

2015 CHRISTMAS TREE CUTTING ON THE KENAI PENINSULA



Chugach National Forest Only on National Forest lands; visit www.fs.usda.gov/chugach or call 743-9500. Tree cutting map at http://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5341161.pdf.



Kenai National Wildlife Refuge Refuge lands only; see <http://www.alaskacenters.gov/upload/usfw-kenai-tree.pdf> or call 262-7021.



Alaska Division of Forestry See tree-cutting maps below. All identified State lands except State Parks and DOT right-of-ways. For more information, call 269-4200.



Homer Electric Association In power line corridors/easements and with current property owner approval. Cut & remove with safety in mind. For more information, call 283-5831.



Kenai Peninsula Borough Only on Borough lands, for casual personal use. For more information, call 714-2205/1-800-478-4441.



Alaska State Parks Not permitted on Kenai Peninsula/Prince William Sound.



Ninilchik Native Association Not permitted.



CIRI Not permitted.



Alaska Department of Transportation Not permitted on State road right of ways.

For more information, contact Judith Reese with the Alaska Division of Forestry at 907-761-6268 (office) or judith.reese@alaska.gov.

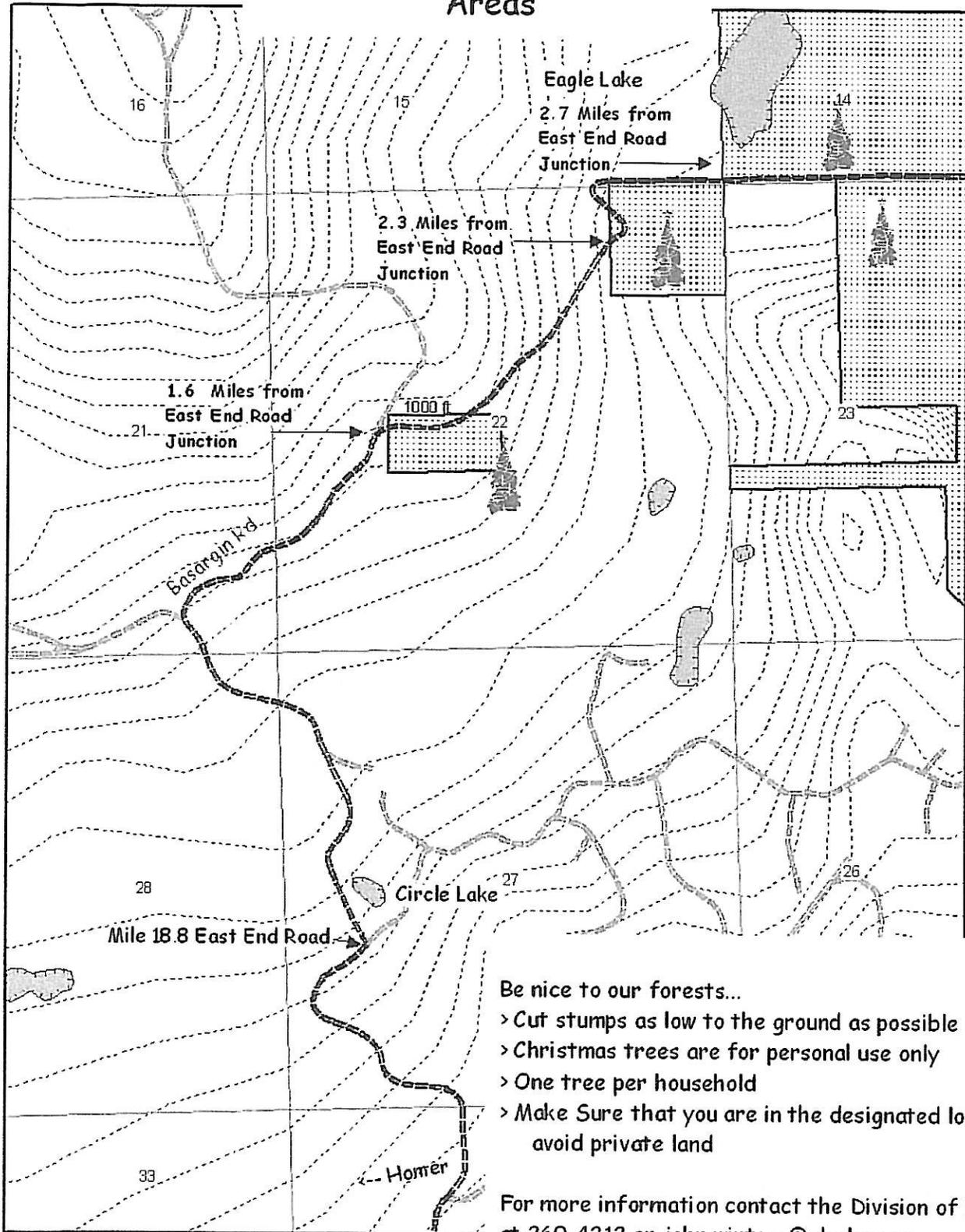
Happy tree cutting and Merry Christmas!

