

#### **Alaska Department of Natural Resources Update**

The Alaska Support Industry Alliance

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- LAND BASE & OWNERSHIP -

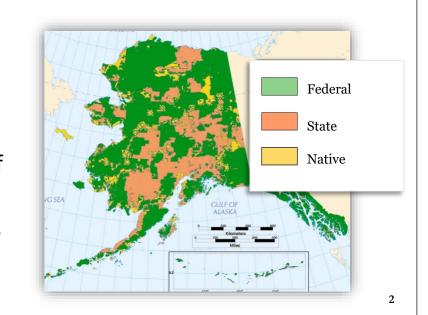


#### **Land Base**

- 586,412 sq. miles—more than twice the size of Texas
- Larger than all but 18 sovereign nations
- More coastline than all other 49 states combined
- More than 3 million lakes; half of world's glaciers

#### **Land Ownership**

- Federal Land: (~60.3%) more than 200 million acres
- State Land: (~27.4%) Approx. 100 million acres of uplands
- Native Corporation Land: (~12%) 44 million acres
- Private: (<1%) Approx. 1 million acres</li>



#### - OIL & GAS RESOURCE POTENTIAL-

#### **North Slope**

- More undiscovered, potentially recoverable oil than any other Arctic nation
  - OIL: Est. 40 billion barrels of conventional oil
  - GAS: Est. over 200 trillion cubic feet of conventional natural gas
- Untapped unconventional resource potential, including tens of billions of barrels of heavy oil, shale oil, and viscous oil, and hundreds of trillions of cubic feet of shale gas, tight gas, and gas hydrates

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- Significant undiscovered resources remain
  - 19 trillion cubic feet of natural gas
  - 600 million barrels of oil
  - 46 million barrels of natural gas liquids

Sources: USGS & BOEM

Compared to most basins, Alaska is relatively underexplored, with 500 exploration wells on the North Slope, compared to Wyoming's 19,000.



- OIL & GAS OUTLOOK -

2018 Fall Lease Sale brought the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest amount of winning bids since 1998

