



ADF&G HUNTER ACCESS GRANT PROGRAM

OUR PURPOSE

To provide new & expand existing hunting, trapping, & related access to public lands throughout the State of Alaska.

TYPES OF PROJECTS WE FUND

- Trails ~ new construction / improvements / repairs
- Parking lots ~ new construction / improvements / repairs
- Campgrounds ~ improvements / repairs
- Roads ~ improvements / repairs
- Bridges ~ new construction / improvements / repairs
- Boat launches ~ improvements / repairs
- Signs / identification

GRANT PROGRAM

Funding comes from U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) Wildlife Restoration Funds (aka Pittman-Robertson Act), which is from an excise tax on firearms, ammunition, & archery equipment.

ADF&G Wildlife Conservation Division is expanding our grant program to include statewide organizations. Until 2019, projects had largely been funded through partnerships with other government agencies.

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WANT TO APPLY?

- You must have 25% of the total project cost to contribute as match—this must be from non-federal funding sources (75% of project cost will come from federal Wildlife Restoration Grant money)
- Application documents must be completed & emailed to our program staff
- Application period closes April 20
- After a robust proposal review, applicants will be notified of decisions in November
- Visit our website for important reference documents, FAQs, application forms, & more:
www.hunteraccess.adfg.alaska.gov



MAUD ROAD ▲

Improved 4 miles of roadbed; installed fish-passage culvert; expanded parking areas near trailheads & lake access.



TREADWELL DITCH TRAIL ▲

Repaired erosion damage on 2 miles of trail; replaced dilapidated bridges; graded & improved trail.

HOW DOES WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUNDING WORK?

1 Hunters purchase firearms, ammunition, & archery equipment

2 Manufacturers pay excise tax on this equipment

3 USFWS allocates taxed funds to state fish & wildlife agencies (per geographic size & number of hunting licenses sold)

4 Grants given to states

5 State fish & wildlife agencies implement projects based on local priorities & needs

6 Results in better hunting opportunities, increased access, better wildlife management



BERNARD CREEK TRAIL

Added kiosk at legal trailhead; placed 17(b) Carsonite markers along trail until within public land boundary. This is part of a larger project to mark & improve 17(b) trails around the state.

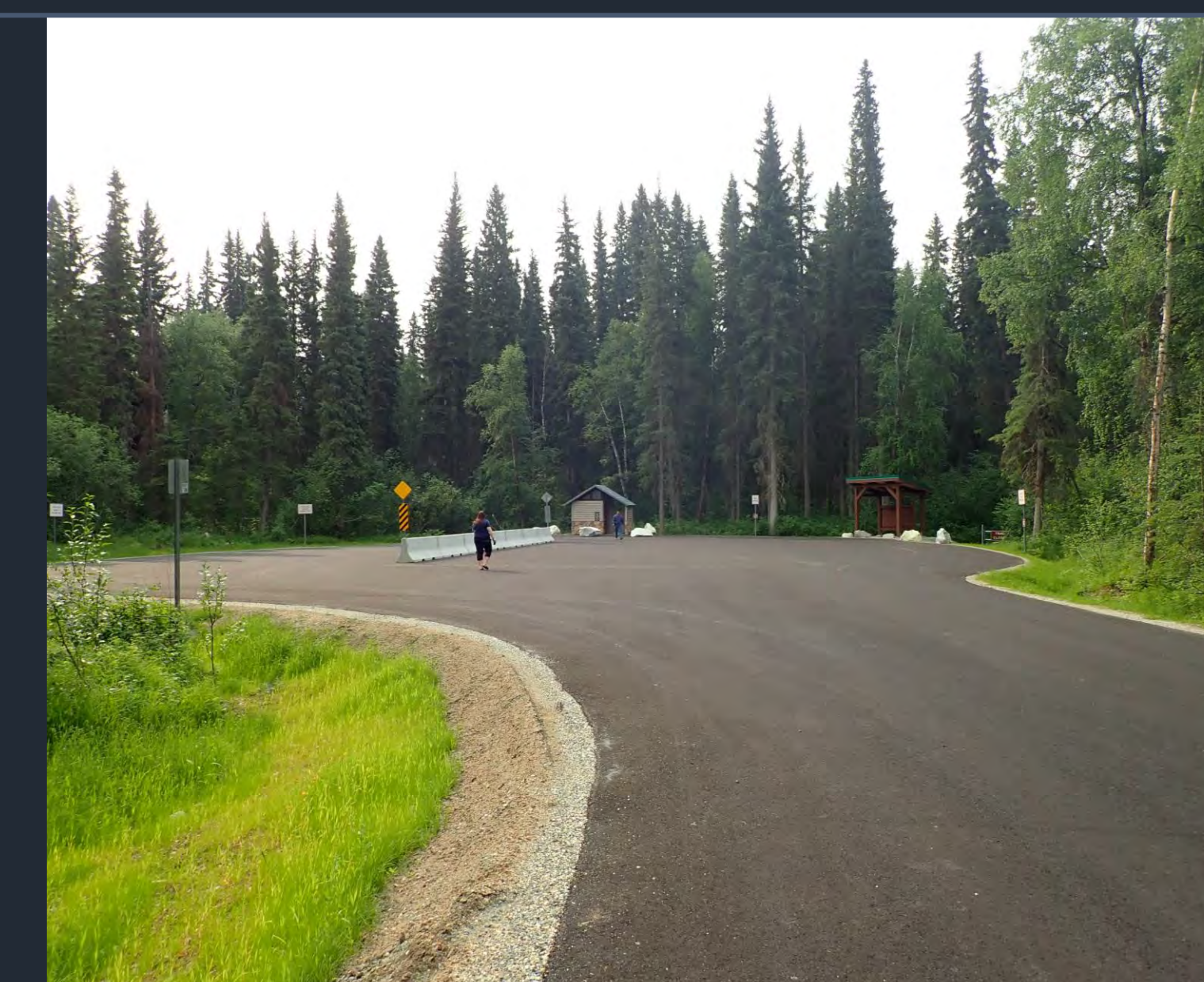


BYERS LAKE BRIDGE ▲

Replaced collapsed bridge, providing improved access to the Kesugi Ridge area in Denali State Park.

MASTODON TRAILHEAD ▶

Expanded & paved parking area; added vaulted toilet; added signage. This is part of a larger project to improve various trailheads in Chena River State Recreation Area.



OLNES POND CAMPGROUND ▼

Improved ATV trails in & around the campground; re-graded the road; improved drainage; placed informational & programmatic signage around Olnes Pond & at trail access points.



PENGUIN CREEK ▲

Replaced a dilapidated log river crossing with this steel bridge to allow ATVs to access hunting areas without impacting the anadromous waters below; added informational signs along the trail.

JACK RIVER TRAIL ▼

Added kiosk at trailhead; placed 17(b) Carsonite markers along trail until within public land boundary. This is part of a larger project to mark & improve 17(b) trails around the state.

