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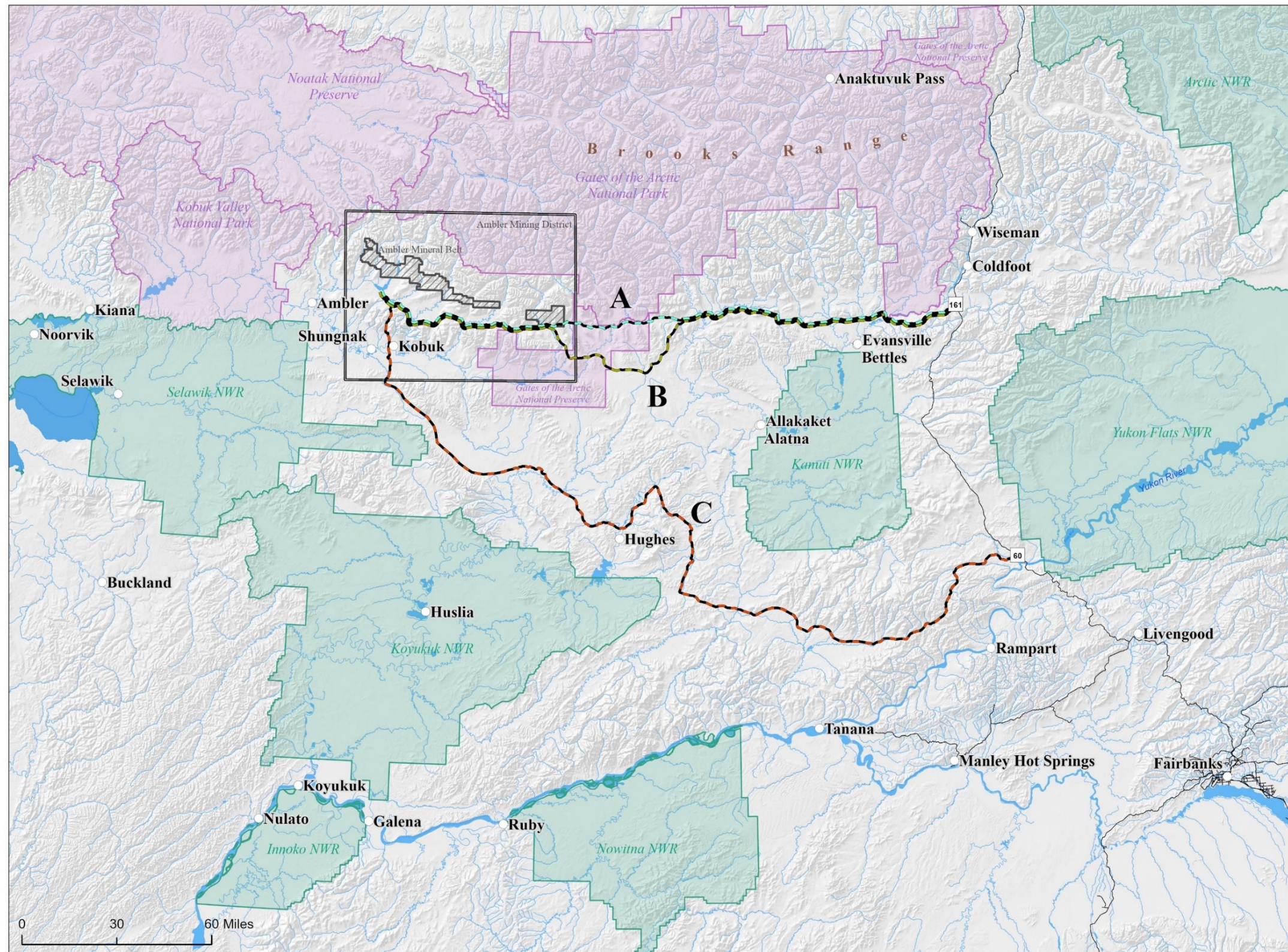
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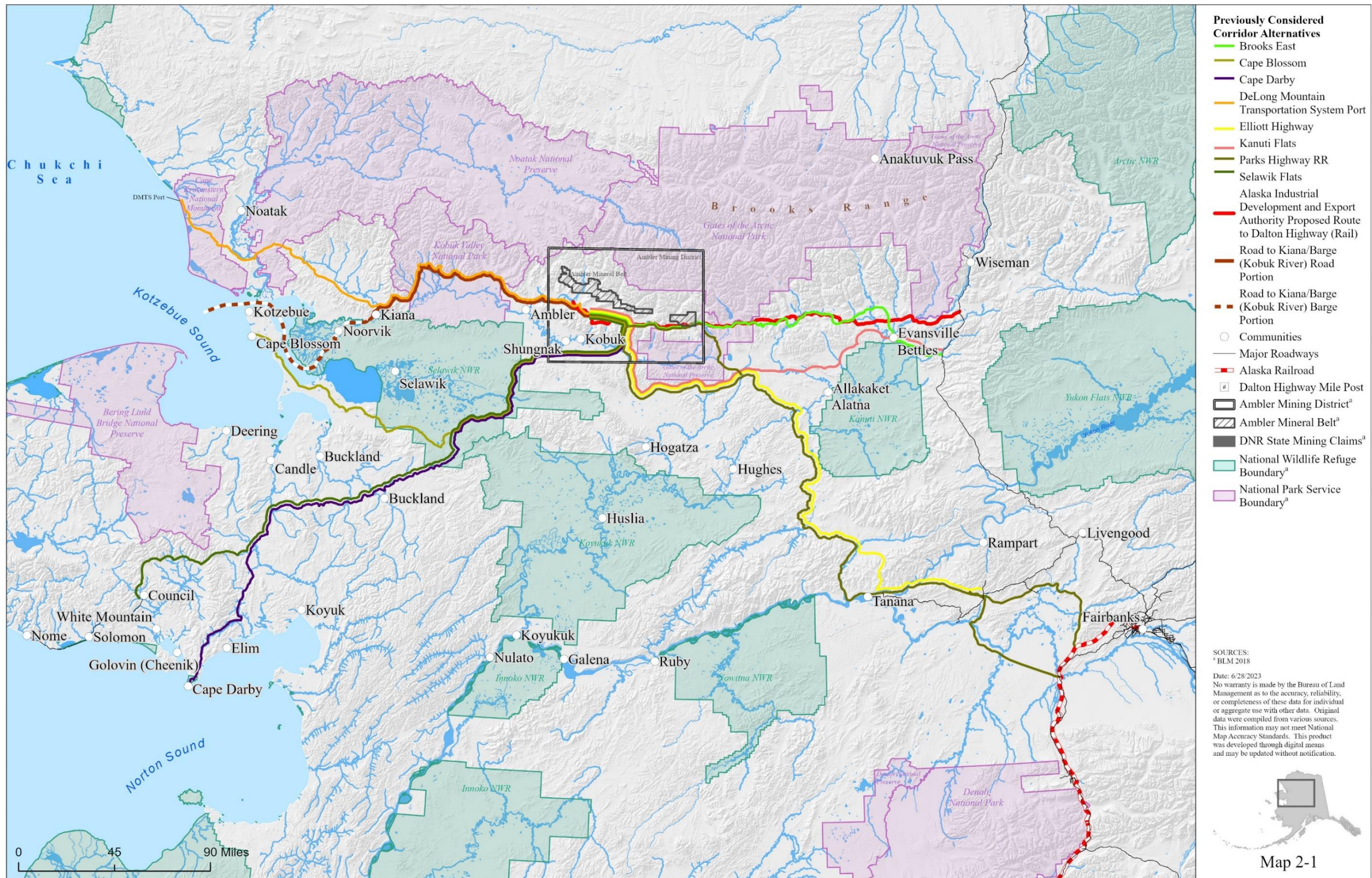
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- Alternative B: Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority
Alternative Route (Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve South) to the Dalton Highway
- Alternative C: Diagonal Route to the Dalton Highway
- # Dalton Highway Mile Post
- Community
- ▭ Ambler Mining District^a
- ▨ Ambler Mineral Belt^a
- ▭ National Wildlife Refuge Boundary^b
- ▭ National Park Service Boundary^b

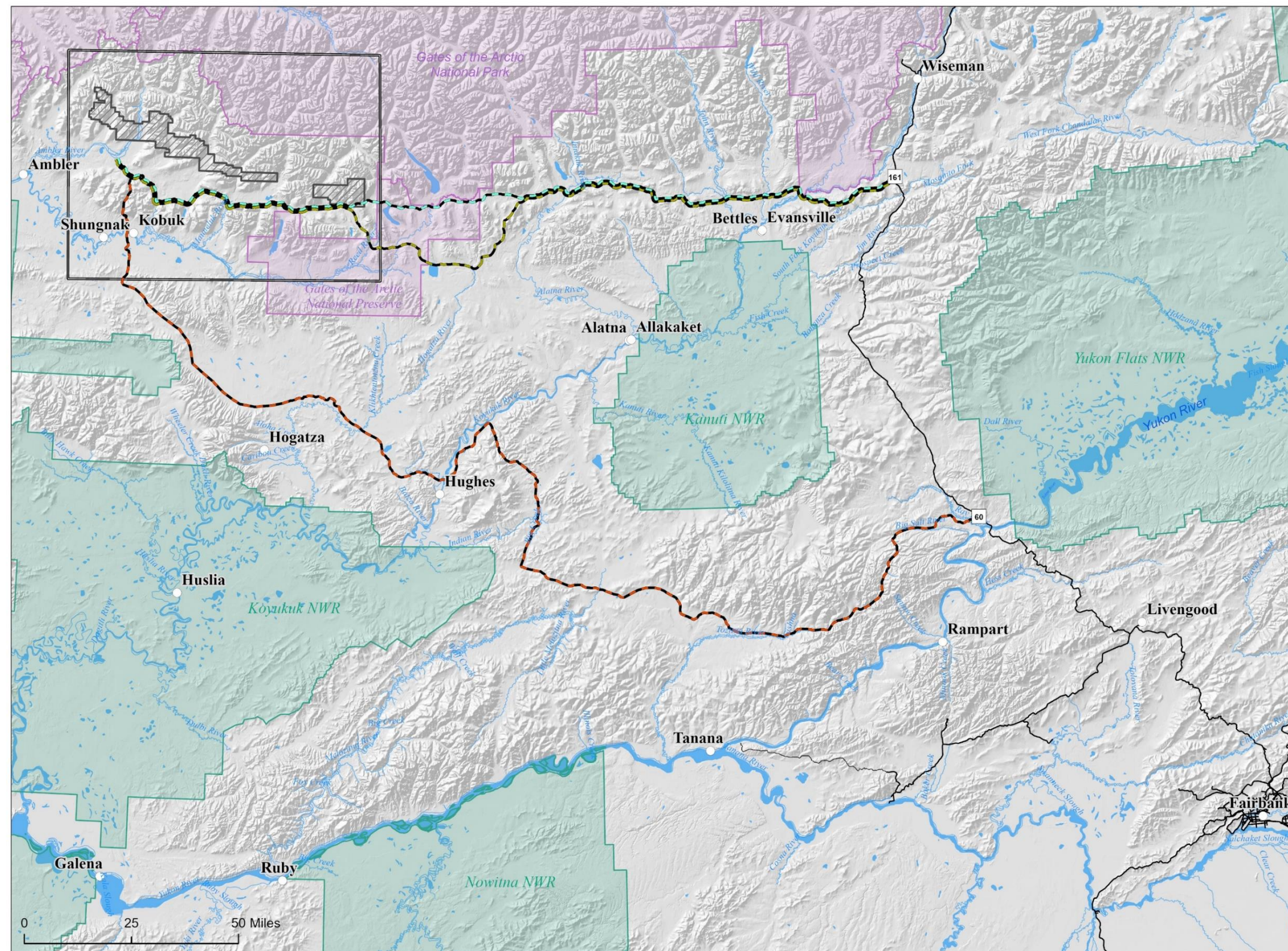
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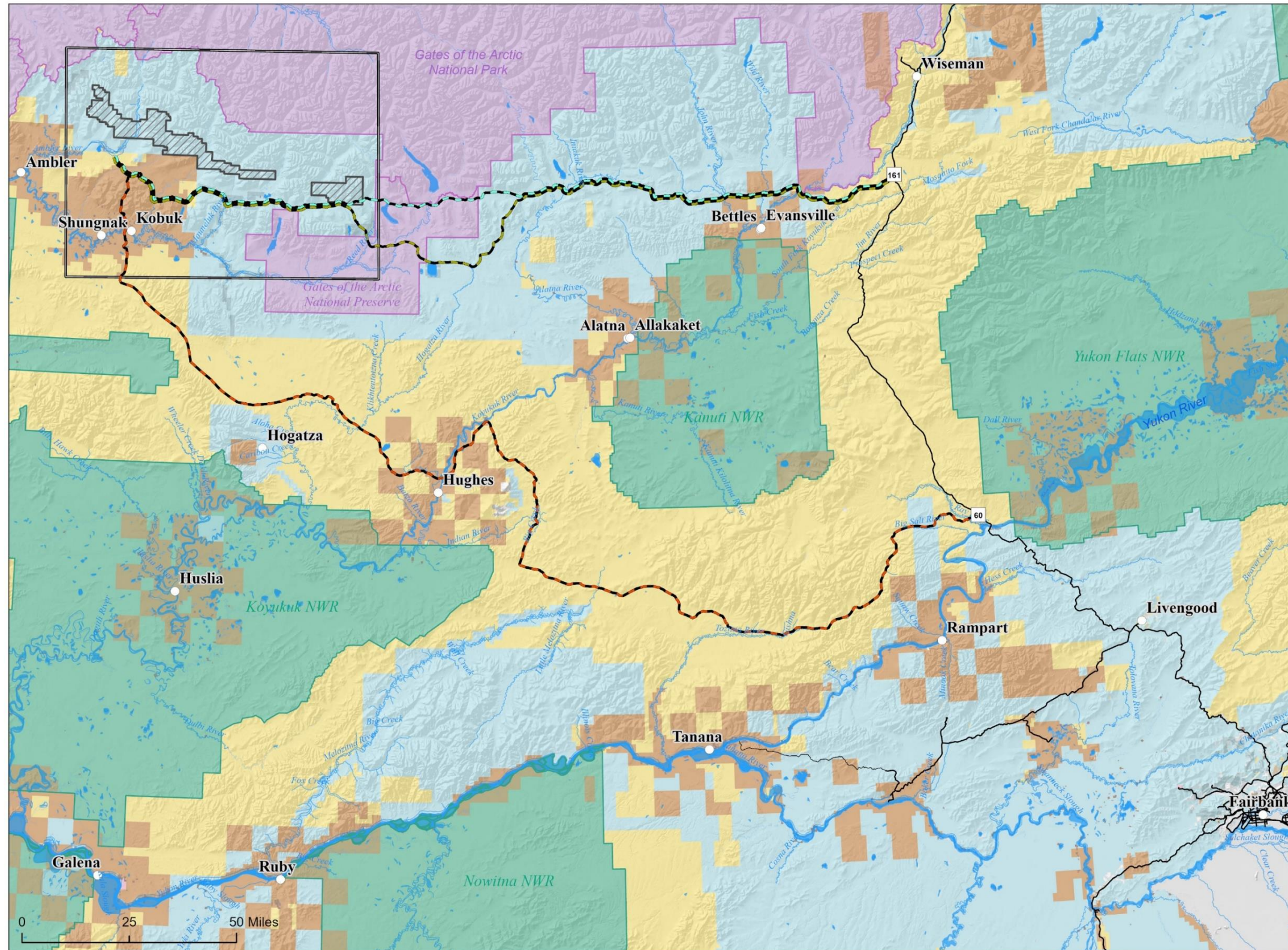
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- Alternative C: Diagonal Route to the Dalton Highway
- # Dalton Highway Mile Post
- Communities
- Administered Lands^a**
- Bureau of Land Management
- Alaska Native Lands
- Alaska Native Allotment
- Department of Defense
- Fish and Wildlife Service
- Local Government
- National Park Service
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- Private
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- Water
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- Ambler Mining District
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- National Park Service Boundary^a

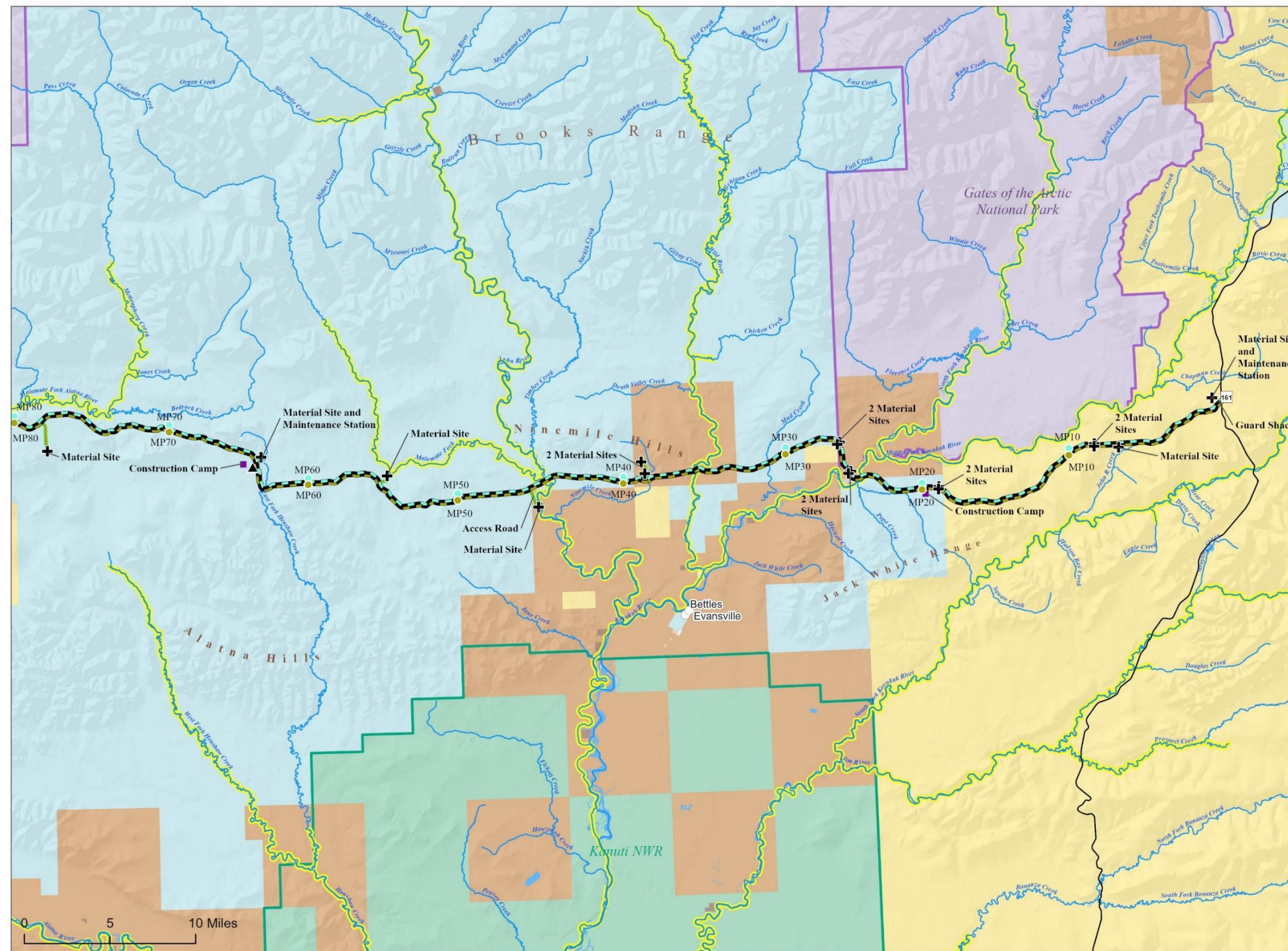
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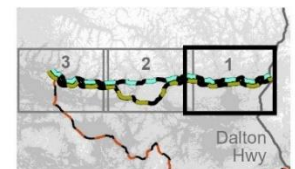
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- Alternative A: AIDEA
- Proposed Route (GAAR North) to the Dalton Highway
- Alternative B: AIDEA
- Alternative Route (GAAR South) to the Dalton Highway
- Alternative A Milepoints
- Alternative B Milepoints
- Alternative A and B Material Site
- Alternative A and B Airstrip
- Alternative A and B Access Road
- Alternative A Access Road
- Alternative B Access Road
- Communities
- Dalton Highway Mile Post
- Anadromous Stream^b
- Administered Lands^a**
- Bureau of Land Management
- Alaska Native Lands
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- Fish and Wildlife Service
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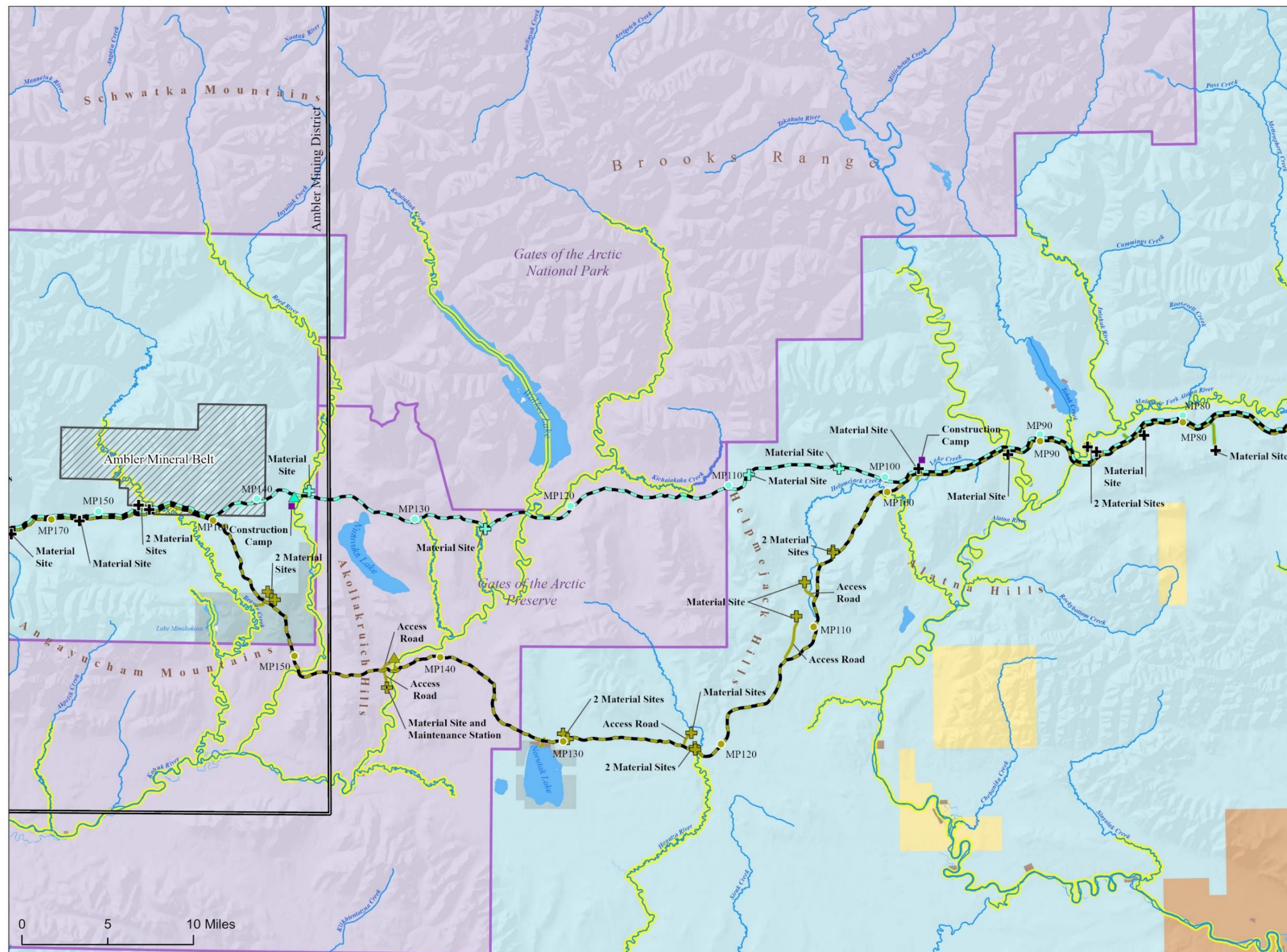
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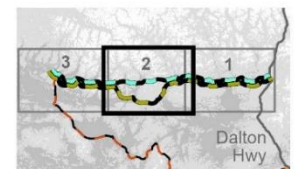
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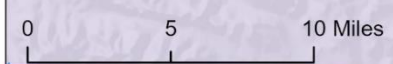


