




Dalton Highway Corridor Public Access

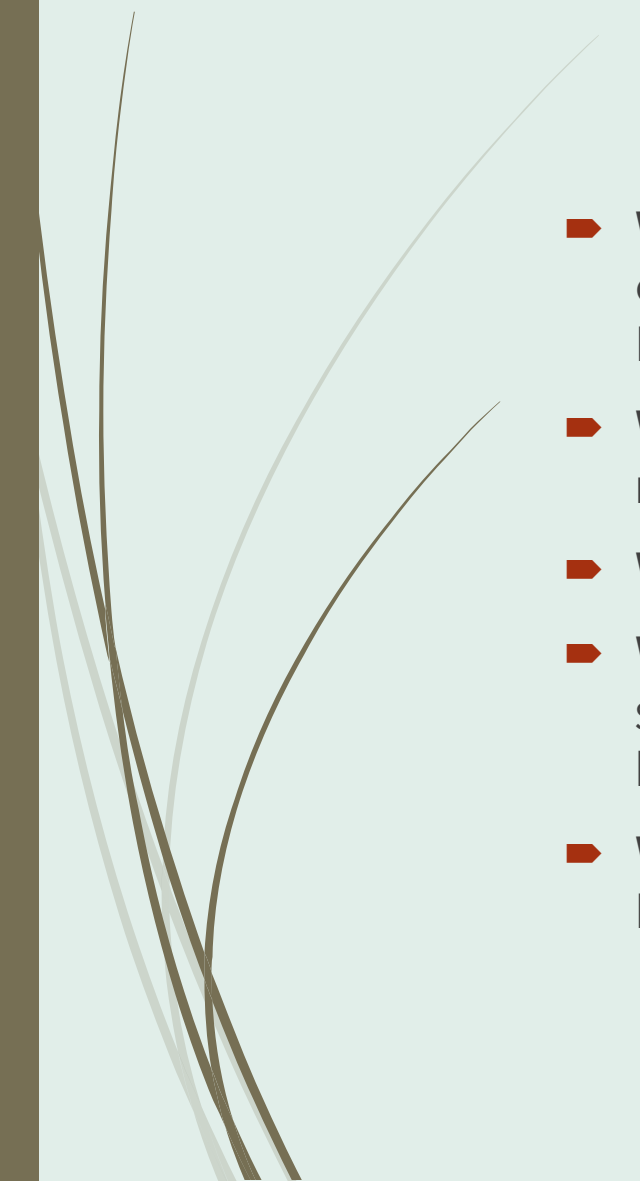
Informational Kick-off Meeting