DNR PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTER

269-8400 ~ <http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/>



East End Road Personal Use Christmas Tree Areas



- Be nice to our forests...
- > Cut stumps as low to the ground as possible
 - > Christmas trees are for personal use only
 - > One tree per household
 - > Make Sure that you are in the designated locations-- avoid private land

For more information contact the Division of Forestry at 260-4212 or john.winters@alaska.gov

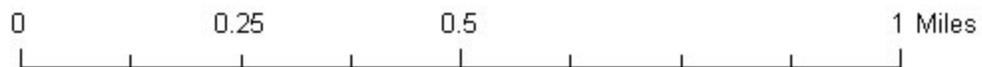
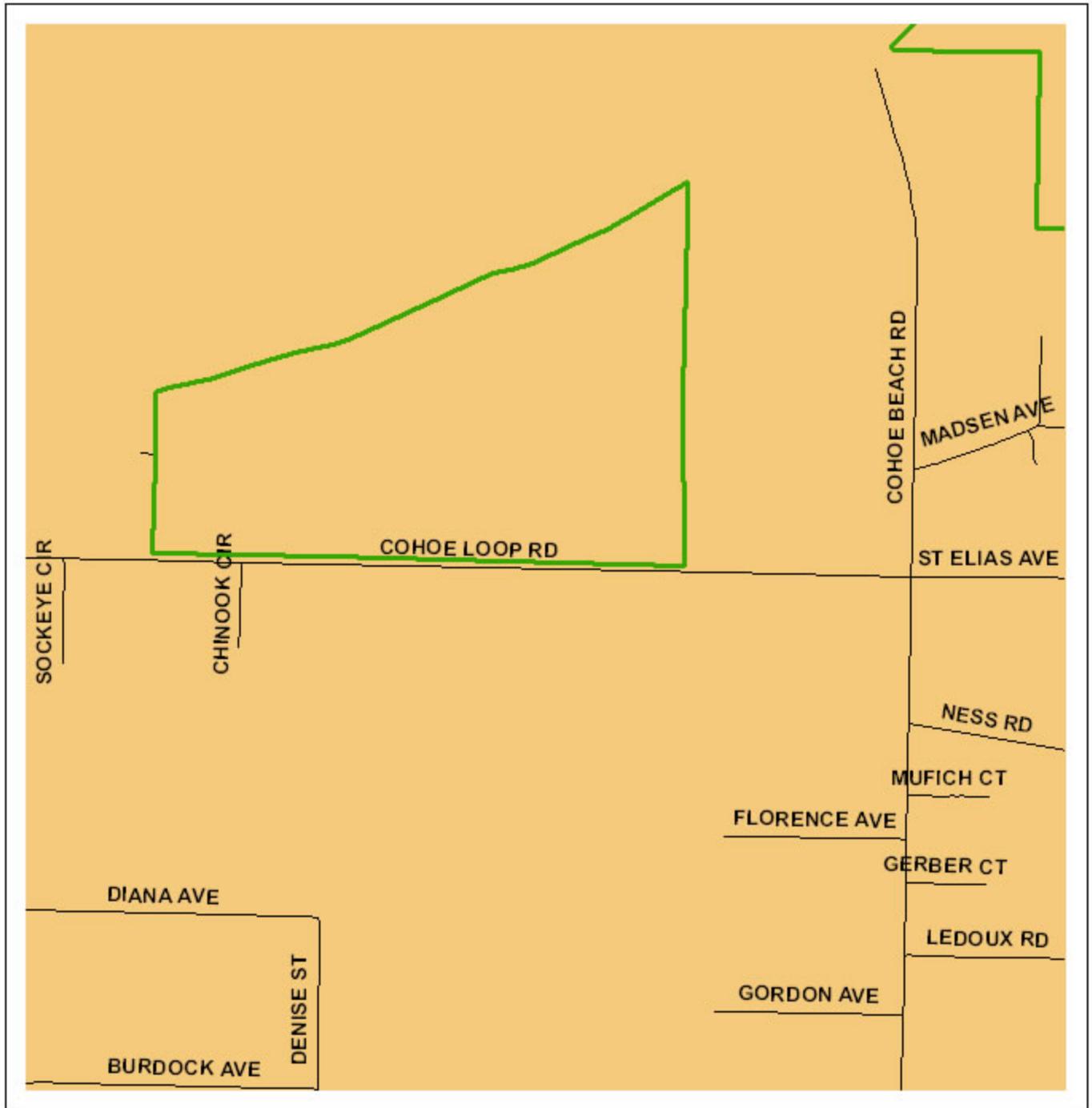


