

Line 24: after “alternative” add: , *described further on, just before the description of Gastineau Channel where the main route and this alternate rejoin*

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Line 12: after “slack” add: *(not at low-water slack)*

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Line 3: after “city.” add new sub-header plus the following new paragraphs:

Alternate Route #3: Cape Fanshaw (mile 286/1,054) to Gastineau Channel (394/1,162) via the mainland coast:

Although following the mainland coast precludes a Stephen’s Passage crossing, it is not without some risk, in particular the crossing of Holkam Bay, tidal mouth for both Tracy and Endicott Arms, both of which are spectacular side trips.

From Cape Fanshaw (mile 286/1,054), head deeper into Fanshaw Bay toward the abandoned settlement of Cape Fanshaw (291/1,059) where there’s an old abandoned fox farm. There, and about one mile prior, are a couple of campsites. Turn up Cleveland Passage. Currents never exceed 2 knots. Whitney Island hosts a few cabins and a nice campsite about half-way up Cleveland.

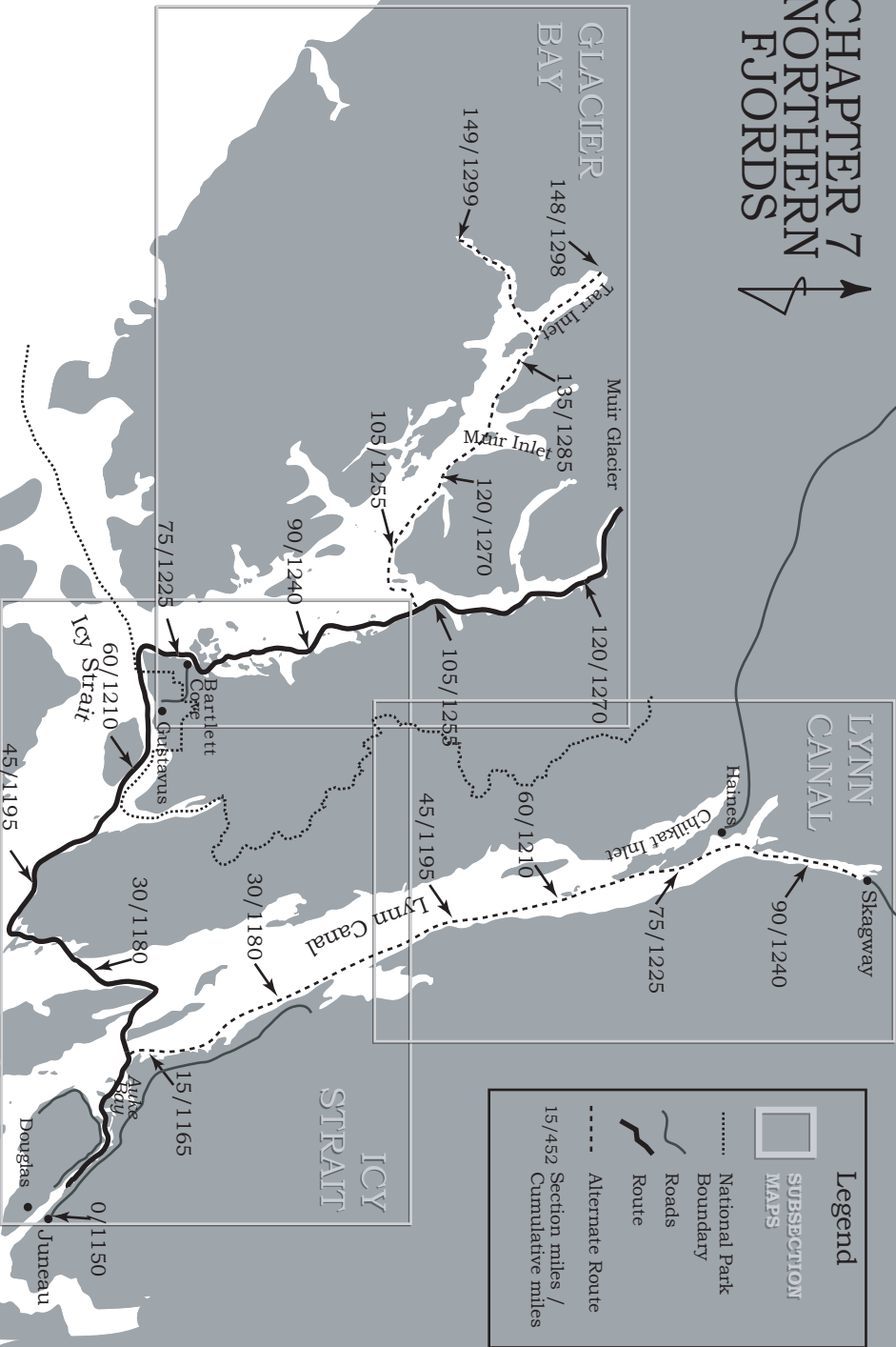
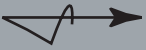
Past McNairy point a delightfully indented coast dotted with sandy coves and little islands leads into Port Houghton. The mainland end of the incipient tombolo connecting the north side of Steamboat Bay with Foot Island (mile 295/1,063) is a great campsite. Farther along, both Crow Island (297/1,065) and its smaller sister to the west have campsites on their eastern points.

Cross Port Houghton near Walter Island and coast up to Point Hobart (315/1,083) where there’s a campsite just before, near the “Hob” designation. Hobart Bay, in spite of hosting quite a logging operation, remains a picturesque and serene spot. The state of Alaska maintains a floating dock inside Entrance Island’s protected harbor. The pier and buildings are private.

North of Hobart Bay, just across from the twins where the 1:250,000 map says “foul” (320/1,088), the scalloped shore yields a sandy camp and is home to a large group of otters. Continuing north to Windham Bay (330/1,098), there are many places to camp along the entire coast opposite Sunset Island. Windham Bay itself is steep—and gloomy the farther in you go—but the islets at its mouth are campable.

Coursing north, the coast between Windham Bay and Dry Bay is steep with only 2 small coves (mile 337/1,105) and (mile 338/1,106) yielding camps just before Dry Bay. Dry Bay (mile 339/1,107) itself has a sandy camp about halfway

CHAPTER 7 NORTHERN FJORDS



Legend

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15/452 Section miles / Cumulative miles