



Kake, Alaska

Tongass Sustainable Trails Strategy

Trail Strategy Document Purpose:

Create a set of shared priorities and establish stronger partnerships needed for an improved, more sustainable set of trails in the Tongass.



Kake Chapter

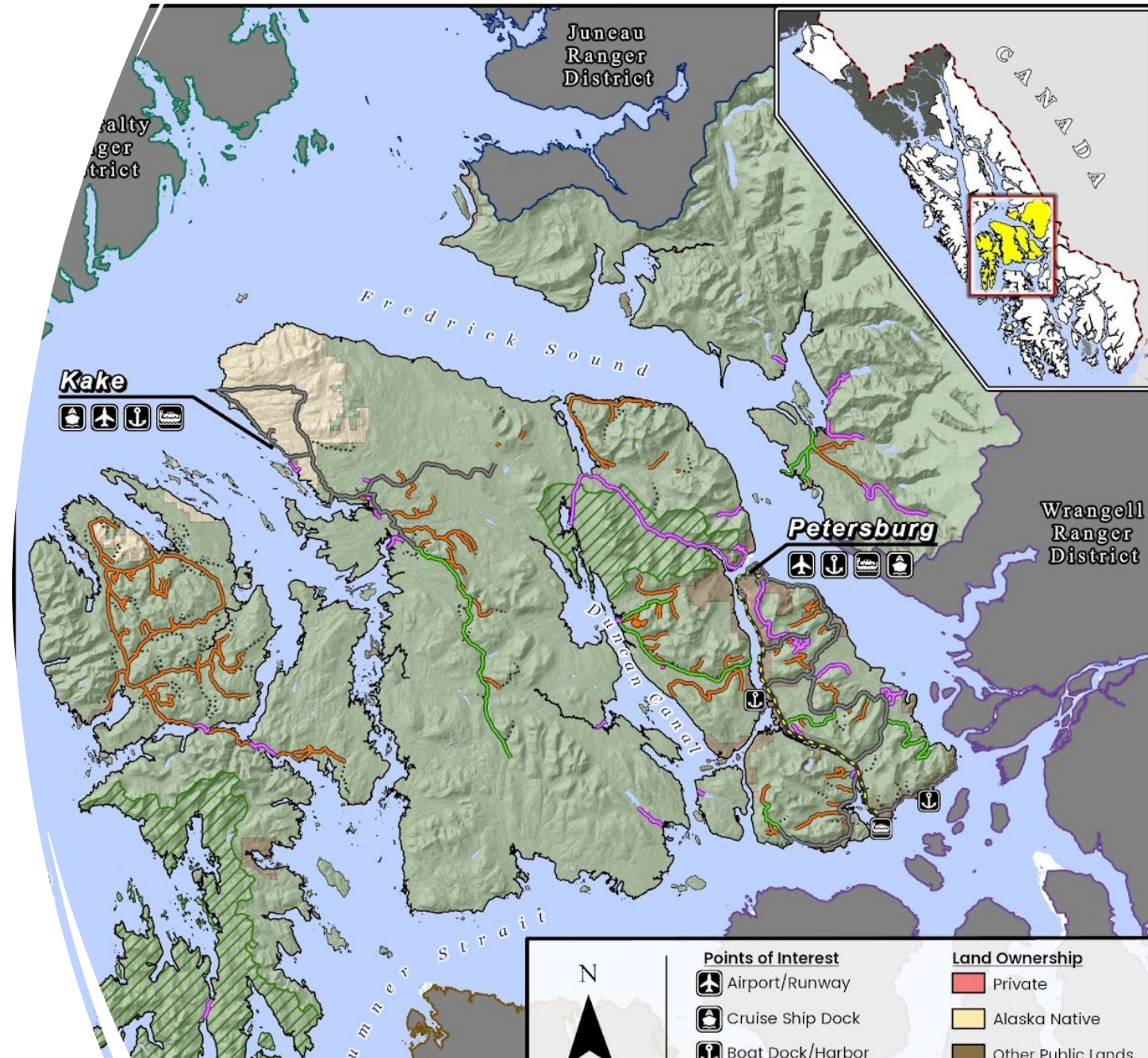


- Opportunities
- Challenges
- Next Steps



Opportunities

- 4 Trails Maintained by Forest Service
- Motivation and Desire to Increase Cultural Tourism in and around Kake
- Strong existing partnerships
- Daily flight service in the summer from Juneau
- Amazing Whale watching
- Tallest Totem Pole



Challenges

- All trails are over 10 miles from town
- Dilapidated, damaged and outdated signage along Forest Service Roads and at trailheads conveys an air of abandonment to visitors and makes navigation difficult.
- Strained relationship between Community and Forest Service
- Small community population
- Remote



Next Steps

- Complete GAOA trail project – Cathedral Falls
- Coordinate with Keex Kwaan Community Forest Partnership
- Submit proposal for reconstruction of Big John Bay Trail
- Work with Organized Village of Kake and the City on co-stewardship projects
- Increase funding to Alaska Youth Stewards
 - SASSi funds for enhancement
 - RAC funds for Grave Island Trail work
 - \$1M from WO for AYS stewardship projects





Thank you!

Questions