Division of Forestry
Kenai - Kodiak Area
42499 Sterling Highway
Soldna, Alaska

North



North Coho Bluff Christmas Tree Harvest Area



 State Land

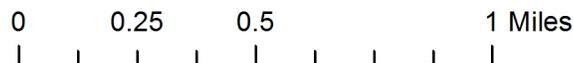
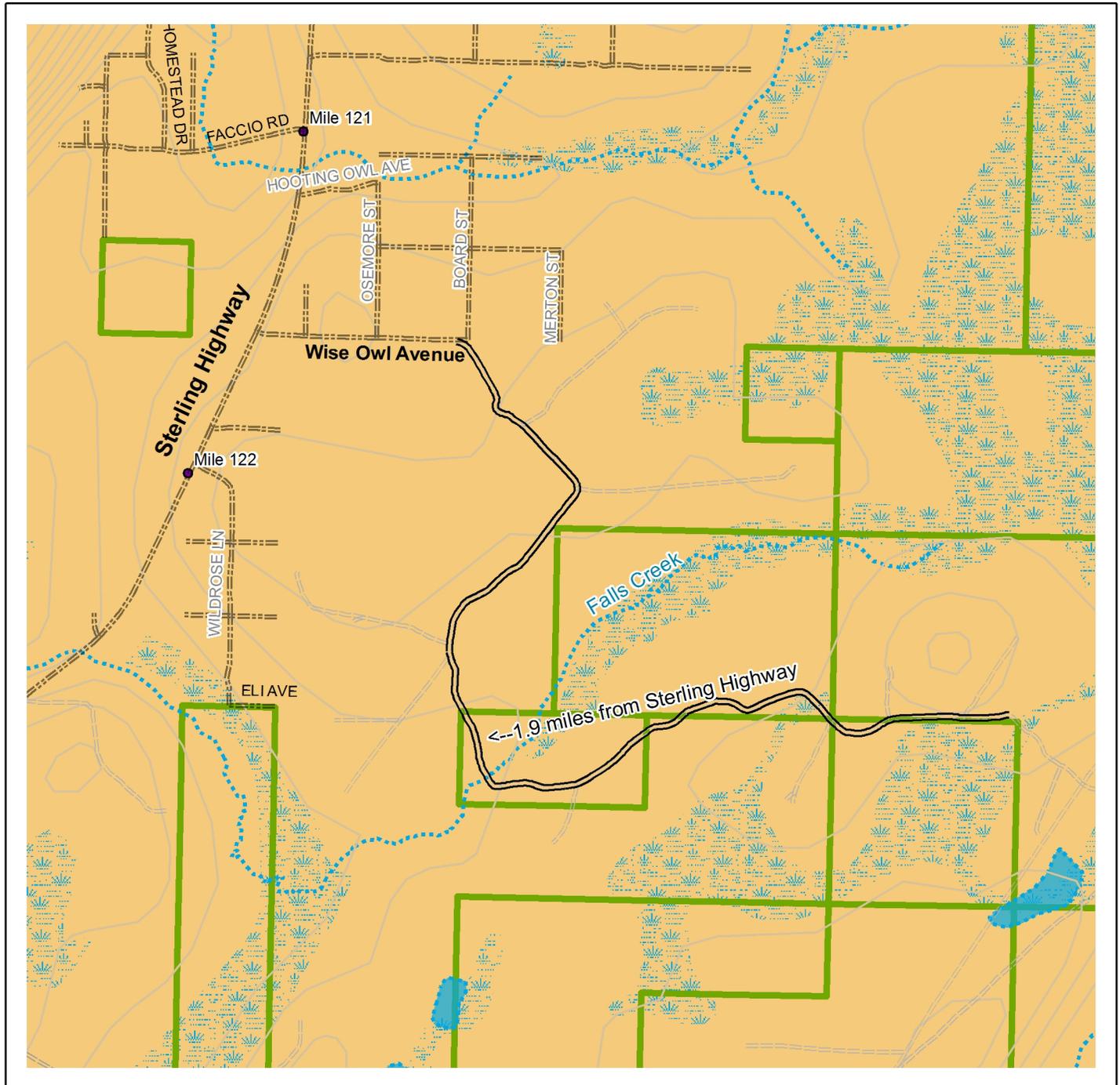
- Make sure that you harvest trees located on state land
- Always cut trees with safety in mind
- For further information, contact the Alaska Division of Forestry at 260-4212



