



PUBLIC MEETING ON NPR-A LEASING/MANAGEMENT PLAN

Seeking public comments...



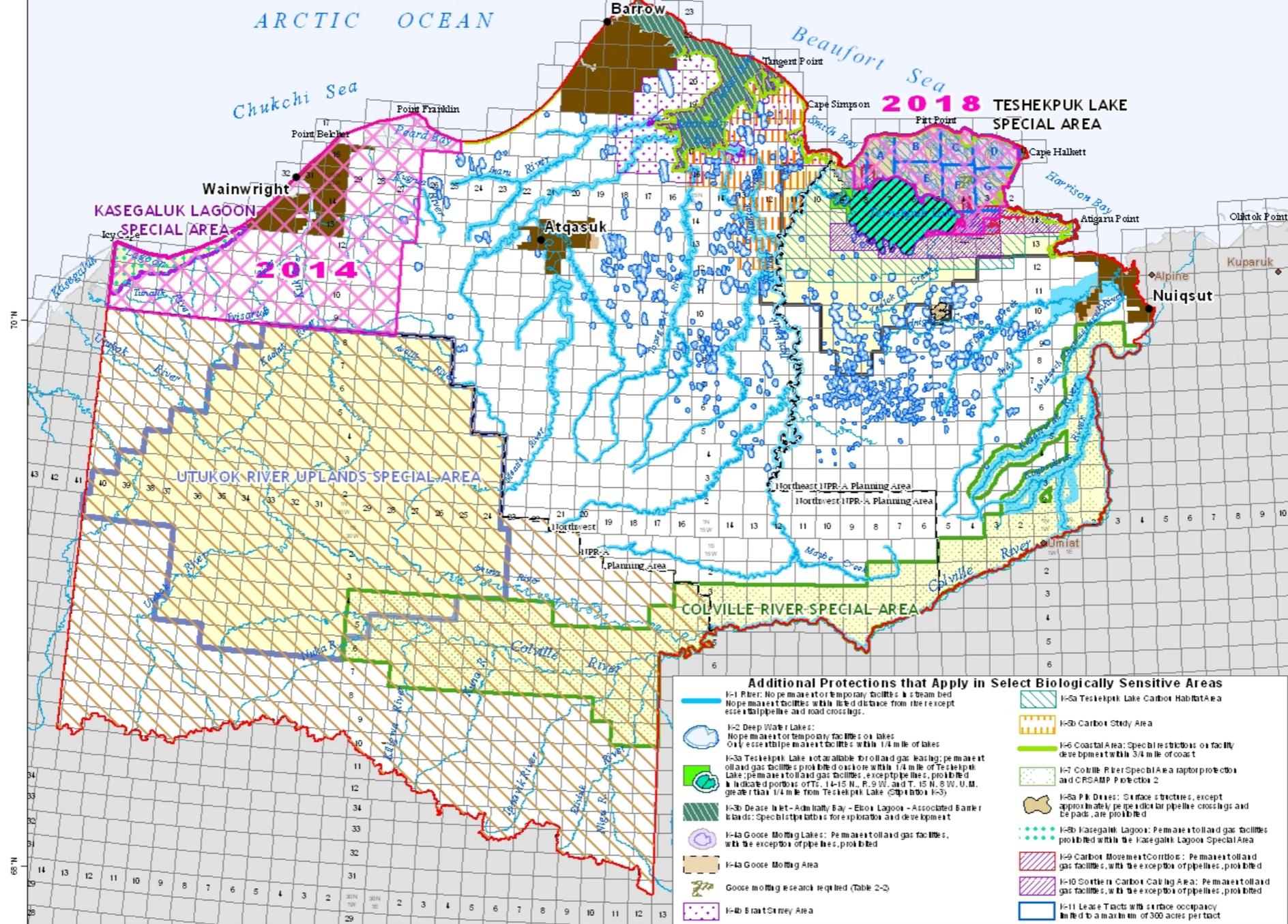
Thank you for having us here.



Tonight's meeting

- ☒ Briefing on the Draft Integrated Activity Management Plan for NPRA, questions welcome
- ☒ Formal recording of comments from the public on the Plan and, at the same time, a formal hearing on impacts to subsistence resources and subsistence access (N. Slope only)
- ☒ Informal discussion period if there is time





Alternative A

Special Areas

- Colville River
- Teshekpuk Lake
- Utukok River Uplands
- Kasegaluk Lagoon

Oil & Gas

- Unavailable: 2008 ROD
- Unavailable: unplanned
- Deferred to stated year

All other BLM-managed subsurface would be available for leasing.

Infrastructure in support of offshore development may be allowed, subject to future permitting decisions.

Land Status

- Native Patent or IC
- Native Selected
- NPR-A Boundary

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Why write another plan?