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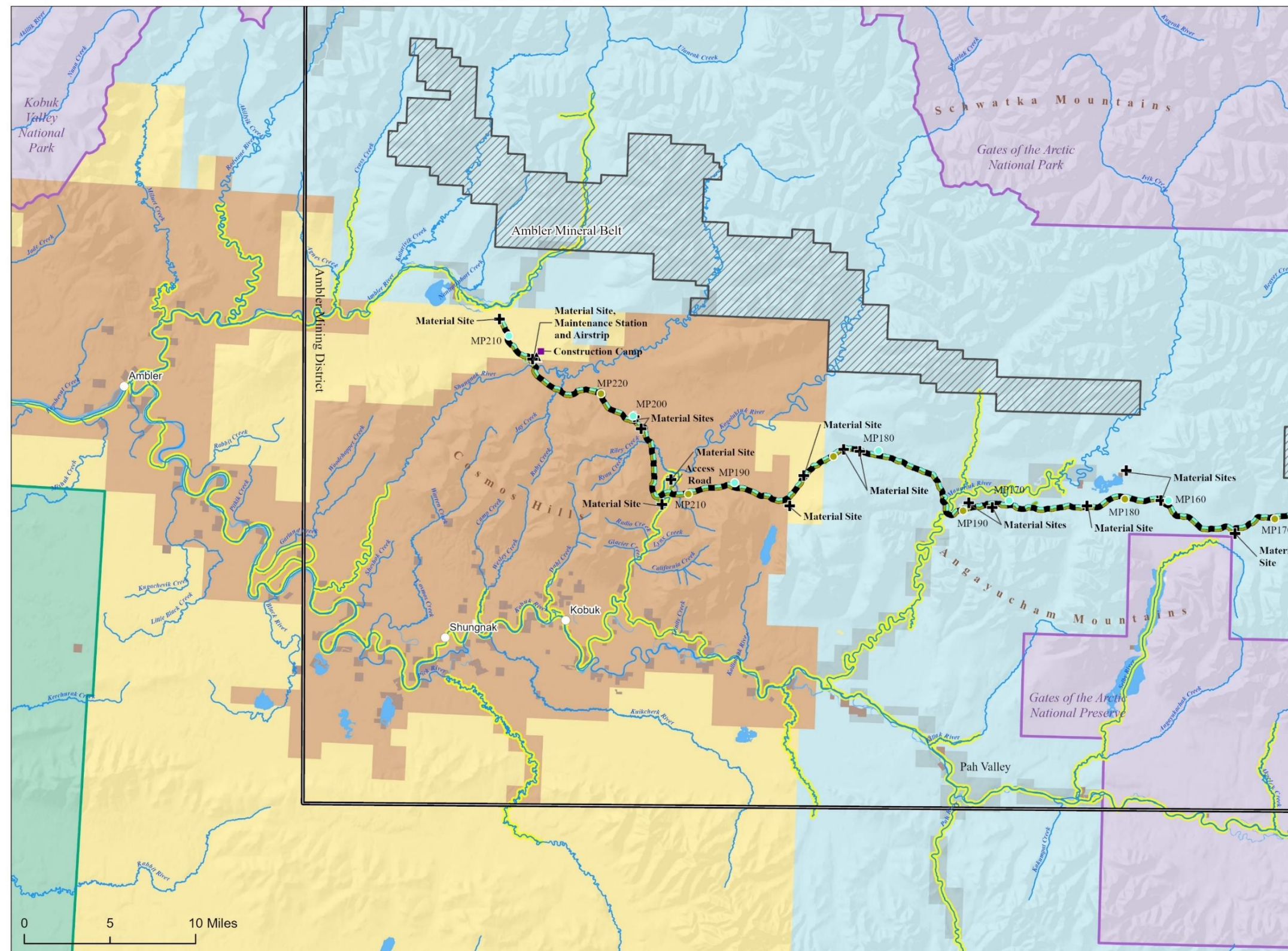
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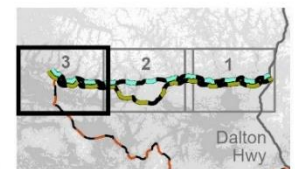




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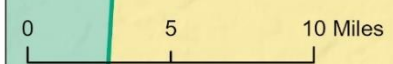


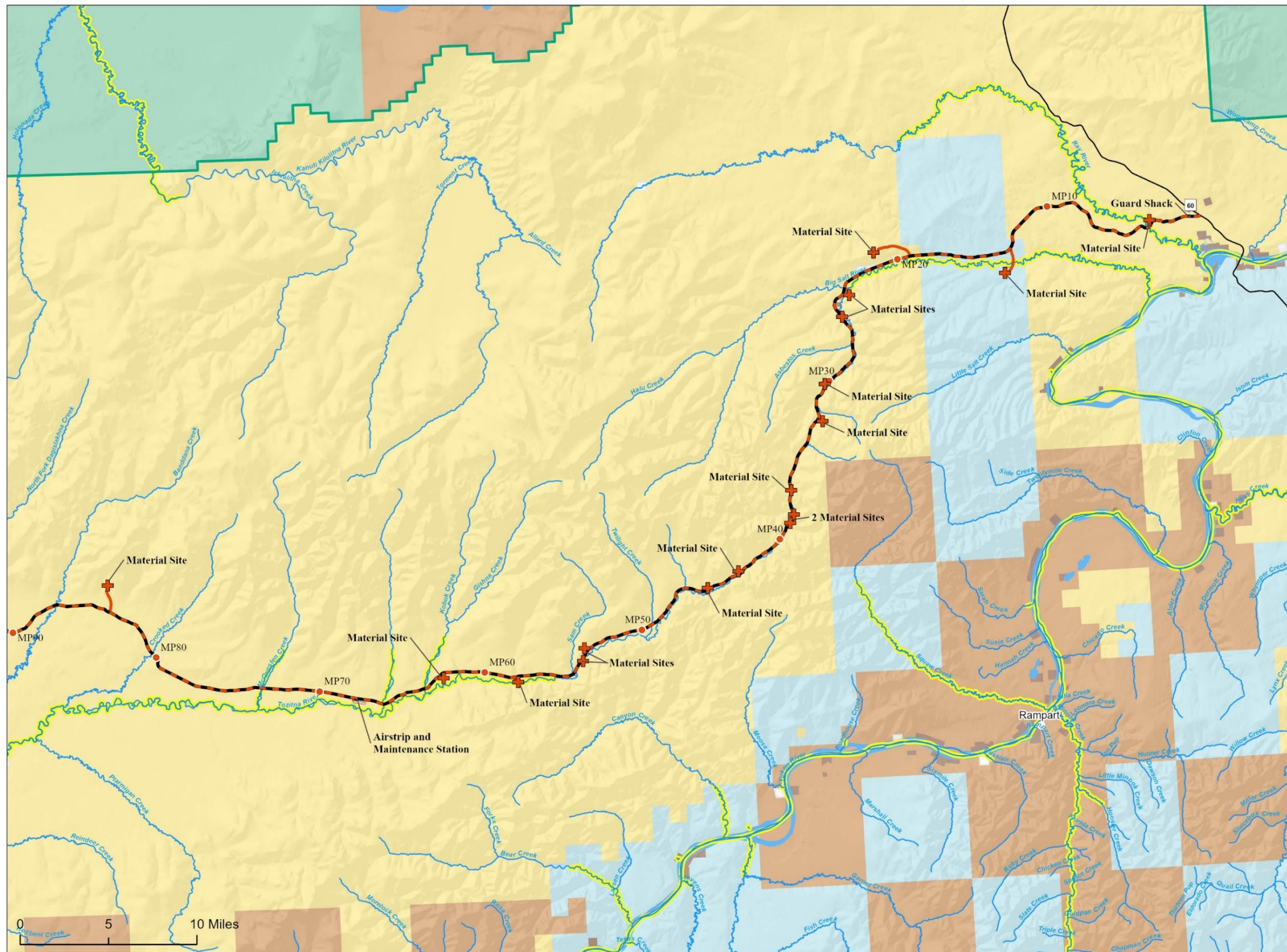
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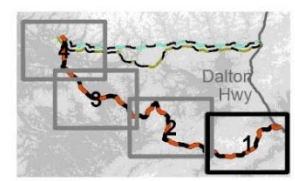
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- Alternative C: Diagonal Route to the Dalton Highway
 - Alternative C Milepoints
 - Alternative C Material Site
 - Alternative C Airstrip
 - Alternative C Access Road
 - Communities
 - Dalton Highway Mile Post
 - Anadromous Stream^b
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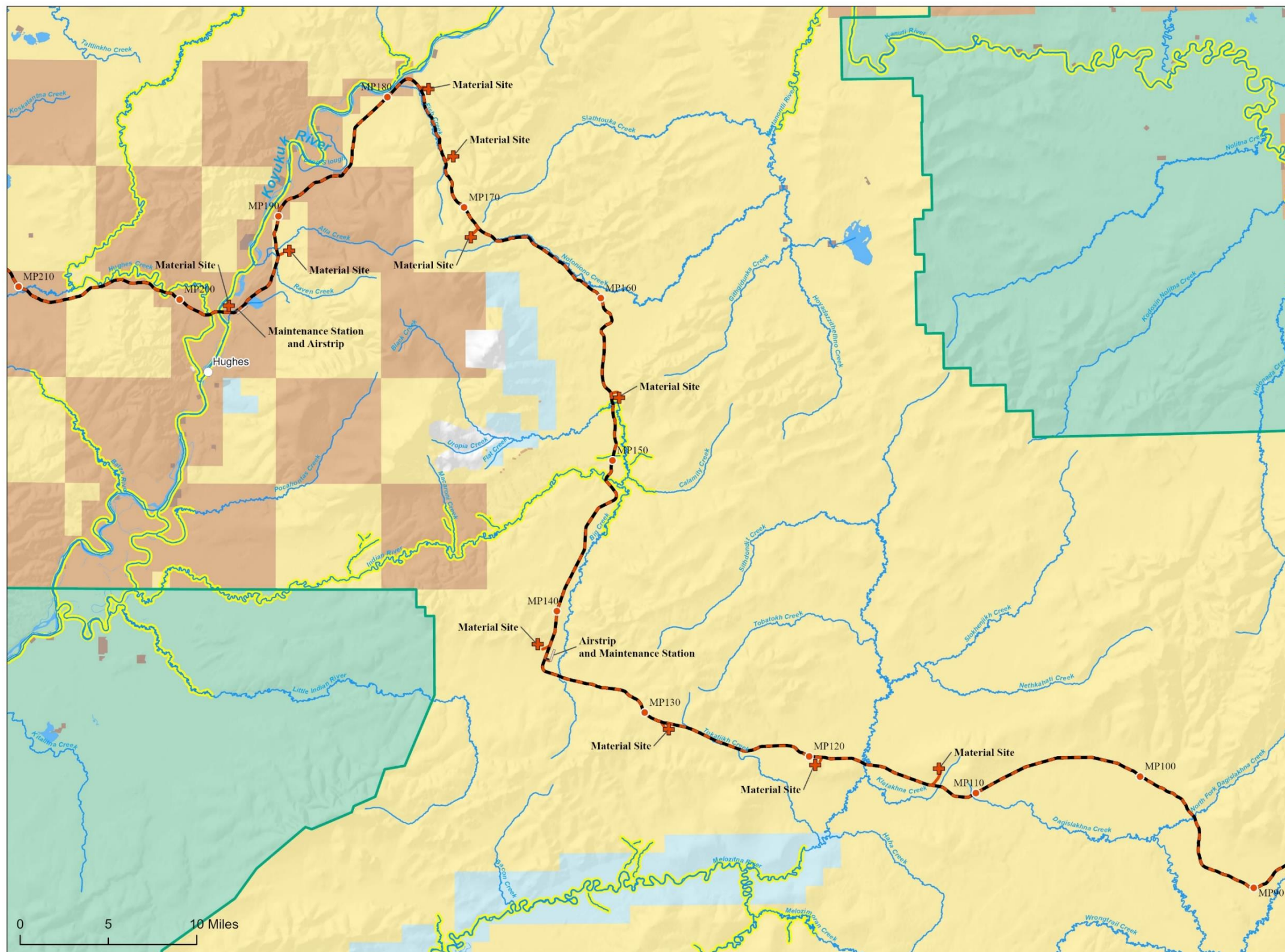
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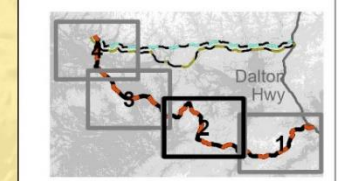
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- Alternative C: Diagonal Route to the Dalton Highway
 - Alternative C Milepoints
 - Alternative C Material Site
 - Alternative C Airstrip
 - Alternative C Access Road
 - Communities
 - Dalton Highway Mile Post
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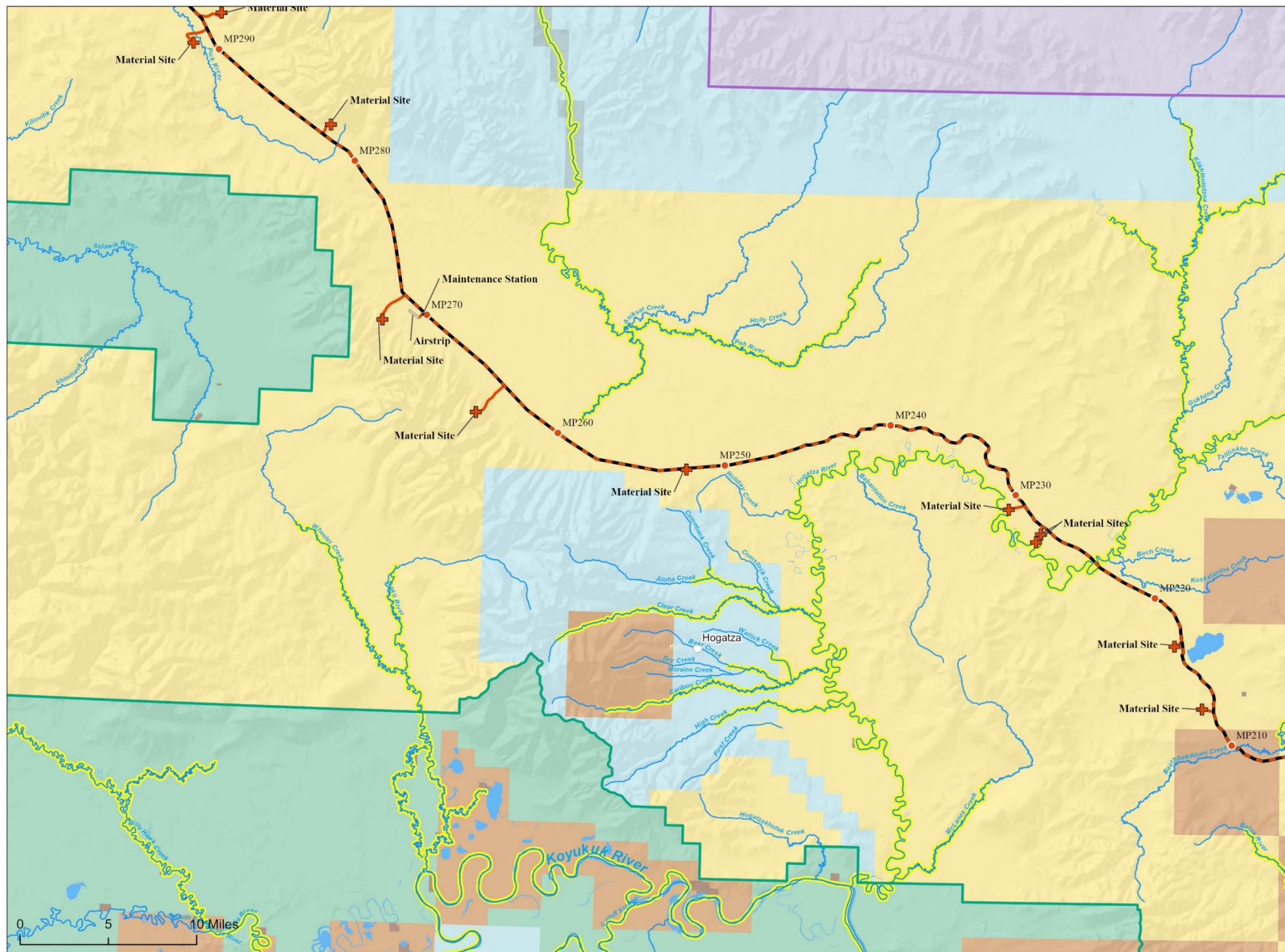
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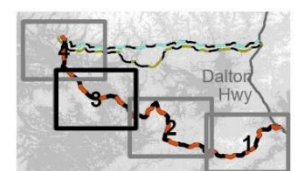
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 - Alternative C Milepoints
 - Alternative C Material Site
 - Alternative C Airstrip
 - Alternative C Access Road
 - Communities
 - Dalton Highway Mile Post
 - Anadromous Stream^b
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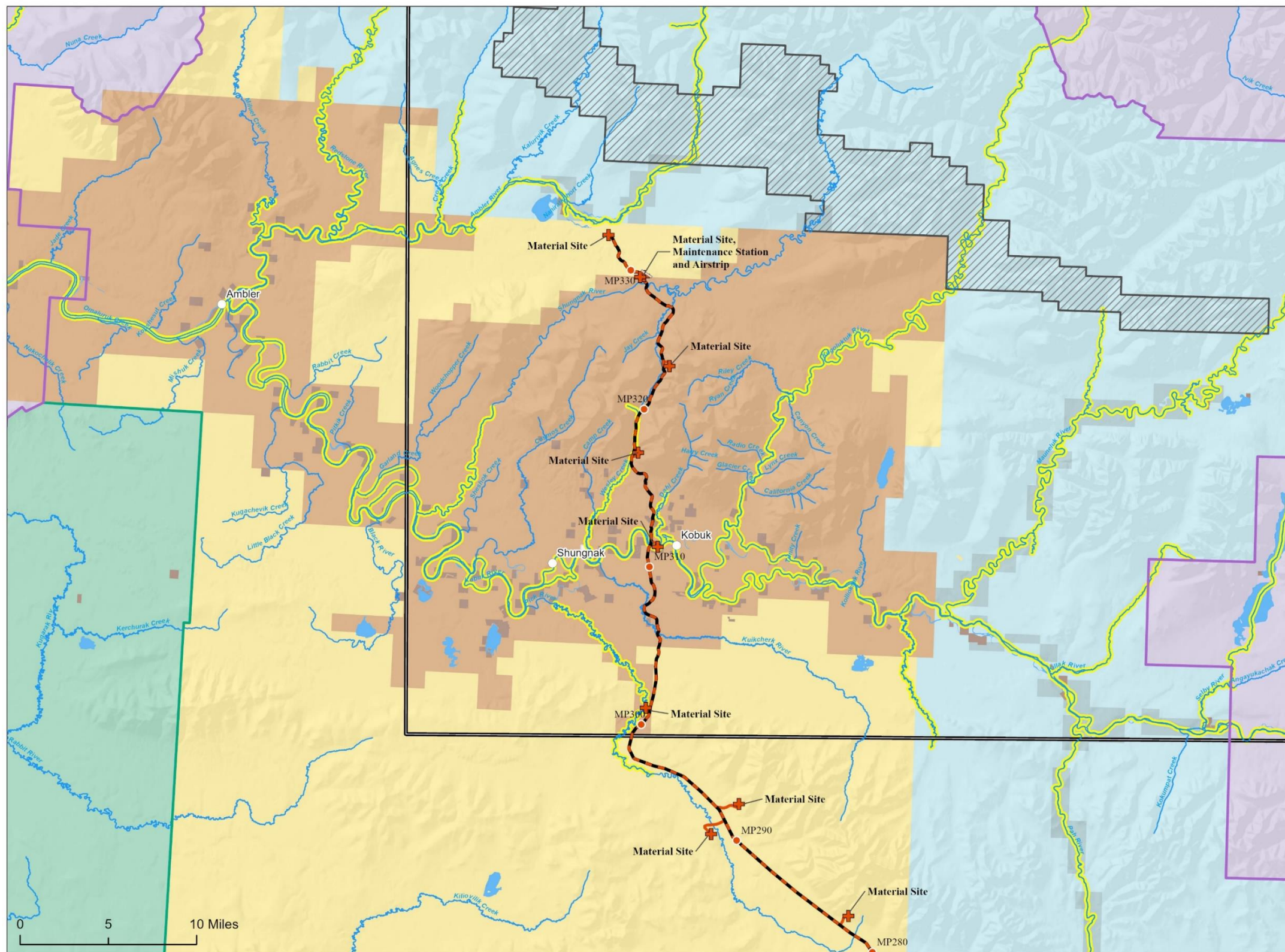
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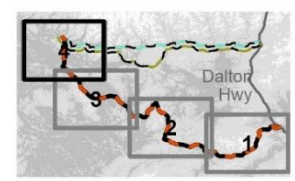
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- Alternative C: Diagonal Highway
- Route to the Dalton Highway
- Alternative C Mileposts
- Alternative C Material Site
- Alternative C Airstrip
- Alternative C Access Road
- Communities
- Dalton Highway Mile Post
- Ambler Mineral Belt^a
- Ambler Mining District^a
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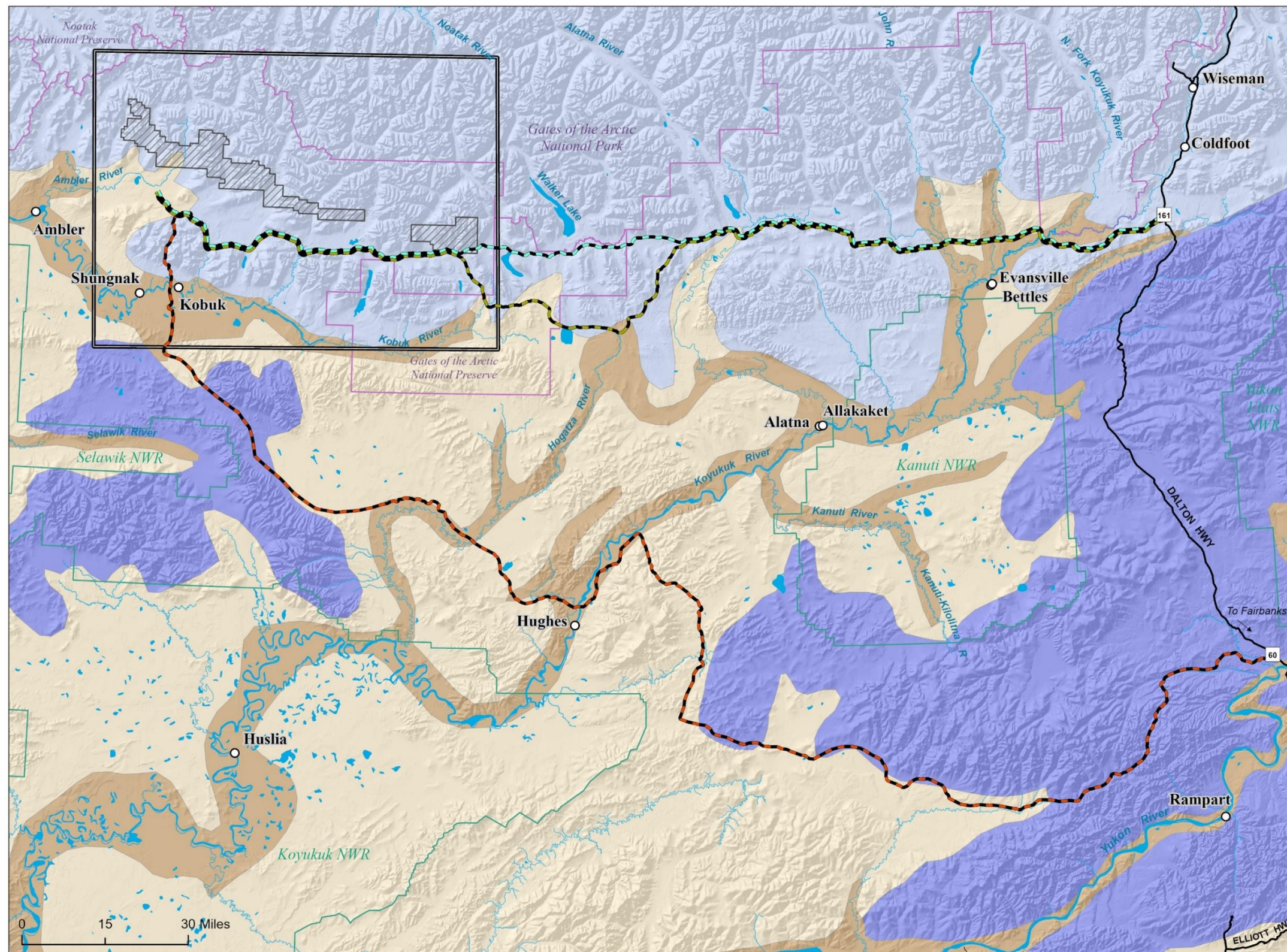
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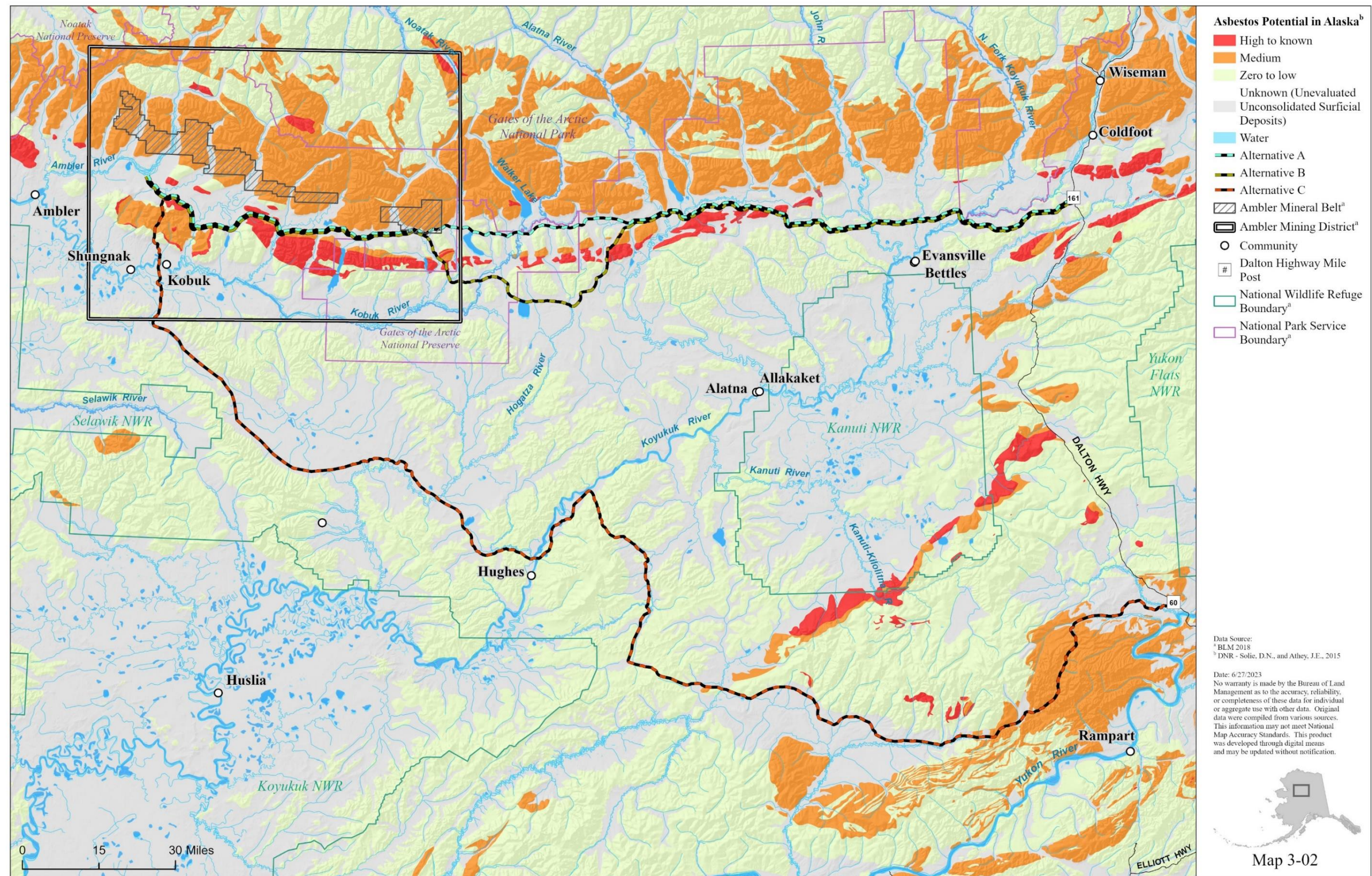
- Permafrost^b**
- Lowland and Upland Area underlain by discontinuous permafrost
 - Lowland and Upland Area underlain by moderately thick to thin permafrost
 - Mountainous Area underlain by continuous permafrost
 - Mountainous Area underlain by discontinuous permafrost
 - Alternative A
 - Alternative B
 - Alternative C
 - Ambler Mineral Belt^a
 - Ambler Mining District^a
 - Community
 - Dalton Highway Mile Post
 - National Wildlife Refuge Boundary^a
 - National Park Service Boundary^a

