



Natural Areas

Natural Areas are defined as land and water units where natural conditions are maintained. They may be designated areas of Federal government, non-federal government, or private land. Designation may be provided under Federal regulations, by foundations or conservation organizations, or by private landowners that specify it as such (GM 190. Part 410.23).

What is it?

Designation may be formal, as provided under Federal regulations, or by foundations or conservation organizations specifically created to acquire and maintain natural areas. Designation may be informal in the case of private landowners that specify an area as a natural area and manage it accordingly.

Why is it important?

It is the policy of the NRCS to support the designation of appropriate natural areas and to recognize dedicated natural areas as a land use.

Natural Areas in the State of Alaska

National Parks

Alagnak Wild River
Aniakchak National Monument & Preserve
Bering Land Bridge National Preserve
Cape Krusenstern National Monument
Denali National Park & Preserve
Gates of the Arctic National Park & Preserve
Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve

Katmai National Park & Preserve
Kenai Fjords National Park
Kobuk Valley National Park
Lake Clark National Park & Preserve
Noatak National Preserve
Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve
Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve

National Forests

Chugach National Forest
Tongass National Forest

National Wildlife Refuges

Alaska Maritime NWR
Alaska Peninsula NWR
Arctic NWR
Becharof NWR
Innoko NWR
Izembek NWR
Kanuti NWR
Kenai NWR

Kodiak NWR
Koyukuk NWR
Nowitna NWR
Selawik NWR
Tetlin NWR
Togiak NWR
Yukon Delta NWR
Yukon Flats NWR

State Parks

Alaska State Parks
Afognak Island State Park
Baranof Castle Hill State Historic Site
Big Bear/Baby Bear State Marine Park
Big Delta State Historical Park
Birch Lake State Recreation Site
Boswell Bay State Marine Park
Buskin River State Recreation Site
Caines Head State Recreation Area
Canoe Passage State Marine Park
Captain Cook State Recreation Area
Chena River State Recreational Area
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Chilkat Islands State Marine Park
Chilkat State Park
Chilkoot Lake State Recreation Site

Chugach State Park
Clearwater State Recreational Site
Decision Point State Marine Park
Deep Creek State Recreation Area
Delta State Recreation Site
Denali State Park
Donnelly Creek State Recreation Site
Driftwood Bay State Marine Park
Eagle Trail State Recreation Site
Entry Cove State Marine Park
Ft Abercrombie State Historical Park
Granite Bay State Marine Park
Halibut Point State Recreation Site
Harding Lake State Recreation Area
Horseshoe Bay State Marine Park
Independence Mine State Historical Park

Jack Bay State Marine Park
Johnson Lake State Recreation Area
Kachemak Bay & Wilderness State Park
Kasilof River State Recreation Site
Kayak Island State Marine Park
Lower Chatanika State Recreation Area
Magoun Islands State Marine Park
Moon Lake State Recreation Site
Mosquito Lake State Recreation Site
Nancy Lake State Recreation Area
Ninilchik State Recreation Area
Pasagshak River Recreation Site
Point Bridge State Park
Portage Cove State Recreation Site
Quartz Lake Recreation Area
Resurrection Bay State Marine Parks
Safety Cove State Marine Park
Sandspit Point State Marine Park

Sawmill Bay State Marine Park
Sealion Cove State Marine Park
Security Bay State Marine Park
Shoup Bay State Marine Park
Shuyak Island State Park
South Esther Island State Marine Park
Stariski State Recreation Site
Sullivan Island State Marine Park
Summit Lake State Recreation Site
Sunny Cove State Marine Park
Surprise Cove State Marine Park
Thumb Cove State Marine Park
Tok River State Recreation Site
Totem Bight State Historical Park
Upper Chatanika State Recreation Site
Wickersham State Historic Site
Wood-Tikchik State Park
Ziegler Cove State Marine Park

Nature Conservancy Preserves

Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve
Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge
Gustavus Forelands Preserve