Fairbanks Alaska

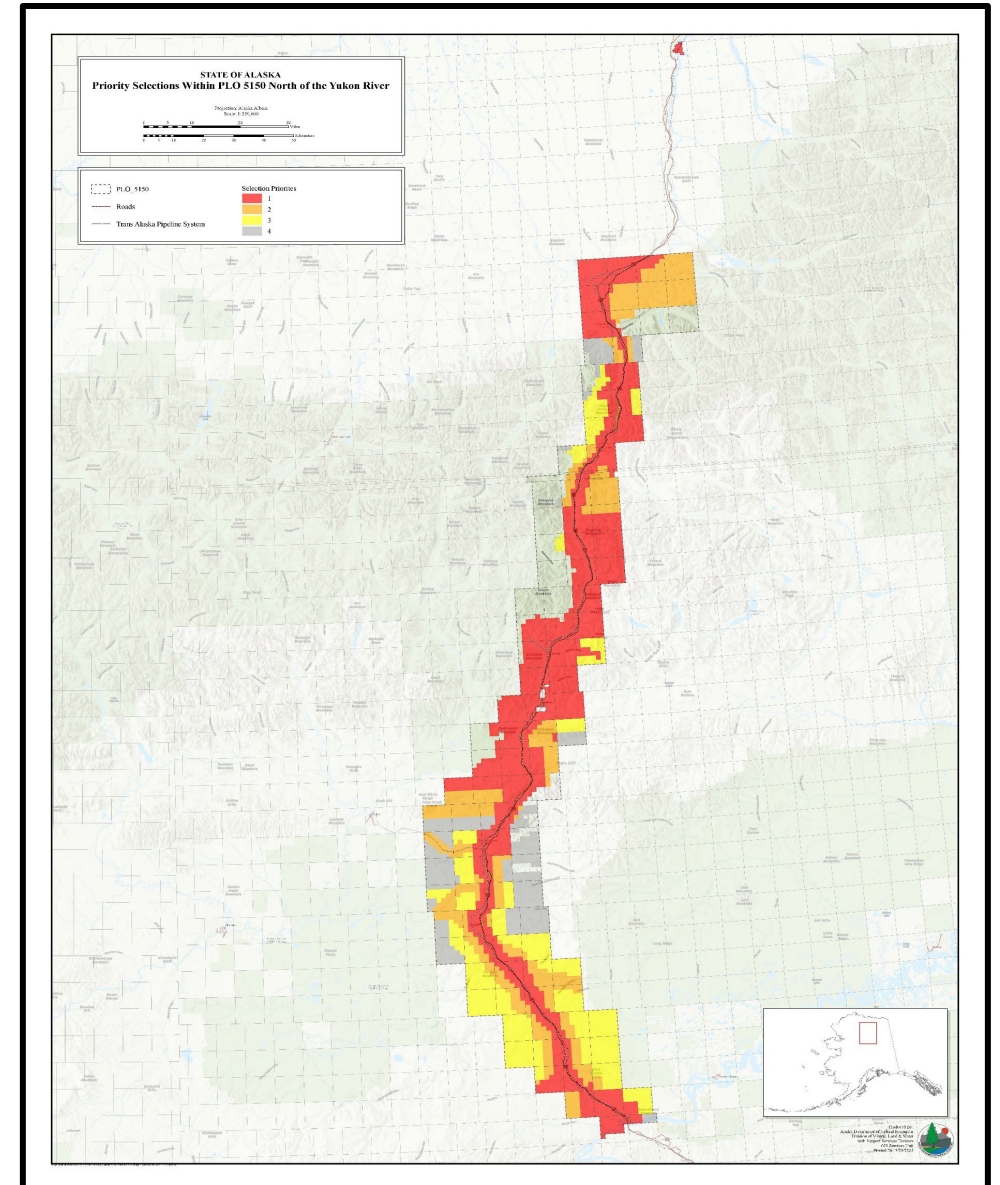
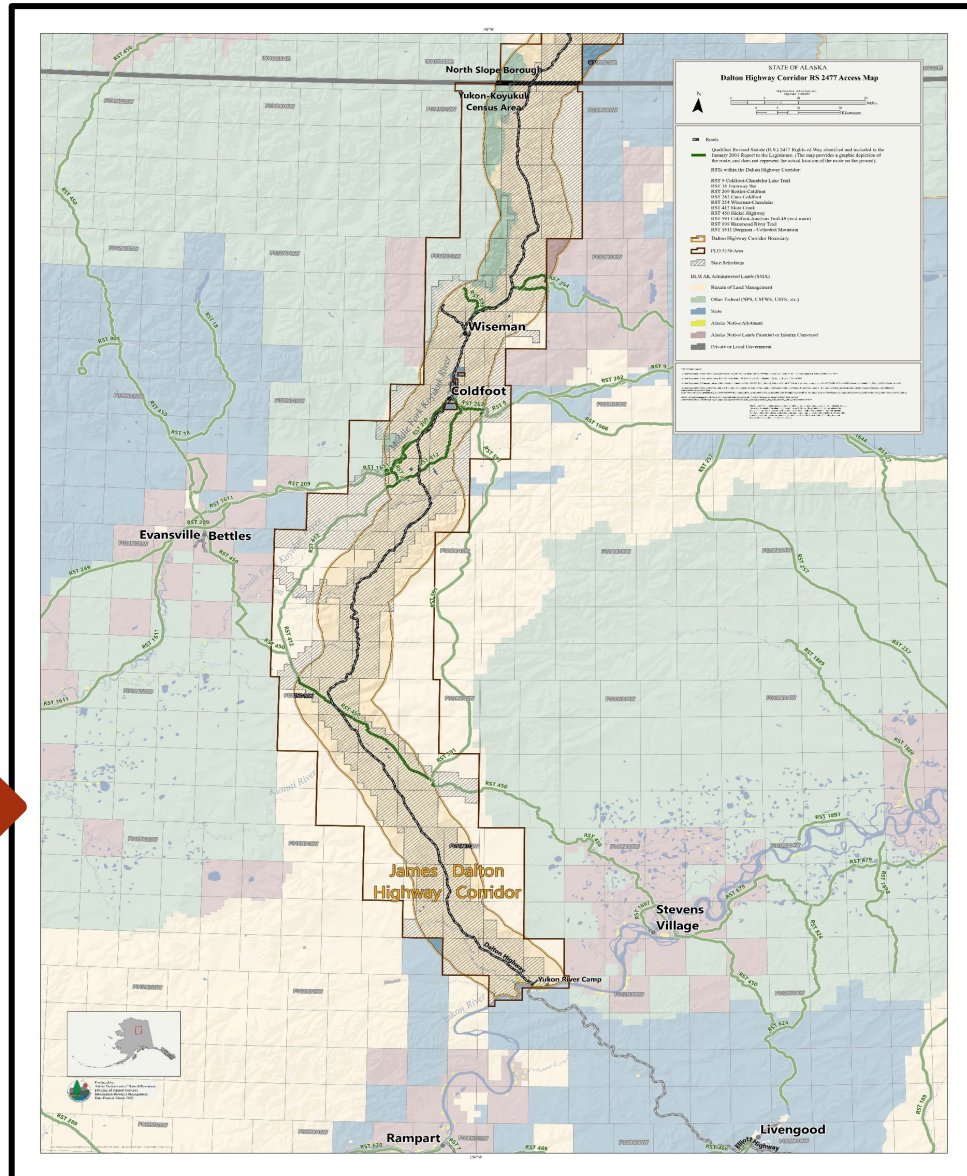
March 25, 2026



