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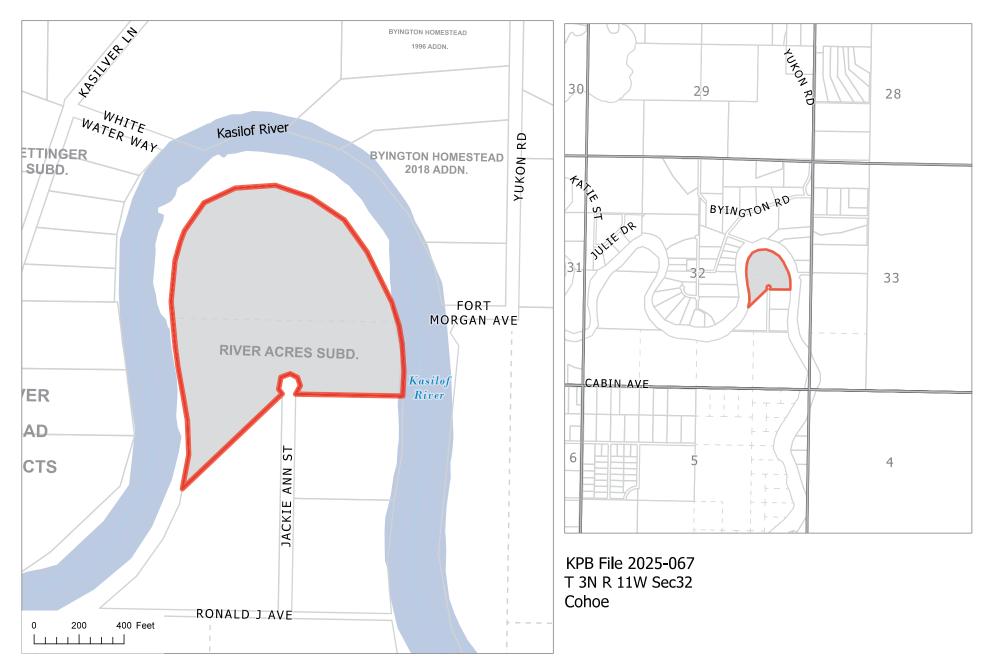
River Acres Subdivision Blu Addition; KPB File 2025-067
Edge Survey & Design / Jaymes
Location: Nearest Road – Cabin Lake Rd off Johnson Lake Rd
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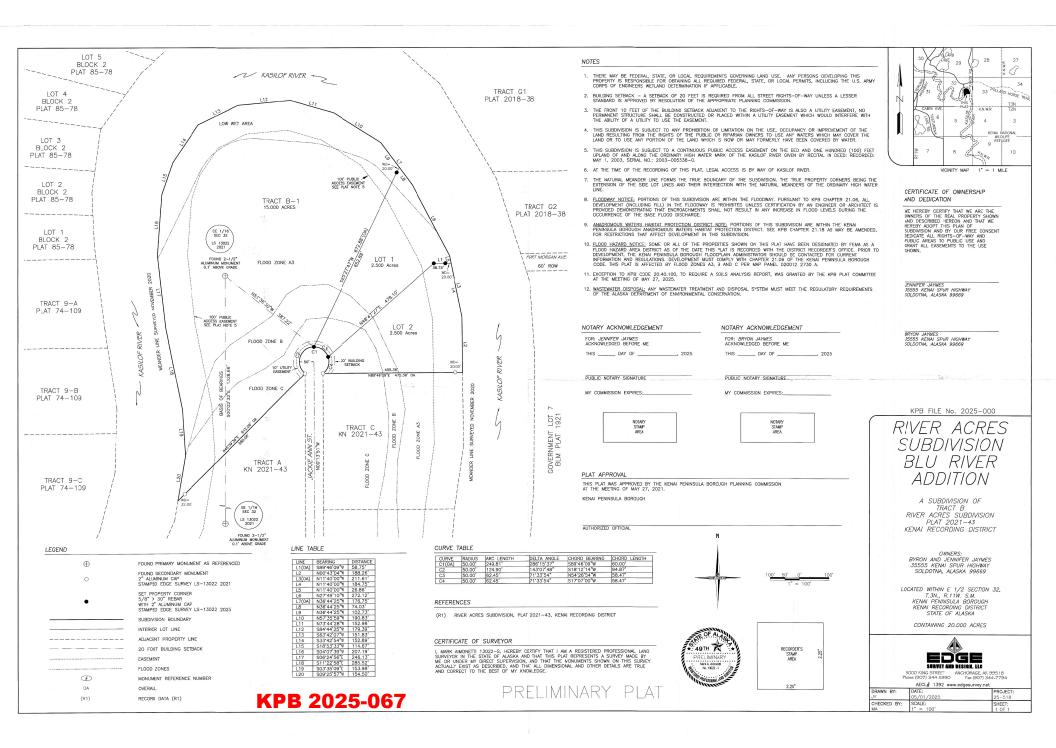


