

NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM

Kuiu Wilderness

Tongass National Forest

I hereby certify that the legal description and map herewith represent the location of the boundary of the Kuiu Wilderness on the Tongass National Forest as entered into the National Wilderness Preservation System by the Act of November 28, 1990 (P.L. 101-626).

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The exterior boundary of the Kuiau Wilderness, Tongass National Forest, Alaska Region, April 30, 1991, as entered into the National Wilderness Preservation System by Public Law 101-626, November 28, 1990, in the State of Alaska:

Beginning onshore on the western side of Kuiau Island at horizontal control station "cosmos", (VABM 27), at Pt. Cosmos on Chatham Strait in the southwest one-quarter of Section 2, T. 64 S., R. 71 E., Copper River Meridian (CRM); thence, leaving the common boundary of the Tebenkof Bay Wilderness; thence, offshore of the west coast of the Kuiau Island coastline and of variable distance from said coastline to include all federally-owned rocks, pinnacles, islets and islands above mean high tide immediately offshore or specifically named as follows: from offshore of Pt. Cosmos proceeding westerly to a point offshore, west of Pt. Cosmos in Chatham Strait; thence, southerly and southeasterly to a point offshore in Chatham Strait southwest of horizontal control station "Sou" on the southwest side of Port Malmesbury encompassing Harris Cove and Port Malmesbury; thence, easterly to a point onshore of Kuiau Island on the southwest side of Port Malmesbury on the most westerly tip of a small point of land separated by two small coves, approximately .15 of one mile south of a small island and approximately .4 of one mile southwest of horizontal control station "Sou" in the east one-half of Section 4 T. 65 S., R. 72 E., CRM; thence, easterly and southerly along the hydrographic divide between Chatham Strait and Port Malmesbury to an unnamed peak, elevation 1560 in the southwest one-quarter of Section 3 of said Township; thence, easterly and southerly along said hydrographic divide to an unnamed peak of unspecified elevation in the southeast one-quarter of Section 10 of said Township; thence, southeasterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Chatham Strait and Port Malmesbury to an unnamed peak, elevation 2012, in the northeast one-quarter of Section 15 of said Township; thence, easterly and southerly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Chatham Strait and an unnamed drainage of Port Malmesbury to an unnamed knoll, elevation 908, in the southeast one-quarter of Section 14 of said Township; thence, southerly and southeasterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Chatham Strait and an unnamed drainage of Port Malmesbury to a point on a ridge between the 1600 and 1700 foot contours in the northwest one-quarter of Section 25 of said Township, approximately .22 of one mile north of an unnamed peak, elevation 1762, in the southwest one-quarter of Section 25 of said Township; thence, northeasterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Port Malmesbury and an unnamed drainage of Kell Bay through an unnamed knoll, elevation 934, in the southwest one-quarter of Section 24 of said Township, through an unnamed peak, elevation 2831, in the northwest one-quarter of Section 18, T. 65 S., R. 73 E., CRM, to an unnamed peak of unspecified elevation in the southeast one-quarter of Section 7 of said Township; thence, southeasterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Kell Bay and unnamed drainages of Bear Harbor to an unnamed peak, elevation 2556, in the southwest one-quarter of Section 17 of said Township; thence, southwesterly, southerly and southeasterly along the hydrographic divide between unnamed drainages of Kell Bay and an unnamed drainage of Bear Harbor through a point on a ridge, elevation 1519, in the southwest one-quarter of Section 20 of said Township, to an unnamed knoll, elevation 1315, in the southeast one-quarter of Section 20 of said Township; thence, easterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Bear Harbor and an unnamed drainage of Affleck Canal to an unnamed peak,

