



Northwest Arctic Borough 2030: Planning for Our Future

Winter 2021

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Who are we? How have we changed? Trends from 2010 ~ 2019

Our Population

- ↔ Borough population
- ↑ Median age – *though still younger than the state*
- ↑ School district enrollment

Our Economy

- ↑ Private employment
- ↓ Government employment
- ↑ Wages
- ↑ Jobs in Mining, Transportation & Warehousing
- ↓ Jobs in Leisure & Hospitality, Information (data, telecommunications)

Our Borough's Fiscal Health

- ↑ Payments from the Red Dog Mine
- ↑ Overall General Fund revenues
- ↔ General Fund expenditures
- ↑ Fund balances (savings)

Sources: U.S. Census American Community Survey, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development Data Center, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development Division of Community and Regional Affairs

85% Iñupiaq

403 pounds subsistence harvests per person annually

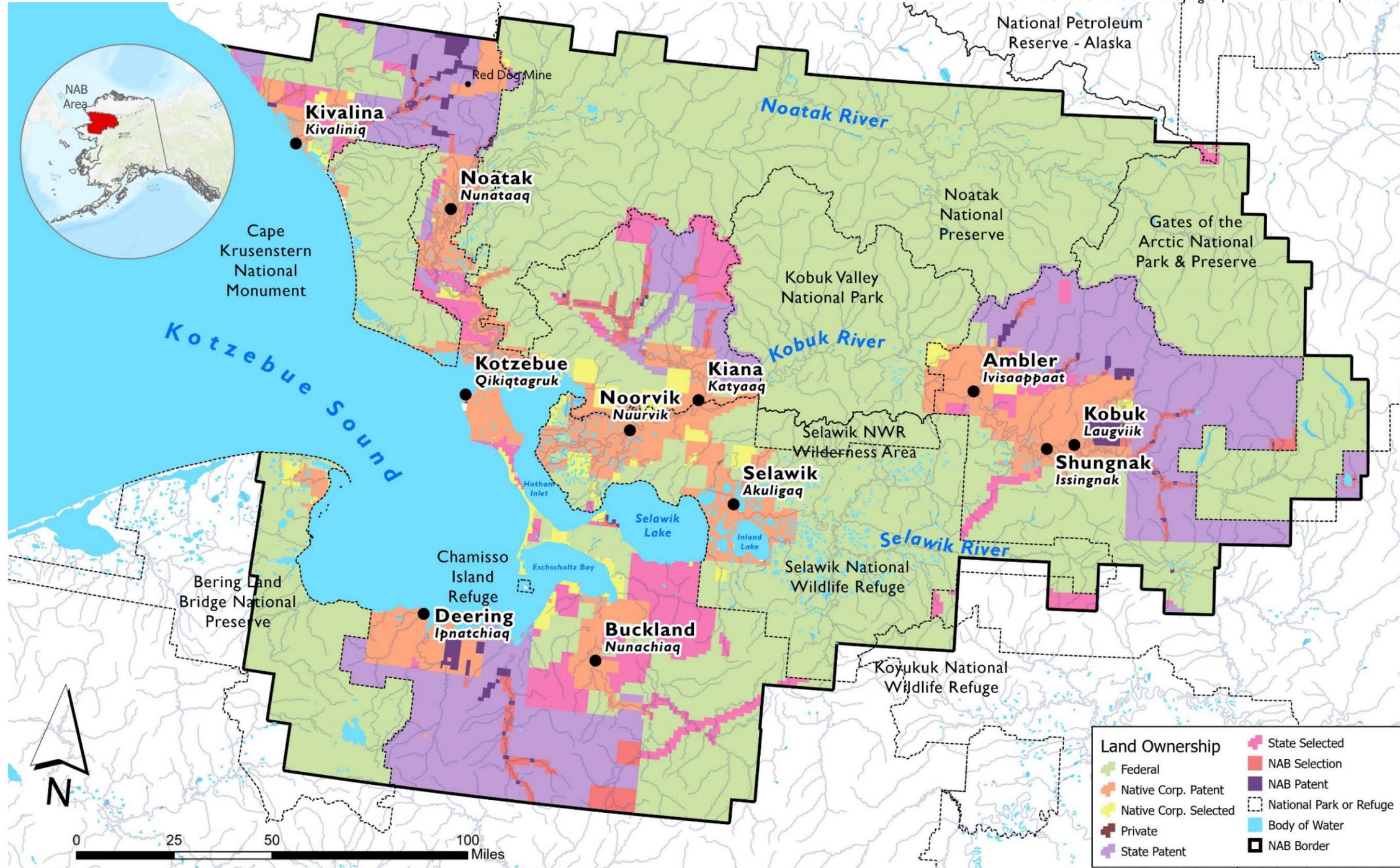
11 Tribes, **10** Municipalities

\$4-\$8 M invested annually in NAB communities through the Village Improvement Fund

35,899 square miles of land
3,560 miles of coastline

66% of land federally owned

Click on underlined numbers to visit webpages for more detailed information



What does the 2030 Comprehensive Plan do?

Brings us together, as a region.

Creates better communities.

Guides our community and regional leaders.

Helps us preserve what we value most about the region.

How?

- By gathering **data, local knowledge, population and economic projections**, and **public input**.
- By creating a **regionwide roadmap** to guide decision-making, funding and development efforts over the next 10 years.

What is our timeline?

The project kicked off in **fall 2020** → → → A draft plan will be released in **summer 2021** → → → The plan will be finalized in **fall 2021**.

What have we heard so far & what are your priorities?

We have learned a lot from initial conversations with NAB leaders, residents and research.

Arctic

Prepare for economic, military & transportation opportunities in the Arctic

Climate Change

Prepare communities for a changing climate

Culture

Preserve the Iñupiaq way of life

Communications

Improve internet/broadband connectivity

Deep Water Port

Pursue plans for a port and road to Cape Blossom

Energy

Reduce cost of living by developing renewable energy projects

Mining

Support increased mineral development

Natural Resources

Expand commercial fishing and agriculture

Subsistence

Protect subsistence resources and activities

Tourism

Increase tourism

Transportation

Create transportation corridors between communities

Workforce Development

Prepare residents for jobs in the region

What do you think and what are your priorities?

1. **Take this 5-minute survey:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/nab2030>

2. **Contact us:** Eva Aqimayuk Harvey, NAB Planning Director
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