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AGENDA ITEM E. NEW BUSINESS

ITEM #5 - PRELIMINARY PLAT RIVER ACRES SUBDIVISION BLU RIVER ADDITION

KPB File No.	2025-067	
Plat Committee Meeting:	May 27, 2025	
Applicant / Owner:	Bryon and Jennifer Jaymes of Kasilof, Alaska	
Surveyor:	Jason Young; Edge Survey and Design, LLC	
General Location:	Kasilof River Area	
Parent Parcel No.:	133-120-02	
Legal Description:	gal Description: Tract B, River Acres Subdivision, Plat 2021-43, Kenai Recording District Township 3 North, Range 11 West, Section 32, Seward Meridian	
Assessing Use:	Residential Vacant	
Zoning:	Rural Unrestricted	
Water / Wastewater	On-site / On-site	
Exception Request	20.40.100- Soils Analysis and Report	

STAFF REPORT

<u>Specific Request / Scope of Subdivision:</u> The proposed plat will subdivide a 20-acre parcel into three parcels: two parcels each consisting of 2.500 acres and one parcel of 15.000 acres.

Location and Legal Access (existing and proposed):

The proposed plat is located east of mile 11 of the Kasilof River.

Legal access is by Kasilof River surrounding the plat on the west, north and east and Jackie Ann Street to the south. Access by the Kasilof River is currently the most feasible access for the subject area. Jackie Ann Street is a 60-foot dedicated road which connects to Ronald J. Avenue to the south. Ronald J. Avenue extends east and west to the Kasilof River and does not interconnect with other roads at this time and neither is developed. Plat note number 6 states the legal access to the property is by the Kasilof River. *Staff recommends* the Plat Committee approve the legal access to the plat to be by the Kasilof River as being the most practical and feasible access and waiving the standard legal access requirement of KPB 20.30.050(A). With the approval of the Kasilof River as access, plat note 6 shall add the date of this meeting and approval.

A public access easement affects the subject property on the river bed and one hundred feet upland of and along the ordinary high-water mark of the Kasilof River as documented in serial number 2003-005338-0 Kenai Recording District. This easement has been noted as plat note number 5 on the preliminary plat. The location of the easement is depicted on the drawing but appears to be in a different location than shown on the parent plat. **Staff recommends** the surveyor should confirm location with DNR and place appropriately.

The block length is non-compliant. The Kasilof River abuts the subdivision on three sides and the roads dedicated by the parent plat provided the most conducive rights-of-way for the area at this time. There are no other connections to public access at this time.

KPB Roads Dept RSA review	Out of Jurisdiction: No	
Roads Director: Uhlin, Dil Comments:		
	RSA has no objection at this time.	
SOA DOT comments	No Comments	

Site Investigation:

No structures are depicted on the preliminary plat. Verifying that information with KPB GIS Imagery and KPB Assessing Records, the subject property is determined as vacant.

KPB GIS Imagery Terrain Viewer shows minimal contours on the subject area with no grades exceeding 20%.

The Kasilof River abuts the subdivision on three sides: the north, west and east. The river and adjacent wetlands have been labeled and depicted on the preliminary plat.

The KPB River Center Reviewer has identified the area to be located within a FEMA designated flood hazard zone identified as flood zones A3, B and C per FEMA map panel 020012-2370A. The proper plat notes and depictions have been included on the plat.

The proposed plat is also located within a floodway. The proper plat note has been included on the preliminary plat as plat note number 7. Floodway is located in the river and **staff recommends** the surveyor should provide a label the plat indicating the floodway.

This property is also located within a habitat protection district which has been denoted on the plat as plat note number 9. **Staff recommends** the surveyor modify plat note number 9 and include the sentence regarding the width to comply with KPB 20.30.290.

KPB River Center review	A. Floodplain
	Reviewer: Hindman, Julie Floodplain Status: IS in flood hazard area Comments: Portions of this subdivision are within regulatory and non- regulatory flood zones. The zones and the floodway should be depicted and plat notes required.
	Flood Zone: A3,B,C,Floodway Map Panel: 020012-2730A In Floodway: True Floodway Panel: 020012-0025
	B. Habitat Protection
	Reviewer: Aldridge, Morgan Habitat Protection District Status: IS totally or partially within HPD Comments: Portions of this plat fall within KPB 21.18 and the 50 foot setback applies to this area. Permits required through the River Center.
State of Alaska Fish and Game	No response

Staff Analysis

Originally, this land was designated as Government lots 5 and 8 in Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 11 West, S.M., Alaska. In 2021, River Acres Subdivision (KN 2021-43) subdivided the land into four tracts and dedicated Jackie Ann Street and Ronald J. Avenue. This proposed plat will further subdivide Tract B into one Tract and Two Lots.

Proposed Tract B1 is approximately 653,400 square feet, exceeding the minimum 200,000 square feet in code. No soils report will be required for this tract. **Staff recommends** the KPB 20.40.030 wastewater disposal note be added to the final plat for Tract B1.

