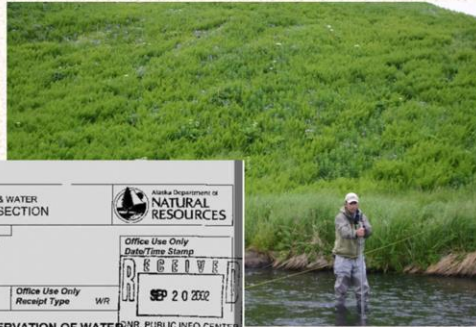




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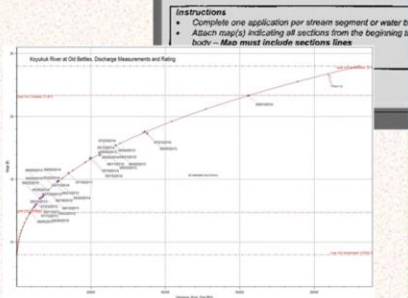
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Protection of water q&q



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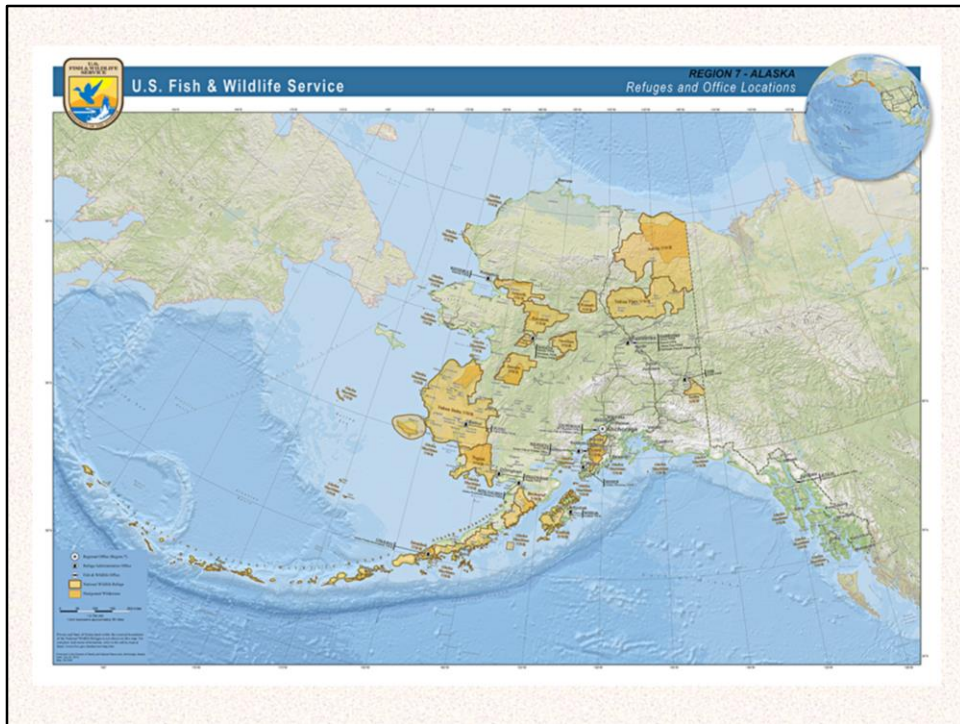
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i. “to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity...”

