

## MANAGEMENT UNIT: MORaine RIDGE

### MANAGEMENT INTENT

- Moraine Ridge is well suited for settlement due to its well drained soils and varied terrain offering lakes and excellent views. The unit lies encircled by other management units where limited settlement is anticipated: the Nancy Lakes Recreation Area and Little Susitna Recreation Corridor, the Susitna Game Flats, and the agricultural and forestry lands of the Fish Creek and Susitna Corridor management units. Therefore, as access is developed, Moraine Ridge will be the focus of demand for settlement land in the general area and will be able to provide many excellent homesites.
- This unit has high forestry values and could provide areas for both personal use and commercial sustained yield management.
- Moraine Ridge is presently valuable for moose, bear and other species. It could support additional recreation on lakes and trails coordinated with recreation activities in the adjacent Little Susitna Corridor Management Unit and in Nancy Lakes State Recreation area.

More detailed planning is necessary to define areas where the above uses should occur. Areas of settlement and commercial forestry should be separated, possibly using personal use woodlots as buffers. Prior to road access, settlement can be located along edges of fly-in lakes. Forestry should occur in a manner that enhances habitat wherever possible.

### Recommended Land Uses

- Settlement
- Forestry
- Fish and Wildlife
- Recreation