



SUSITNA-WATANA
HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

Subsistence Resources Study

February 2013 TWG Meeting



Subsistence Goals and Objectives

- Document communities' subsistence use areas within or near the Project area
- Document communities' use of Project area to access other lands and waters used for subsistence
- Document communities' use of resources that migrate through the Project area and harvested in other areas.
- Collect and document traditional and local knowledge
- Evaluate Project plans to identify sources of potential impacts on identified subsistence uses
- Provide necessary information to support ANILCA 810



Subsistence Methods

1. Compilation of Existing Subsistence Data
2. ADF&G Household Surveys
3. Household Surveys in State-Designated Nonsubsistence Areas
4. Subsistence Mapping Interviews
5. Traditional and Local Knowledge Interviews
6. Annual Study Reports



Subsistence Resources Study

- Compilation of Existing Subsistence Data
- ADFG Household Harvest Surveys, 2013-2014
- 10-Year Mapping Interviews, 2014
- Traditional and Local Knowledge Interviews, 2013

ADFG Survey Communities

2013

Cantwell

Chase

Skwentna

Susitna

Talkeetna

Trapper Creek

2014

Copperville/Tazlina

Gulkana

Nelchina

Lake Louise

Paxson

Tolsona

Tonsina

Glennallen

TLK Interview Communities

Cantwell

Chickaloon

Chitina

Copper Center

Eklutna

Gakona

Gulkana

Tyonek

Final Study Plan Updates

Study Plan being updated to identify communities in which ADFG is conducting one-year mapping and key respondent traditional knowledge interviews as part of Household Harvest Surveys

Progress Update: Existing Data Compilation

- Initiated and ongoing
- Includes inventorying subsistence harvest data, seasonal round data, use areas and traditional knowledge for the 37 identified study communities:

Beluga

Cantwell

Chase

Chickaloon

Chistochina

Chitina

Copper Center

Copperville

Denali Hwy Households

Eklutna

Gakona

Gulkana

Glennallen

Healy

Kenny Lake

Lake Louise

McCarthy

McKinley Park

Mendeltna

Mentasta Lake

Nabesna

Nelchina

Parks Hwy Households

Paxson

Petersville

Skwentna

Slana

Susitna

Talkeetna

Tazlina

Tolsona

Tonsina

Trapper Creek

Tyonek

Wasilla

W. Susitna Basin

Willow

Progress Update: Household Harvest Surveys

Scheduled for 2013:

Cantwell
Chase
Skwentna
Susitna/Alexander Creek
Trapper Creek

Completed in Jan/Feb:

Cantwell
Chase
Susitna/Alexander Creek
Trapper Creek

*Skwentna is scheduled to be surveyed March 3-8

Progress Update: TLK Workshops

- Contact Initiated with the eight TLK Study Communities
- TLK Protocol questions being finalized in consultation with communities and study leads
- Anticipate scheduling workshops between February and May, depending on community schedule and availability