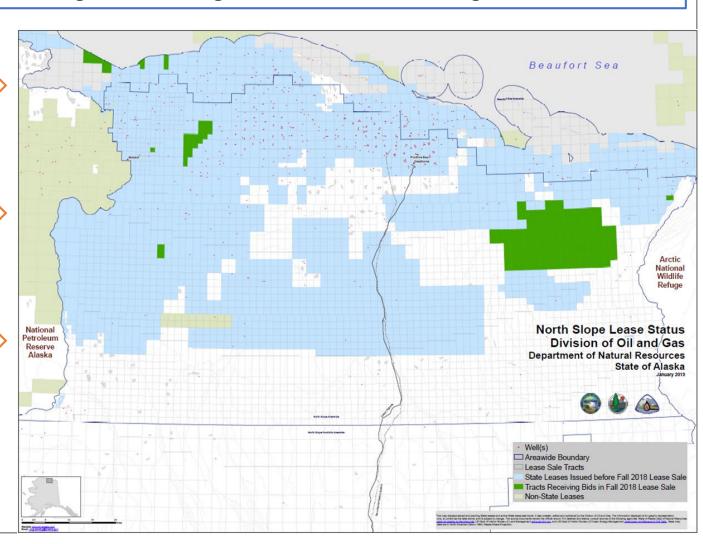
Total Bonus Bid: \$29,234,028.10

Highest Bid Per

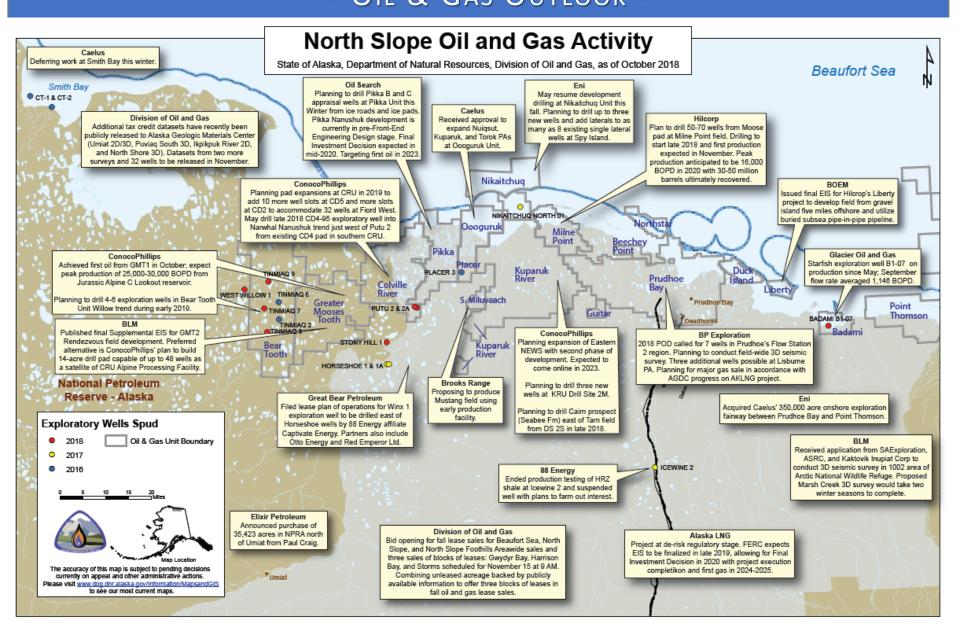
Acre: **\$586.00** 

Total Leased Acres:

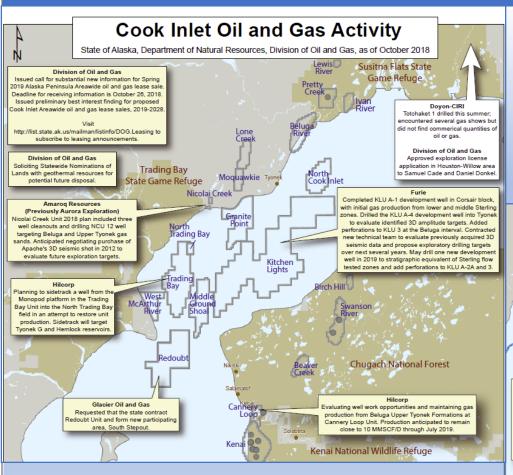
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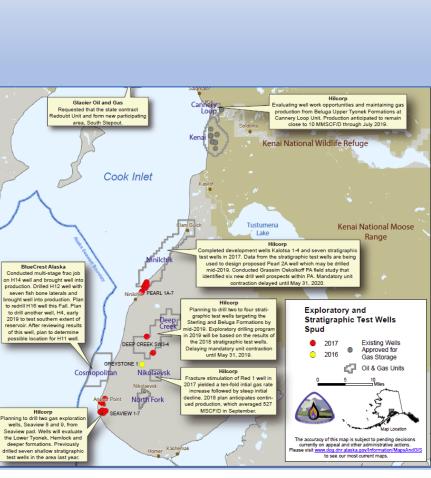


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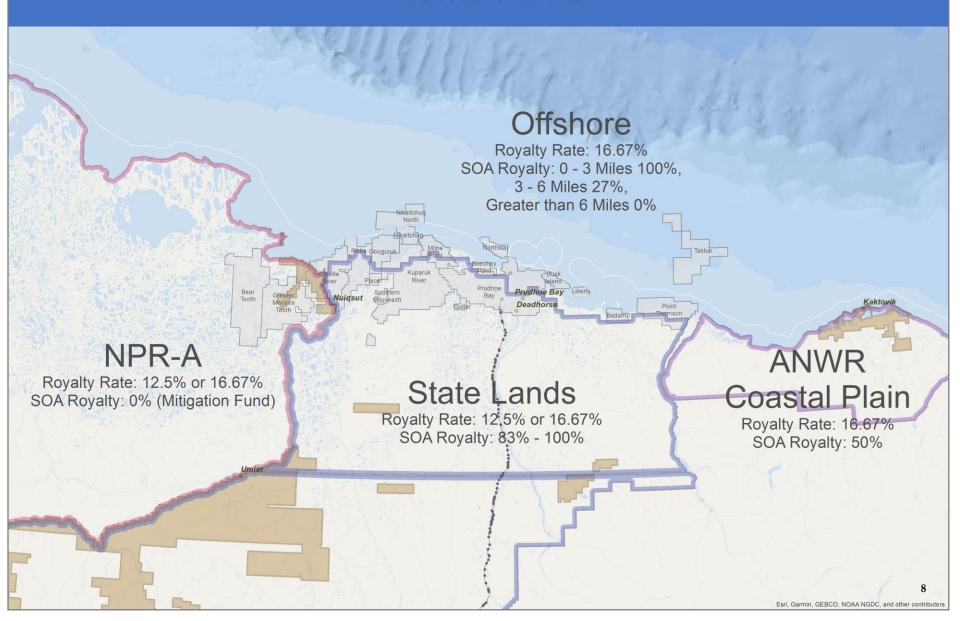




