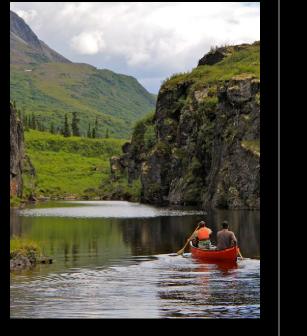


Nearly everyone who floats the Delta takes out just north of Phelan Creek at mile 212.5 on the Richardson Highway. The exact take-out location varies from year to year due to changes in the river channel. Parking is available adjacent to the river and the take-out is marked with a large yellow sign. The vehicle shuttle distance from the Tangle Lakes launch point to the take-out is 49 miles one way.



The Delta River Falls The falls of the Delta River must be bypassed by way of a half-mile portage.



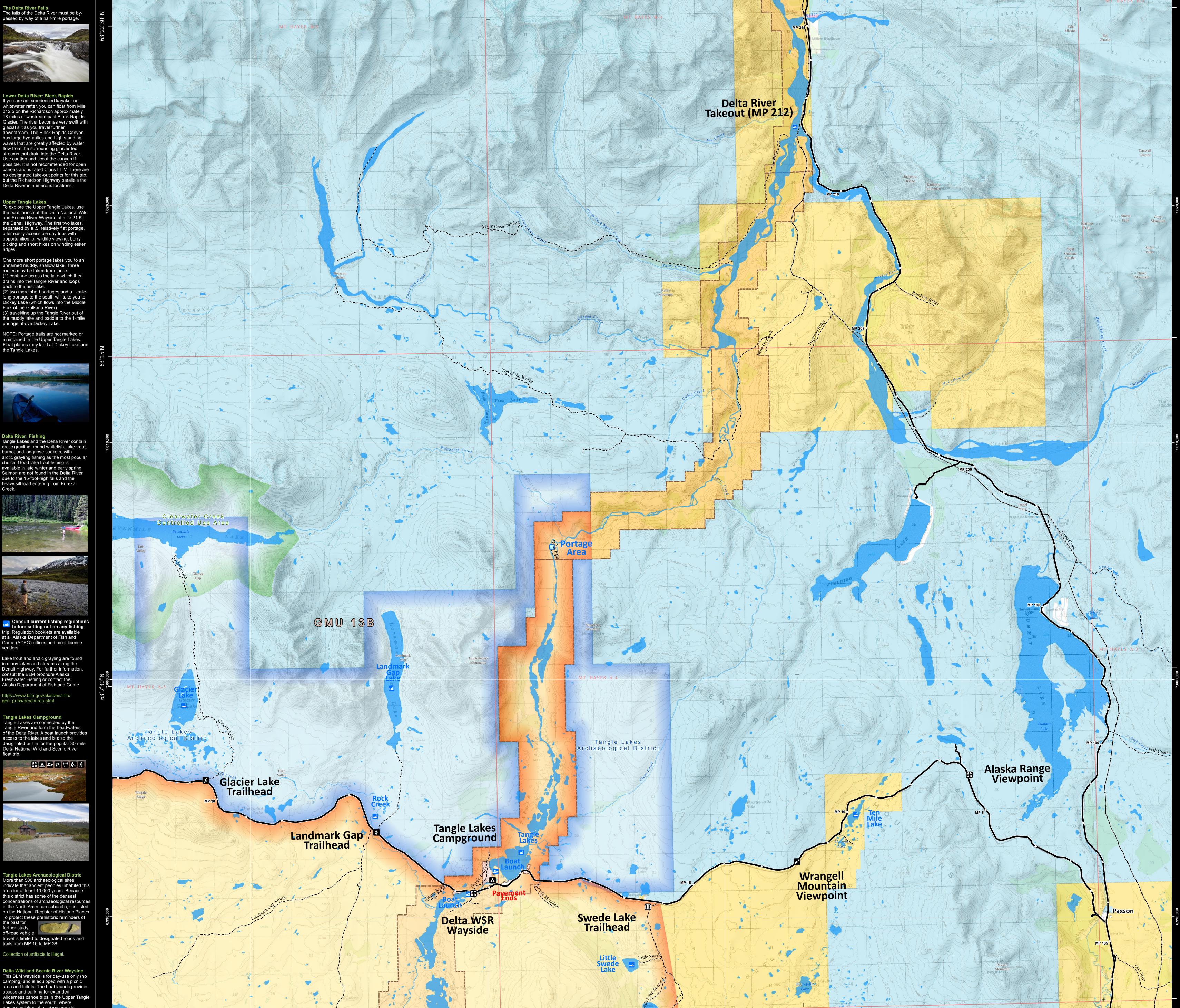
Lower Delta River: Black Rapids If you are an experienced kayaker or whitewater rafter, you can float from Mile 212.5 on the Richardson approximately 18 miles downstream past Black Rapids Glacier. The river becomes very swift with glacial silt as you travel further downstream. The Black Rapids Canyon has large hydraulics and high standing waves that are greatly affected by water flow from the surrounding glacier fed streams that drain into the Delta River. Use caution and scout the canyon if possible. It is not recommended for open canoes and is rated Class III-IV. There are no designated take-out points for this trip, but the Richardson Highway parallels the Delta River in numerous locations.

