;

(12) Township 21 South, Range 11 East, Fairbanks Meridian

Protracted Section 1: That portion westerly of the ordinary high water line of Summit Lake

Protracted Sections 2 - 11: All

Protracted Sections 12 - 13: Those portions westerly of the ordinary high water line of Summit Lake

Protracted Section 14: All

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

Protracted Sections 17 - 18: All

Protracted Section 21: That portion northwesterly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

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

Protracted Section 24: That portion westerly of the ordinary high water line of Summit Lake

Protracted Section 25: Those portions of the W1/2NW1/4 and W1/2SW1/4 westerly of the ordinary high water line of Summit Lake and northerly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Section 26: Those portions northerly and easterly of the northern boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way

Protracted Section 27: That portion easterly of the northern

boundary of the Denali Highway right-of-way;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1 of those leases.

2 (e) Egress and ingress to and from private property within the parcels  
3 described in (a) of this section shall be allowed through access corridors established  
4 through agreement between the Department of Fish and Game, the Department of  
5 Natural Resources, and the private property owners involved.

6 (f) The Department of Fish and Game and the Department of Natural  
7 Resources

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

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

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