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Wise Owl (Falls Creek) Road Christmas Tree Harvest Area



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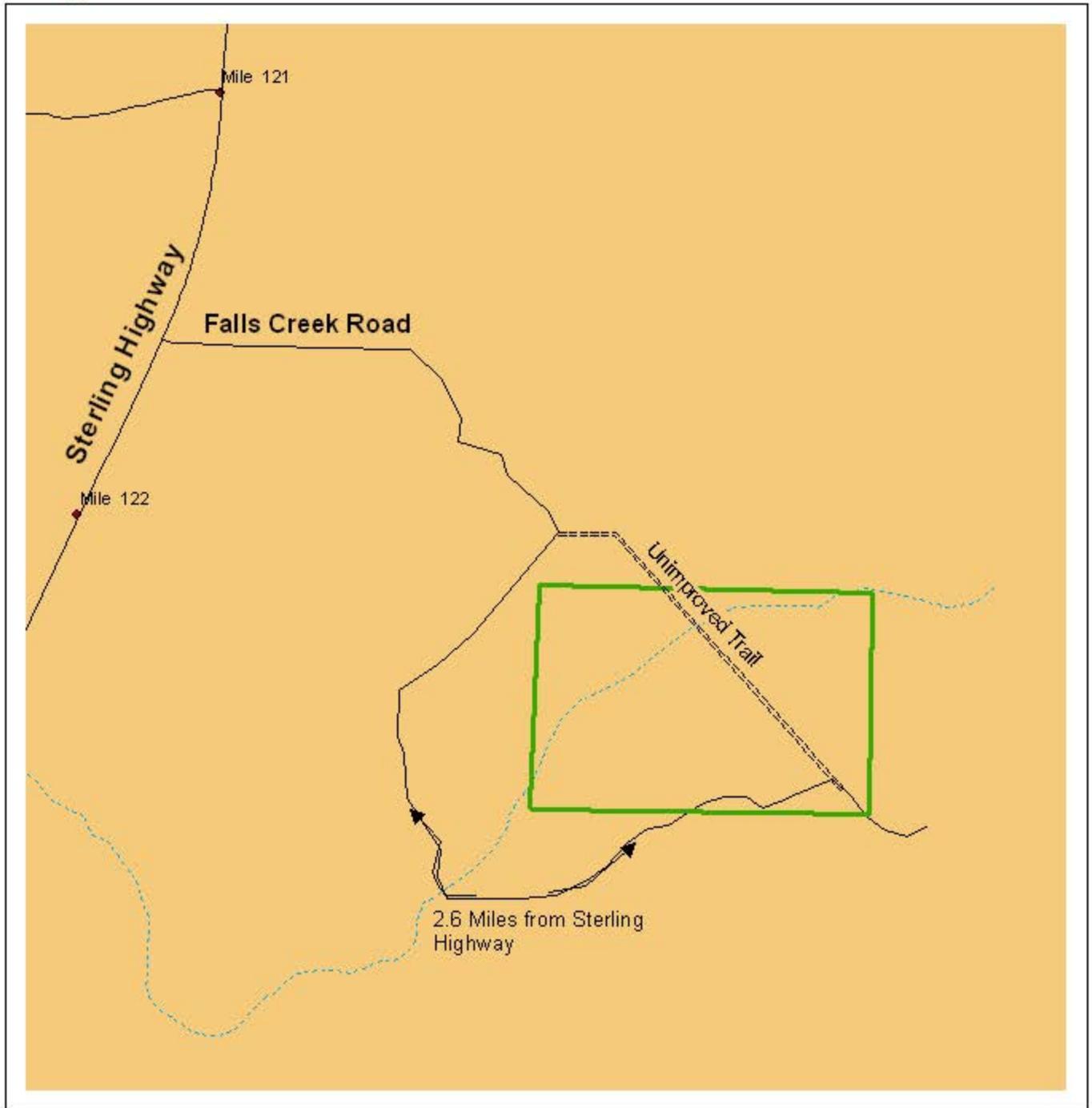
- Christmas trees are for personal use only--not for resale.
- Make sure that you harvest trees located on state land
- Always cut trees with safety in mind
- Limited Vehicle Access--Snowmachine / ATV recommended
- For further information, contact the Alaska Division of Forestry at 260-4200