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^b Arctic Landscape Conservation Cooperative, 2014

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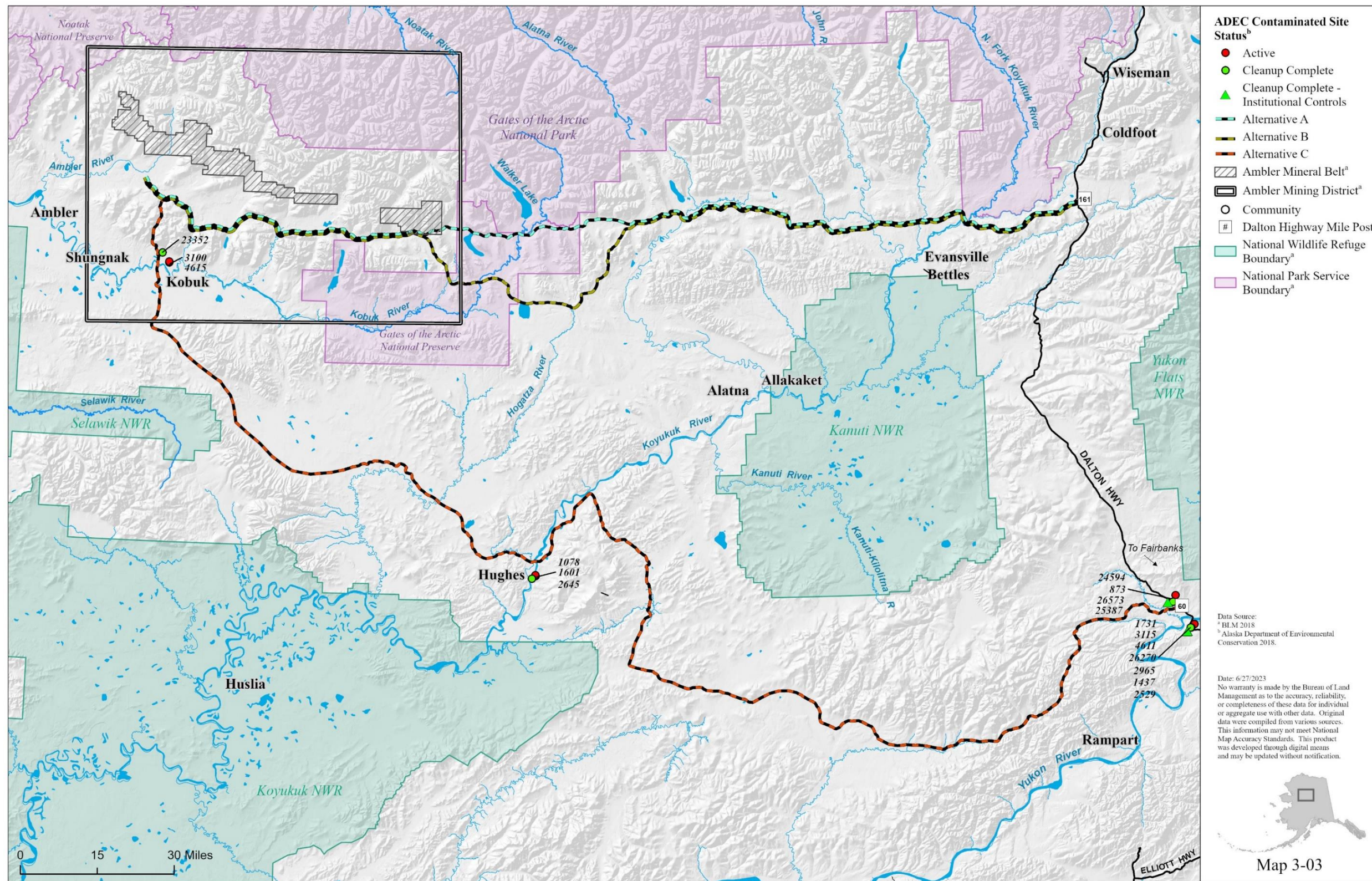


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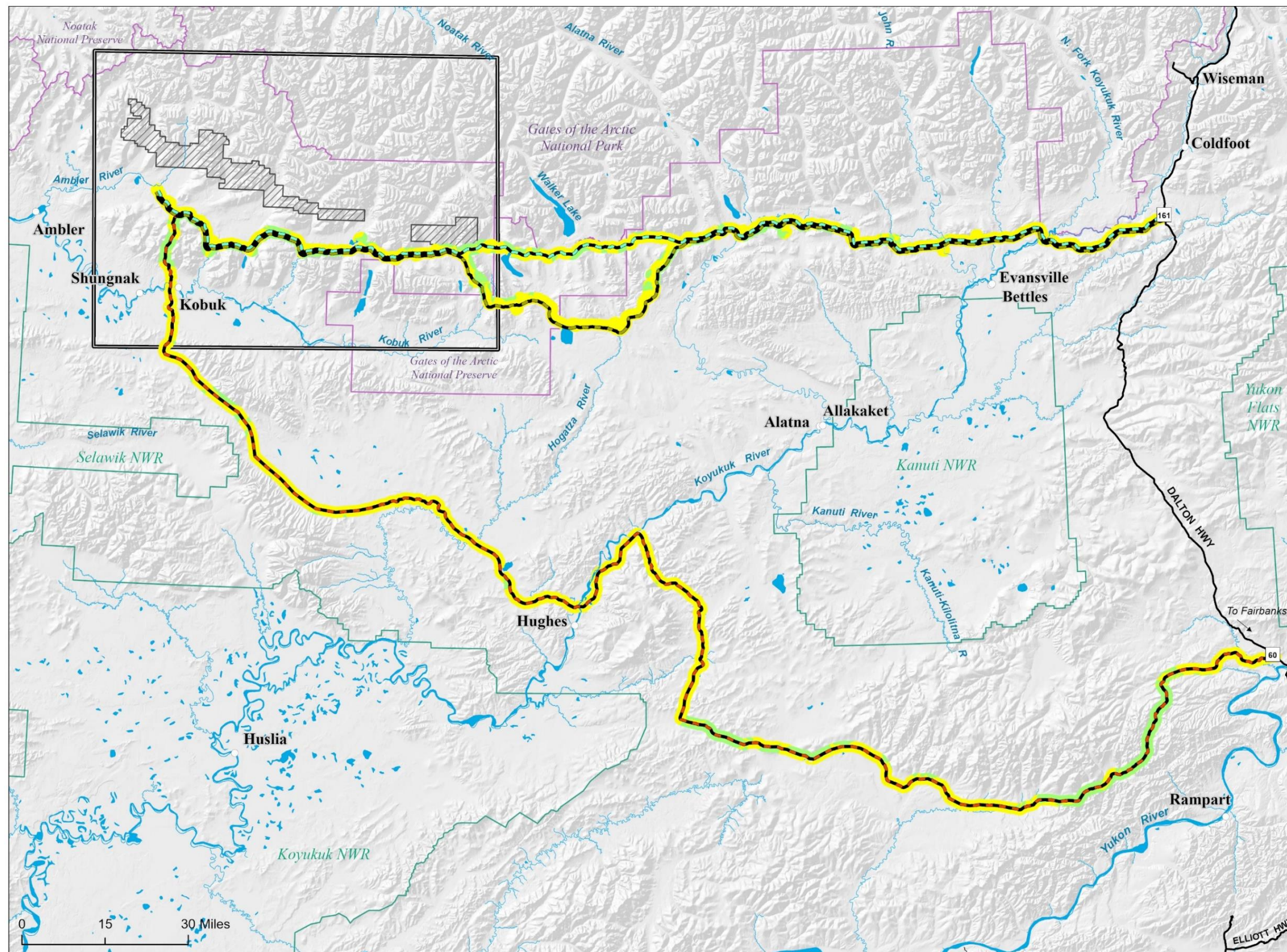


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- Potential Fossil Yield Classification^{a,b}**
- 1 - Very Low
 - 2 - Low
 - Alternative A
 - Alternative B
 - Alternative C
 - Amblor Mineral Belt^a
 - Amblor Mining District^a
 - Community
 - Dalton Highway Mile Post
 - National Wildlife Refuge Boundary^a
 - National Park Service Boundary^a

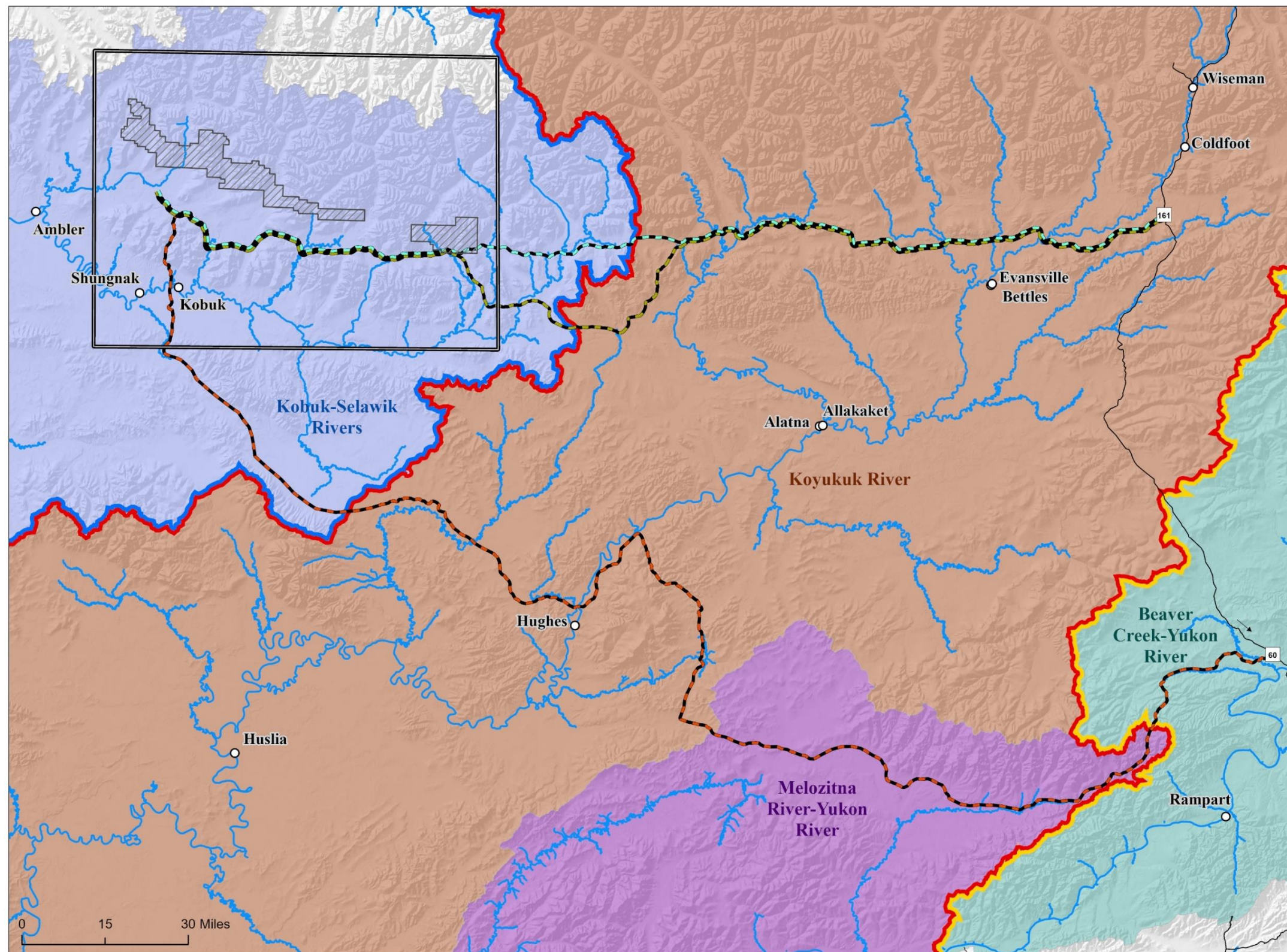
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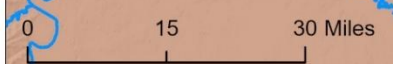
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- Basins in Study Area (HUC4)^a**
- Northwest Alaska
 - Lower Yukon River
 - Middle Yukon River
- Basins in Study Area (HUC6)^a**
- Beaver Creek-Yukon River
 - Kobuk-Selawik Rivers
 - Koyukuk River
 - Melozitna River-Yukon River
- Alternative B**
- Alternative C**
- Anadromous Stream^b**
- Ambler Mineral Belt^c**
- Ambler Mining District^d**
- Community**
- Dalton Highway Mile Post**

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^c U.S. Geological Survey and U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service 2013.