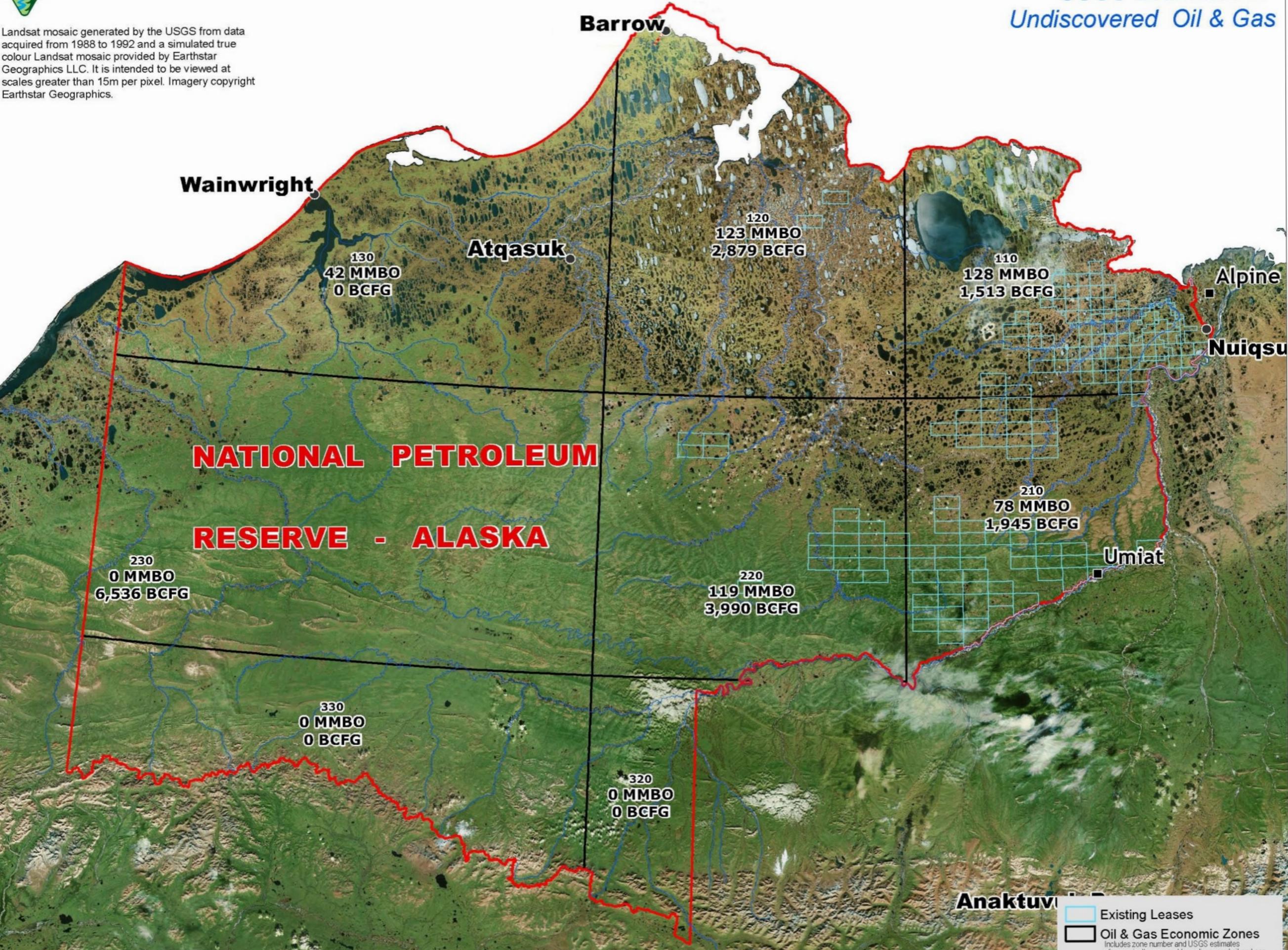
Newly available scientific synthesis

- ☒ Climate change modeling
- ☒ Air quality modeling
- ☒ Petroleum resources assessments





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Wainwright

Barrow

Atqasuk

Alpine

Nuiqsu

Umiat

Anaktuvuk

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130
42 MMBO
0 BCFG

120
123 MMBO
2,879 BCFG

110
128 MMBO
1,513 BCFG

230
0 MMBO
6,536 BCFG

220
119 MMBO
3,990 BCFG

210
78 MMBO
1,945 BCFG

330
0 MMBO
0 BCFG

320
0 MMBO
0 BCFG

Existing Leases

Oil & Gas Economic Zones
Includes zone number and USGS estimates of economically recoverable undiscovered oil and gas.

NPRA IAP/EIS Schedule

- ☒ Currently: public comment period on the Draft IAP/EIS, ending June 1.
- ☒ Public comments compiled and categorized by June 22
- ☒ Preferred alternative developed by July 6
- ☒ Final EIS written and issued by November 16
- ☒ Decisions issued December 17



Direction and Objectives for NPR-A

- ❑ Conduct an expeditious program of competitive oil and gas leasing
- ❑ Manage exploration and development, and all other uses consistent with the purposes of the reserve
- ❑ Protect environmental, fish and wildlife, and historical or scenic values
- ❑ Designate and protect special areas
- ❑ Protect subsistence opportunities
- ❑ Comply with other laws (e.g. ESA)



The big question: what to lease?