Purpose of this Meeting

- **What** – DNR is initiating a public process to gather information related to access needs within the Dalton Highway Corridor (DHC) north of the Yukon River and south of the North Slope Borough Boundary
 - **Where** – Kick-off meeting in Fairbanks with additional in-person and virtual meetings to be scheduled
 - **When** – The public process will run from today through June 26th, 2026
 - **Who** – DNR invites communities, people engaging in federal and state subsistence hunting and gathering, interest groups and organizations, businesses, and any other person interested in access within the DHC
 - **Why** – To better understand, and provide for public access needs in the DHC
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Maps to Introduce the Dalton Highway Corridor Area



Alaska Statehood Act & State Land Entitlement



- ▶ The Alaska Statehood Act of 1959 granted roughly 105 million acres of land to the State
- ▶ Land conveyance to the State was halted while Alaska Native land claims were adjudicated
- ▶ In 1971, Public Land Order (PLO) 5150 withdrew the land in the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Corridor to reserve land for the route of the pipeline
- ▶ ANILCA allowed the State of Alaska to “top-file” lands for future conveyance

Dalton Highway Corridor (DHC) Today



- The DHC is an area designated by the Alaska legislature with special access restrictions under Alaska Statute 19.40.210
- The revocation of PLO 5150 will allow State selections under Sec. 906(e) of ANILCA to attach to these lands
- If lands within the DHC are conveyed to the State, State management authority will apply

DHC Public Access



- ▶ The State of Alaska recognizes the selection of lands to fulfill statehood entitlement will have impacts to subsistence use under the federal program
- ▶ Community access and access to adjacent federal public lands will also be impacted
- ▶ Consistent with the MOA, DNR will consider allowing motorized use on existing RS 2477 routes through the DHC to provide access for all Alaskans
- ▶ Additional routes and means of access will be determined through this public engagement process



Public Engagement Process

- ▶ Through the first two informational meetings, inform the public on the land conveyance following the revocation of the PLO 5150 by BLM and the public process DNR intends to use to gather input on access needs within and adjacent to the DHC
- ▶ Through subsequent meetings, discuss access needs in and adjacent to the DHC for all Alaskans
- ▶ Through these subsequent meetings we intend to:
 - ▶ Identify existing travel routes and access points currently used to reach federal public lands and communities and discuss future access corridors and types of uses that should be allowed on easements established under AS 19.40.210 on state lands
 - ▶ Ensure sufficient access for subsistence harvest on adjacent federal public land
 - ▶ Identify and assess Section Line Easements for motorized access
- ▶ Public meetings will run from approximately March – June of 2026

