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SUBJECT: Refuge Open Wood Cutting Permit Areas

The Kenai National Wildlife Refuge is offering personal use firewood permits within portions of the Funny River Road area of the Refuge beginning June 1, 2013. The areas open to collecting firewood have cut wood piled along the right-of-way as a result of fuel break construction and maintenance. A permit is required. Permits with maps and instructions can be obtained beginning June 1, 2013, at the Refuge Visitor Center on Ski Hill Road in Soldotna. Office hours are from 8:00am to 4:30pm on Monday through Friday, and 9:00am to 5:00pm on Saturday. No fee will be charged for the permit although permit holders are required to stack their limbs and woody debris. Permits are limited to collection of five cords of firewood, and will expire September 30, 2013 and the areas will close to firewood cutting. Weather conditions or depletion of wood for cutting may prompt the Refuge Manager to close areas prior to July 31st.

Permittees must stay at least 200 feet away from active cutting operations.

Collection/cutting is limited to trees which are cut and down within the designated permit areas. Standing dead trees cannot be felled. Vehicles are prohibited off of the shoulders of the main roads. ATVs are prohibited. The public is reminded that wood obtained from permitted areas is for personal use only, and may not be sold or bartered. All other wood cutting on the Refuge is prohibited, except dead and down wood may be used for campfires while camping on the Refuge. For further information, visit Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, or call (907) 262-7021.

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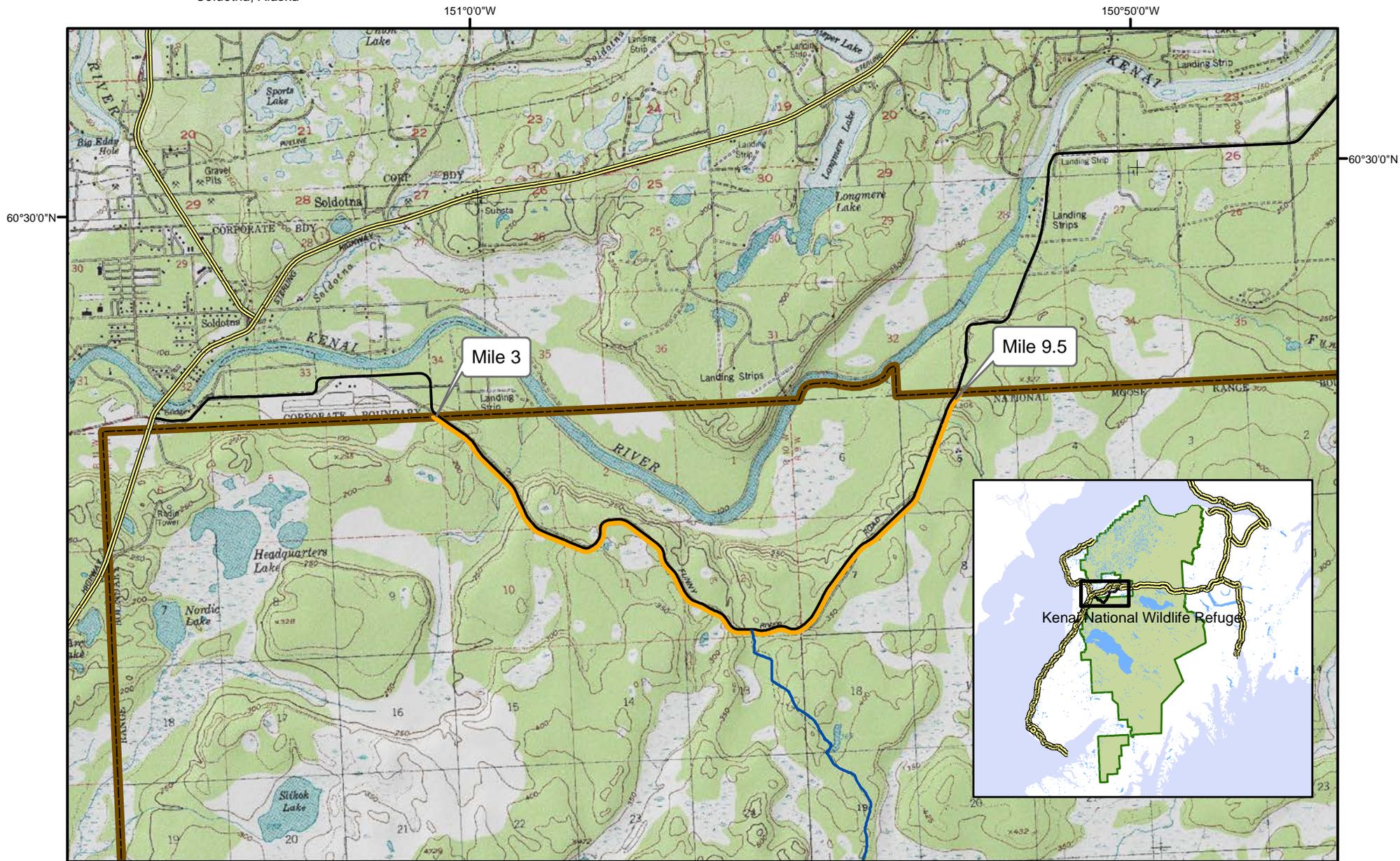


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Soldotna, Alaska

Woodcutting Area : Funny River Road



**Area open to woodcutting:
Within 200 feet of Funny River
Road from Mile 3 to Mile 9.5,
SOUTH SIDE OF ROAD ONLY!**

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