- ❑ Leasing (where and when) largely determines the impacts to natural resources.
- ❑ Alternatives vary the amount of land that could be leased
- ❑ Some amount of leasing is required
- ❑ Maximizing leasing still requires protections and limits to surface use



MAP 2-2 Alternative B

Special Areas

-  Colville River
-  Teshekpuk Lake
-  Utukok River Uplands
-  Peard Bay
-  Kasegaluk Lagoon

Wild & Scenic Rivers

-  Wild & Scenic Rivers

Oil & Gas

 Unavailable and no exploratory drilling or non-subsistence permanent infrastructure (including for potential offshore development), except for valid existing NPR-A leases and Wainwright Inlet/ Kuk River subsurface pipeline; unavailable areas include the coastal waterbodies' islands and 1-mile inland from Kasegaluk Lagoon and Peard Bay

All other BLM-managed subsurface would be available for leasing, but the leasing deferral in Northwestern NPR-A until 2014 as depicted in Alternative A would be honored.

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-  Lakes
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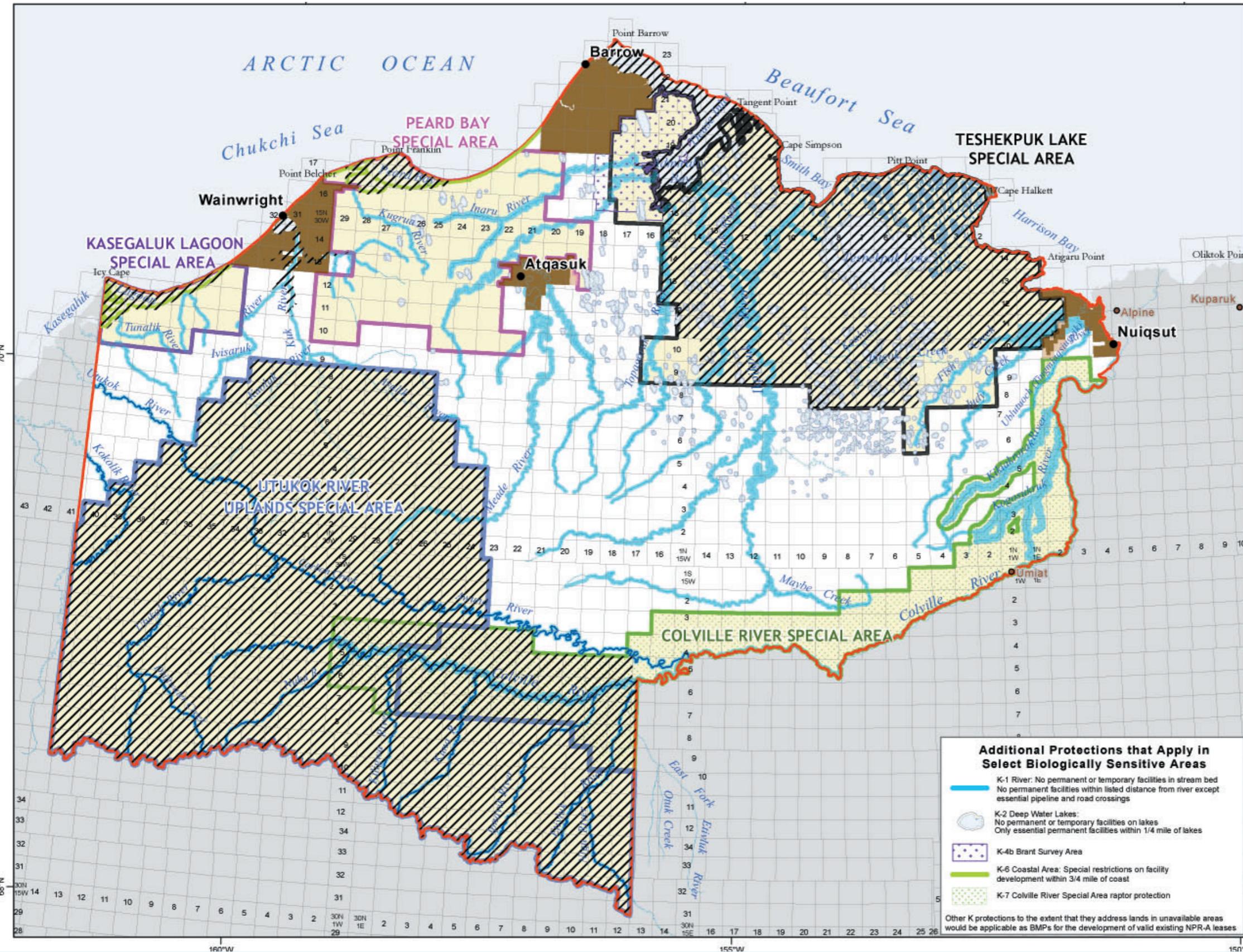
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MAP 2-2T Alternative B