Dalton Highway Corridor Map Revisited

PLO 5150 Corridor

Dalton Highway Corridor

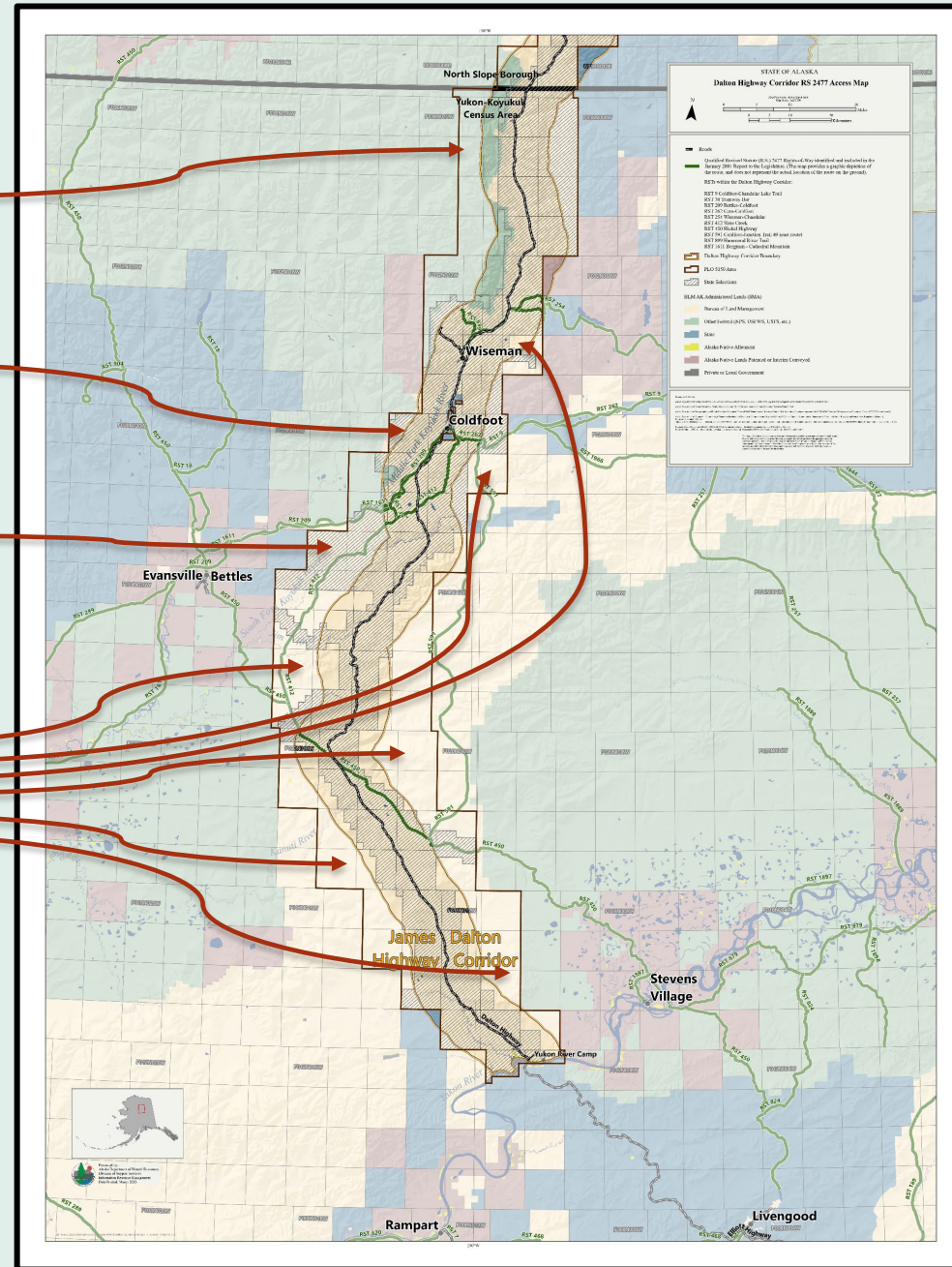
- Est. under AS 19.40.

State will request conveyance of these selections within PLO 5150 Corridor

- Shown as crosshatch pattern

State will may relinquish selected lands outside of crosshatched areas in the near future

- Indicated By absence of selection pattern





Thank You

- ▶ **Questions?**
- ▶ Public process website: <https://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/dhcpa/>
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- ▶ Please keep checking the website for more information