Upper Tangle Lakes To explore the Upper Tangle Lakes, use the boat launch at the Delta National Wild and Scenic River Wayside at mile 21.5 of the Denali Highway. The first two lakes, separated by a .5, relatively flat portage, offer easily accessible day trips with offer easily accessible day trips with opportunities for wildlife viewing, berry picking and short hikes on winding esker ridges.

One more short portage takes you to an unnamed muddy, shallow lake. Three routes may be taken from there: (1) continue across the lake which then drains into the Tangle River and loops back to the first lake. (2) two more short portages and a 1-milelong portage to the south will take you to Dickey Lake (which flows into the Middle Fork of the Gulkana River).
(3) travel/line up the Tangle River out of the muddy lake and paddle to the 1-mile portage above Dickey Lake.

NOTE: Portage trails are not marked or maintained in the Upper Tangle Lakes. Float planes may land at Dickey Lake and the Tangle Lakes.







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Delta River: Fishing Tangle Lakes and the Delta River contain arctic grayling, round whitefish, lake trout, burbot and longnose suckers, with arctic grayling fishing as the most popular choice. Good lake trout fishing is available in late winter and early spring. Salmon are not found in the Delta River due to the 15-foot-high falls and the heavy silt load entering from Eureka Creek.





Consult current fishing regulations before setting out on any fishing trip. Regulation booklets are available at all Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADFG) offices and most license vendors.

Lake trout and arctic grayling are found in many lakes and streams along the Denali Highway. For further information, consult the BLM brochure Alaska Freshwater Fishing or contact the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

Tangle Lakes Campground Tangle Lakes are connected by the Tangle River and form the headwaters of the Delta River. A boat launch provides access to the lakes and is also the designated put-in for the popular 30-mile Delta National Wild and Scenic River float trip.