- Special Areas**
- Colville River
 - Teshekpuk Lake

- Oil & Gas**
- Unavailable

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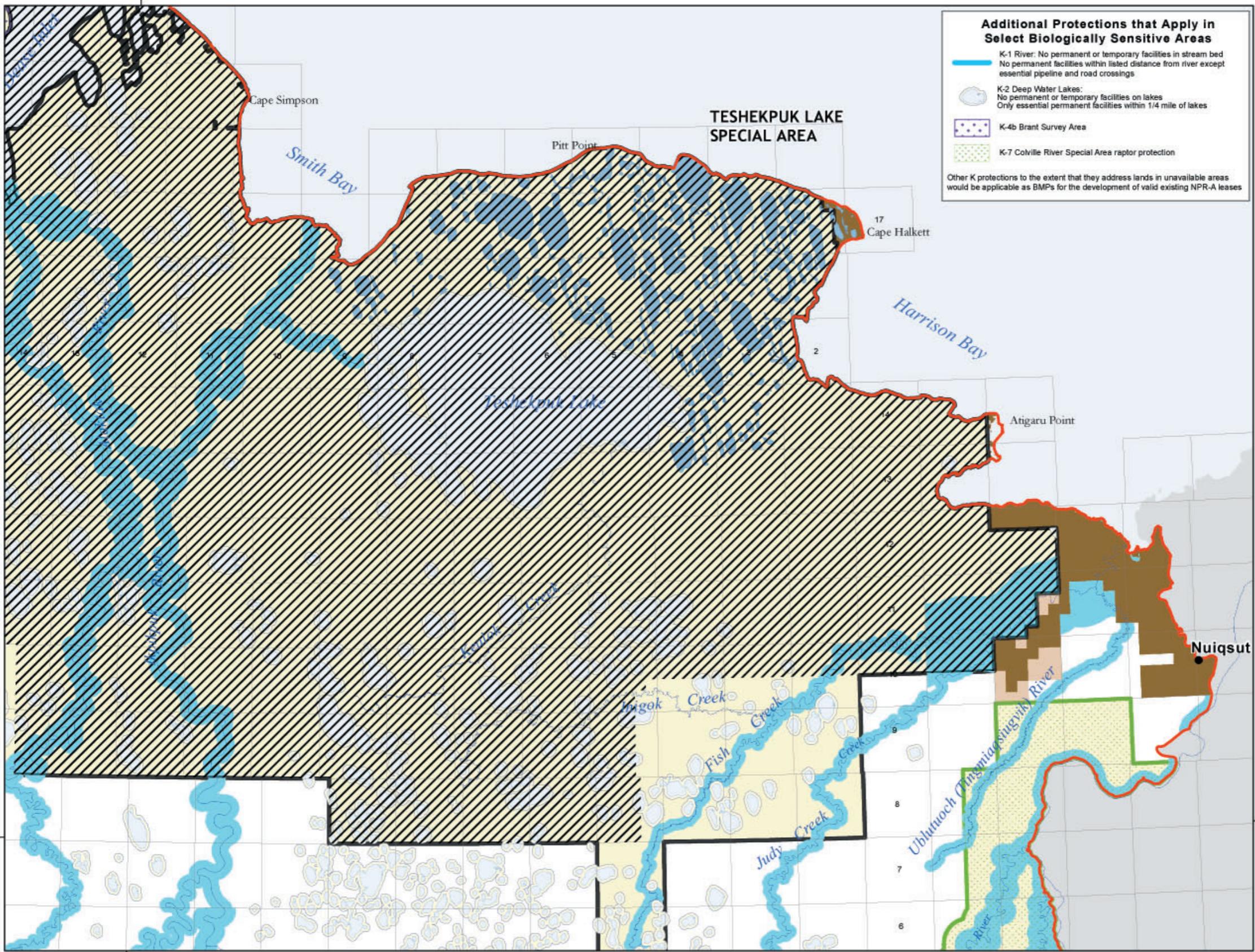
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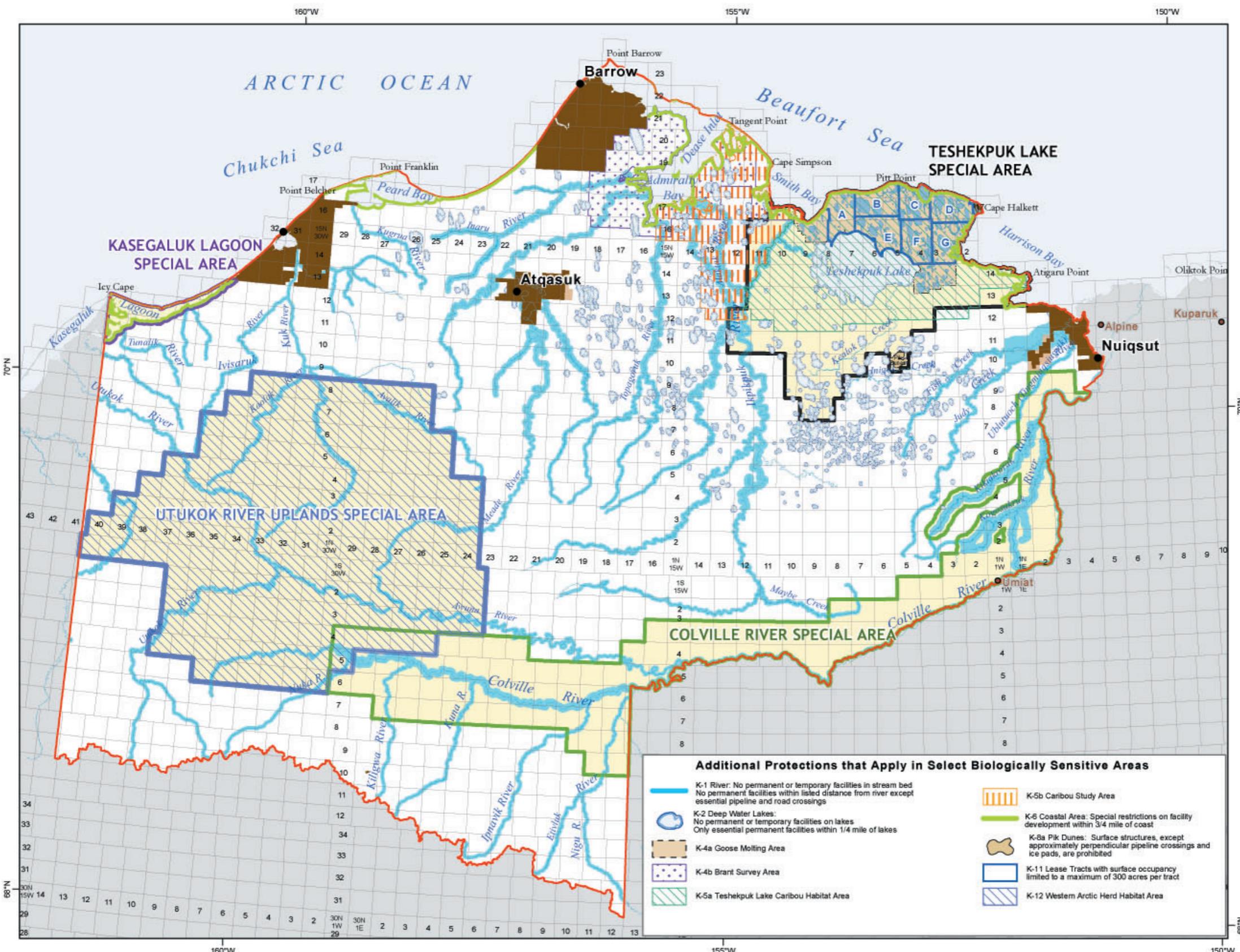
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- Additional Protections that Apply in Select Biologically Sensitive Areas**
- K-1 River:** No permanent or temporary facilities in stream bed. No permanent facilities within listed distance from river except essential pipeline and road crossings.
 - K-2 Deep Water Lakes:** No permanent or temporary facilities on lakes. Only essential permanent facilities within 1/4 mile of lakes.
 - K-4b Brant Survey Area**
 - K-7 Colville River Special Area raptor protection**
- Other K protections to the extent that they address lands in unavailable areas would be applicable as BMPs for the development of valid existing NPR-A leases