elevation 1676, in the southeast one-quarter of Section 21 of said Township; thence, northeasterly along the hydrographic divide between Affleck Canal and Bear Harbor to a point on the shoreline on the west side of Affleck Canal in the northeast one-quarter of Section 22 of said Township, approximately .67 of one mile north of horizontal control station "Bite"; thence, offshore of the Kuiu Island coastline and of variable distance from said coastline to include all federally-owned rocks, pinnacles, islets and islands above mean high tide immediately offshore or specifically named as follows: thence, northeasterly offshore from said point, across Affleck Canal encompassing Bear Harbor and a portion of Affleck Canal north of the mouth of Bear Harbor to a point on the shoreline of the most southeasterly peninsula of Kuiu Island on the east side of Affleck Canal at horizontal control station "Enter" in the southwest one-quarter of Section 13 of said Township; thence, easterly onshore of Kuiu Island along a straight line to an unnamed peak, elevation 2260, in the southwest one-quarter of Section 18, T. 65 S., R. 74 E., CRM; thence, northerly along the hydrographic divide between Affleck Canal and an unnamed drainage of Sumner Strait to horizontal control station "Upper", (VABM 2473), at the summit of an unnamed peak in the southeast one-quarter of Section 7 of said Township; thence, southeasterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Sumner Strait and Port Beauclerc to an unnamed peak, elevation 1435, in the northeast one-quarter of Section 17 of said Township; thence, southeasterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Sumner Strait and an unnamed drainage of Port Beauclerc to an unnamed peak of unspecified elevation in the east one-half of Section 16 of said Township; thence, easterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Sumner Strait and an unnamed drainage of Port Beauclerc to an unnamed peak, elevation 1907, in the northeast one-quarter of Section 15 of said Township; thence, northeasterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Sumner Strait and an unnamed drainage of Port Beauclerc to a point at the 1800 foot elevation on the southeast ridge of Beauclerc Peak in the west one-half of Section 11 of said Township; thence, southeasterly along the hydrographic divide between two unnamed drainages of Sumner Strait and Port Beauclerc through an unnamed peak, elevation 1824, on the border between Sections 11 and 12 of said Township, to an unnamed knoll, elevation 552, in the northeast one-quarter of Section 24 of said Township; thence, southeasterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Sumner Strait and Port Beauclerc to a point on the shoreline of Sumner Strait on the most easterly tip of a small point of land in the northeast one-quarter of Section 19, T. 65 S., R. 75 E., CRM, approximately .47 of one mile south-southeast of horizontal control station "Rock"; thence, offshore of the east coast of the Kuiu Island coastline and of variable distance from said coastline to include all federally-owned rocks, pinnacles, islets and islands above mean high tide immediately offshore or specifically named as follows: thence, northeasterly offshore from said point, to a point offshore, east of Beauclerc Island and horizontal control station "Beauclerc 2 Light"; thence, northerly and northwesterly encompassing Port Beauclerc and Beauclerc Island to a point onshore of the most southwesterly tip of a prominent point of land extending south into Sumner Strait on an unnamed peninsula on the east coast of Kuiu Island in the southeast one-quarter of Section 15, T. 64 S., R. 74 E., CRM, approximately .4 of one mile southwest of horizontal control station "Boulder Pt"; thence, northwesterly, onshore of Kuiu Island along the hydrographic divide between two drainage areas of Sumner Strait to an unnamed knoll, elevation 655, in the northeast one-quarter of Section 9 of said Township; thence, southwesterly along the hydrographic divide between Sumner Strait and an unnamed drainage of Sumner Strait to an unnamed