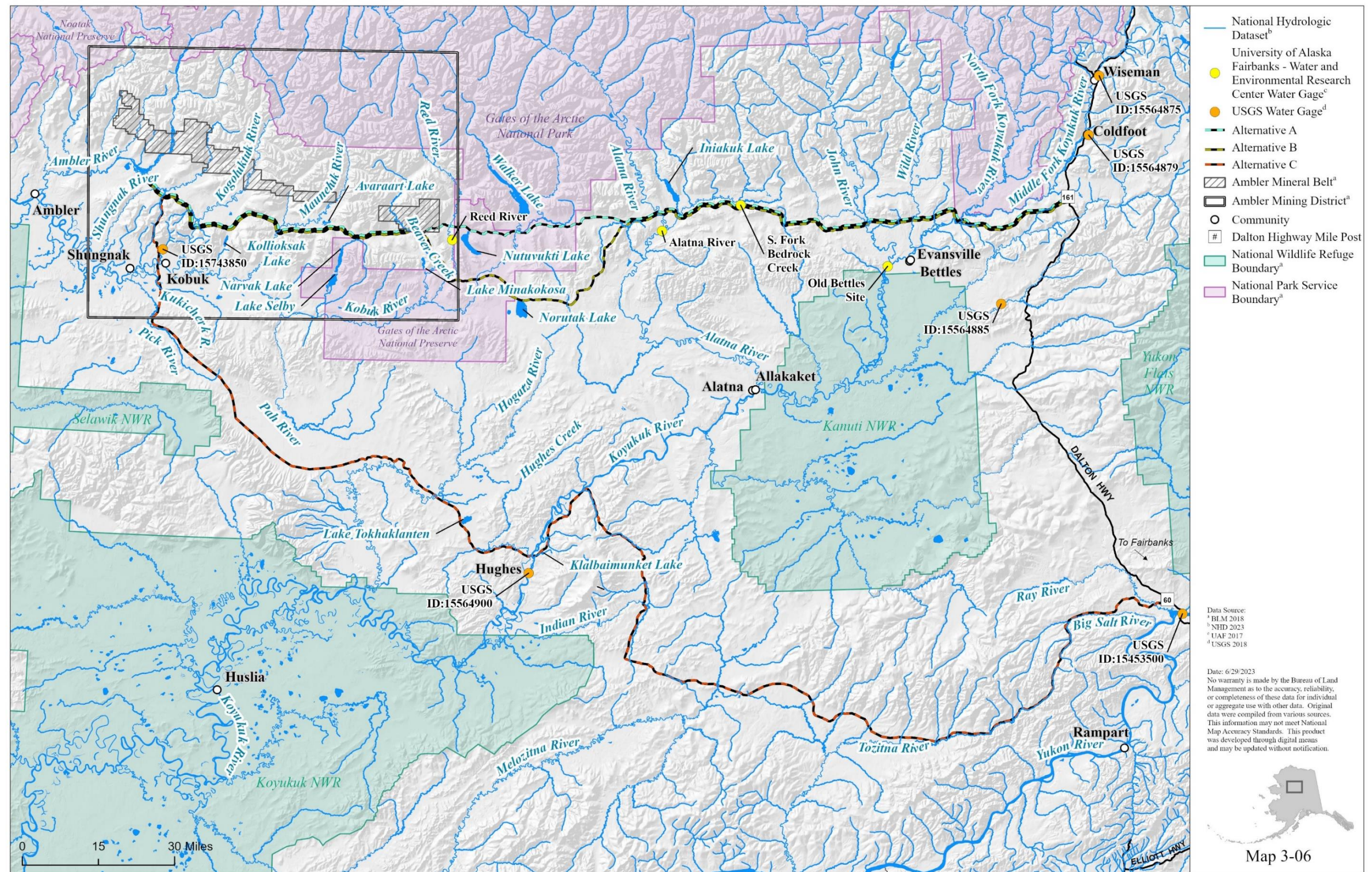
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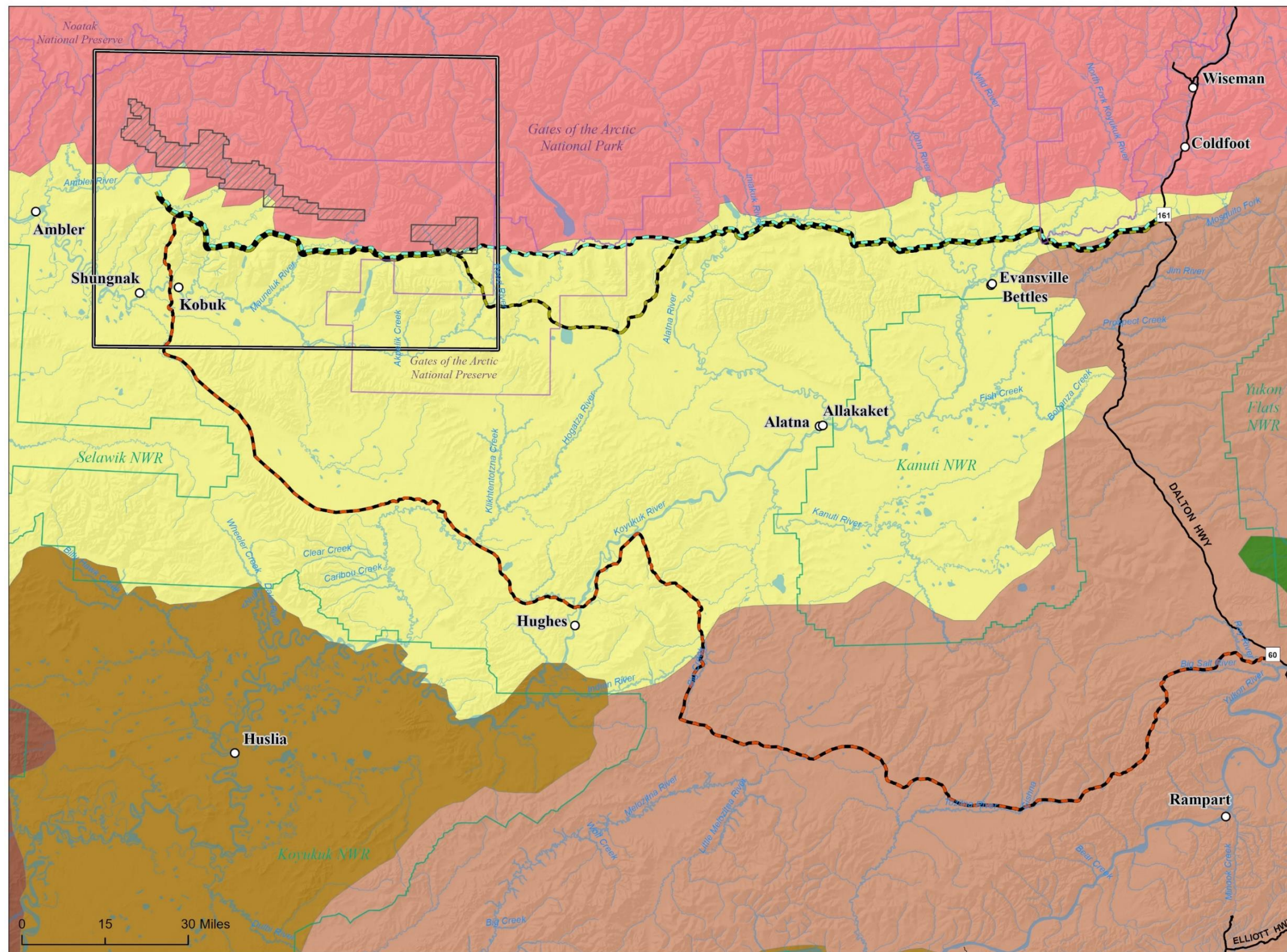


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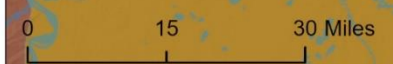




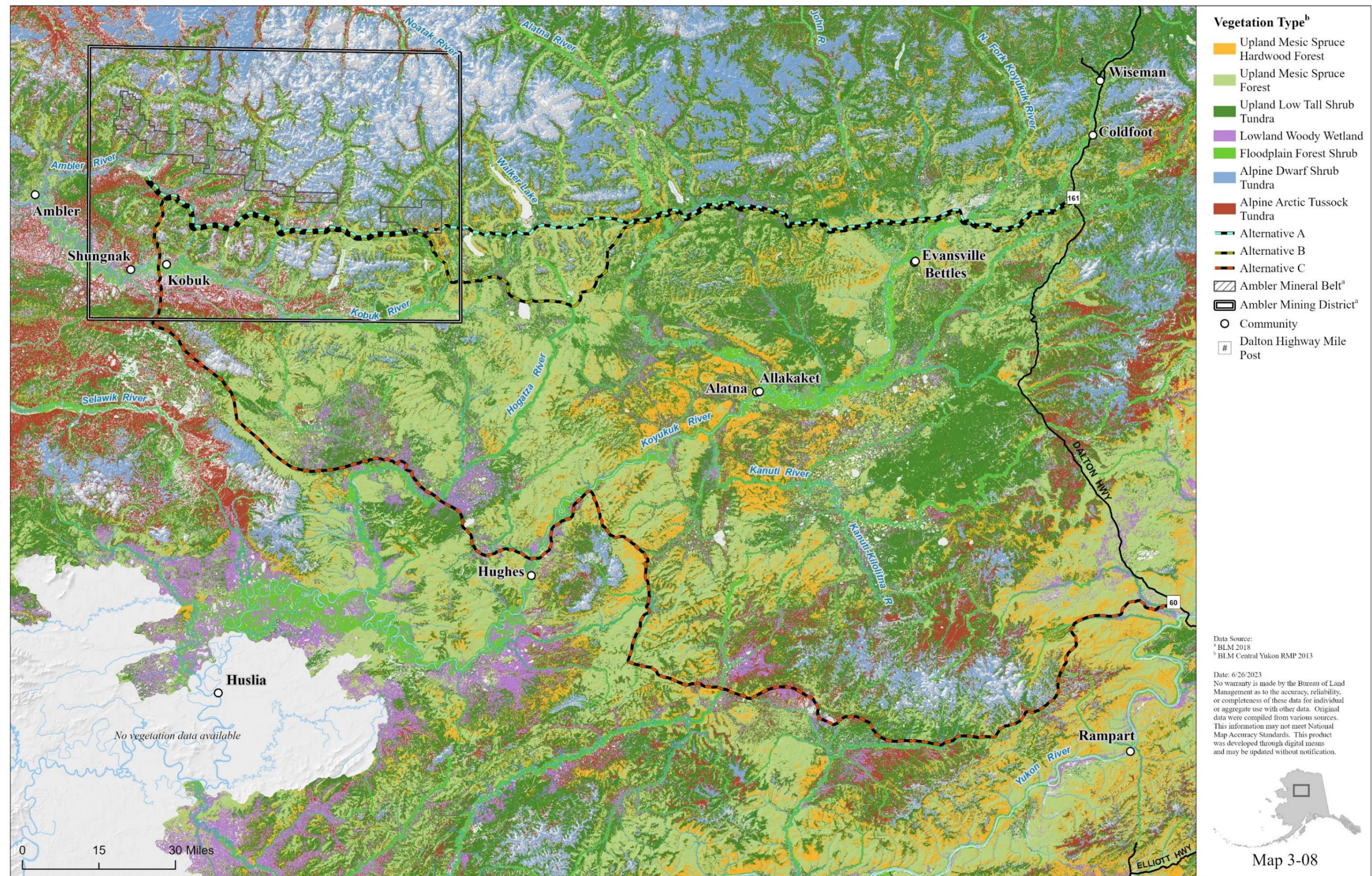
- Alaska Ecoregions^b**
- Brooks Range
 - Kobuk Ridges and Valleys
 - Nulato Hills
 - Ray Mountains
 - Yukon River Lowlands
 - Yukon-Old Crow Basin
 - Alternative A
 - Alternative B
 - Alternative C
 - Ambler Mineral Belt^a
 - Ambler Mining District^a
 - Community
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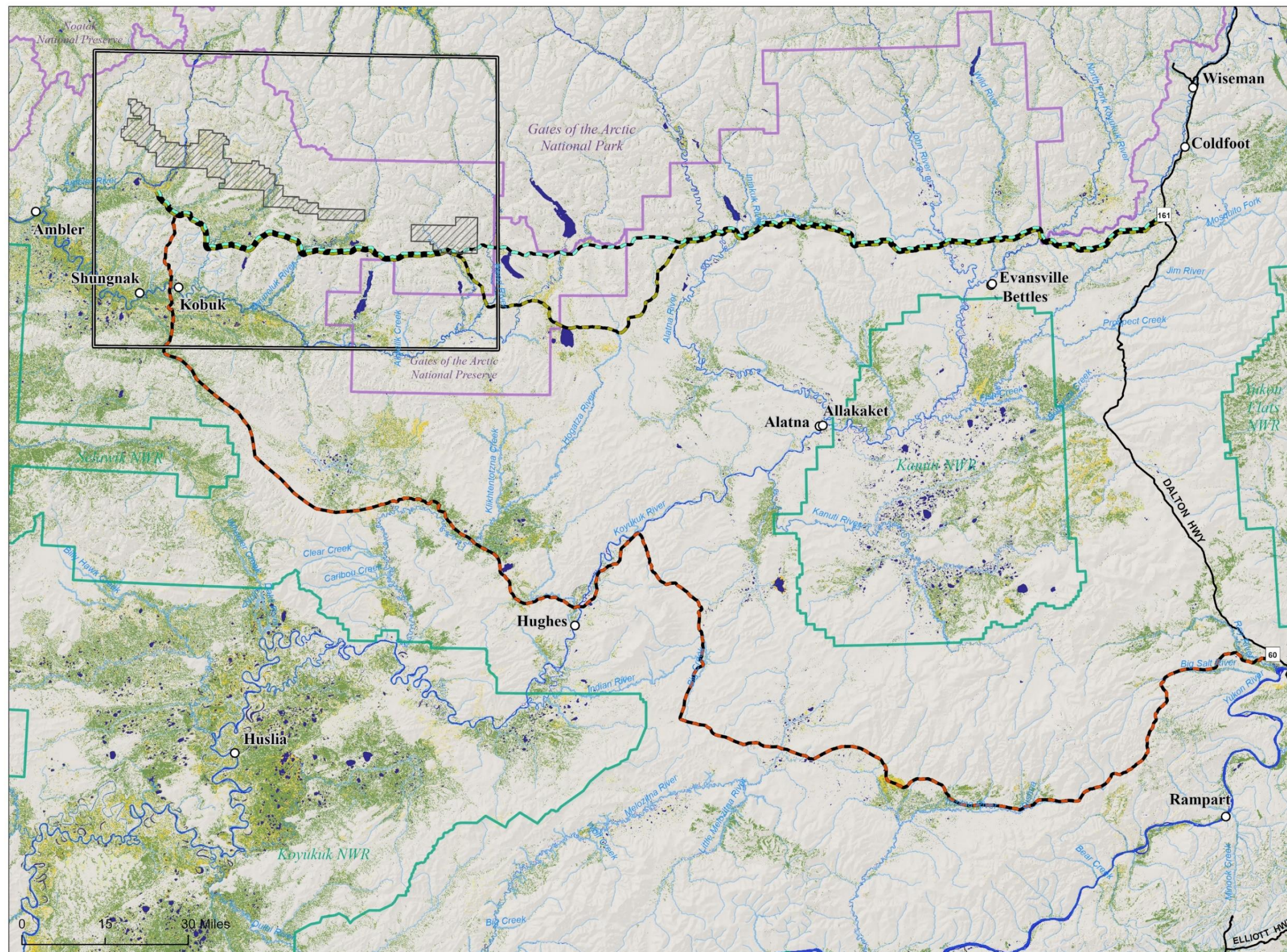
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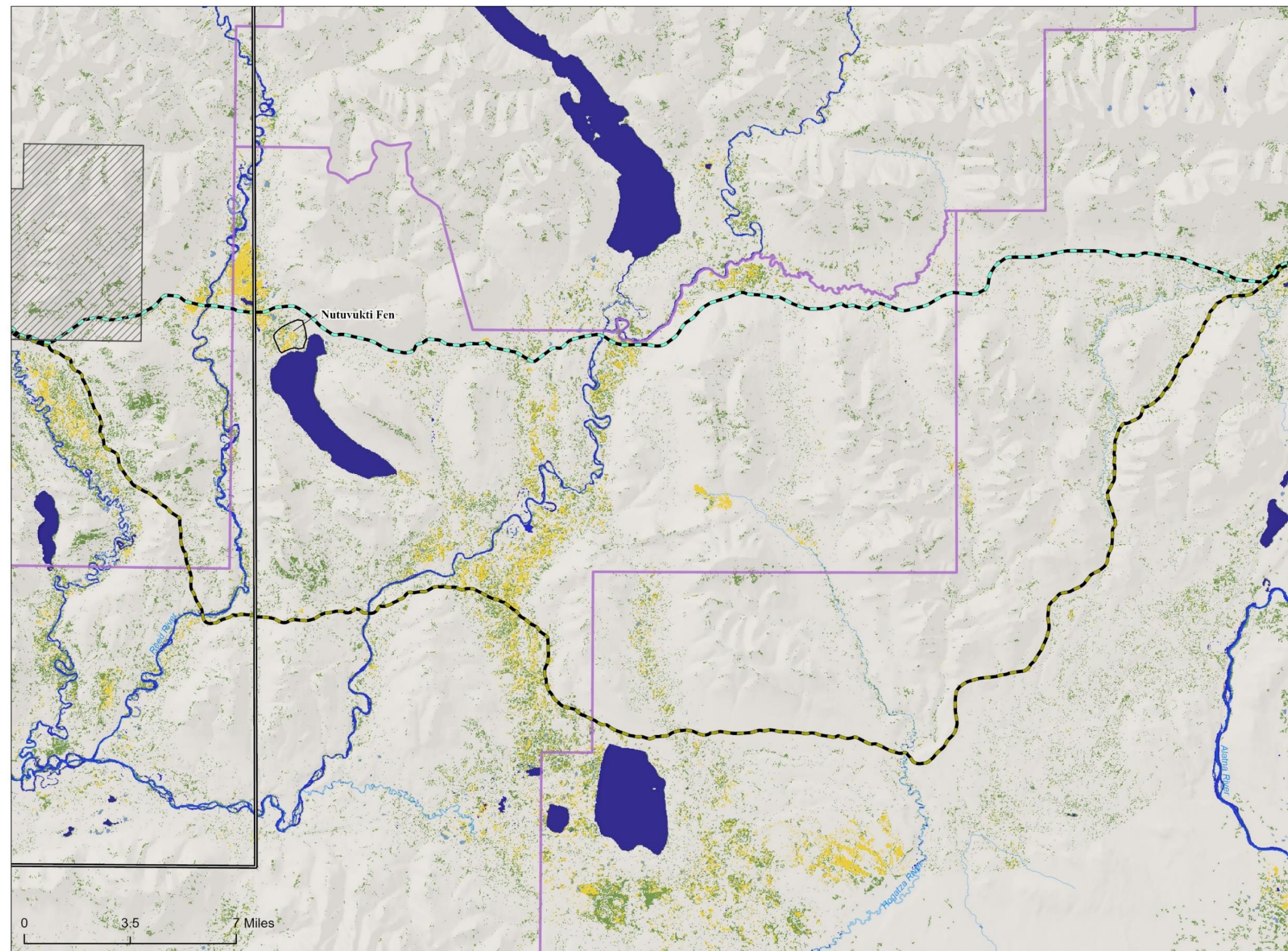
- Wetland Type^b**
- Estuarine and Marine Deepwater
 - Freshwater Bryophyte
 - Freshwater Emergent Wetland
 - Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland
 - Freshwater Pond
 - Lake
 - Riverine
 - Upland
 - Alternative A
 - Alternative B
 - Alternative C
 - Ambler Mineral Belt
 - Ambler Mining District
 - Community
 - Dalton Highway Mile Post
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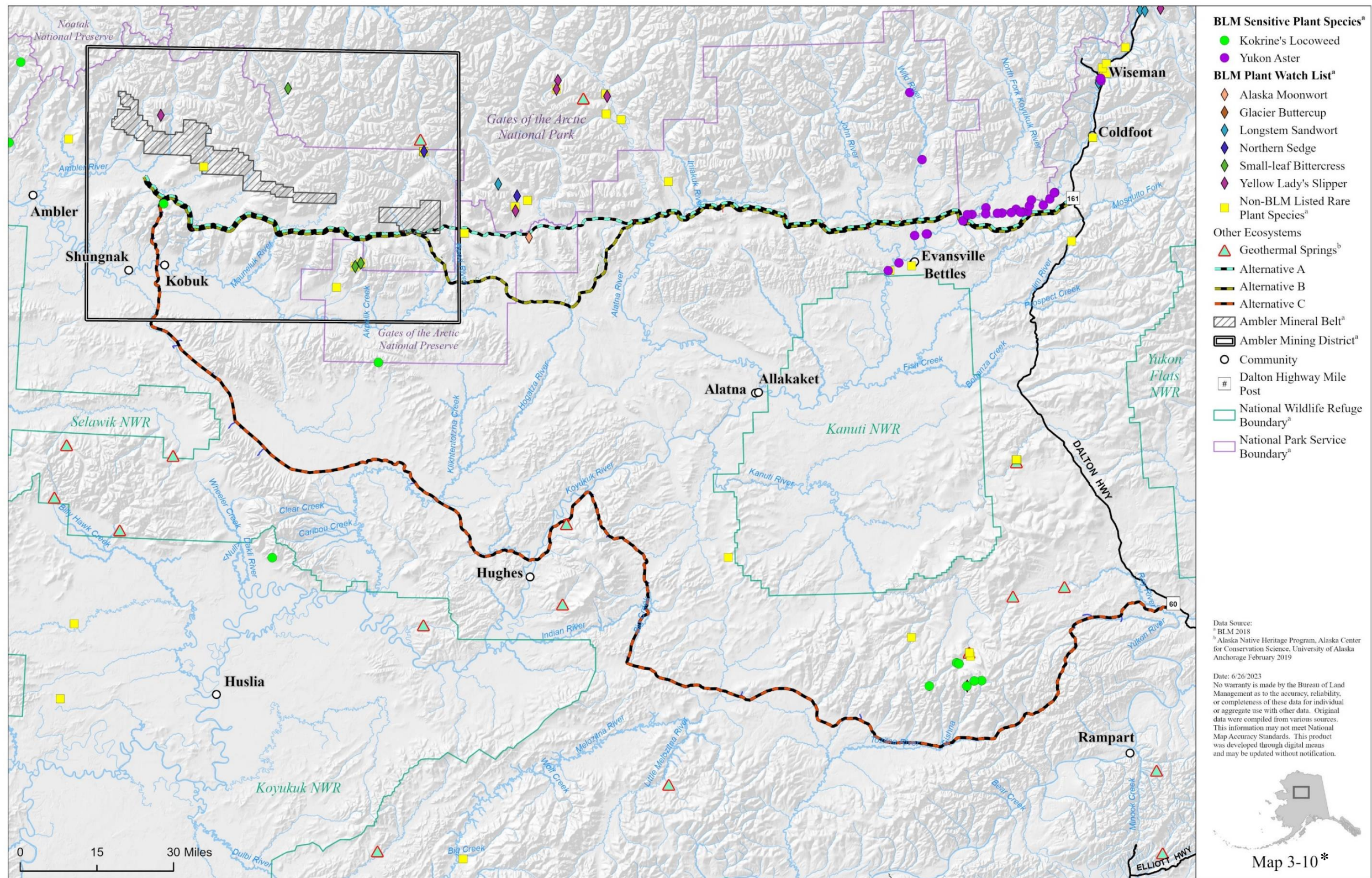
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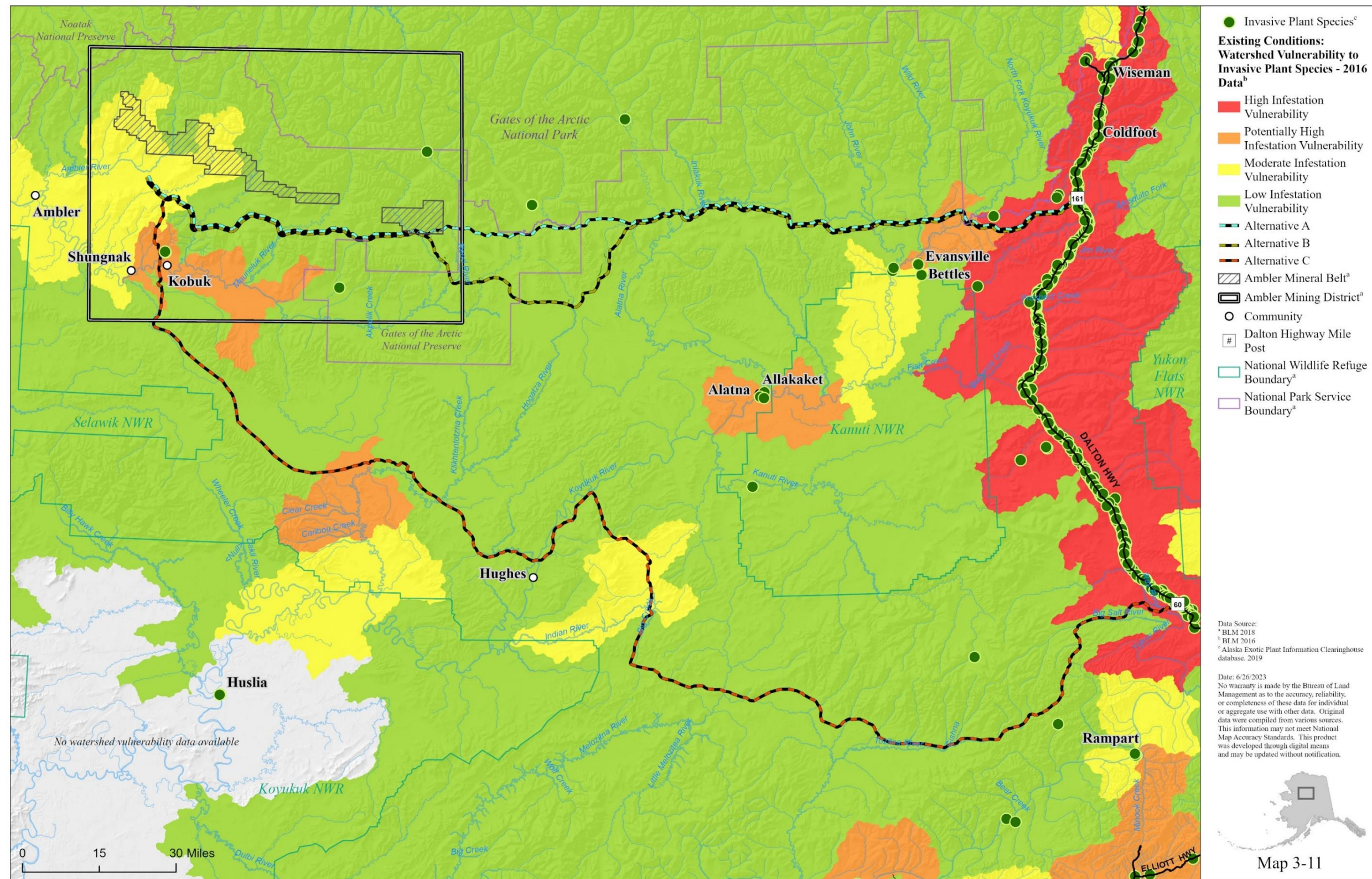