TESHEKPUK LAKE SPECIAL AREA





MAP 2-4 Alternative D

- Special Areas**
- Colville River
 - Teshekpuk Lake
 - Utukok River Uplands
 - Kasegaluk Lagoon

Oil & Gas

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 - K-4a Goose Molting Area
 - K-4b Brant Survey Area
 - K-5a Teshekpuk Lake Caribou Habitat Area
 - K-5b Caribou Study Area
 - K-6 Coastal Area: Special restrictions on facility development within 3/4 mile of coast.
 - K-8a Pit Dunes: Surface structures, except approximately perpendicular pipeline crossings and ice pads, are prohibited.
 - K-11 Lease Tracts with surface occupancy limited to a maximum of 300 acres per tract.
 - K-12 Western Arctic Herd Habitat Area



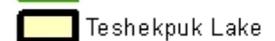
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MAP 2-4 T Alternative D

Special Areas

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-  Teshekpuk Lake
-  Utukok River Uplands
-  Kasegaluk Lagoon

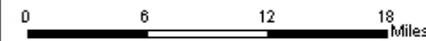
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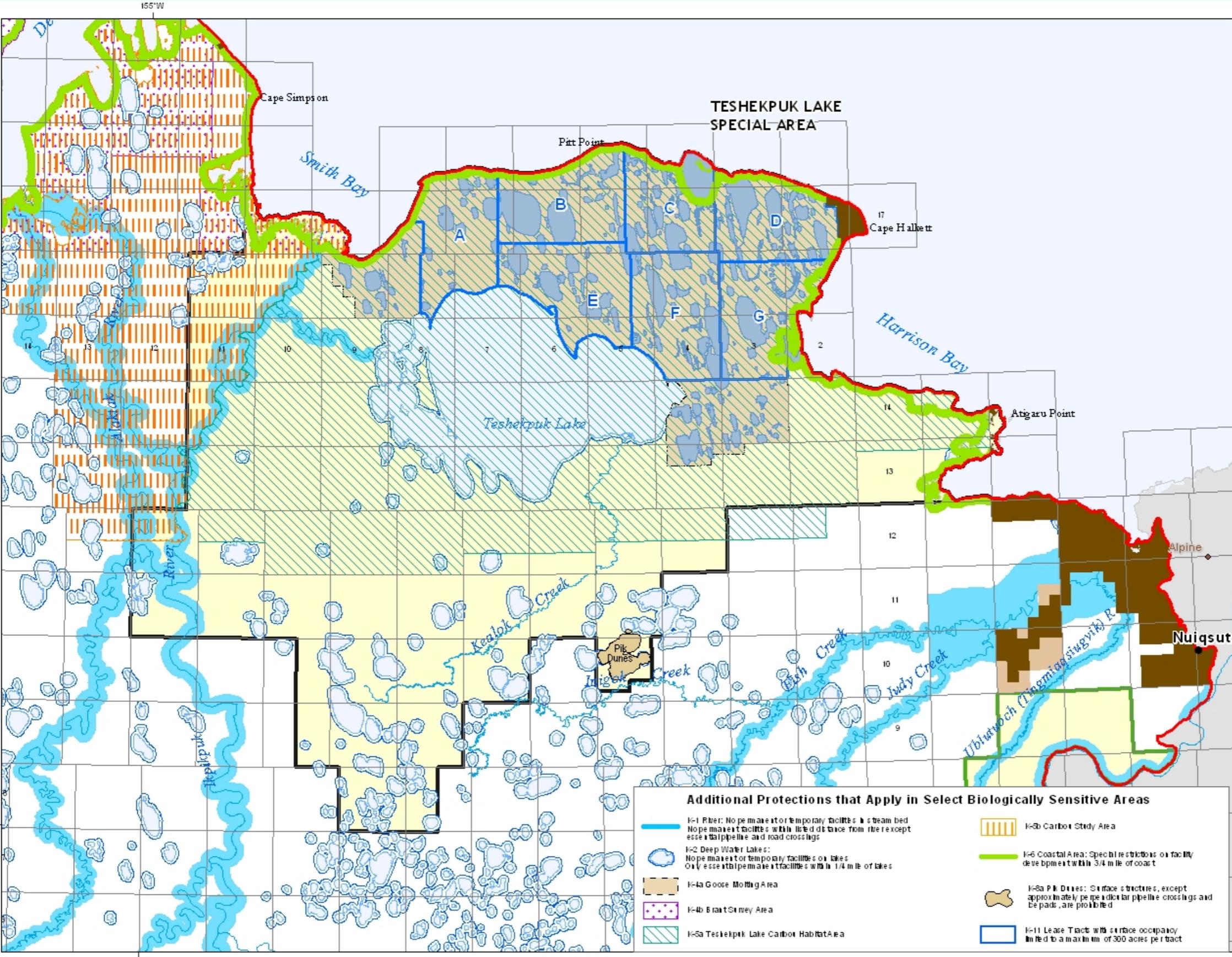


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Additional Protections that Apply in Select Biologically Sensitive Areas

-  K-1 River: No permanent or temporary facilities in stream bed. No permanent facilities within 100 ft of stream except for pipeline and road crossings.
-  K-2 Deep Water Lakes: No permanent or temporary facilities on lakes. Only essential permanent facilities within 1/4 mile of lakes.
-  K-4a Goose Molting Area
-  K-4b Bird Survey Area
-  K-5a Teshekpuk Lake Caribou Habitat Area
-  K-5b Caribou Study Area
-  K-6 Coastal Area: Special restrictions on facility development within 3/4 mile of coast.
-  K-8a Pit Dunes: Surface structures, except approximately perpendicular pipeline crossings and pads, are prohibited.
-  K-11 Lease Tract with surface occupancy limited to a maximum of 300 acres per tract.

