

COMMUNITY MAP

POINT BAKER

56°21'N 133°37'W Coastal Community

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Community Map—Maps are useful in illustrating land use patterns, ownership, location of utilities and in planning for future village improvements. These maps can be prepared by surveying the land and/or by enlarging aerial photographs.

The Community Map shown here was prepared from a U.S. Forest Service aerial photograph taken in 1971 at a height of 10,400 feet and enlarged to a scale of 1:2,400 (1 in. = 200 ft.). This map has been used to display the present utilities, residential and commercial development, public facilities and to portray other information which will aid in evaluating the area for new construction and village expansion.

The Regional Map, prepared from NASA high altitude photos and printed at a scale of 1:16,800 (1 in. = 1,400 ft.), clearly shows the community and the surrounding area. The map shows that Point Baker is a coastal community well sheltered from the open sea. The land around the village is hilly and heavily vegetated. The land to the south and east of Point Baker is within the Tongass National Forest, although there is land on both sides of Point Baker anchorage available for community expansion.

This kind of data is very important in developing plans for community growth and expansion. It is useful in gaining an understanding of some of the natural and man-made features that affect the community (e.g., flood hazards, erosion, source of water supply, location of waste disposal sites, etc.).

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Land Use (from field survey, Feb., 1981)

- Residential
- Public
- Commercial

Electricity

- Generator

Water

- Water line

Phone

- Earth station

Survey line (BLM or Alaska Division of Lands; numbers refer to U.S. Surveys)

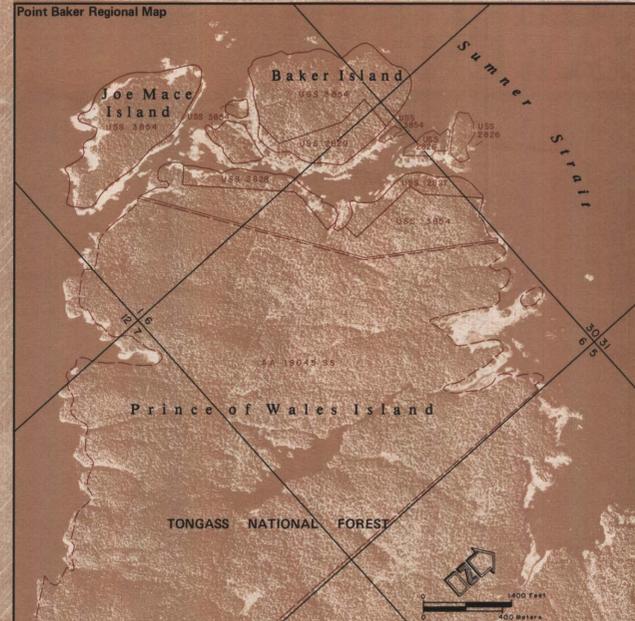
Land status (BLM or Alaska Division of Lands; serial numbers refer to applications, patents, etc.)

1. Pt. Baker Bar and Store includes laundromat and fuel station
2. Post office
3. Dock (State)
4. Fuel tanks
5. Sawmill

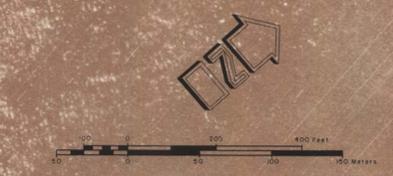
Note: Structures not outlined or color-coded have been determined to be minor accessory structures and/or dilapidated buildings.

Most homes have small individual generators to provide electrical power. Propane and wood are the primary fuels for heating and cooking.

There are no central sewer, water and electrical systems in Point Baker. Sewage disposal methods include outhouses and individual outfalls. Water is obtained by hand hauling and surface lines from various springs and creeks.



Note: These maps have been prepared from uncontrolled aerial photographs. Scale is approximate and minor distortion may exist. Property and utility information has been generalized from many sources and may contain minor inconsistencies. These maps should not be construed as surveys. On-site investigations should be conducted prior to construction.



Natural Resources of Point Baker

Mammals, Waterfowl, and Fish

- High density waterfowl range
- Note: Low density waterfowl range extends throughout area shown
- Major waterfowl migration route
- Major commercial fishing grounds
- Marine mammals concentration
- Marine mammals present
- Black bear intensive use area
- Sitka deer high density winter range
- Note: Sitka deer present throughout island during summer

Vegetation

- Alpine tundra and barren ground
- Coastal western hemlock and sitka spruce forest

Minerals

- Intensive mining claim activity area
- Mining claim activity area
- Mineralized area
- Potential geothermal
- Lode deposits, prospect, or mine

Adapted from Selkregg, L. L. et al., 1976. Alaska Regional Profiles: South East Region