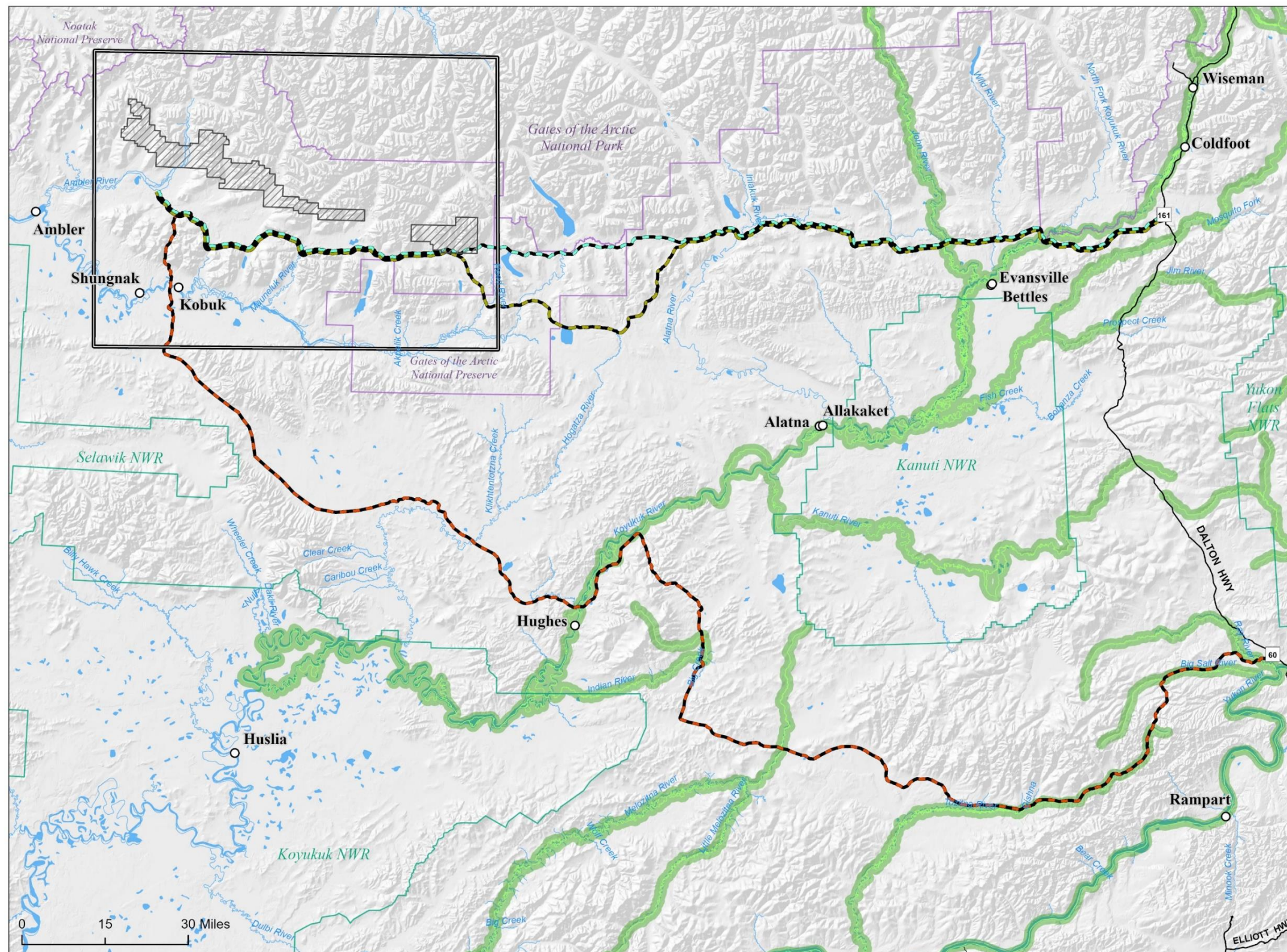
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- Elodea Susceptible River^a
- Alternative A
- Alternative B
- Alternative C
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- Amblertown Mining District^a
- Community
- Dalton Highway Mile Post
- National Wildlife Refuge Boundary^a
- National Park Service Boundary^a

Data Source:
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^b BLM, Central Yukon RMP, 2013

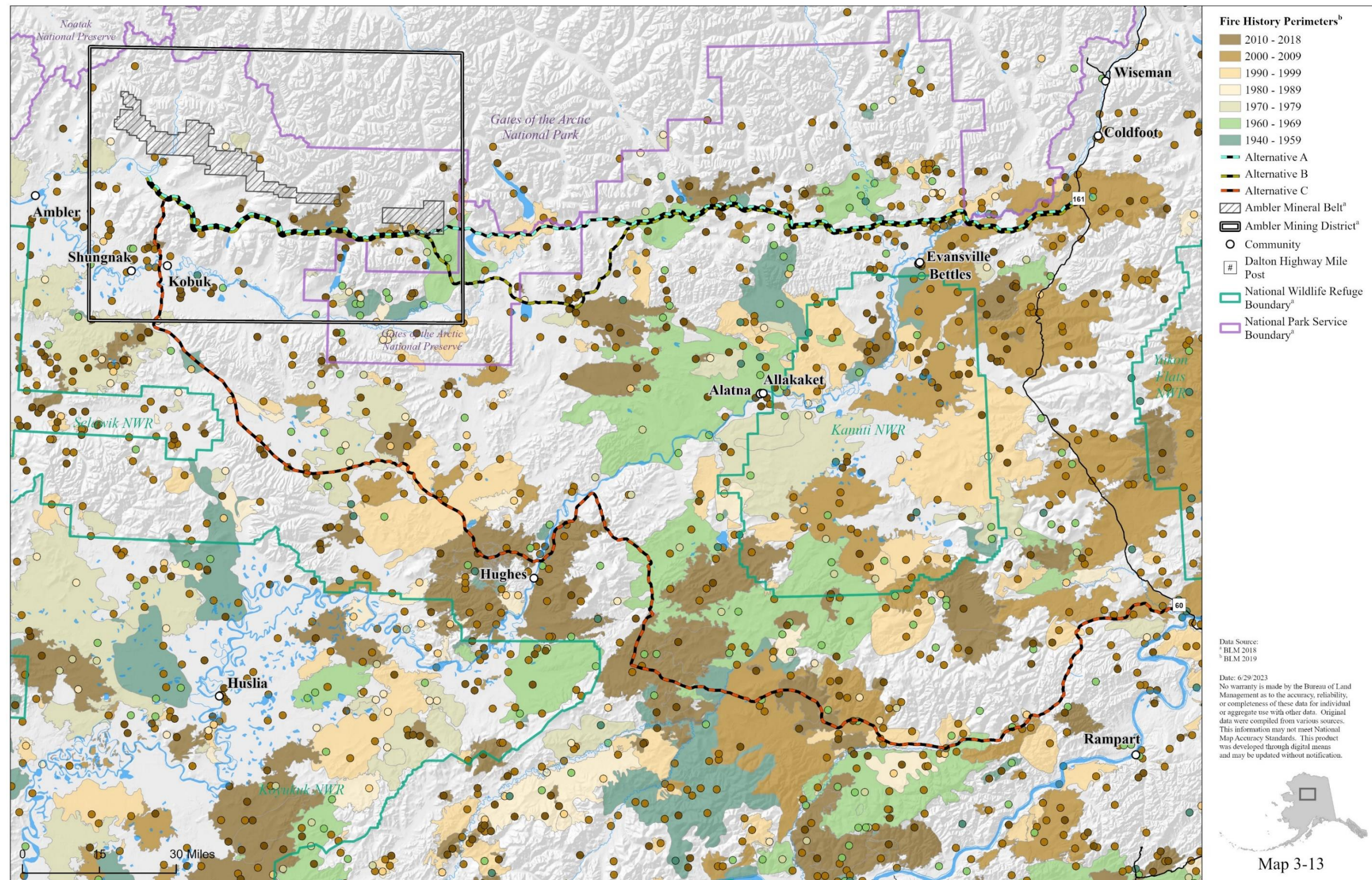
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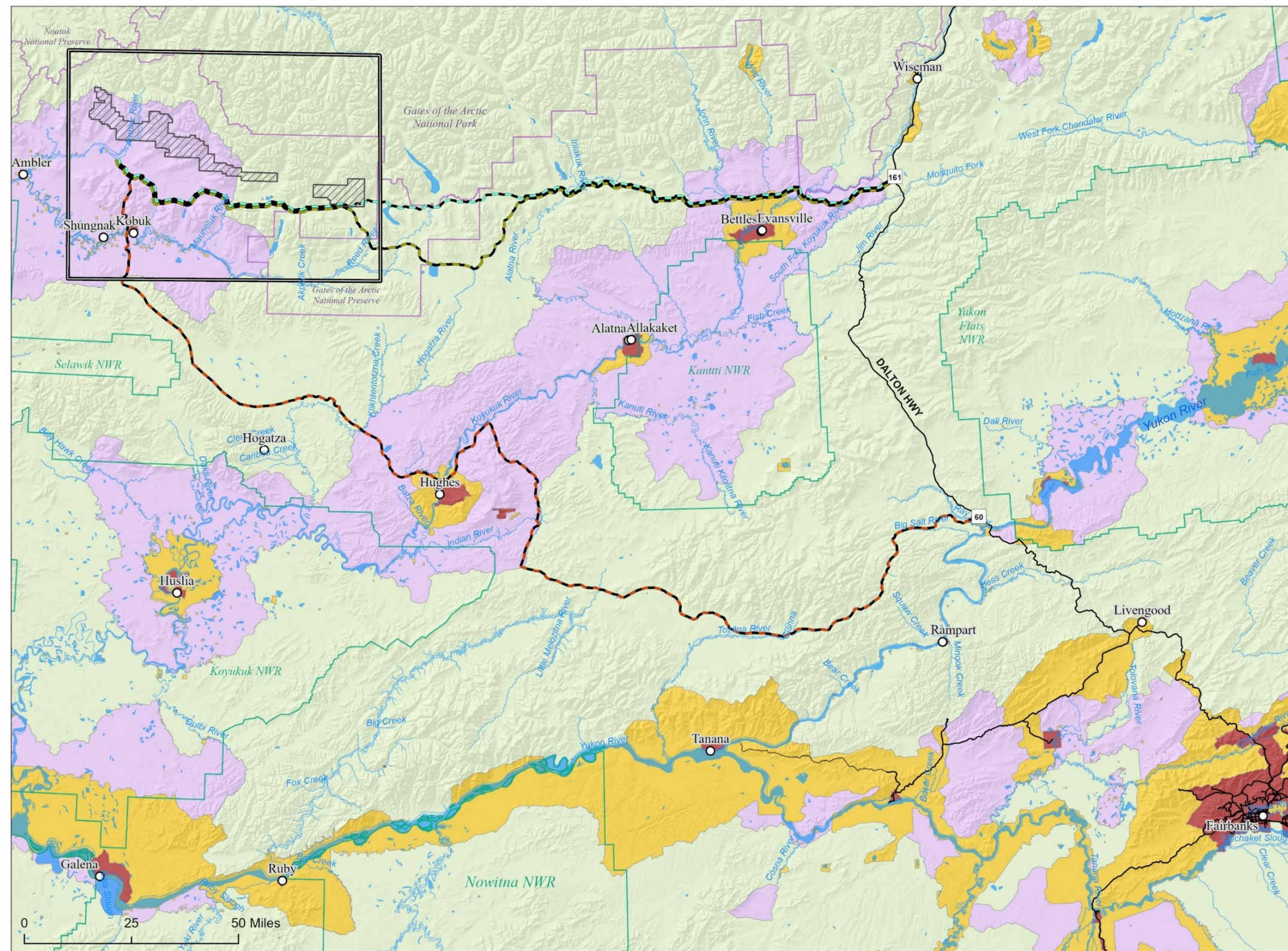


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Fire Management Options^b

- Critical
- Full
- Modified
- Limited
- Alternative A
- Alternative B
- Alternative C
- Ambler Mineral Belt^a
- Ambler Mining District^a
- Community
- Dalton Highway Mile Post
- National Wildlife Refuge Boundary^a
- National Park Service Boundary^a

Data Source:
^a BLM 2018
^b BLM 2019

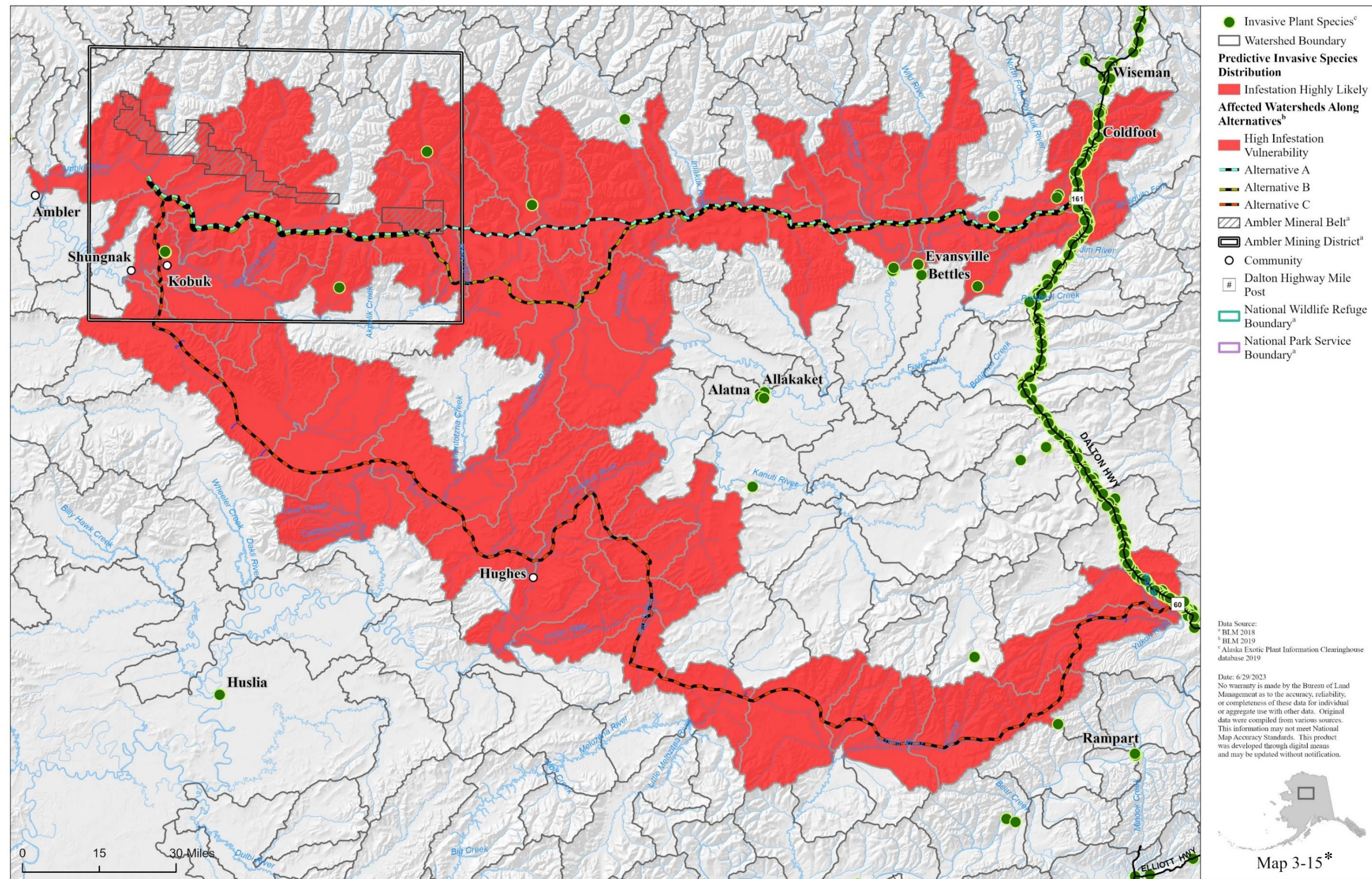
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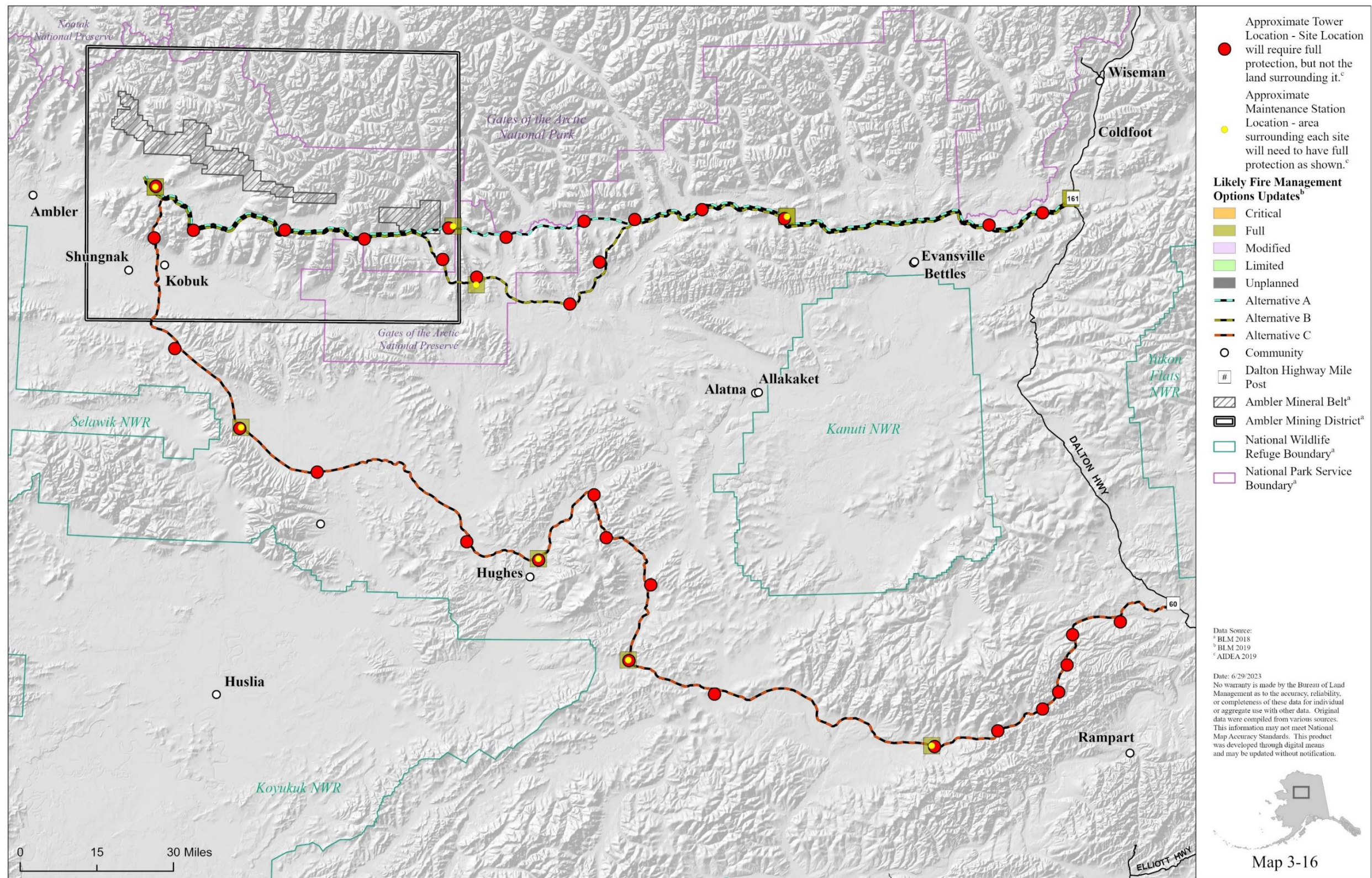