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- 2019 is expected to be the busiest year in the last 10 years for exploration and production rig activity.
- Pikka, Mustang, and Placer finds demonstrate great potential.
- New data suggests enormous potential in Nanushuk and Torok formations.
- Legacy fields including Prudhoe and Kuparuk have exceeded internal expectations through infield work.
- Smaller companies, like Caelus, Great Bear & Armstrong, are engaging in exploration plans that will help maximize TAPS throughput into the future.
- New players, like Oil Search, indicate industry acknowledgment of large, viable fields that were unknown.
- Continuous work with North Slope communities, presidential administration, and Congressional delegation on Arctic energy policy and decision making that support responsible development (ANWR Coastal Plain, OCS, NPR-A)

- ROYALTY RATE-



- STATUS OF MINERAL INDUSTRY-

12%

105%

38%

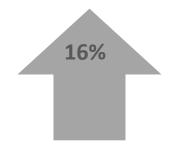
**7**%

Value of Alaska's Mineral Industry (\$3.15 Billion)

Exploration Expenditures (\$120.8 million)

Development Expenditures (\$299.5 Million)

Estimated Revenue to Industry



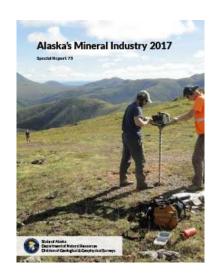
**State Mining Claims** 



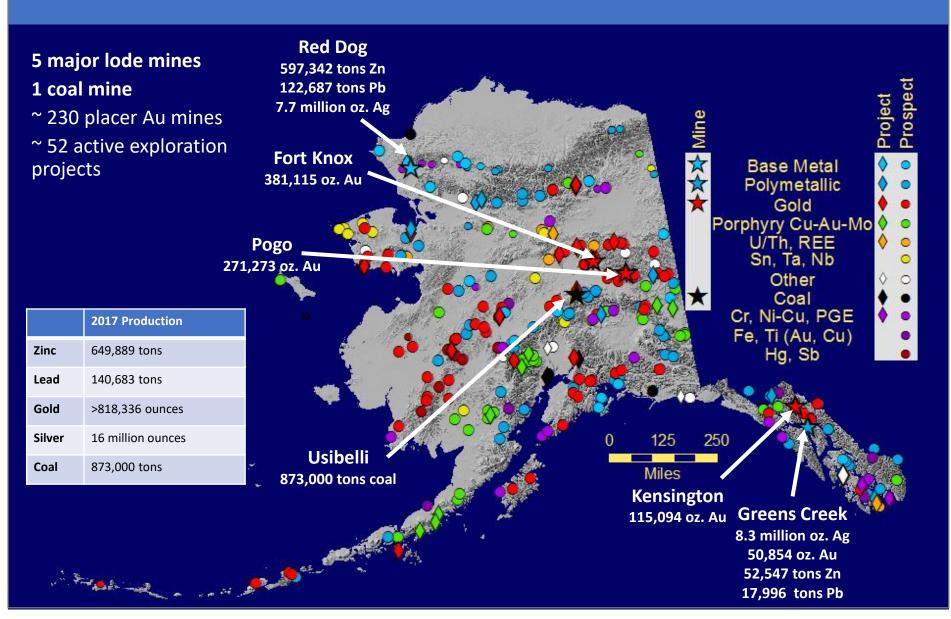
New Claims



Full-Time Employment



- 2017 MINERAL PRODUCTION -



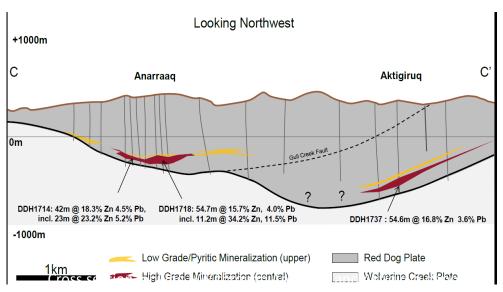
- AKTIGIRUQ ZN-PB-AG [TECK]-

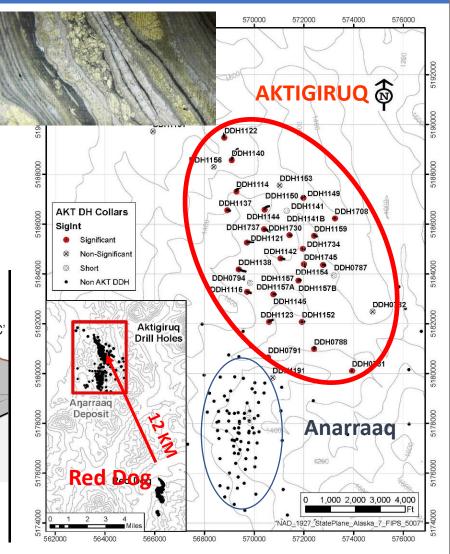
Sediment-hosted massive sulfide deposit Anarraag resource:

-Inferred: 26 M tonnes @ 13.8% Zn, 4.3% Pb, 84.3 g/T Ag

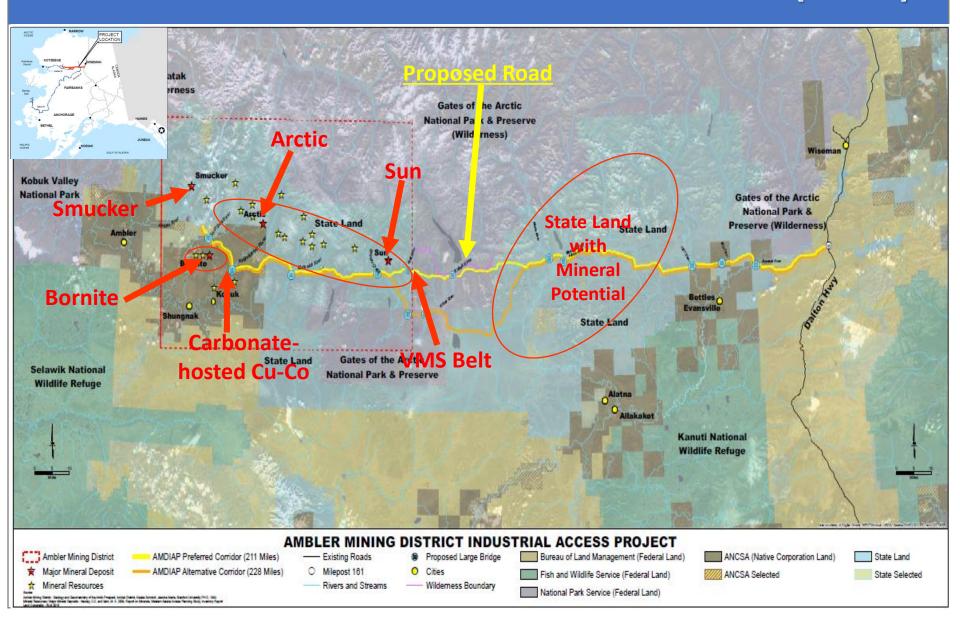
#### 2018 Aktigiruq program:

- -Drilling program
- -Ore body is 400 to 1,000 m below surface
- -2016 drilling encountered 54.6 m @ 16.8% Zn, 3.63% Pb (DDH1737)





- AMBLER MINING DISTRICT INDUSTRIAL ACCESS PROJECT [AIDEA]



