

Unit 24. Half Cabin Lakes Area

Background

Land Status. This unit is owned by the state and is located within the Lake and Peninsula Borough. The Bristol Bay Area Plan allows 500 acres to be offered for remote settlement in the unit.

Miles of River. The main channel of the Mulchatna River extends for 8 miles.

Access. Lakes provide excellent sites for floatplane landing and for floating access to the upper Mulchatna River. The unit is about a one-hour flight from Iliamna, but much use is based directly out of Anchorage and the Kenai vicinity.

Existing Development. Four cabins are located in the unit, and there may be more cabins built when the state sells land in the unit. At least one other site has been used as a guided/outfitted hunting camp.

Fisheries. Fisheries values are generally low.

Subsistence and sport fishing uses are low.

Wildlife. Moose density is moderate; caribou density is high.

Subsistence hunting use is very low. Sport hunting use is very high, particularly for caribou during the fall; moose hunting use is high; brown bear hunting use is moderate. Hunting use is often associated with float trips originating in the unit. Many hunters are guided or outfitted.

Trails and Easements. None

Other Values. The unit has moderate scenic value because of moderate diversity of landscape and views of the Bonanza Hills and other highlands.

Management Intent

Semi-developed use experience.

Management Guidelines

Long-term Use (longer than 14 consecutive days at one site)

Permanent facilities	May be allowed (case-by-case).
Temporary facilities	May be allowed (case-by-case).
Trapping cabins	May be allowed (case-by-case).
Boat storage	May be allowed (case-by-case).
Airstrip development	May be allowed (case-by-case).
Docks: permanent	May be allowed (case-by-case).
temporary	May be allowed (case-by-case).
Other uses	May be allowed (case-by-case).

Short-term Use (14 consecutive days or less at one site)

See Short-term Uses (generally allowed uses) in Chapter 2.

Other Guidelines Specific to this Unit

None.

Public Use Sites

See Public Use Sites in Chapter 2 for management guidelines. Specific locations of sites are shown on maps in Appendix C.

Site 39 Campsite and floatplane landing area at the outlet of Half Cabin Lake.

Site 40 Campsite and floatplane landing area at the outlet of an unnamed lake west of Loon Lake (local name).

Site 41 Campsite and floatplane landing area at the outlet of Loon Lake (local name).

Recommendations for this Unit

None.