155°W

155°W

70°N

70°N

MAP 2-3T Alternative C

Special Areas

-  Colville River
-  Teshekpuk Lake

Oil & Gas

-  Unavailable
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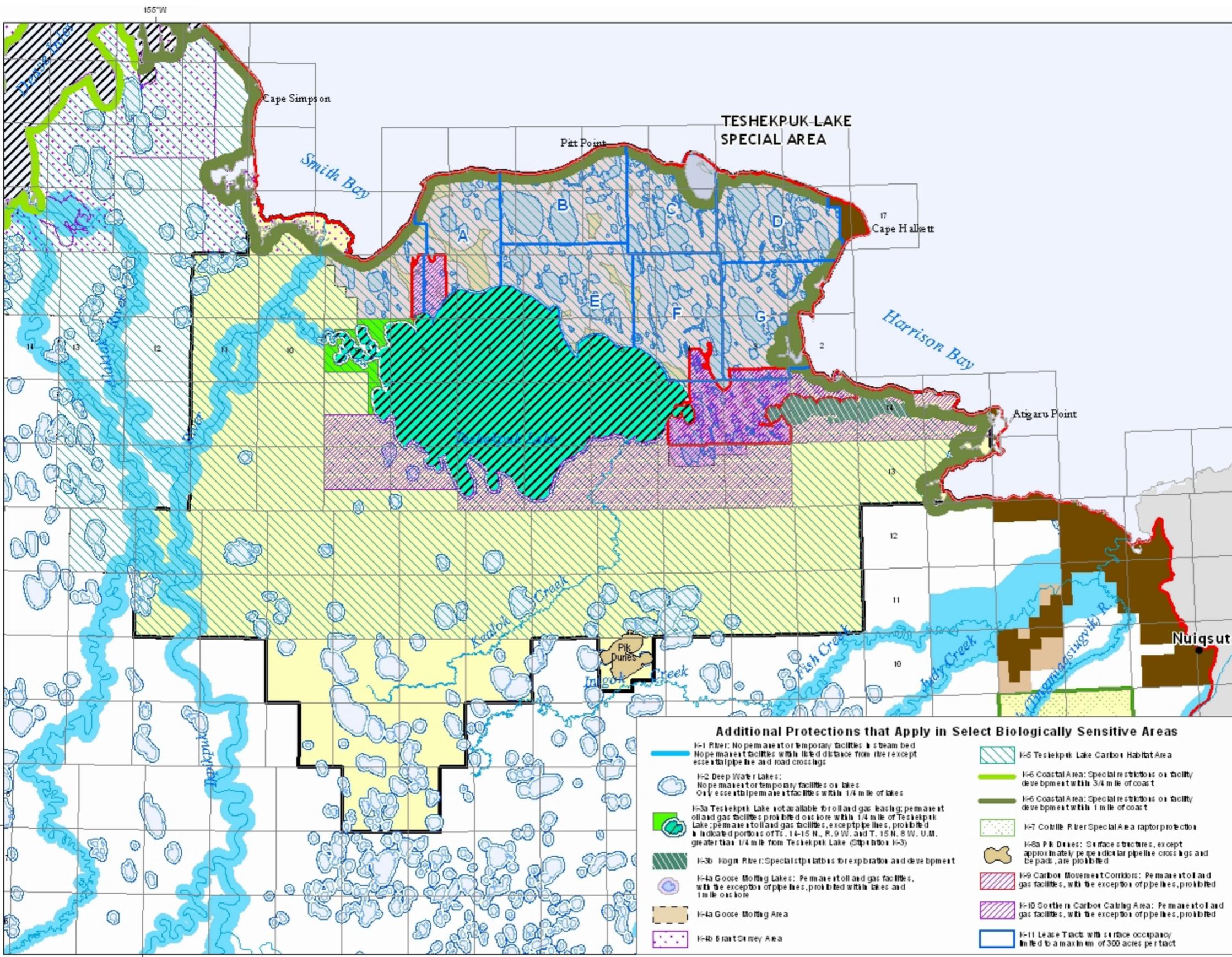
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TESHEKPUK-LAKE SPECIAL AREA

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-  K-2 Deep Water Lakes: No permanent or temporary facilities on lakes. Only essential pipeline and facilities within 1/4 mile of lakes.
-  K-3a Teshekpuk Lake: Not available for oil and gas leasing; permanent oil and gas facilities prohibited on lake within 1/4 mile of Teshekpuk Lake; permanent oil and gas facilities, except pipelines, prohibited in indicated portions of T. 14-15 N., R. 9 W. and T. 15 N., R. 8 W., U.M. greater than 1/4 mile from Teshekpuk Lake (see portion K-3).
-  K-3b Hogn River: Special stipulations for exploration and development.
-  K-4a Goose Mottling Lakes: Permanent oil and gas facilities, with the exception of pipelines, prohibited within lakes and 1 mile on shore.
-  K-4a Goose Mottling Area
-  K-4b Brant Stompy Area
-  K-5 Teshekpuk Lake Carbon Habitat Area
-  K-6 Coastal Area: Special restrictions on facility development within 3/4 mile of coast.
-  K-6 Coastal Area: Special restrictions on facility development within 1 mile of coast.
-  K-7 Colville River Special Area raptor protection
-  K-8a Pit Dunes: Surface structures, except approximately parallel pipeline crossings and berms, are prohibited.
-  K-9 Carbon Movement Corridors: Permanent oil and gas facilities, with the exception of pipelines, prohibited.
-  K-10 Sooty Tern Carbon Cycling Area: Permanent oil and gas facilities, with the exception of pipelines, prohibited.
-  K-11 Lease Tracts with surface occupancy limited to a maximum of 300 acres per tract.