Lots 1 and 2 are approximately 108,900 square feet each. The Surveyor has requested an exception request to KPB 20.40.100- Wastewater Disposal Review. The exception will be discussed later in the staff report.

Notice of the proposed plat was mailed to the beneficial interest holder on May 5, 2025. The beneficial interest holder will be given 30 days from the date of the mailing of the notification to respond. They are given the opportunity to notify staff if their beneficial interest prohibits or restricts subdivision or requires their signature on the final plat. If no response is received within 30 days, staff will assume they have no requirements regarding the subdivision and it may be finalized.

The property is not within an advisory planning commission.

The subdivision plat has been reviewed and generally complies with the 2019 Kenai Peninsula Borough Comprehensive plan.

Utility Easements

The parent plat, River Acres Subdivision (KN 2021-43), granted a 10-foot utility easement adjacent to all rights-ofway. This easement has been depicted and denoted as plat note number 3.

As part of our routine notification process, the subdivision plat was emailed to the affected utility providers for review. **Staff recommends:** the surveyor work with the utility providers to accommodate their request, ensuring optimal use of the owner's land and maximum benefit for both the provider and the public.

Utility provider review:

HEA	No Comments	
ENSTAR	No Comments or Recommendations	
ACS	No Response	
GCI	Approved as Shown	

KPB department / agency review:

Reviewer: Leavitt, Rhealyn	
Affected Addresses:	
NONE	
Existing Street Names are Correct: Yes	
List of Correct Street Names: JACKIE ANN ST	
Existing Street Name Corrections Needed:	
All New Street Names are Approved: No	
List of Approved Street Names:	
List of Street Names Denied:	
Comments:	
No other comments	
Reviewer: Ogren, Eric	
Comments: No comments	
Reviewer: Raidmae, Ryan	
There are not any Local Option Zoning District issues with this proposed	
plat.	

	Material Site Comments: There are not any material site issues with this proposed plat.	
Assessing Review	Reviewer: Windsor, Heather Comments: No comment	

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

CORRECTIONS / EDITS

• Modify the KPB file number to 2025-067

• Modify the Plat Approval date to May 27, 2025

- PLAT NOTES TO ADD
 - The borough will not enforce private covenants, easements, or deed restrictions per KPB 20.60.170(B).

KPB 20.25.070 – Form and contents required

Staff recommendation: final plat submittals must comply with 20.25.070. Additional information, revisions, and/or corrections are required as noted below.

A. Within the Title Block

1. Name of the subdivision which shall not be the same as an existing city, town, tract, or subdivision of land in the borough, of which a plat has been previously recorded, or so nearly the same as to mislead the public or cause confusion. The parent plat's name shall be the primary name of the preliminary plat.

2. Legal description, location, date, and total area in acres of the proposed subdivision;

3. Name and address of owner(s), as shown on the KPB records and the certificate to plat, and registered land surveyor.

Staff recommendation:

- Correct the owner's name: "Bryon Jaymes"
- o Include the entire mailing address "35555 Kenai Spur Highway, PMB 420"
- Staff suggests that the final plat be submitted with confirmation that the plat name will be "River Acres Subdivision <u>Blu</u> River Addition" as the exception request notes the name with the spelling of "Blue."

C. The location, width, and name of existing or platted streets and public ways, railroad rights-of-way, and other important features such as section lines or political subdivisions or municipal corporation boundaries abutting the subdivision;

Staff recommendation:

- o Add the ROW width to Jackie Ann Street
- D. A vicinity map, drawn to scale showing location of proposed subdivision, north arrow if different from plat orientation, township and range, section lines, roads, political boundaries, and prominent natural and manmade features, such as shorelines or streams;

Staff recommendation:

- o Correct the road from Section 30 through section 32- does not appear to be a platted road
- o Staff suggests adding labels to: Johnson Lake, Star Lake and Raven Lake
- G. The status of adjacent lands within 100 feet of the proposed subdivision boundary or the land status across from any dedicated rights-of-way that adjoin the propose subdivision boundary, including names of subdivisions, lot lines, block numbers, lot numbers, rights-of-way; or an indication that the adjacent land is not subdivided;

Staff recommendation:

• Modify the parcel to the northeast: Lot G2 per KN 2018-38

KPB 20.30 – Subdivision Design Requirements

Staff recommendation: final plat submittals must comply with 20.30. Additional information, revisions, and/or corrections are required as noted below.

KPB 20.40 – Wastewater Disposal

Staff recommendation: final plat submittals must comply with 20.40. Additional information, revisions, and/or corrections are required as noted below.

20.40.010 Wastewater disposal. Platting Staff Comments: Staff recommendation: comply with 20.40.

KPB 20.60 – Final Plat

Staff recommendation: final plat submittals must comply with 20.60. Additional information, revisions, and/or corrections are required as noted below.