iv. **“to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge”**

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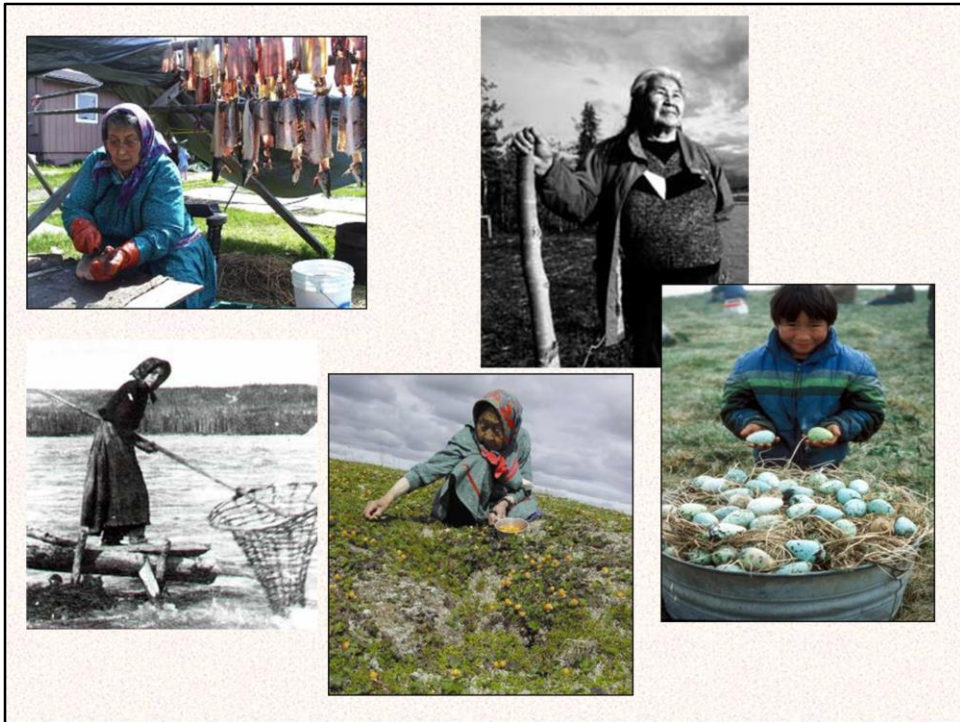
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Water Quality



subsistence





Other uses: recreation, research, oil/gas...guide/transporters, commercial filming, hunting/fishing

Remember

- Be Relevant
- Speak your agencies language
- Participate in planning
- Inreach and Outreach- tell your story
- Water rights are pro-active- hard sell
- Communicate
- The Legal Protection of Water Matters