#### - ARCTIC VMS (TRILOGY METALS / SOUTH32 LIMITED)-

#### New PFS:

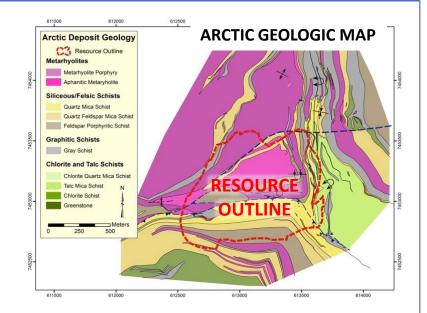
- -Ave. annual payable production: >159 M lbs. Cu, 199 M lbs. Zn, 33 M lbs. Pb, 30,600 oz. Au, & 3.3 M oz. Ag
- -12-year mine life
- -Estimated pre-tax & after-tax payback of 2 years
- -Converted indicated mineral resources to probable reserves
- -Pre-tax 38.0% IRR; \$1,935 million NPV at 8%

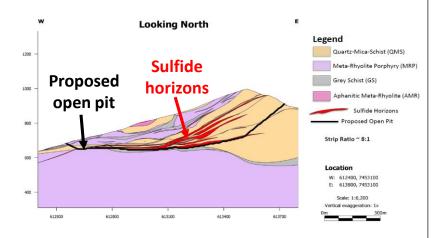
Resource: (based on 152 DDH)

Oct 2017	Million Tonnes	Cu %	Zn %	Pb %	Au g/T	Ag g/T
Indicated	36	3.07	4.23	0.73	0.63	47.6
Inferred	3.5	1.71	2.72	0.6	0.36	28.7
Total	39.5	2.95	4.09	0.73	0.61	45.9

#### 2018 program (US\$6.7 million):

- -Completed ore-sorting program
- -Geotechnical & hydrological studies
- -Preparing for feasibility study & starting permitting in 2019
- -Working with AIEDA to advance the Ambler Mining District Industrial Access Road Project; BLM working on EIS.





- BORNITE CARBONATE-HOSTED CU-CO (TRILOGY METALS / SOUTH32 LIMITED)-

#### 2018 program (US\$10.8 M):

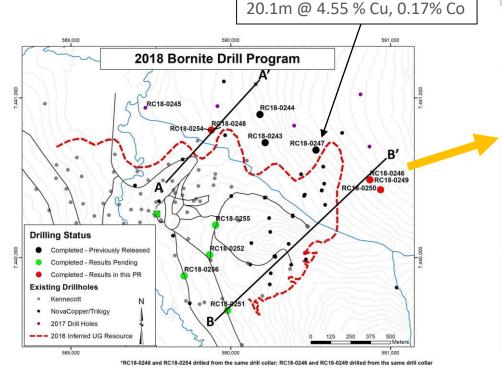
- 12 holes; total 10,123 m of infill & off-set drilling
- Seismic survey
- Metallurgical testing: produce Cu concentrates of

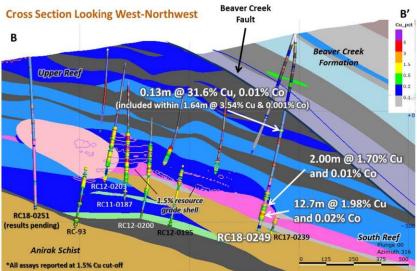
24% - 33% Cu; & no deleterious metals

2019 program: Anticipated ~US\$9.2 million budget

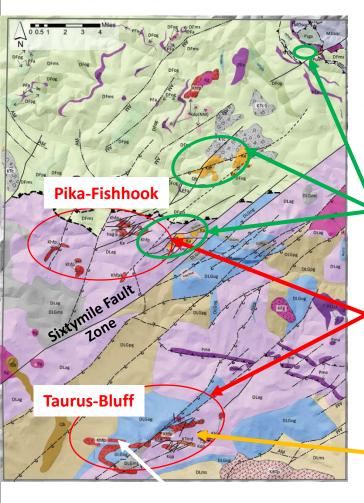
Million Cu % Co % **Tonnes** Indicated 40.5 0.017 1.02 Inferred 141.9 0.025 1.74 Total 182.4 1.24 0.019

Contained metal: 77 M lbs. Co & 5.45 B lbs. Cu





- DGGS Mapping Tanacross Quadrangle Porphyry District-



**Qtz Monzonite** 

Hbl-Feldspar Porphyry (68-70 Ma)

#### Taurus Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au Deposit

**Unofficial resource:** 75.2 M tons @ 0.275% Cu, 0.032 Mo, 0.166 g/T Au

#### **Notable intercepts (2008) East Taurus:**

-772 feet of 0.309% Cu, 0.036% Mo, 0.245 g/T Au -179 feet of 0.258% Cu, 0.026% Mo, 0.149 g/T Au

Andesite (66 Ma?)

