

Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry
Bureau of Parks and Lands

St. John Uplands Region Management Plan – Draft Plan Amendment

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The Bureau proposes the following amendment to the 2021 St. John Uplands Region Management Plan.

Proposed Addition to the Chamberlain Ecological Reserve at the Chamberlain Unit

Amendment proposes to add the 700-acre Allagash Mountain subunit of the Chamberlain Public Land public land to the existing 3,502-acre Chamberlain (AKA Bear Mountain) Ecological Reserve, which was originally designated in 2001 and expanded by 612 acres with the adoption of this management plan in 2021.

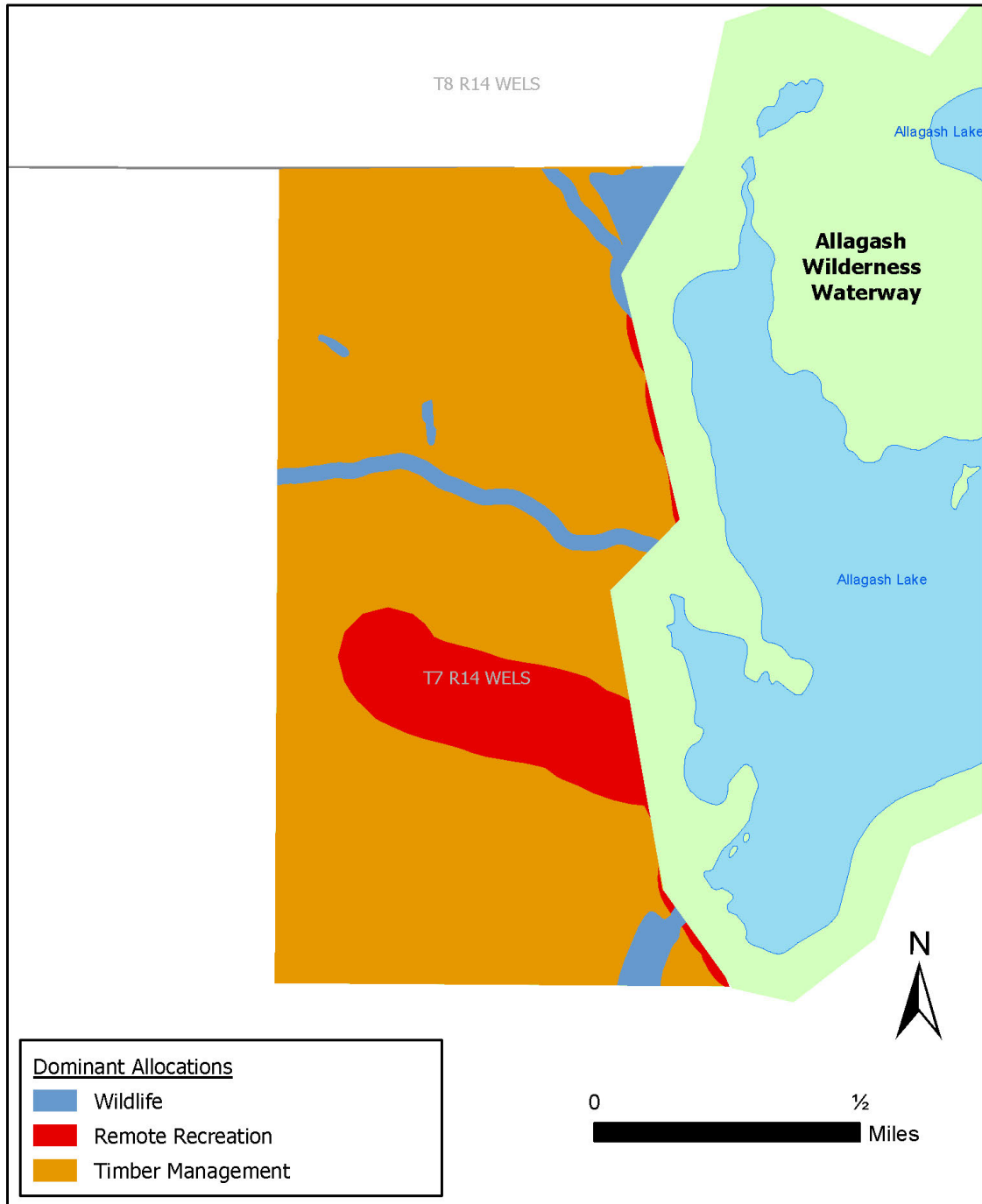
As shown in the table below, the Resource Allocations for the subunit (pages 60-62 of the 2021 plan) would be revised accordingly, with all acres allocated to Wildlife Management, Remote Recreation and Timber Management reallocated to Special Protection – Ecological Reserve.

	Current		change	Proposed ER	
Dominant Resource Allocation	acres	%	acres	acres	%
Special Protection – Ecological Reserve	0	0.0%	700	700	100.0%
Wildlife Management	45	6.4%	-45	0	0.0%
Remote Recreation	75	10.7%	-75	0	0.0%
Timber Management	580	82.9%	-580	0	0.0%
Total	700	100.0%		700	100.0%

Maps of the current and proposed Resource Allocations are provided on the following pages. The proposed allocation map would replace the allocation map on page 63 of the plan.

As stipulated in the Bureau’s Integrated Resource Policy, no timber management would occur within the new Ecological Reserve area, as is currently a primary use within the Timber Management area and allowed as a secondary use within the Wildlife and Remote Recreation dominant areas. The existing trail to the fire tower and the short section of snowmobile trail would remain.

Chamberlain Public Land - Allagash Mtn. subunit Dominant Allocations



Chamberlain Public Land - Allagash Mtn. subunit Dominant Allocations (w/Proposed Ecological Res.)