North



Falls Creek Road Christmas Tree Harvest Area



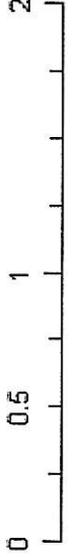
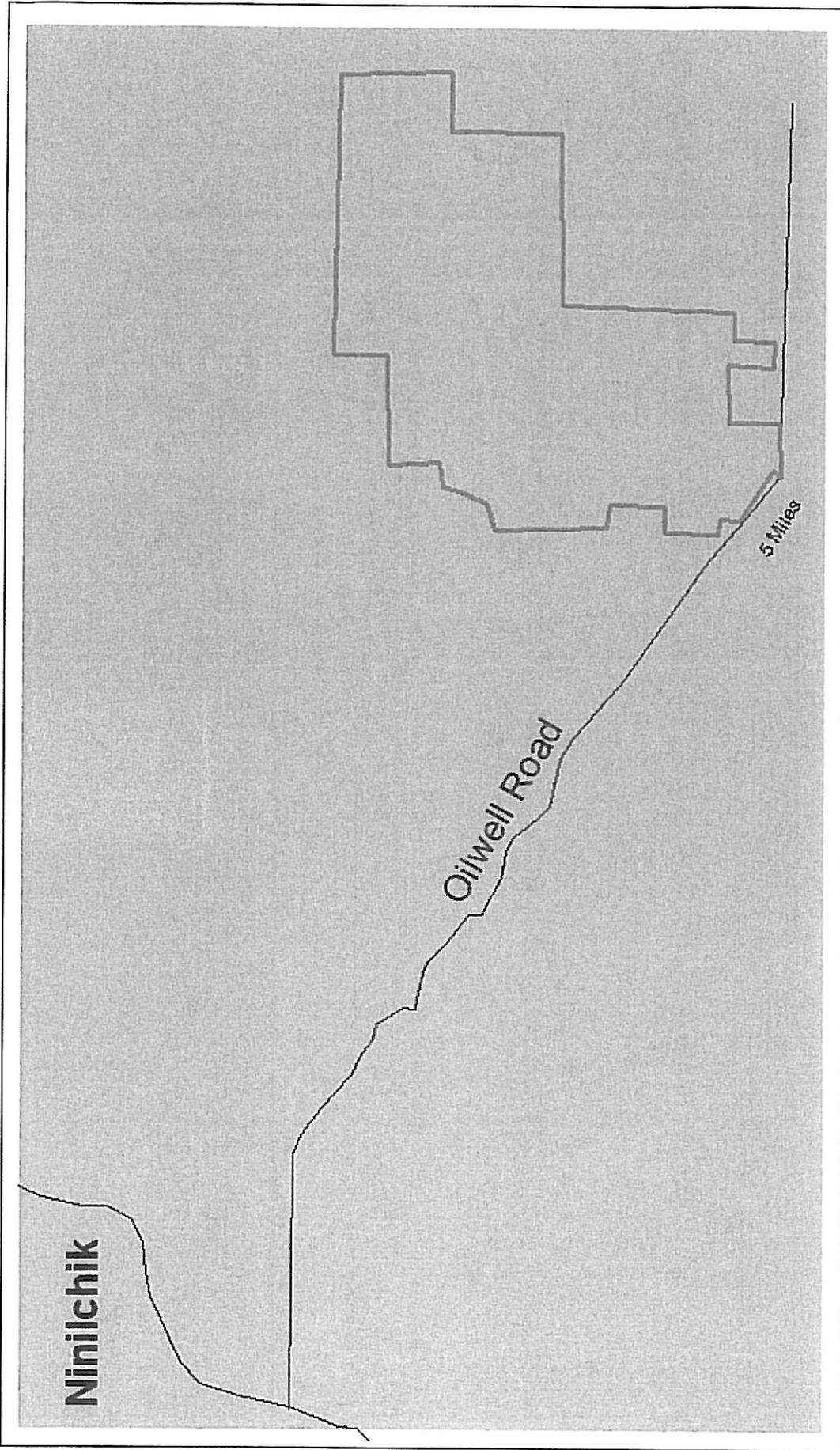
 State Land