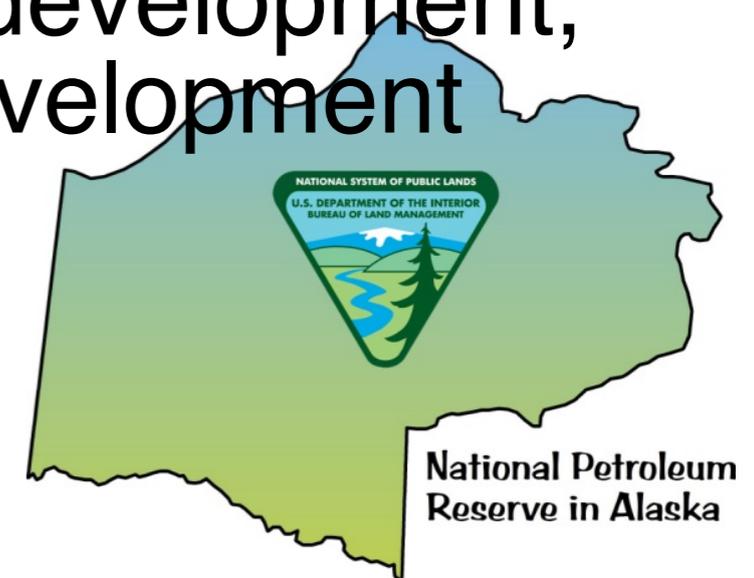
Potential impacts

- ☒ Caribou
- ☒ Fish
- ☒ Birds
- ☒ Subsistence



Caribou impacts

- ☒ Protections are generally consistent throughout the alternatives
- ☒ Impacts to caribou are proportional to the amount of habitat impacted under the alternative development scenario
- ☒ Habitat loss – based on the amount of habitat directly impacted under the alternative development scenarios
- ☒ Disturbance – from exploration and development, based on projections from similar development



Fisheries impacts

- ☑ Protections are generally consistent throughout alternatives
- ☑ Impacts to fish resource are proportional to the amount of habitat impacted under the alternative development scenarios - Includes habitat loss or modification, disturbance, killing fish
- ☑ Based on documented impacts from similar activities outside and inside NPR-A.



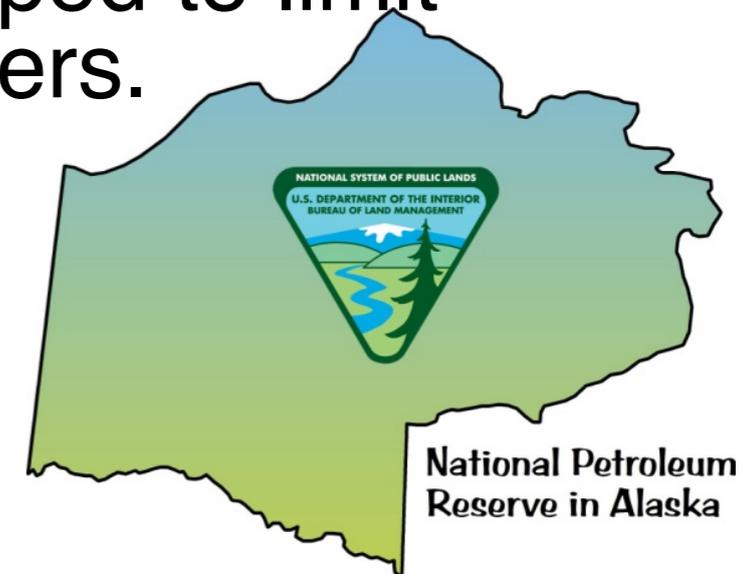
Impacts to birds

- ☒ Impacts to birds include:
 - ☒ Habitat loss
 - ☒ Disturbance or displacement
 - ☒ Increased predation
 - ☒ Direct mortality
- ☒ Five “K” stipulations relaxed or not present in Alternative D



Impacts to subsistence

- ❏ Considering potential impacts to caribou, fish, birds, and changes to access to these resources based on literature and experience, the subsistence analysis found
 - ❑ Alternatives A, B, and C **would not** have a significant impact on subsistence
 - ❑ Alternative D **may** significantly affect subsistence
 - ❑ The Cumulative Case **may** significantly affect subsistence
- ❏ A best management practice was developed to limit hunting and trapping by oil and gas workers.



Alternative comparison

Alternative	A	B	C	D
O&G ac. Available	13 million	11 million	18 million	23 million
Oil MMB	723	505	707	761
Gas TCF	11	8.7	16	18.3



We need your input

- ☑ The most helpful comments are “substantive”
 - ☑ What should be in the Preferred Alternative?
 - ☑ Focus on specific content or lack thereof, and explain your reasoning
 - ☑ Discuss the accuracy of information presented, or the availability of additional information that should have been considered
 - ☑ Discuss the assumptions, methods, and analysis in the document



Ways to comment

- ☒ Internet
- ☒ Fax
- ☒ Mail
- ☒ Hand delivery
- ☒ Verbally at a meeting



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Questions on the plan or commenting?





Start of comment-taking and 810 hearing





End of formal meeting and hearing





Thank you!