20.60.190-Certificates, statements, and signatures required

5. The certificate of ownership and dedication

• Please modify the owner's addresses to include the PMB box

EXCEPTIONS REQUESTED:

A. KPB 20.40.100-Soils analysis and report

<u>Surveyor's Discussion:</u> We are respectfully requesting an exception to the requirements of KPB Code 20.40.100, which calls for a soils analysis and report for platting actions, specifically in relation to wastewater disposal review. Based on the findings submitted below, we respectfully request approval of this exception under the discretionary provisions of the Borough Code. We believe this approach balances responsible planning with the practical constraints and intended use of the land.

The Surveyor/Applicant has submitted the following proposed Findings in support of the exception request.

- 1. The proposed parcels are intended for recreational use in a remote area along the Kasilof River.
- 2. Future waste disposal systems are expected to include alternative methods such as privies, composting toilets, incineration, or transport off-site. These systems do not require the same site-specific soils data as conventional septic systems.
- 3. The subject parcels do not have legal or constructed access to the existing road system and may never obtain such access. This significantly limits the potential for future development requiring a traditional septic system or well.
- 4. Any future development is speculative and would require separate site-specific permitting and environmental review at that time.
- 5. Should a conventional septic system be proposed in the future, it will fall under the regulatory authority of the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC). At that point, a site-specific soils analysis would be required for ADEC approval.
- 6. Deferring the soils report until actual development is proposed ensures that data is accurate, relevant, and aligned with state requirements.
- 7. All newly proposed lots will have at least 20,000 square feet of continuous area available for the installation of wastewater disposal system, consistent with borough and state minimum area requirements.
- 8. Conducting a soils report in this location presents significant logistical and financial challenges, particularly in the absence of roads or development plans. Requiring such a report at this stage imposes an undue burden on the landowner with no practical benefit, given the speculative nature of development and the availability of alternative disposal options.

Staff Discussion:

20.40.100. - Soils analysis and report.

A. The soils analysis and report required by this chapter must demonstrate subsurface conditions and soils are suitable for designation as a usable wastewater disposal area under KPB 20.40.040(A)(A).

<u>Findings.</u>

- 9. Proposed Tract B1 is approximately 653,400 square feet, exceeding the minimum 200,000 square feet in code. No soils report will be required for this tract.
- 10. Lots 1 and 2 are approximately 108,900 square feet each.
- 11. The subject parcels are all currently vacant.

Staff reviewed the exception request and recommends granting approval.

Staff recommends the Committee (or Commission, as applicable) select the findings they determine are applicable, make additional findings if needed, tie the findings to the following standards, and vote on the exception in a separate motion.

Unless prohibited under KPB Title 20, the Committee may authorize exceptions to any of the requirements set forth in KPB Title 20. A request for an exception shall be in writing and presented to the Committee with substantial evidence, justifying the requested waiver or exception stating fully the grounds for the application and the facts relied upon. All exceptions must be requested and granted at the time of preliminary plat approval. Exceptions may not be requested with a final plat submittal.

The Committee shall make findings of fact meeting the following standards before granting any exception:

- 1. That special circumstances or conditions affecting the property have been shown **Findings** 1-3; 8-11 **appear to support this standard.**
- That the exception is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of a substantial property right and is the most practical manner of complying with the intent of this title; Findings 1-8 and 11 appear to support this standard.
- That the granting of the exception will not be detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to other property in the area in which said property is situated.
 Findings 1-5 and 11 appear to support this standard.

Staff recommendation: place notes on the final plat indicating any exceptions granted by the Plat Committee with the meeting date.

RECOMMENDATION:

SUBJECT TO EXCEPTION(S) GRANTED, STAFF RECOMMENDS:

- GRANT APPROVAL OF THE PRELIMINARY PLAT SUBJECT TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS, AND
- COMPLIANCE WITH KPB 20.25.070 (FORM AND CONTENTS), KPB 20.25.080 (PETITION REQUIRED), KPB 20.30 (DESIGN REQUIREMENTS); AND KPB 20.40 (WASTEWATER DISPOSAL), AND
- COMPLIANCE WITH KPB 20.60 TO ENSURE ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF THE FINAL PLAT.

NOTE: KPB 20.25.120. - REVIEW AND APPEAL.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH KPB 2.40.080, ANY PERSON, AGENCY, OR CITY THAT PARTICIPATED AT THE PLAT COMMITTEE HEARING, EITHER BY WRITTEN OR ORAL PRESENTATION, MAY REQUEST THAT A

DECISION OF THE PLAT COMMITTEE BE REVIEWED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION BY FILING A WRITTEN REQUEST WITHIN 15 DAYS OF DATE OF DISTRIBUTION OF THE DECISION.