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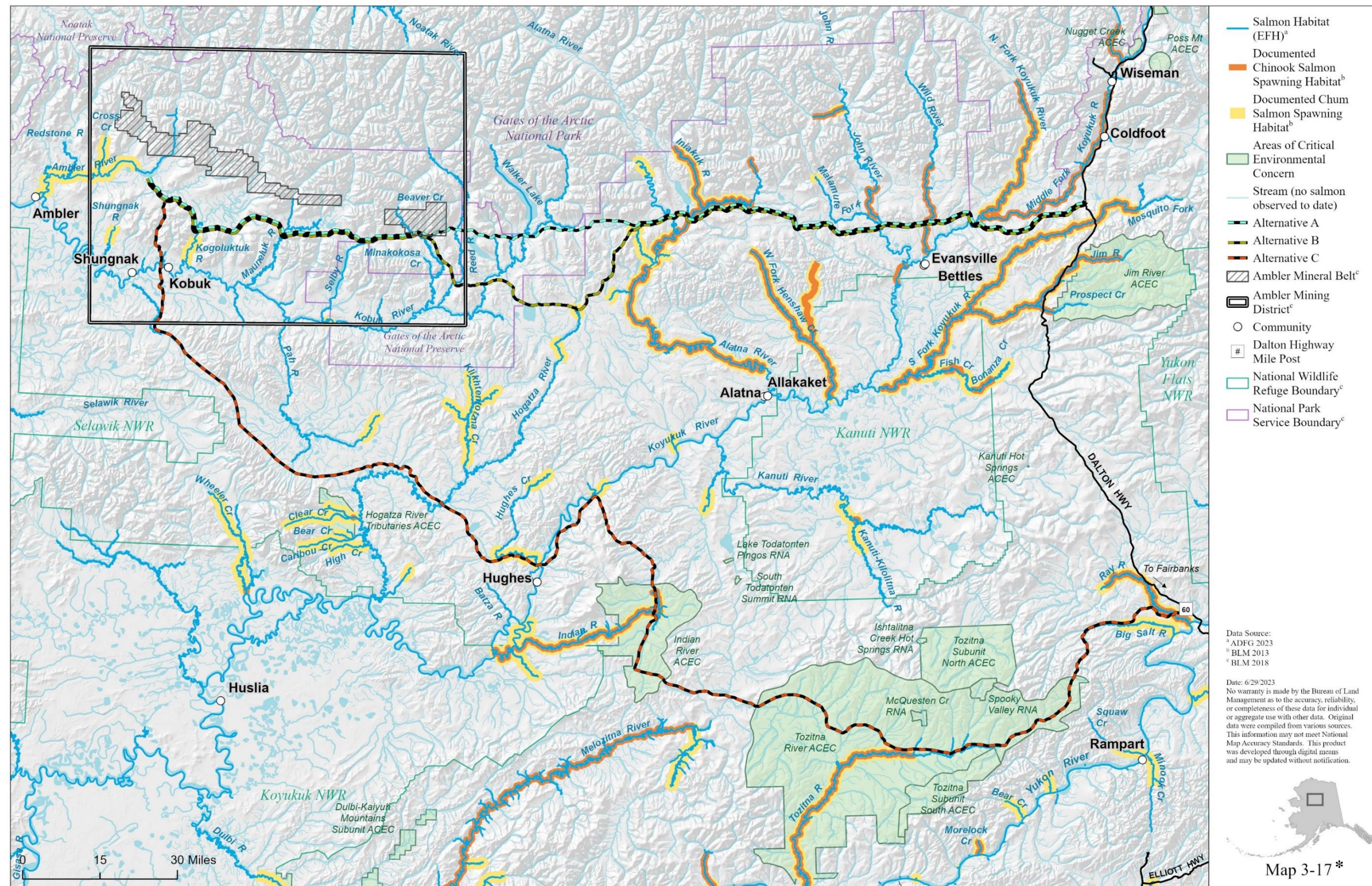


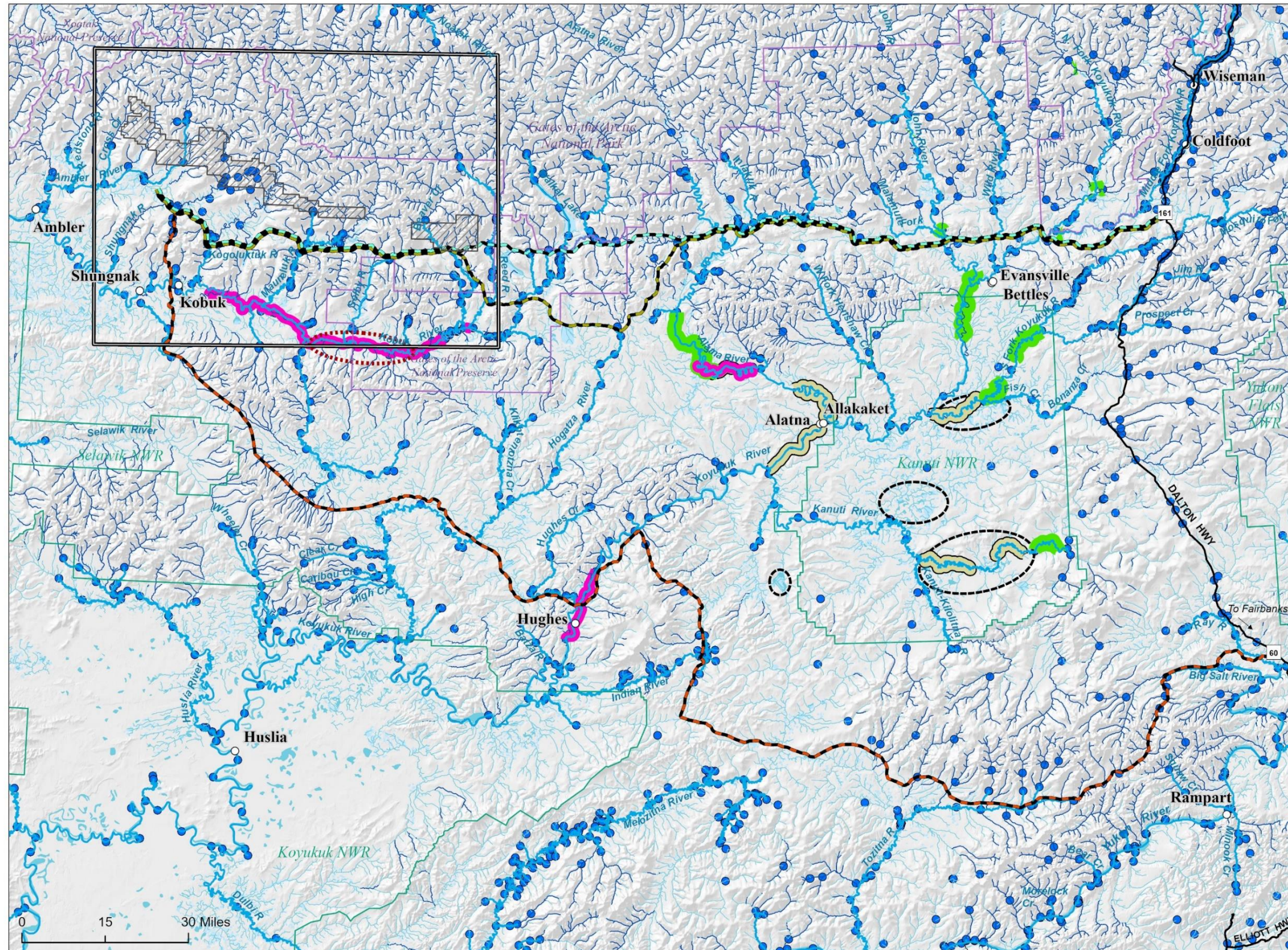
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- Sheefish Spawning Habitat^{b,i}
- Major Whitefish Spawning Area^{d,g}
- Major Whitefish Overwintering^d
- Sheefish Concentrated Spawning Area^d
- Lake and Oxbow Feeding Habitat^d
- Anadromous Stream^e
- Dolly Varden Resident Habitat^b
- Other Stream^b
- Additional Fish Presence Confirmed^{a,c,g}
- Alternative A
- Alternative B
- Alternative C
- Ambler Mineral Belt^e
- Ambler Mining District^e
- Community
- Dalton Highway Mile Post
- National Wildlife Refuge Boundary^c
- National Park Service Boundary^c

Data Source:
^aAFTI 2023
^bBLM 2013
^cBLM 2018
^dBrown 2009
^eADFG 2023
^fSaveriede et al. 2015
^gWuttig et al. 2015

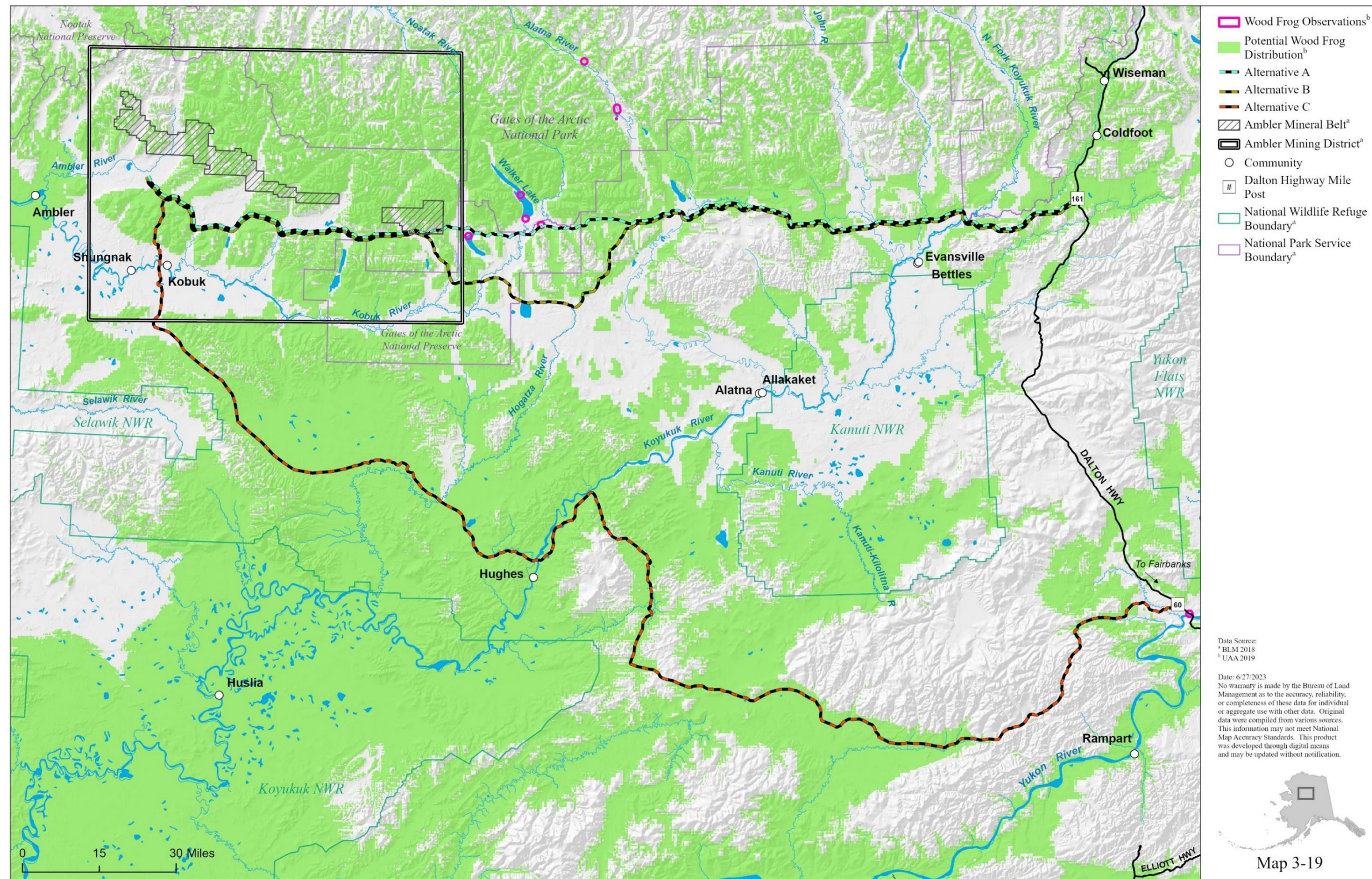
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- Caribou Seasonal Ranges^b**
- Teshekpuk
 - Central Arctic
 - Galena Mountain Herd
 - Ray Mountains Herd
 - Western Arctic Herd
 - Wolf Mountain Herd
 - Hodzana Hills Herd
 - Porcupine Herd
 - Alternative A
 - Alternative B
 - Alternative C
 - Ambler Mineral Belt^a
 - Ambler Mining District^a
 - Community

Data Source:
^a BLM 2018
^b ADFG 2017

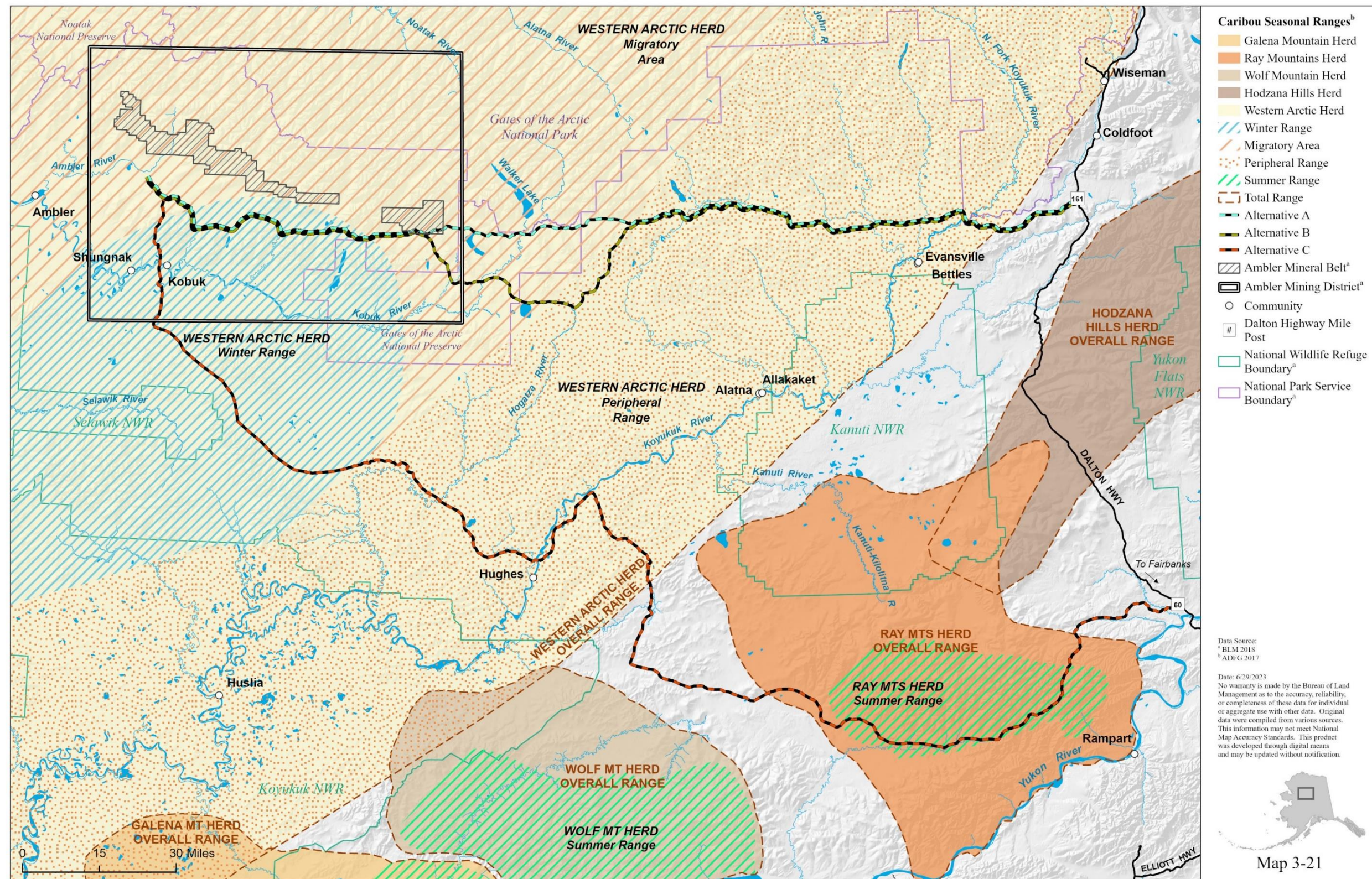
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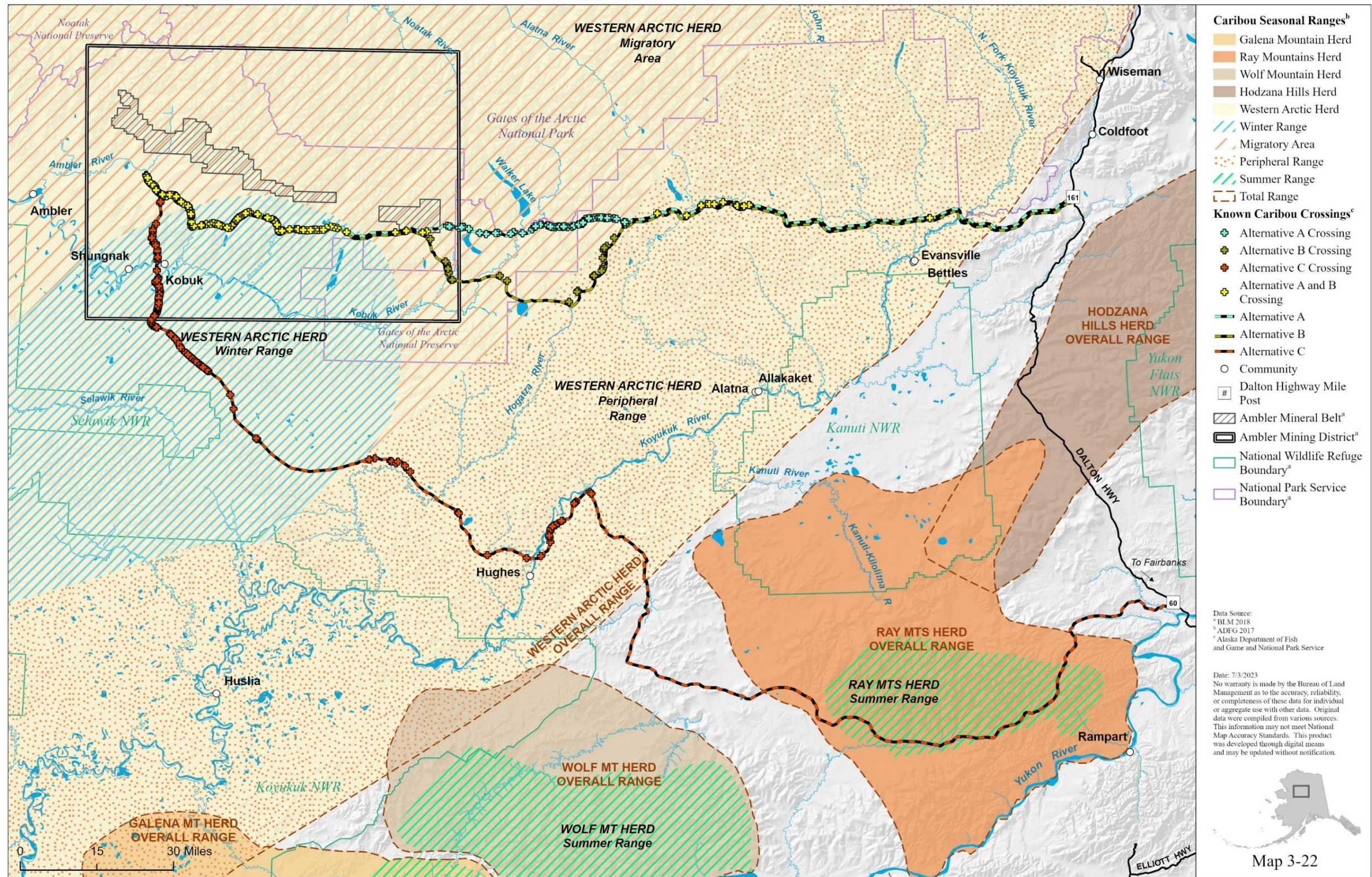


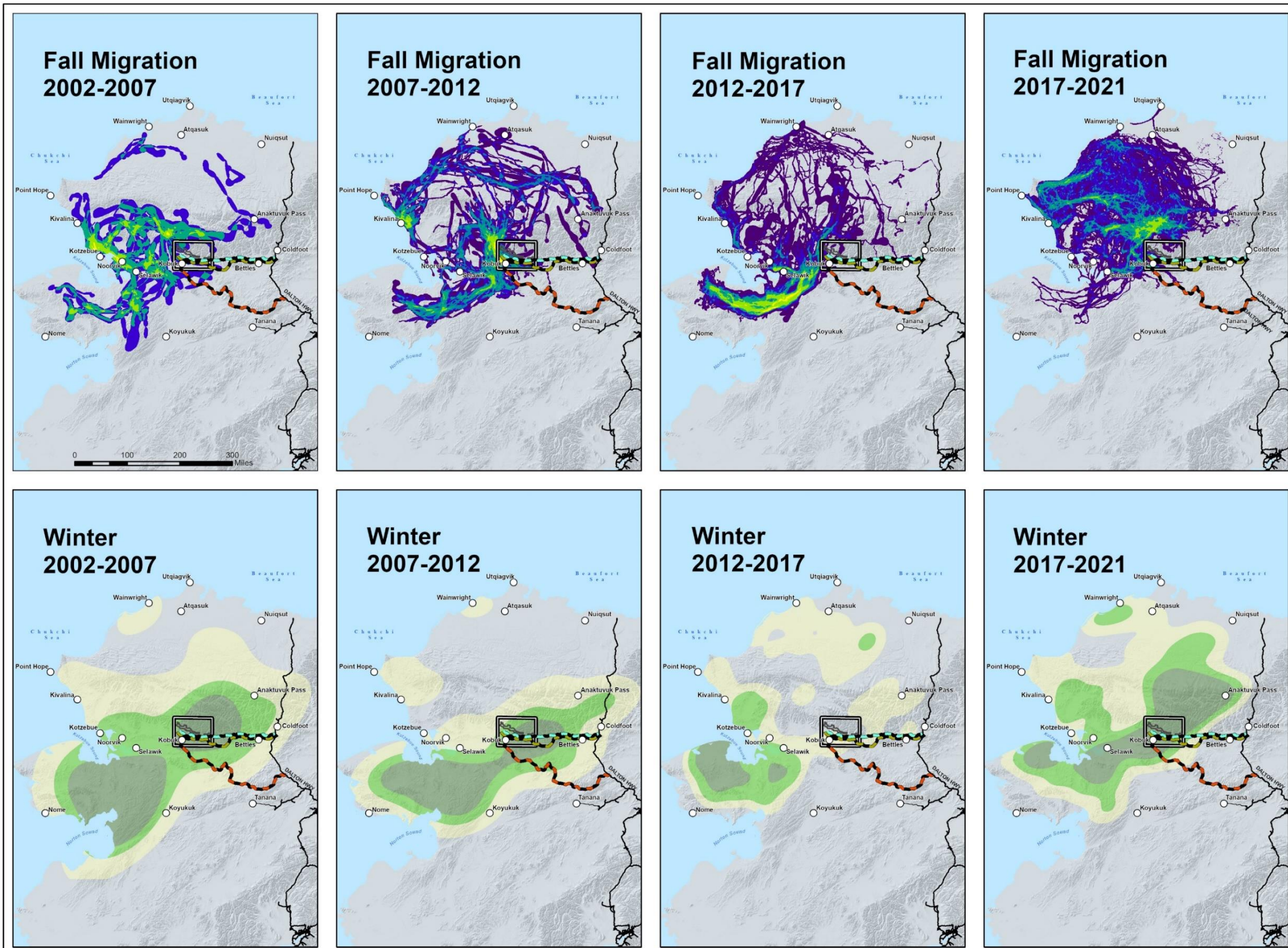
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Areas of Concentrated Use^b