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Oilwell Road Christmas Tree Harvest Area



State Land

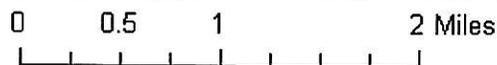
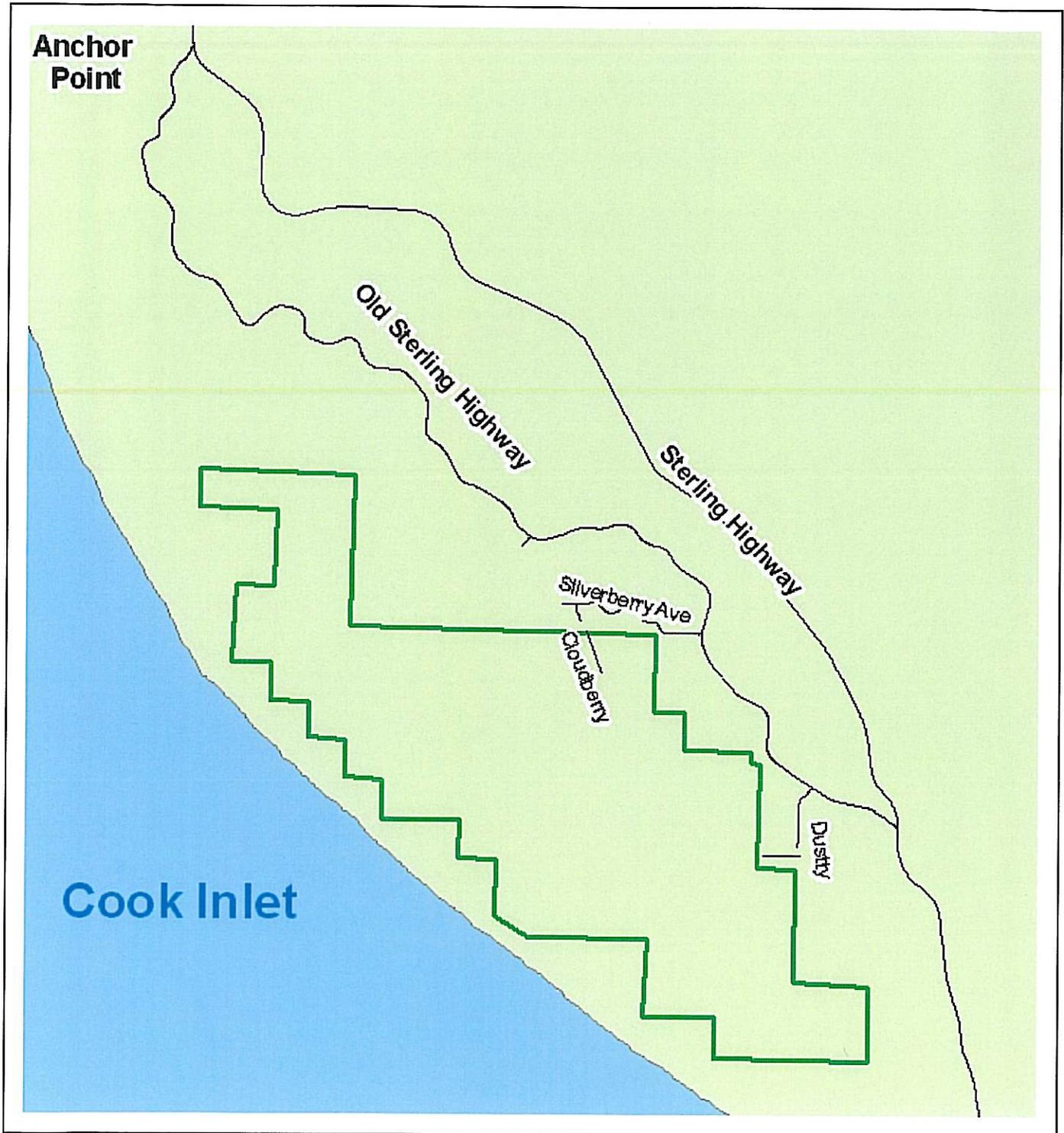
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- Limited Vehicle Access--Snowmachine / ATV recommended
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North