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END OF STAFF REPORT

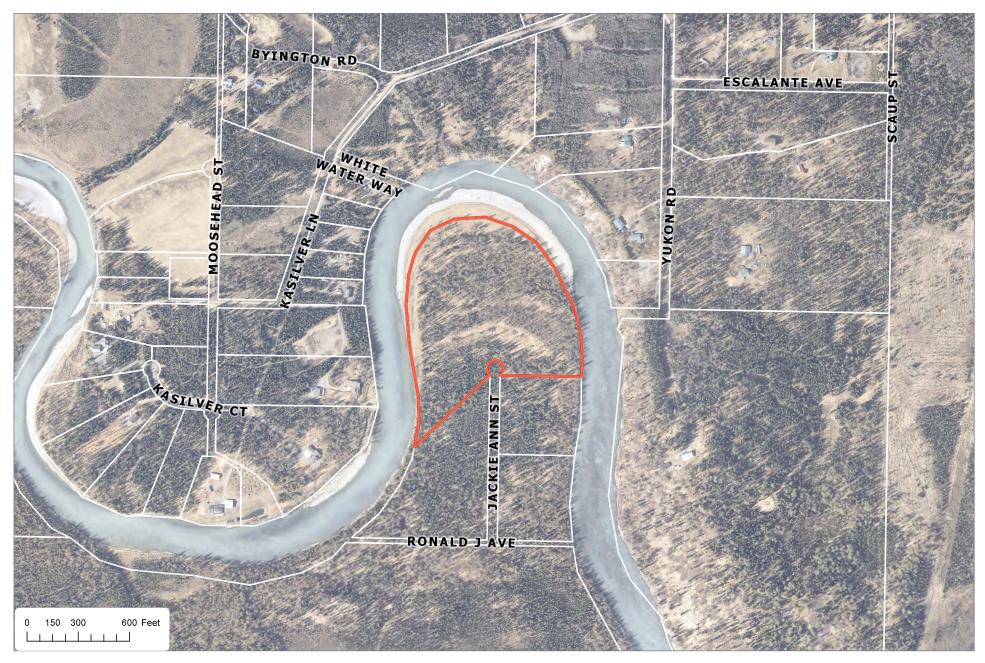




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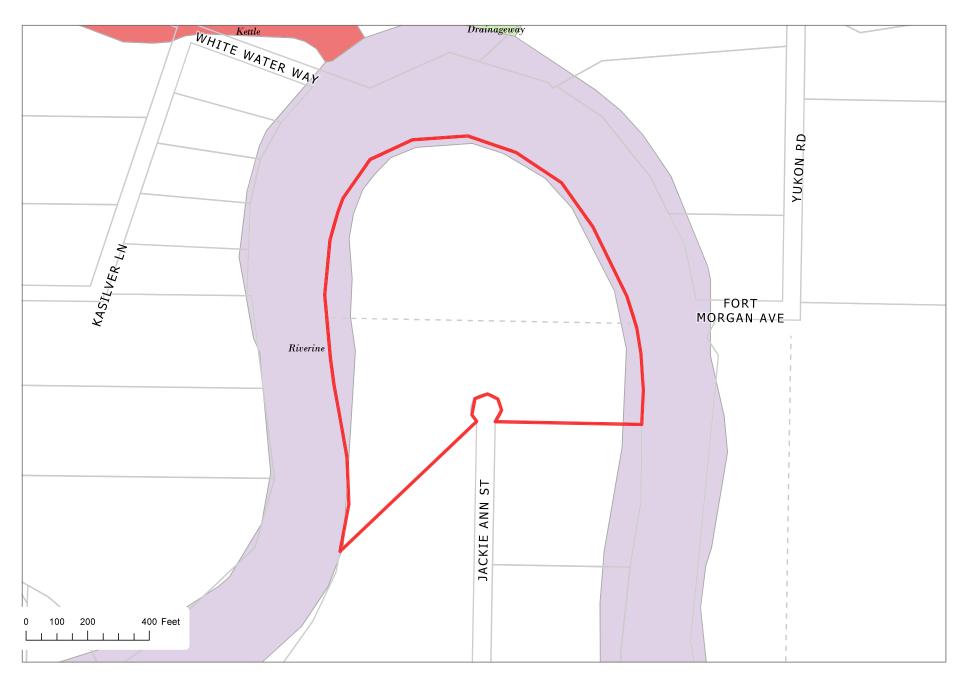
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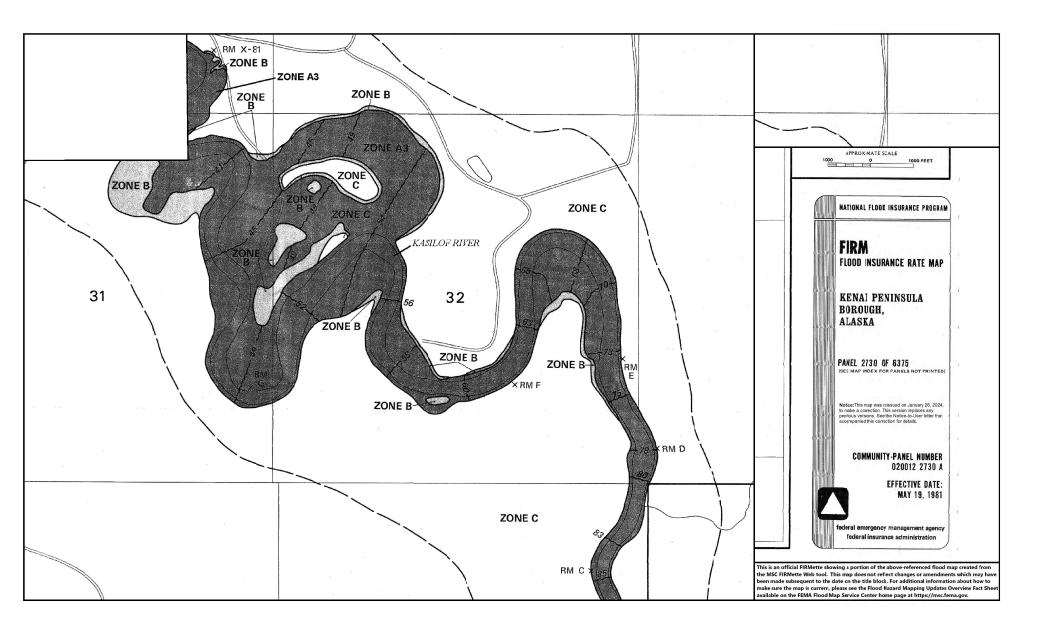