- High Density
- Medium Density
- Low Density

Percent Use During Migration^c

- 0 - 1
- 1 - 2
- 2 - 3
- 3 - 5
- 5 - 10
- >10

Alternative A

Alternative B

Alternative C

Community

Ambler Mineral Belt^d

Ambler Mining District^e

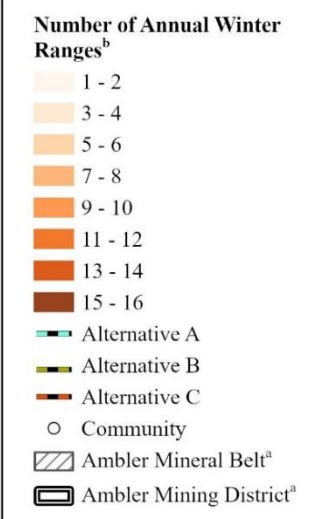
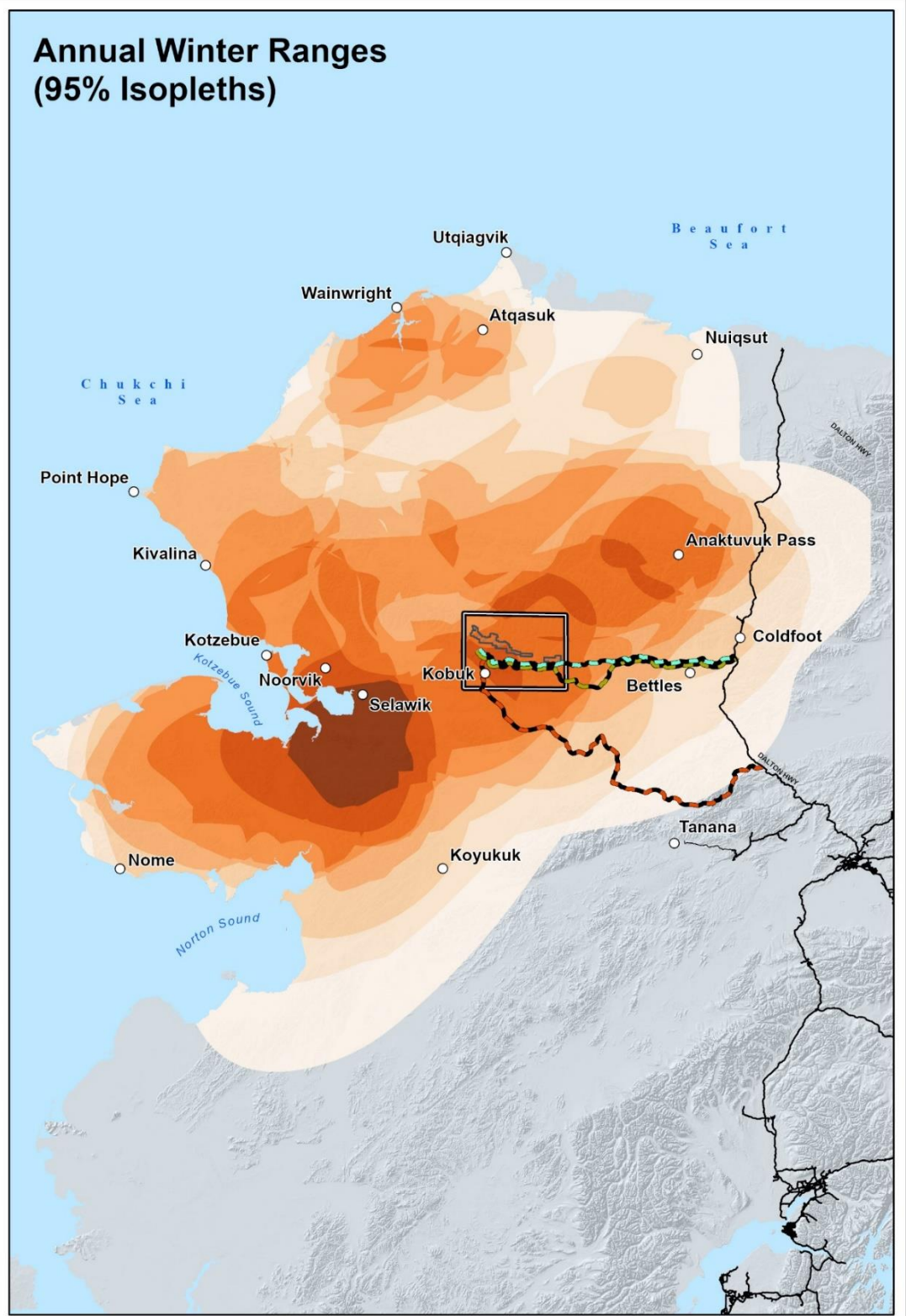
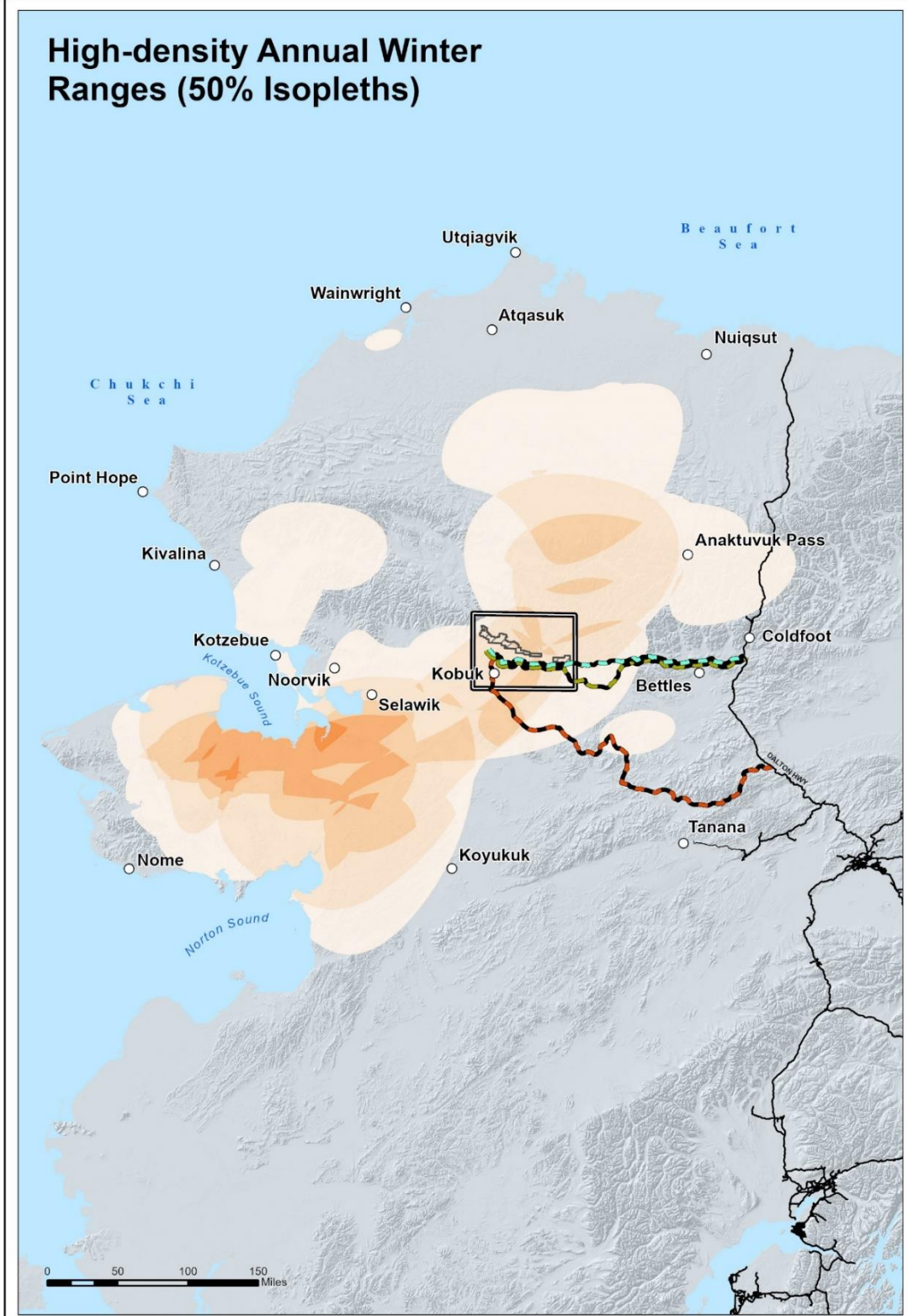
SOURCES:
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^b Utilization distribution contours from fixed-kernel analysis of locations of radio-collared female caribou - telemetry database from ADFG and National Park Service. Contours enclose stated percentages of all collar locations. High-, medium-, and low-density areas are the 50%, 75%, and 95% utilization distribution contours, respectively. Bandwidth calculated with plugin method. Seasonal kernels are average of daily utilization distributions during the season.

^c Migration percentages calculated from the 95% utilization distribution of dynamic Brownian Bridge movement models for each individual.

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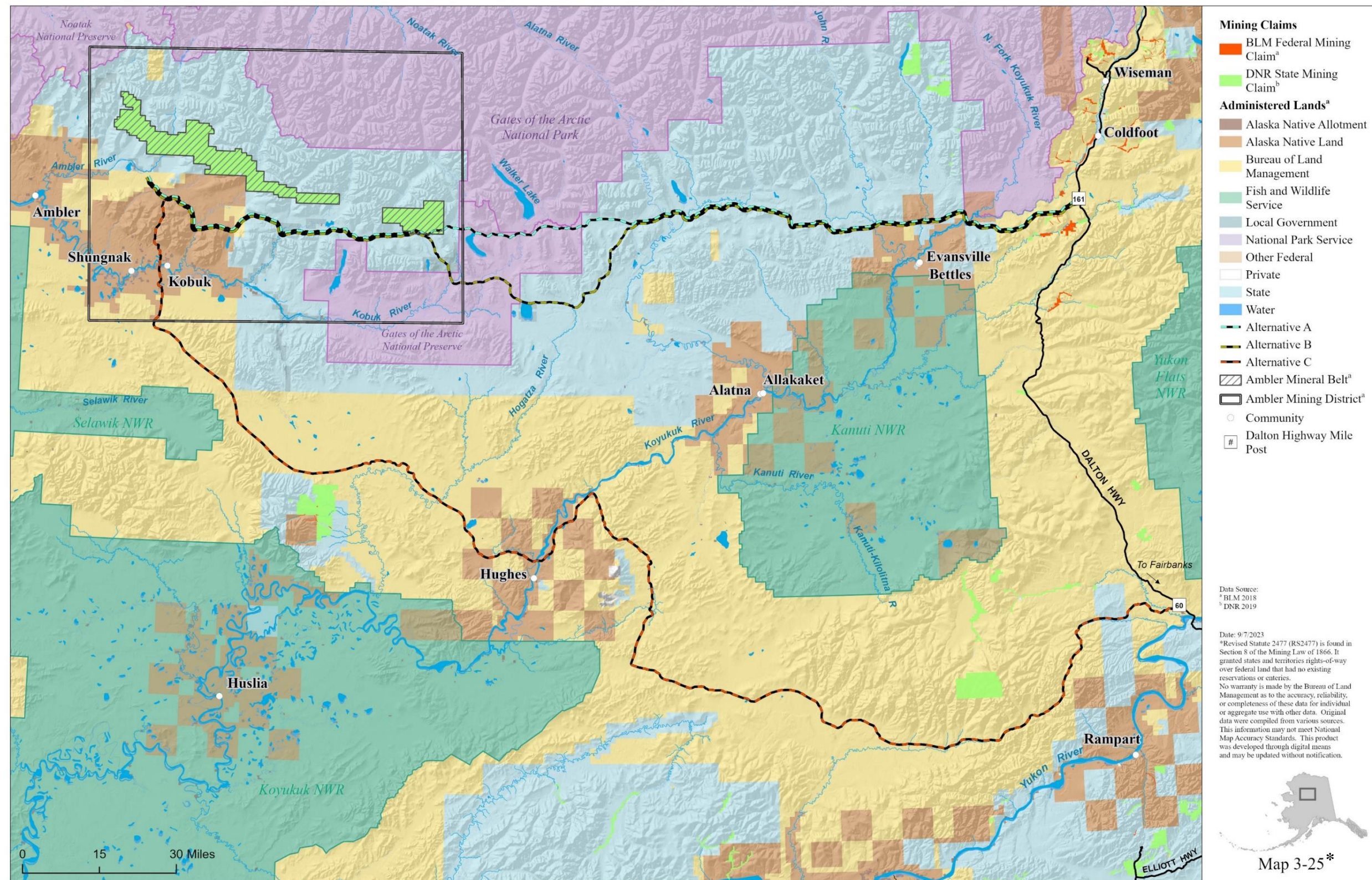


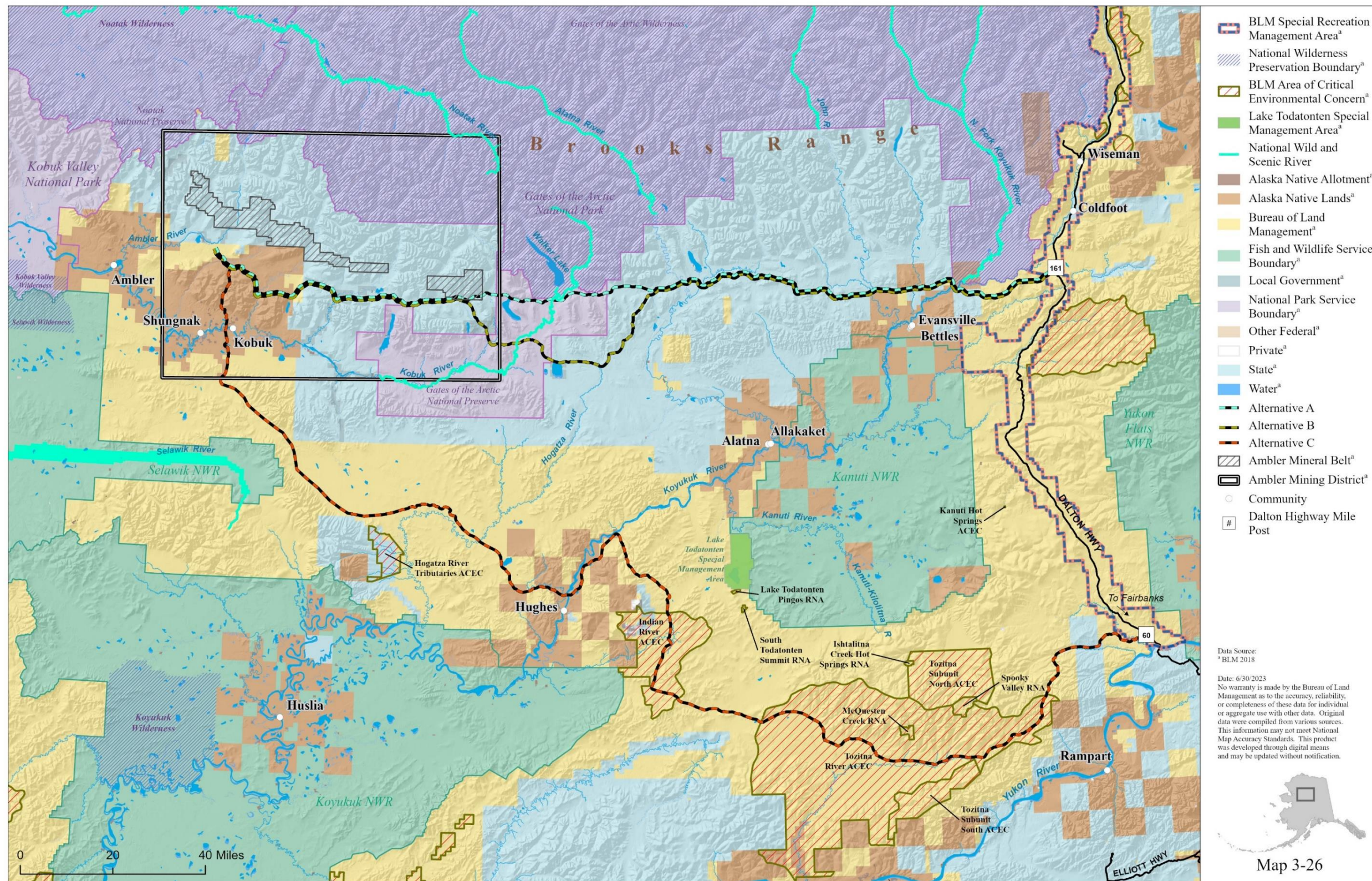
SOURCES:
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^b 50% and 95% isopleths calculated from fixed-kernel density analysis of locations of female caribou from the telemetry database from ADFG and the National Park Service. Bandwidth calculated with the plug-in method. Annual winter kernels were calculated as the average of daily kernels calculated every other day throughout the winter season. Different distributions calculated annually 1987–2022 except that the years 1987–2009 were combined into 3 kernels due to low sample sizes for a total of 16 years or year-groups.

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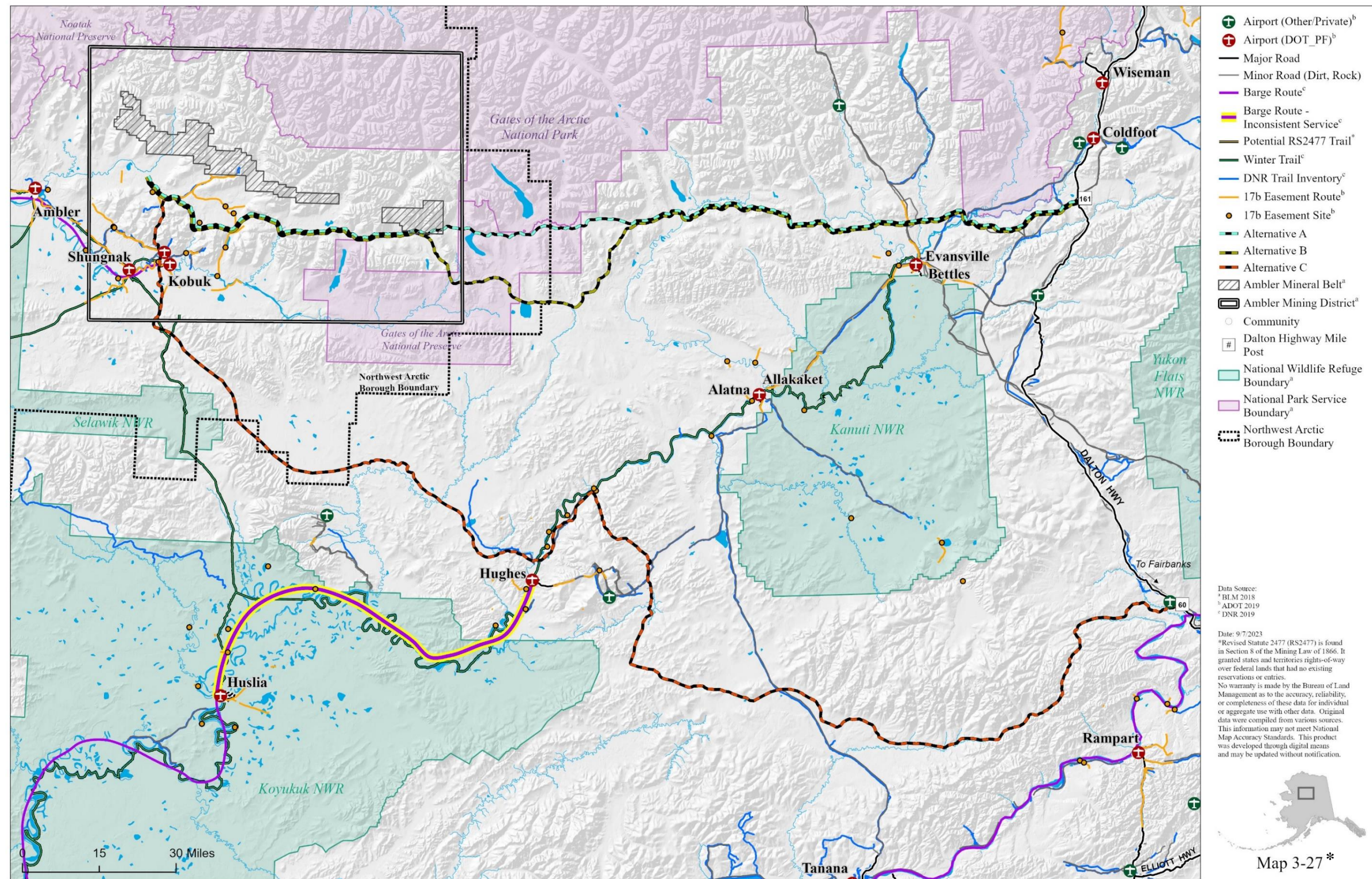
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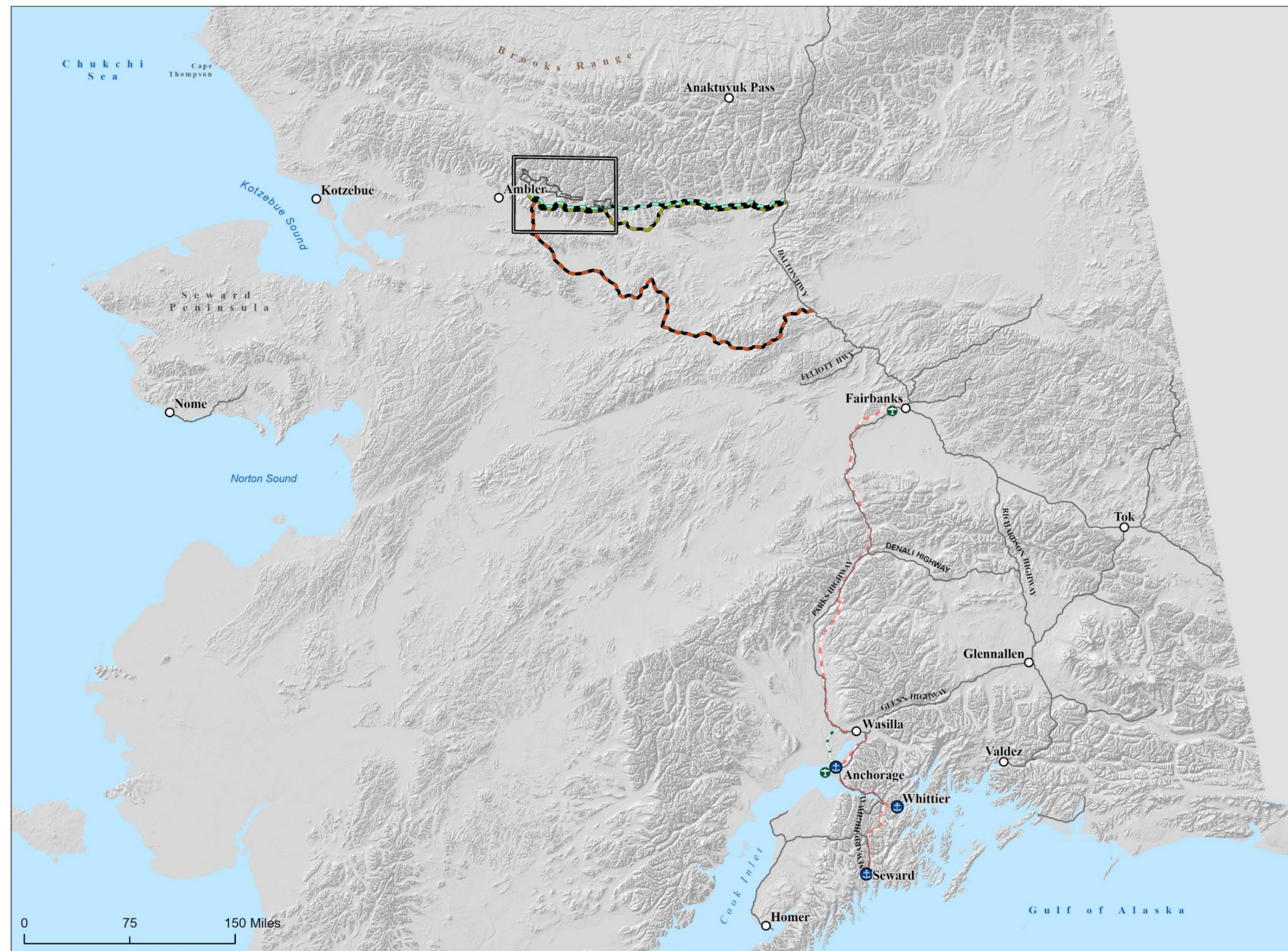
- Airport (Other/Private)^b
- Airport (DOT_PF)^b
- Major Road
- Minor Road (Dirt, Rock)
- Barge Route^c
- Barge Route - Inconsistent Service^c
- Potential RS2477 Trail^d
- Winter Trail^c
- DNR Trail Inventory^c
- 17b Easement Route^b
- 17b Easement Site^b
- Alternative A
- Alternative B
- Alternative C
- Ambler Mineral Belt^d
- Ambler Mining District^d
- Community
- Dalton Highway Mile Post
- National Wildlife Refuge Boundary^a
- National Park Service Boundary^a
- Northwest Arctic Borough Boundary

Data Source:
^a BLM 2018
^b ADOT 2019
^c DNR 2019

Date: 9/7/2023
^d Revised Statute 2477 (RS2477) is found in Section 8 of the Mining Law of 1866. It granted states and territories rights-of-way over federal lands that had no existing reservations or entries. No warranty is made by the Bureau of Land Management as to the accuracy, reliability, or completeness of these data for individual or aggregate use with other data. Original data were compiled from various sources. This information may not meet National Map Accuracy Standards. This product was developed through digital means and may be updated without notification.