peak, elevation 1125, in the northwest one-quarter of Section 16 of said Township; thence, northwesterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Port Beauclerc and an unnamed drainage of Sumner Strait to an unnamed peak, elevation 1395, in the southeast one-quarter of Section 5 of said township; thence, northwesterly along the hydrographic divide between an unnamed drainage of Port Beauclerc and Reid Bay through an unnamed peak of unspecified elevation in the northwest one-quarter of Section 5 of said Township to an unnamed peak, elevation 1618, in the southeast one-quarter of Section 36, T. 63 S., R. 73 E., CRM; thence, northwesterly, northerly and northwesterly along the hydrographic divide between unnamed drainages of Port Beauclerc and unnamed drainages of Reid Bay through an unnamed peak of unspecified elevation in the northwest one-quarter of Section 36 of said Township to the westernmost unnamed peak of unspecified elevation in the northeast one-quarter of Section 26 of said Township; thence, entering the common boundary with the Tebenkof Bay Wilderness; thence, southwesterly and northwesterly along the hydrographic divide between Petrof Bay and Port Beauclerc to an unnamed knoll, elevation 914, in the northeast one-quarter of Section 27 of said Township; thence, westerly and southwesterly along said hydrographic divide between the two unnamed peaks of unspecified elevations in the northeast one-quarter of Section 28 of said Township to an unnamed peak, elevation 1165, between Sections 28 and 33 of said Township; thence, southeasterly along said hydrographic divide to an unnamed peak, elevation 1040, in the northeast one-quarter of Section 33 of said Township; thence, southwesterly, southerly, and southeasterly along said hydrographic divide to an unnamed peak of unspecified elevation in the west one-half of Section 3, T. 64 S., R. 73 E., CRM; thence, southwesterly and westerly along said hydrographic divide to an unnamed knoll, elevation 825, in the northwest one-quarter of Section 9 of said Township; thence, southwesterly along said hydrographic divide to an unnamed knoll of unspecified elevation in the southeast one-quarter of Section 8 of said Township; thence, westerly and northerly along the hydrographic divide between Petrof Bay and Affleck Canal to an unnamed knoll, elevation 560, in the southwest one-quarter of Section 7 of said Township; thence, northwesterly, westerly and southwesterly along said hydrographic divide to an unnamed peak of unspecified elevation in the northeast one-quarter of Section 12, T. 64 S., R. 72 E., CRM; thence, northwesterly and westerly along said hydrographic divide to an unnamed peak, elevation 1920, in the southeast one-quarter of Section 2 of said Township; thence, southeasterly and southwesterly along the hydrographic divide between Thetis Bay and Affleck Canal to an unnamed peak, elevation 1585, in the southwest one-quarter of Section 11 of said Township; thence, northwesterly and westerly along the hydrographic divide between Thetis Bay and Port Malmesbury to an unnamed peak, elevation 1035, in the northwest one-quarter of Section 10 of said Township; thence, northwesterly along said hydrographic divide to an unnamed peak, elevation 1830, in the southeast one-quarter of Section 4 of said Township; thence, westerly and northwesterly along said hydrographic divide to an unnamed peak of unspecified elevation between Sections 4 and 5 of said Township; thence, southwesterly along the hydrographic divide between unnamed drainages of Gedney Harbor and Port Malmesbury to an unnamed peak, elevation 2030, in the north one-half of Section 8 of said Township; thence, westerly and southwesterly along said hydrographic divide through an unnamed peak of unspecified elevation in the northwest one-quarter of said Section 8 to an unnamed peak, elevation 2190, in the northeast one-quarter of Section 7 of said Township; thence, southwesterly, westerly and northwesterly along said

hydrographic divide to the summit of Green Mountain in the north one-half of Section 12, T. 64 S., R. 71 E., CRM; thence, northwesterly along the hydrographic divide between Harris Cove and Chatham Strait to an unnamed peak, elevation 1440, in the southeast one-quarter of Section 2 of said Township; thence, northwesterly and southwesterly along said hydrographic divide to Pt. Cosmos, the point of beginning.

The Kuiu Wilderness contains 60,581 acres of National Forest land. Within the exterior boundaries of the Wilderness, there are no alienated lands.

The above described area has been plotted and elevations obtained from the following U.S.D.A. Forest Service 1-inch-equals-1-mile Primary Base Series maps, copies of which are enclosed hereto and made a part hereof:

- Petersburg (A-6), Alaska, 15'
- Petersburg (B-6), Alaska, 15'
- Port Alexander (A-1), Alaska, 15'
- Port Alexander (B-1), Alaska, 15'