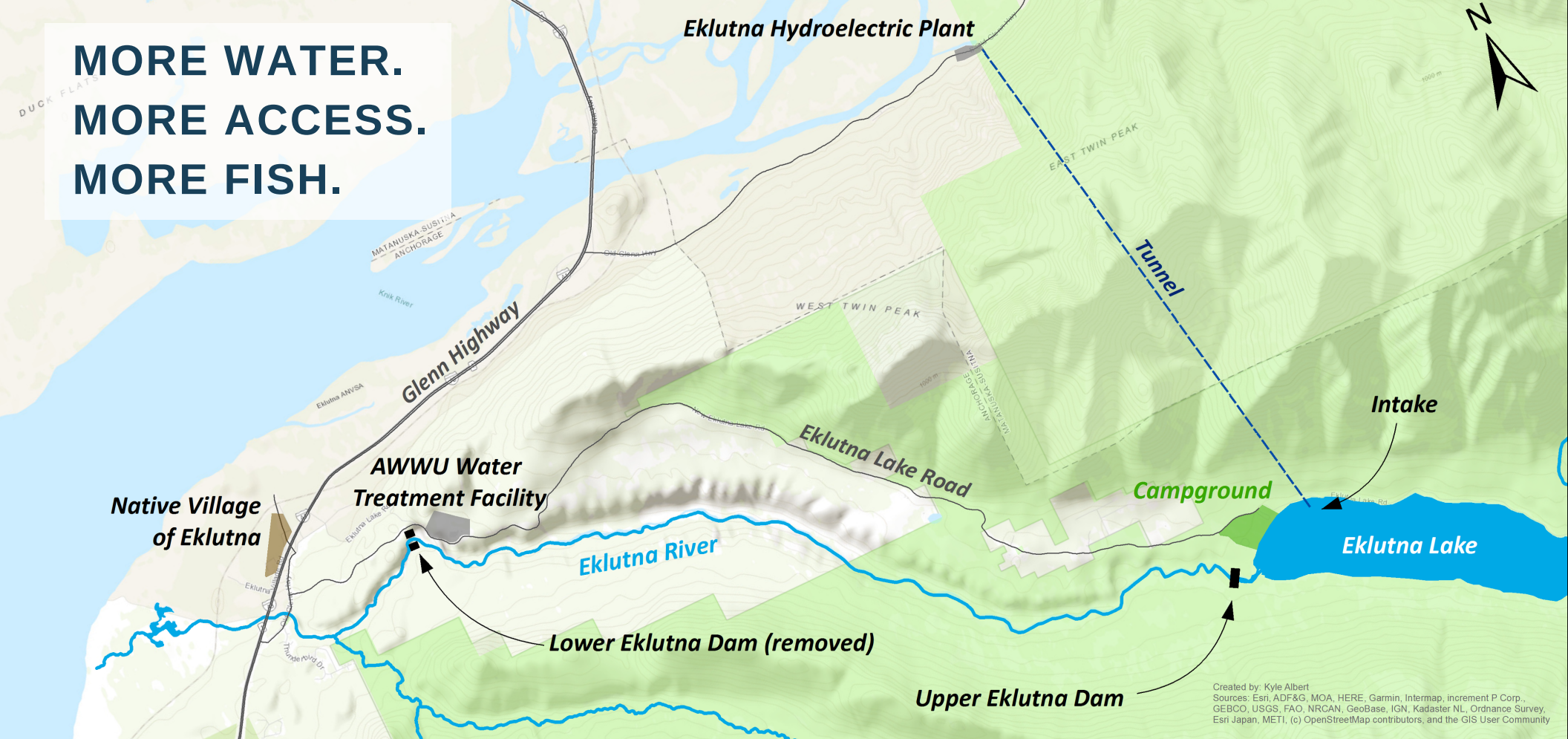


**MORE WATER.
MORE ACCESS.
MORE FISH.**



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All the water that would flow down the Eklutna River is currently diverted from its natural course.

- 90% of the water in the lake is pumped through the Eklutna Hydroelectric Project to create 3-6% of electricity for the area.
- The remaining 10% of the water provides the majority of Anchorage's drinking water.

Over 8 miles of the river downstream of the lake runs dry or with too little water for healthy salmon habitat.

The Eklutna Hydroelectric Project is required to begin making up for its impact to fish and wildlife by 2027.

The lack of water and fish passage will need to be addressed to make up for the project's ongoing impacts to salmon habitat.

Fish passage around the upper dam of Eklutna Lake and enough water will allow salmon to access historic habitat and make a full recovery.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT THERE IS ENOUGH WATER TO MEET ANCHORAGE'S DRINKING WATER NEEDS, CREATE ELECTRICITY, AND SUPPORT ALL 5 SPECIES OF WILD SALMON IN THE EKLUTNA RIVER.

WELCOME

Known to its ancestral inhabitants as *Idlughet*, this area is among the traditional lands of the Eklutna Dena'ina who would overwinter along the shores of Eklutna Lake (*Idlu Bena*). The Eklutna River, *Idlughentnu*, and its wild salmon runs have long supported the Eklutna Dena'ina, however historic hydroelectric development on the river has greatly diminished the formerly flourishing salmon fisheries.

The initial Eklutna Hydroelectric dam, built in 1929, blocked the migration of spawning salmon and was the first of two severe impacts to the river system. Over the course of 2017 and 2018, the defunct lower Eklutna dam was successfully removed by Eklutna, Inc and The Conservation Fund.

**A HEALTHY & PRODUCTIVE
FUTURE FOR THE EKLUTNA
RIVER IS POSSIBLE.
RESTORING THE RIVER IS
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VILLAGE OF EKLUTNA
& AREA RESIDENTS.**



YOU CAN HELP

Together the Native Village of Eklutna, The Conservation Fund, Trout Unlimited and The Alaska Center formed the Eklutna River Restoration Coalition and are working to bring back a healthy and fully functioning river.

**JOIN US AND HELP ENSURE
THRIVING FUTURE FOR THIS
IMPORTANT RIVER!**

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