Current Division of Subsistence Research in the Southcentral Region

Copper Basin Community Harvest Assessment (September 2022 – December 2025) *National Park Service; Ahtna Intertribal Resource Commission

Ahtna Intertribal Resource Commission (AITRC), Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve, and the Division of Subsistence are collaborating to update subsistence harvest and use information for four Copper River Basin communities. The team completed final comprehensive household harvest surveys, mapping, and key respondent interviews for Slana/Nabesna Road in February 2024, and is currently preparing data for a community review meeting. Updated harvest and ethnographic data on Mentasta Lake, Mentasta Pass, Chistochina, and Slana/Nabesna will be presented to the Alaska Board of Fisheries at the December 2024 meeting.



Photo: Project team members from the ADF&G Division of Subsistence, Ahtna Intertribal Resource Commission, Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve, and Bureau of Land Management in Slana, February 2024.

Port Graham Subsistence Harvest Assessment (October 2022 – December 2026)

*Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council; Port Graham Corporation; Paluwik Heritage Foundation

The Division of Subsistence responded to a request from the Paluwik Heritage Foundation and Port Graham Corporation to assist with updating comprehensive subsistence harvest information for Port Graham. With staff

from the Chugach Regional Resources Commission (CRRC), ADF&G conducted household harvest surveys and harvest area mapping with Port Graham residents in January 2024. Staff returned in May 2024 to conduct ethnographic key respondent interviews. A community data review meeting will take place in 2025, with the technical paper complete by December 2026.

Photo: Project team members from the ADF&G Division of Subsistence and CRRC in Port Graham, January 2024.

Port Graham Moose TEK (July 2023 – December 2024) *Tribal Wildlife Grant; CRRC



In May 2024, ADF&G and CRRC staff conducted life history mapping interviews with Port Graham hunters to document changes in moose populations and habitat, and traditional knowledge about moose. Results will appear in the Port Graham comprehensive survey technical paper.

Chenega Clams

Technical Paper 498, "Clam Reintroduction in Chenega, Alaska: A Mixed-Methods Approach to Recovery" was published in February 2024 and is available online: <u>https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/techpap/TP498.pdf.</u>

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