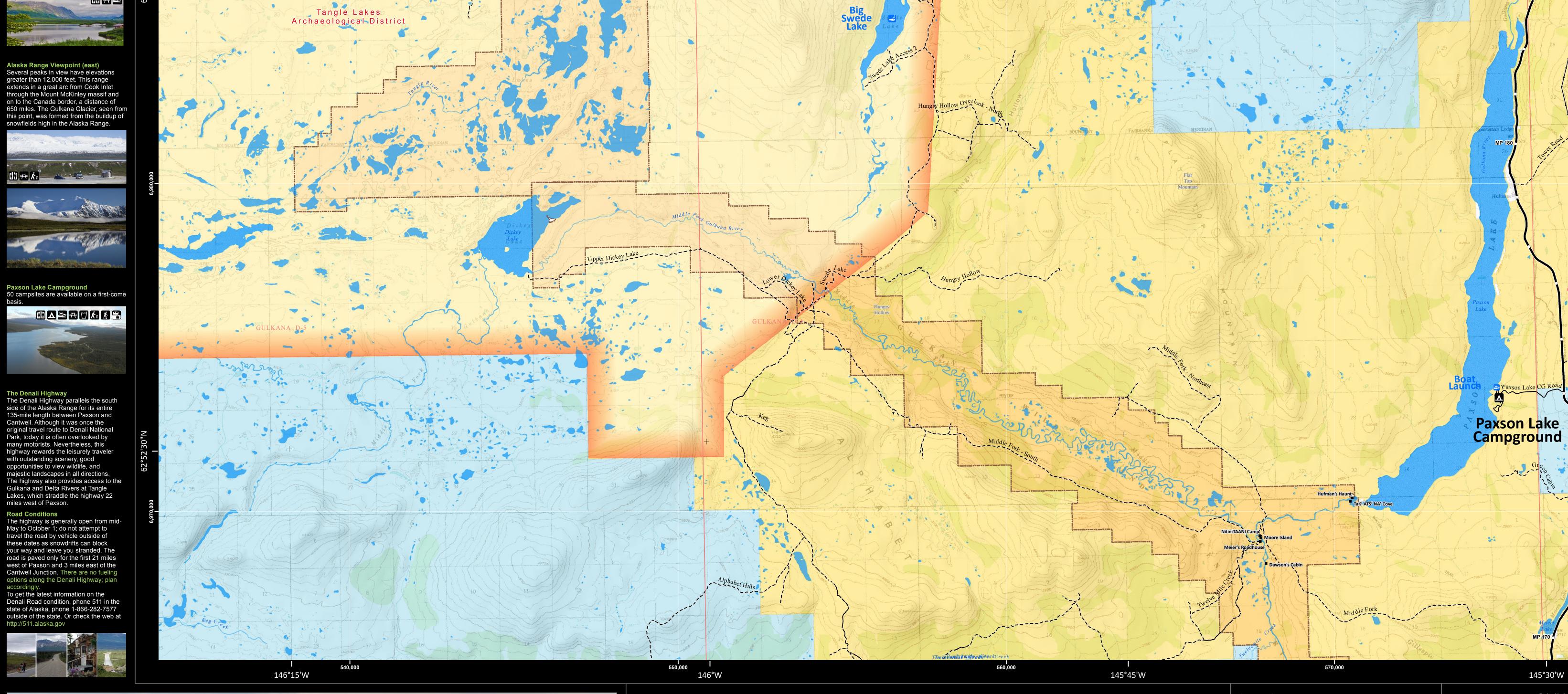
Tangle Lakes Archaeological Distric More than 500 archaeological sites indicate that ancient peoples inhabited this area for at least 10,000 years. Because this district has some of the densest concentrations of archaeological resources in the North American subarctic, it is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. To protect these prehistoric reminders of the past for further study, off-road vehicle travel is limited to designated roads and trails from MP 16 to MP 38.

Collection of artifacts is illegal.

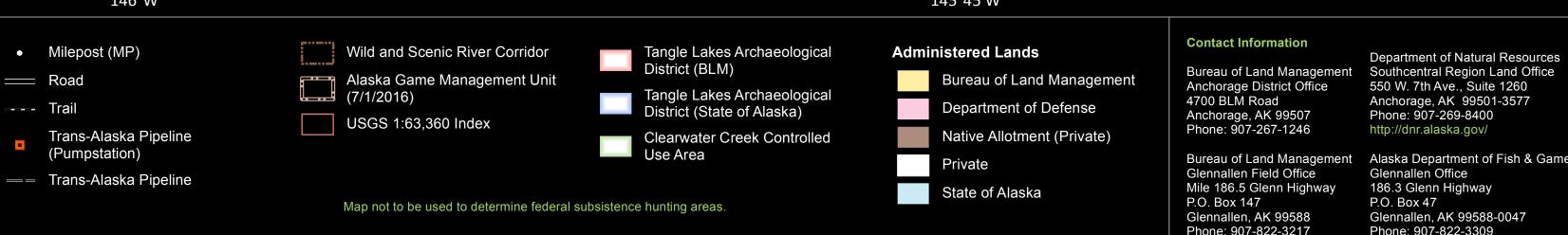
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Delta Wild and Scenic River Wayside This BLM wayside is for day-use only (no camping) and is equipped with a picnic area and toilets. The boat launch provides access and parking for extended wilderness canoe trips in the Upper Tangle Lakes system to the south, where numerous lakes of all sizes provide important wildlife habitat.







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