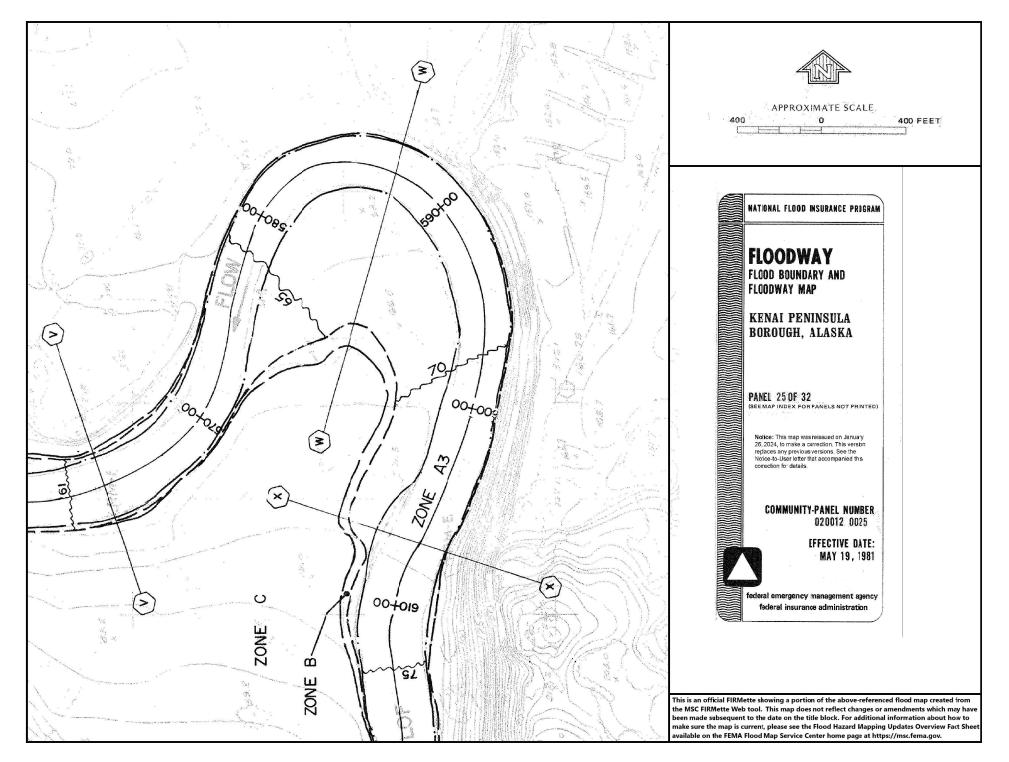
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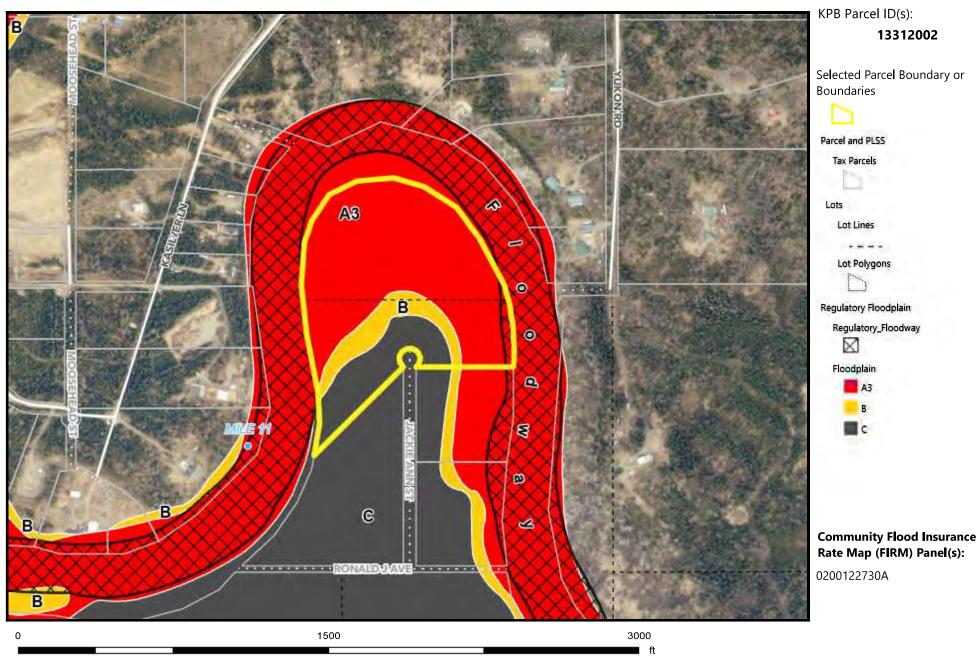