Old Sterling Highway Christmas Tree Harvest Area



 State Land

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- Always cut trees with safety in mind
- Limited Vehicle Access--Snowmachine / ATV recommended
- For further information, contact the Alaska Division of Forestry at 260-1212





KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
Land Management Division
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www.kpb.us/landmgt/about-landmgt

Public Land Information

Guidelines for Cutting Christmas Trees on Borough Land

The cutting of Christmas trees on Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) land can be a generally allowable casual use of borough land under the following guidelines.

Cutting of Christmas trees on KPB land is considered a casual use if:

- It is conducted as a dispersed use involving only minimal disturbance to the land and the appearance of the property;
- It does not involve vehicles or machinery which disturbs the ground surface or creates trails. Appropriate use of existing roads or motorized vehicle trails for general access is allowable;
- It is conducted on vacant borough property that is not for sale, is not occupied by another use, and is not currently leased or permitted to another user;
- It does not create a hazard or disturbance to another user, adjacent property, travel ways or utility lines;
- It is limited to one tree per individual, between Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day;
- It is not for commercial purposes;
- Stumps should be cut as close to the ground surface as possible.

These guidelines are an implementation of the casual use provisions under KPB 17.10.190 and 17.10.250(C). If you have any questions please contact the KPB Land Management Division at 714-2205 or toll-free at 1-800-478-4441.

Please be good stewards as you enjoy your public lands

17.10.190. Casual use of borough land

- A. A casual use does not create an interest in the title of the land.
- B. The casual use of borough land does not require a permit.
- C. The mayor may close any and all borough land to casual use by issuing a written order that contains a finding that an emergency exists and a statement of the facts on which the finding is based. The mayor shall publish notice of the locations of borough land that the mayor has closed to casual use.

17.10.250. Definitions

- C. "Casual Use" means a use of borough land that is nonexclusive and involves only minimal disturbance to the land. Nonexclusive examples of a casual use are hiking, cross country skiing, snow machining, berry picking, hunting, brushing survey lines or trails where roots are not disturbed, livestock drives, and the use of all-terrain vehicles off an established road or right-of-way but on an existing trail. However, hiking trails or consistent use for hiking and establishing hunting camps do not constitute a casual use.

Kenai National Wildlife Refuge Christmas Tree Cutting Program



Dates: Thanksgiving to Christmas each year. The Refuge Manager makes a news release to announce the date.

How Many? One tree per family.

Where? Kenai National Wildlife Refuge **except for** the 2 square mile area by the refuge visitor center on Ski Hill Rd. by Soldotna.

You must cut trees **150 ft.** (50 - 70 adult walking strides) from refuge roads, trail heads, campgrounds, picnic areas, and waterways (lakes, rivers, streams, etc.).

Please trim tree stumps as close as possible to the ground for safety reasons.

Closest Area to Soldotna - Travel out Funny River Rd. past the Soldotna Airport. Look for the refuge boundary sign. Beginning at this sign, trees can be taken for 6 miles on the right hand (south) side of the road.

Closest Area to Sterling - Travel out Swanson River Rd. until you see the refuge boundary sign (near Mosquito Lake - mi. 7.6 Swanson River Rd.). From this point you may select a tree as you travel north along Swanson River Rd. or if you continue east on Swan Lake Rd.

If you use the oil field access roads to take a tree, you must be on foot, horse, or snowmobile. You may use snowmobiles only if the refuge has been officially opened to snowmobile access. Check with refuge staff for opening dates.

Closest Area to Cooper Landing - Travel on the Sterling Highway until you see the refuge boundary sign. There are two major road access areas to look for a tree. These are the Sterling Highway from milepost 55 to 76 and Skilak Lake Rd. (19 miles long).

Questions? Contact:



Kenai National Wildlife Refuge
Ski Hill Rd.
P. O. Box 2139
Soldotna, AK 99669
907-262-702





U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Kenai National Wildlife Refuge

Soldotna, Alaska

Christmas Tree Cutting - Access Roads



Christmas Tree Cutting Chugach National Forest