Hbl porphyry (66.3 Ma)

Taurus
Qtz-Feldspar
Porphyry
(70-72 Ma)



Potassic Alteration with Cu-Mo-Au





Quartz-sericite-pyrite



#### - GRAPHITE CREEK (GRAPHITE ONE RESOURCES) -

USA's largest, large-flake graphite deposit

#### 2018 Program:

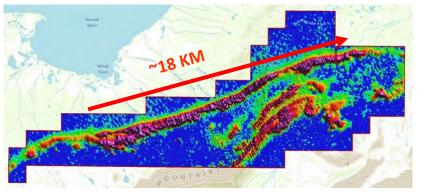
- -6 holes, 800 m of in-fill drilling
- -Additional metallurgical testing
- -Alternative access routes
- -Initiate environmental surveys
- -Collect data for future PES



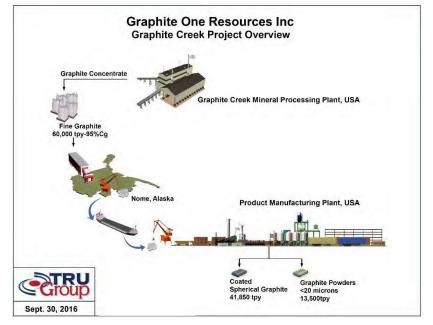
#### 2017 PEA:

- -Open-pit: 1.11 M tonnes graphite-bearing material/year
- -40-year mine life
- -41,850 tonnes of high-grade coated spherical graphite/year for lithium-ion battery applications
- -13,500 tonnes of refined, sub-20-micron graphite powder/year for various end-uses.

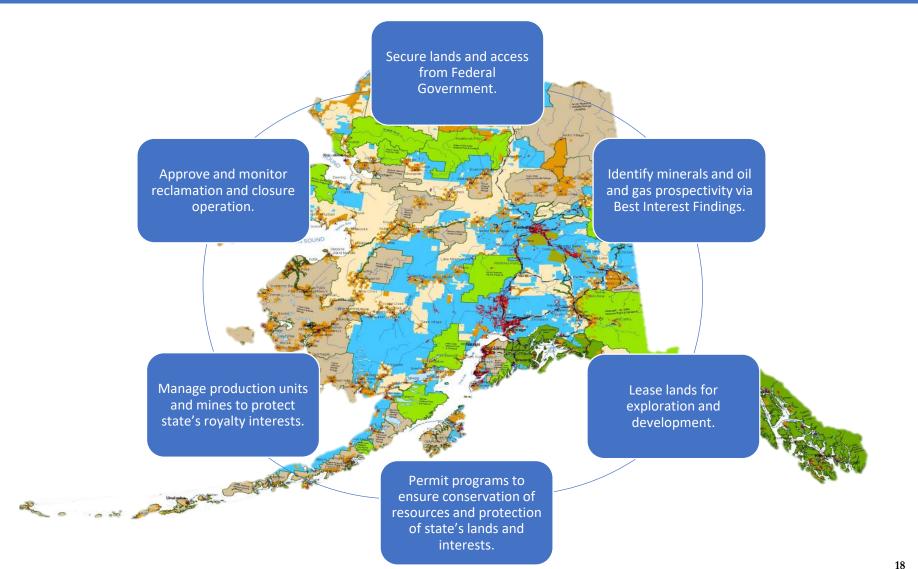
6% cutoff	Million Tonnes	Cg %
Indicated	10.3	7.2
Inferred	71.2	7.0
Total	81.5	7.0



Time-Domain Electromagnetic Survey (red=conductive graphitic units)



- DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES LAND LIFE CYCLE -



## THANK YOU!