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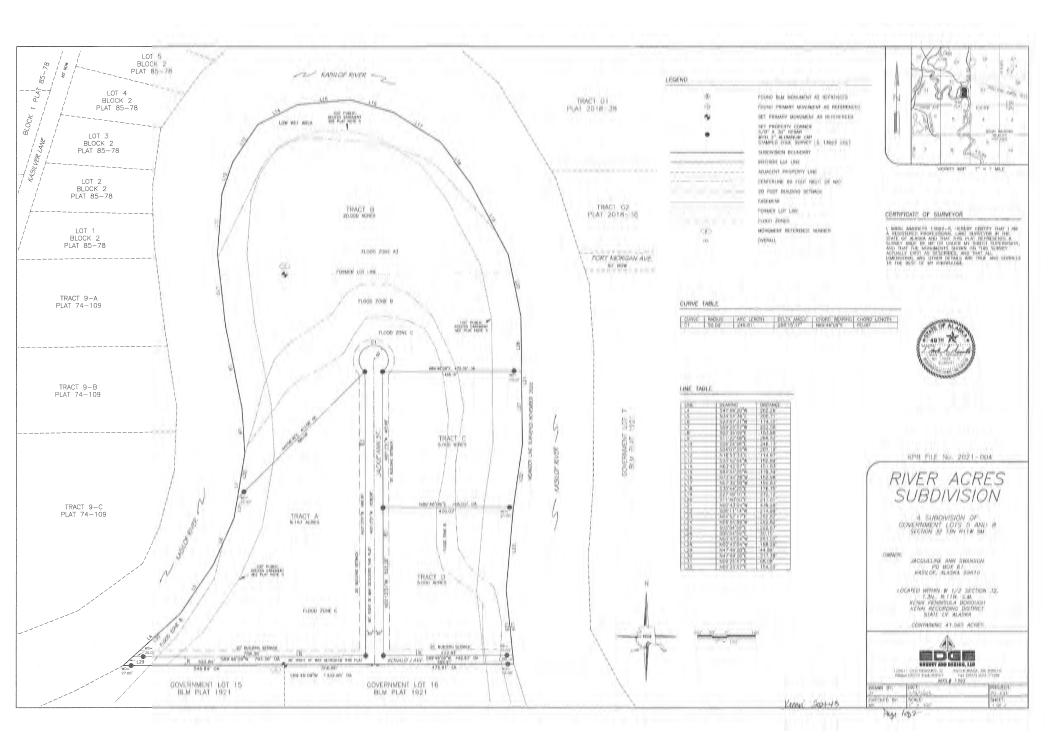