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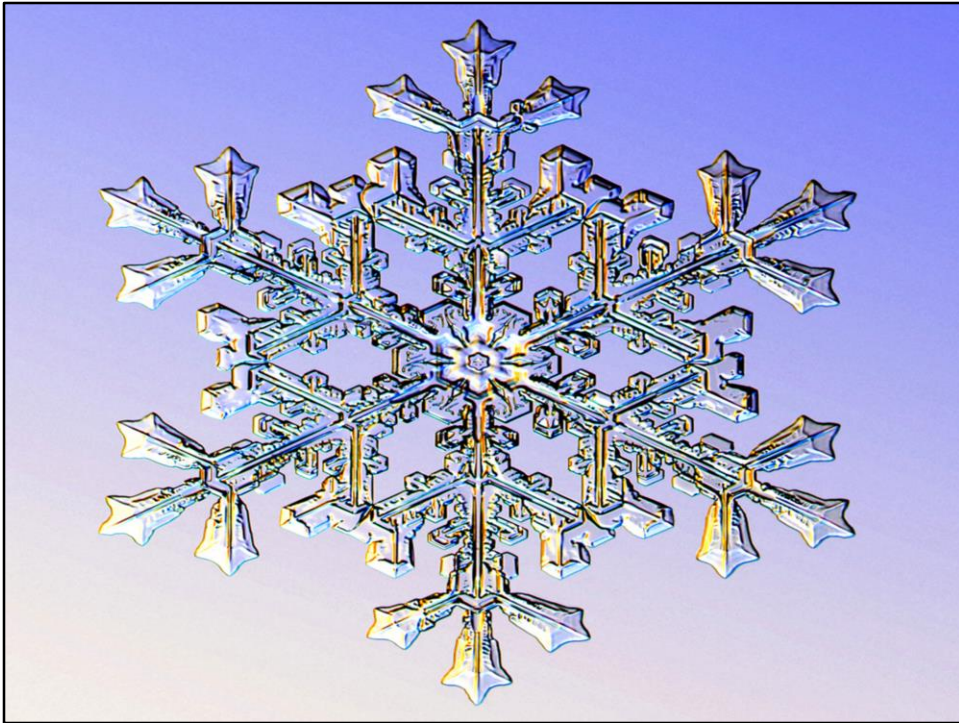
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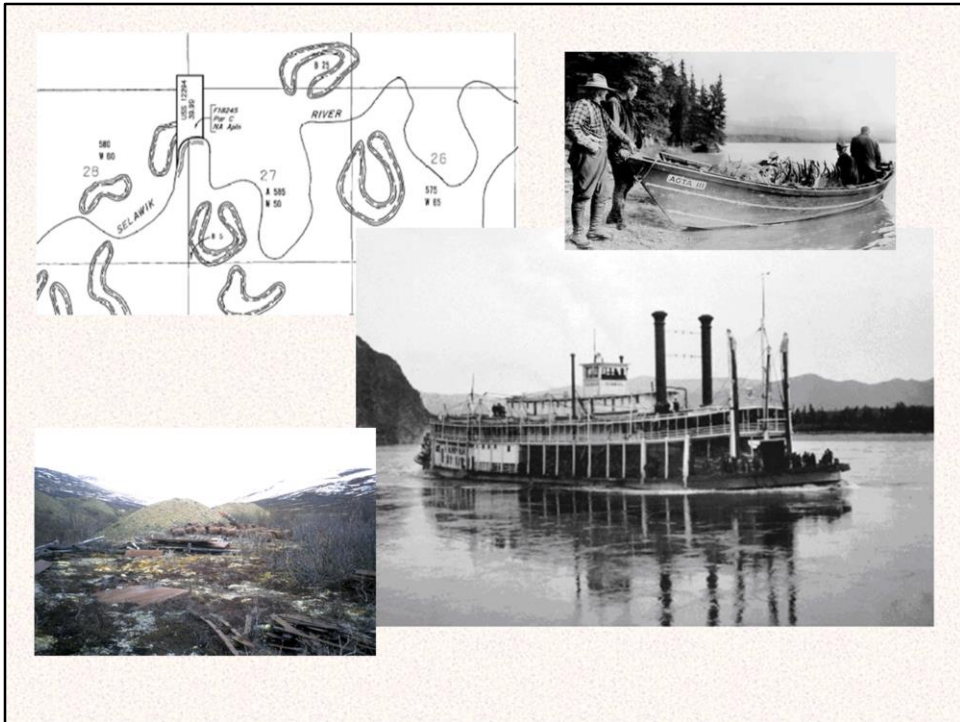
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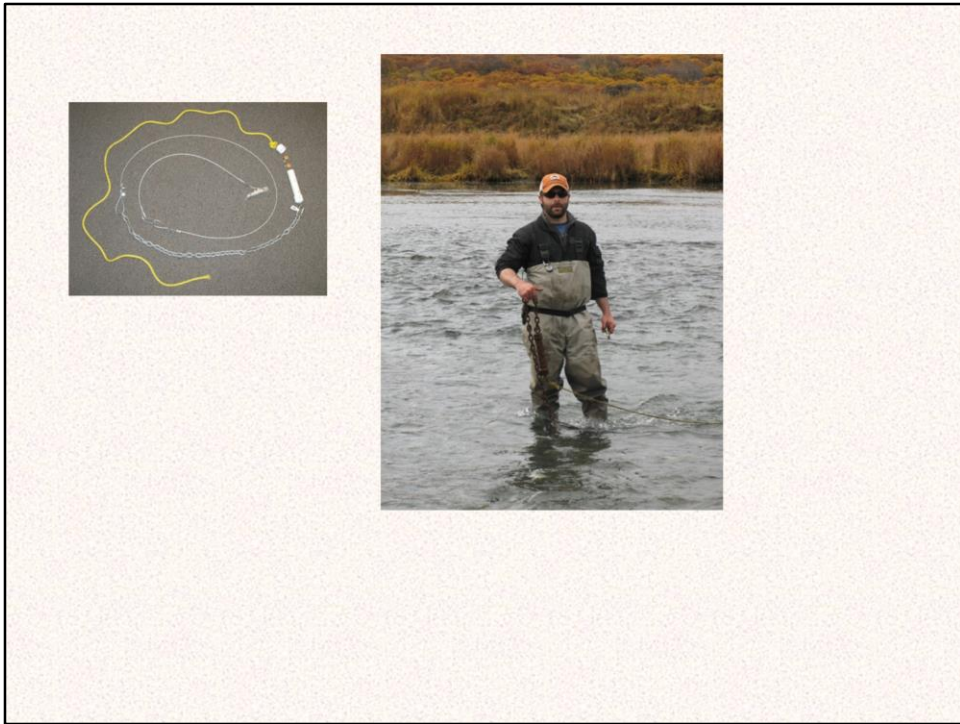
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