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**Subject:** RE: Our Alaskan Mapper.  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 27, 2018 9:00:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Diane, the FWS server did not like my email address for John Brewer and bounced it. Please forward this to him.  
JohnB

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**From:** John Bennett  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2018 8:57 AM  
**To:** 'Diana Biesanz'  
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Diane, I checked out your Alaskan Mapper link and that was the site I had found. I've just inserted a screen print of what I'm working on. It's about an 8 mile project heading northeast out of Kivalina. The entire alignment is north of the Wulik River and so if the only part of the Maritime NWR in the area is the two islands at the mouth of the Wulik, then we will have no conflict with Refuge lands. I am, however, still a bit curious as I have not had much involvement with NWR lands. I see that the two islands had been patented to Nana Regional Corporation as successor to the Village Corp. so I'm wondering what it really means for a NWR boundary to encompass private property? I didn't see any reservation in the patent, so is the NWR over those islands a prior existing right? And how does that affect the ownership rights of the patentee? And why does it only cover those two islands?

When I first started looking at this my concern was the 2013 DCRA Community Profile maps for Kivalina. They show the NWR boundary as encompassing the barrier island that Kivalina is on and shows a boundary along the east tidal boundary of Kivalina Lagoon. This appears to be consistent with the withdrawal and classification lines shown on the BLM MTP (attached) in that area. So something happened to reduce the withdrawal that I believe was initially imposed by PLO 5184, but I'm just not sure what it is. At this point my questions are just for my own education so don't spend a lot of time on them, I was just hoping there might be a fairly short answer. You mentioned that John won't be in until 9:30am and I will be out of the office from about 9:45am to 11:30am. So feel free to respond by email or I will give John a call when I return to the office. Thanks in advance. JohnB

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If you have any questions on how this works or see any errors, give me a call.



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