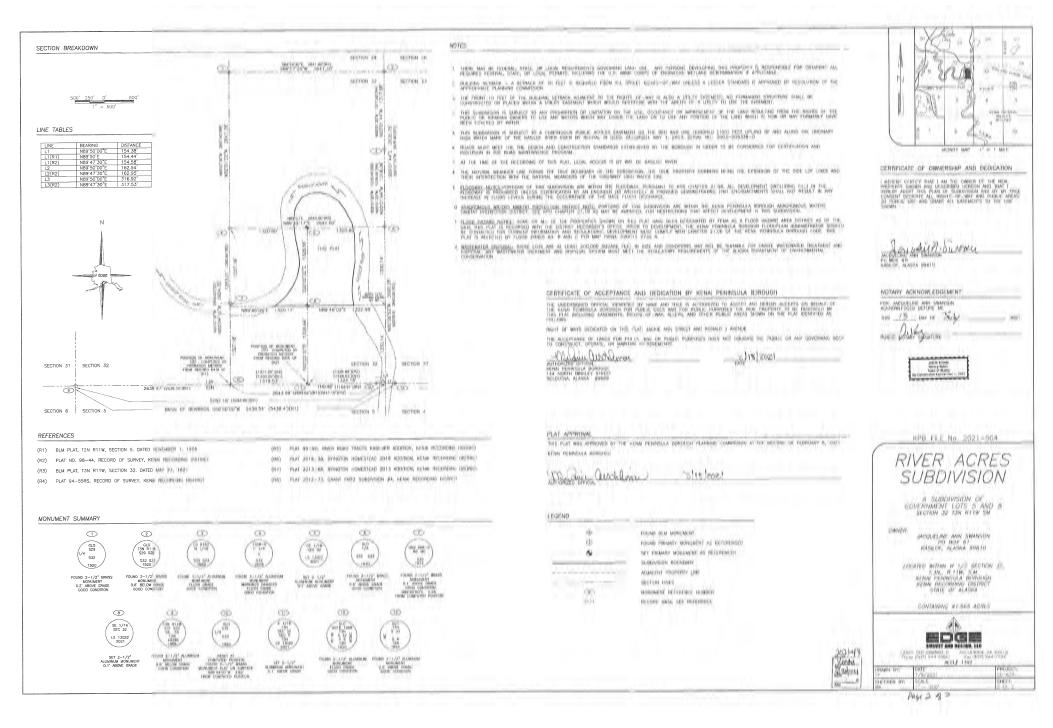




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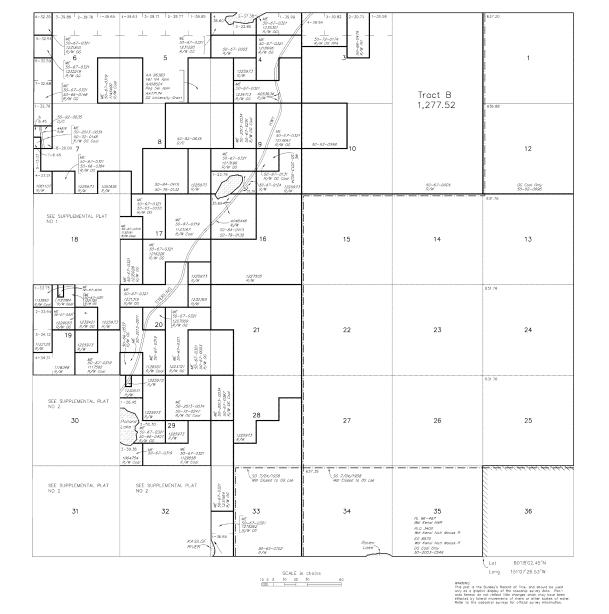
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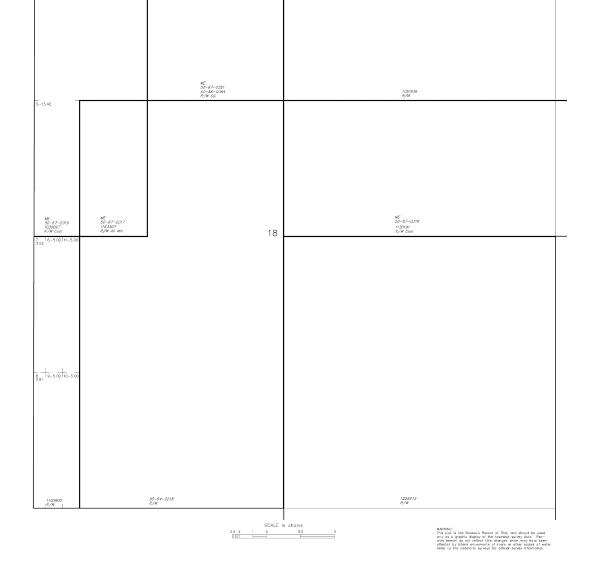
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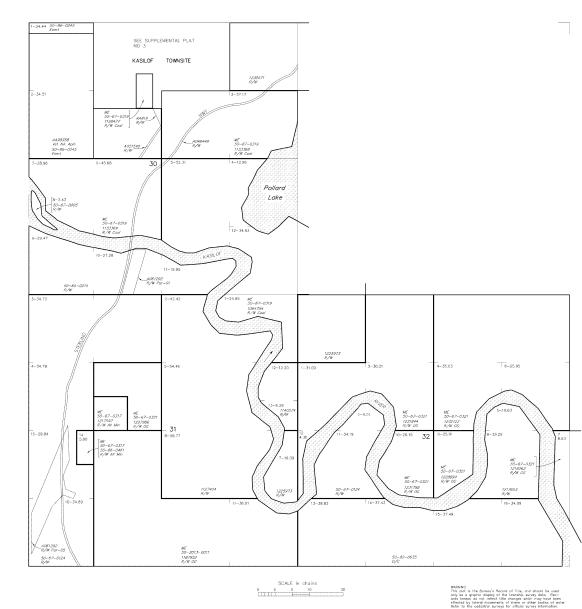
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