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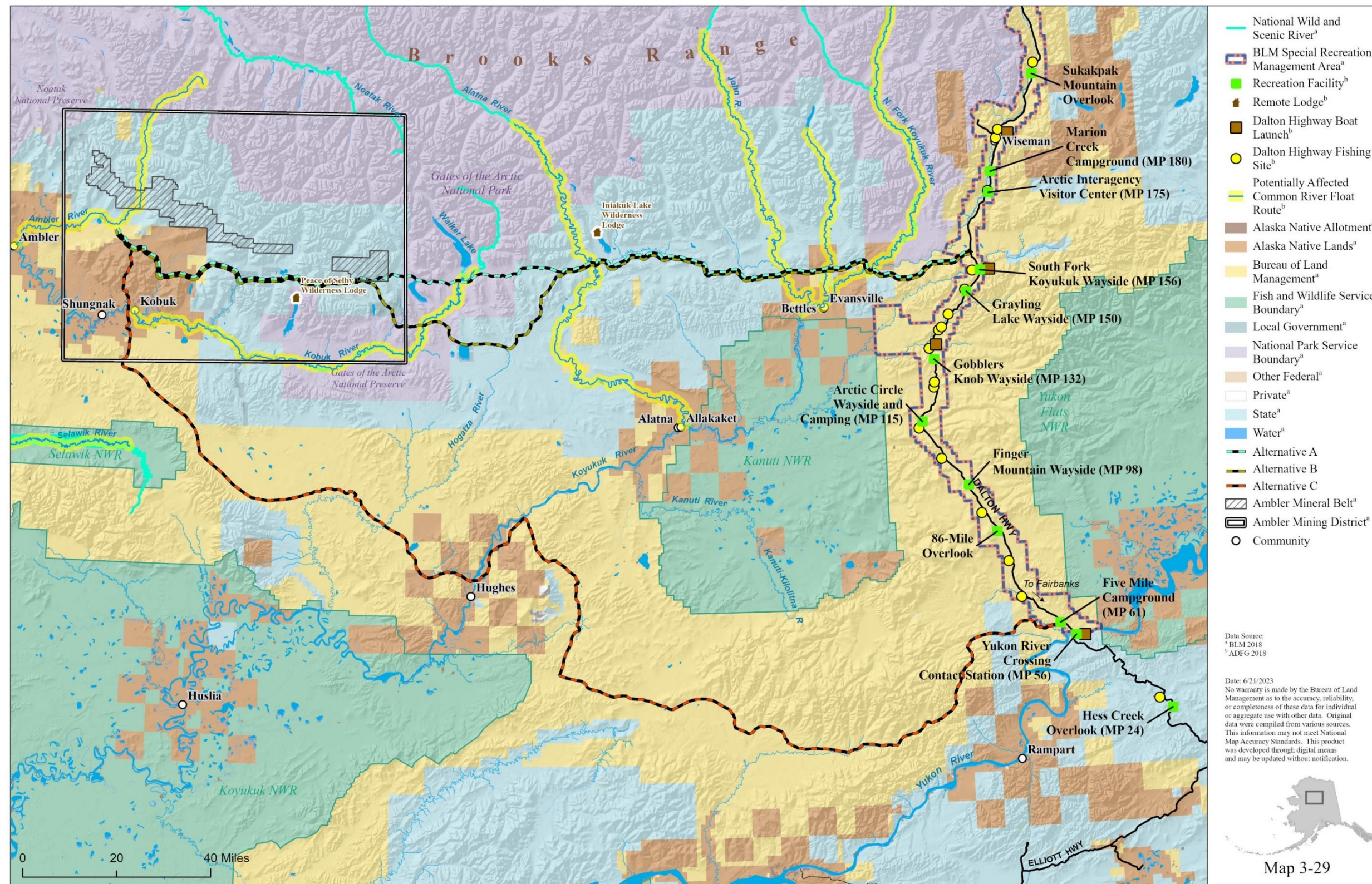
- South Central Port^b
- International Airport^b
- Alaska Railroad^b
- Port MacKenzie Rail Line (In Progress)^b
- Major State Road
- Alternative A
- Alternative B
- Alternative C
- Ambler Mineral Belt^a
- Ambler Mining District^a
- Community

Data Source:
^a BLM 2018
^b AKDOT 2019

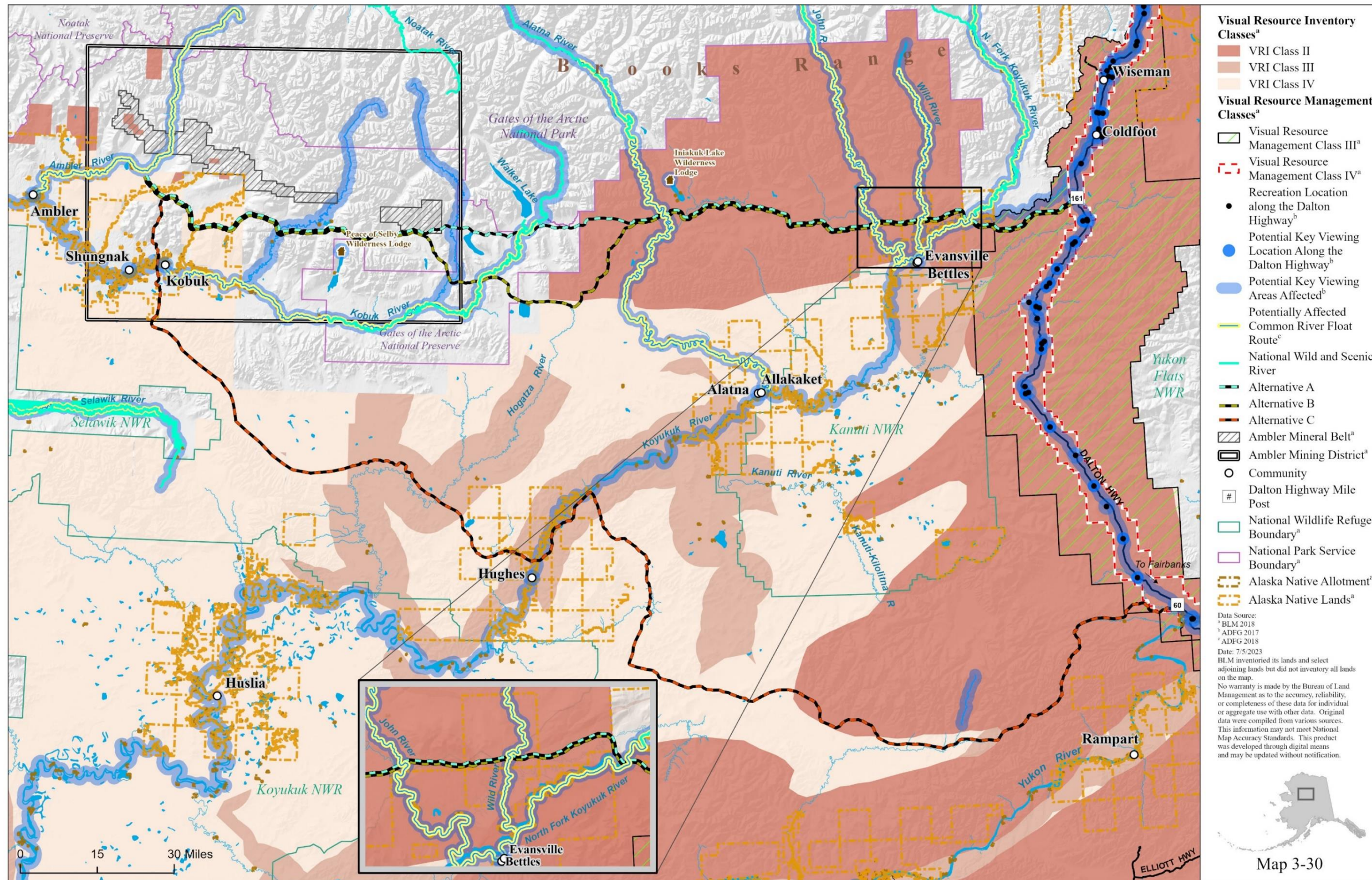
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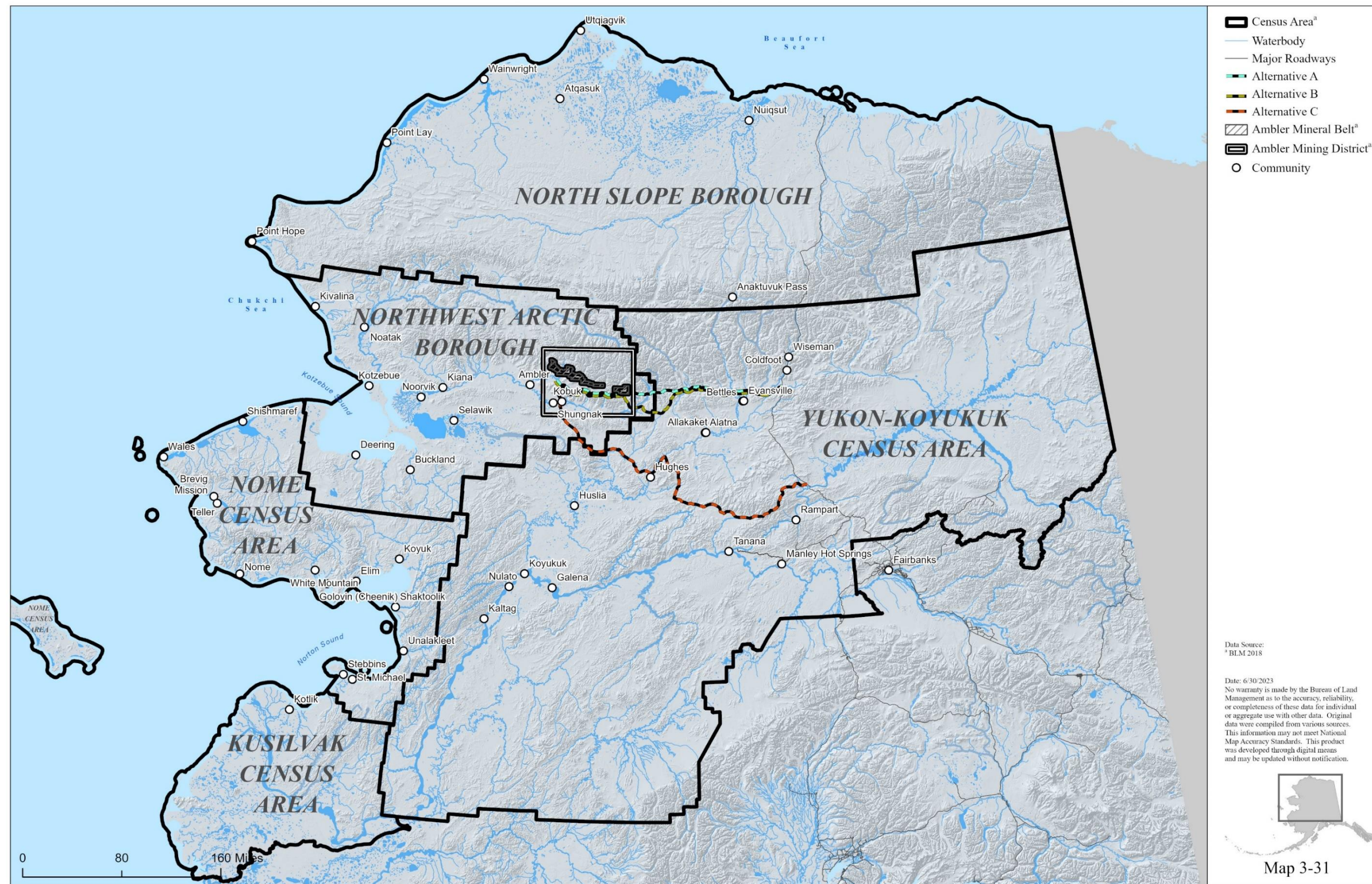


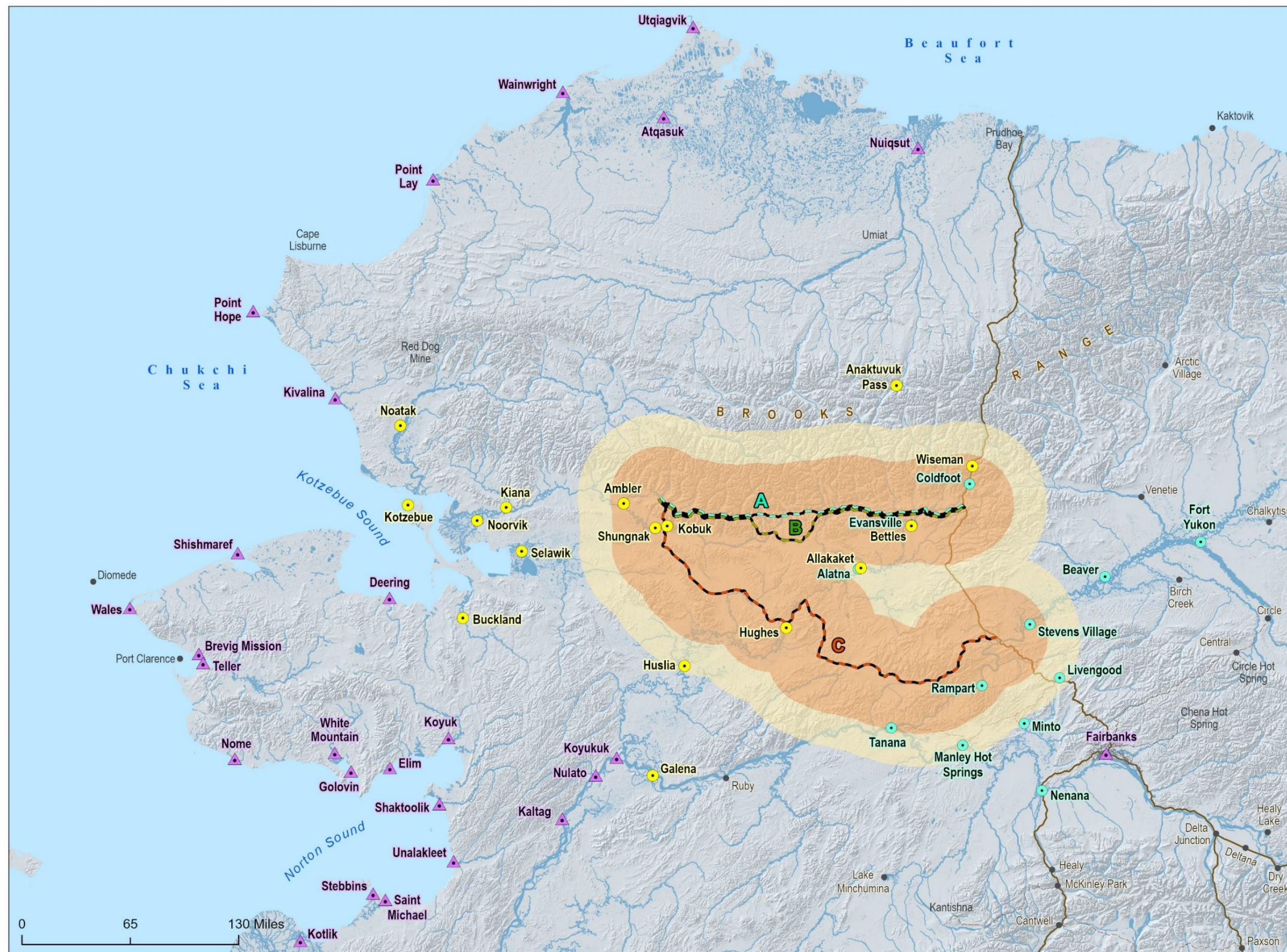
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Map 3-29







- Subsistence Study Community^a
- Subsistence and Western Arctic Herd Working Group Community^a
- ▲ Western Arctic Herd Working Group Community^a
- Thirty Mile Buffer of Alternative^a
- Fifty Mile Buffer of Alternative^a
- Alternative A
- Alternative B
- Alternative C

Data Source:
^a SRBA 2016-2019

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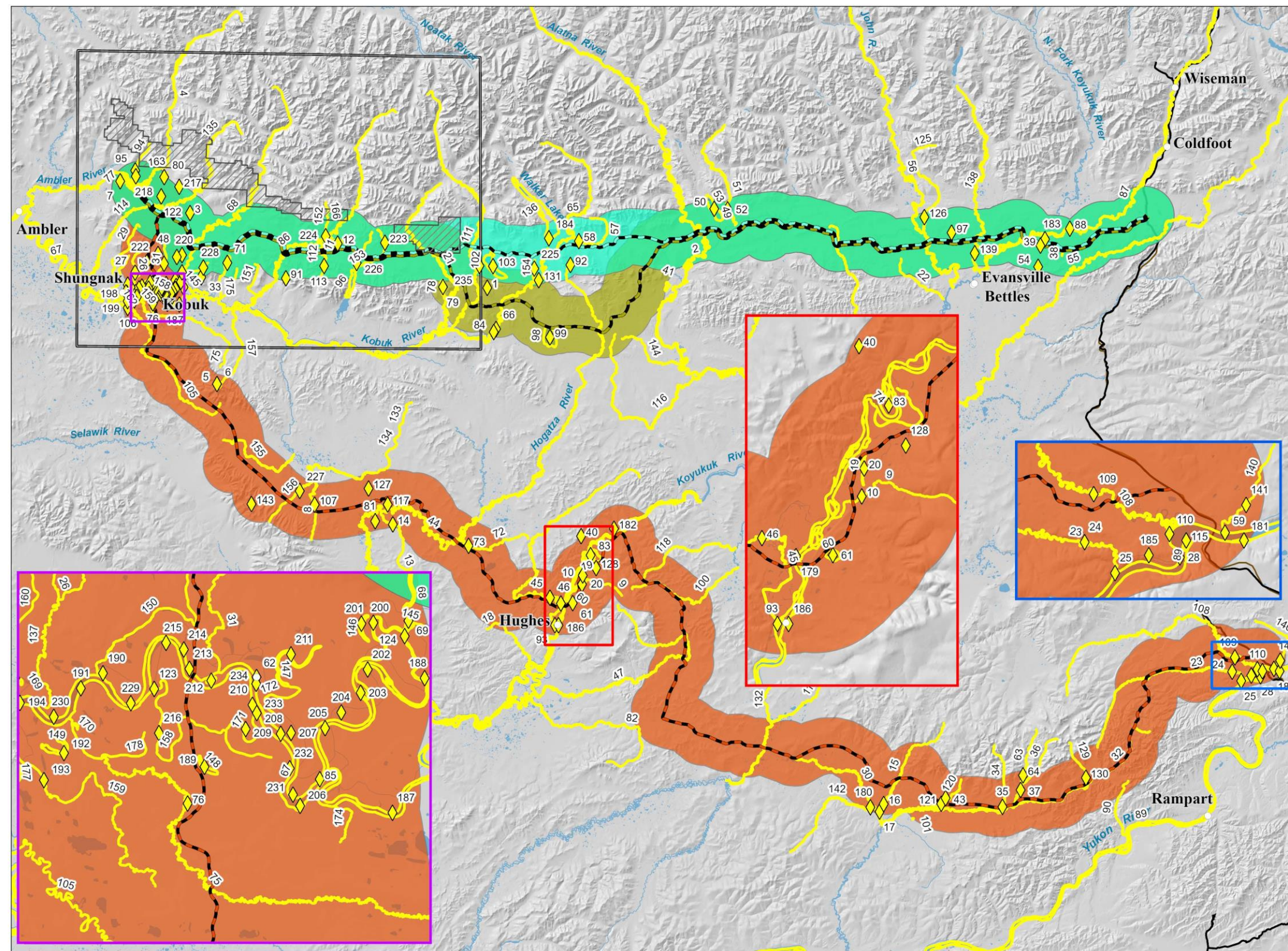
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Native Place Names^a

- ◆ Point
- Line

Alternatives

- Alternative A
- Alternative B
- Alternative C

Affected Area

- Alternative A
- Alternative B
- Alternative C

- ▨ Ambler Mineral Belt
- ▭ Ambler Mining District
- Community

Data Source:
* See Appendix F, Table 34

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