Listening Sessions—Access and Non-Federal Lands

Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve



Access

Access rights are protected by law and policy and will be preserved within any management and planning process at Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve.

Common access provisions outlined in the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservations Act (ANILCA) and other authorities:

- ANILCA Section 811—subsistence access
- ANILCA Section 1110(a) access for traditional activities
- ANILCA Section 1110(b) access to private inholdings
- Right-of-way certificate of access (RWCA) permits issued to access private inholdings through federal lands, under ANILCA 1110(b)
- 17(b) easements—access to federal public land through private inholdings



Non-Federal Lands

Approximately 759,000 of the 13.2 million acres of land within the boundaries of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve are non-federal lands belonging to Native Corporations, other private owners, and the State of Alaska. These lands are shown on the various maps used during these listening sessions.

Any management and planning process undertaken by Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve does not apply to non-federal lands. Non-federal land owners are neighbors with the park and the park works collaboratively with these organizations or individuals to respect each other's needs.

It is visitors' responsibility to know the status of the land when they are traveling within the park. Wrangell-St. Elias will always attempt to facilitate and educate regarding proper uses of non-federal and private lands within the boundary of the park. Land status maps are available at park visitor centers.

Non-NPS Ownership	Acres
Non-federal public	58,354
Private	17,969
Private ANCSA Native	683,245
Total non-federal	759,568