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Why Hydro?

- Represents 7.5 percent of U.S. electric energy needs
- Diversifies Alaska's energy portfolio
- Benefits and stabilizes electric grid
- Potential to combine with other energy sources
- Operation can balance environmental and developmental values
- Long-term, stable electrical rates (Bradley Lake Project)
- Stable energy costs benefit businesses

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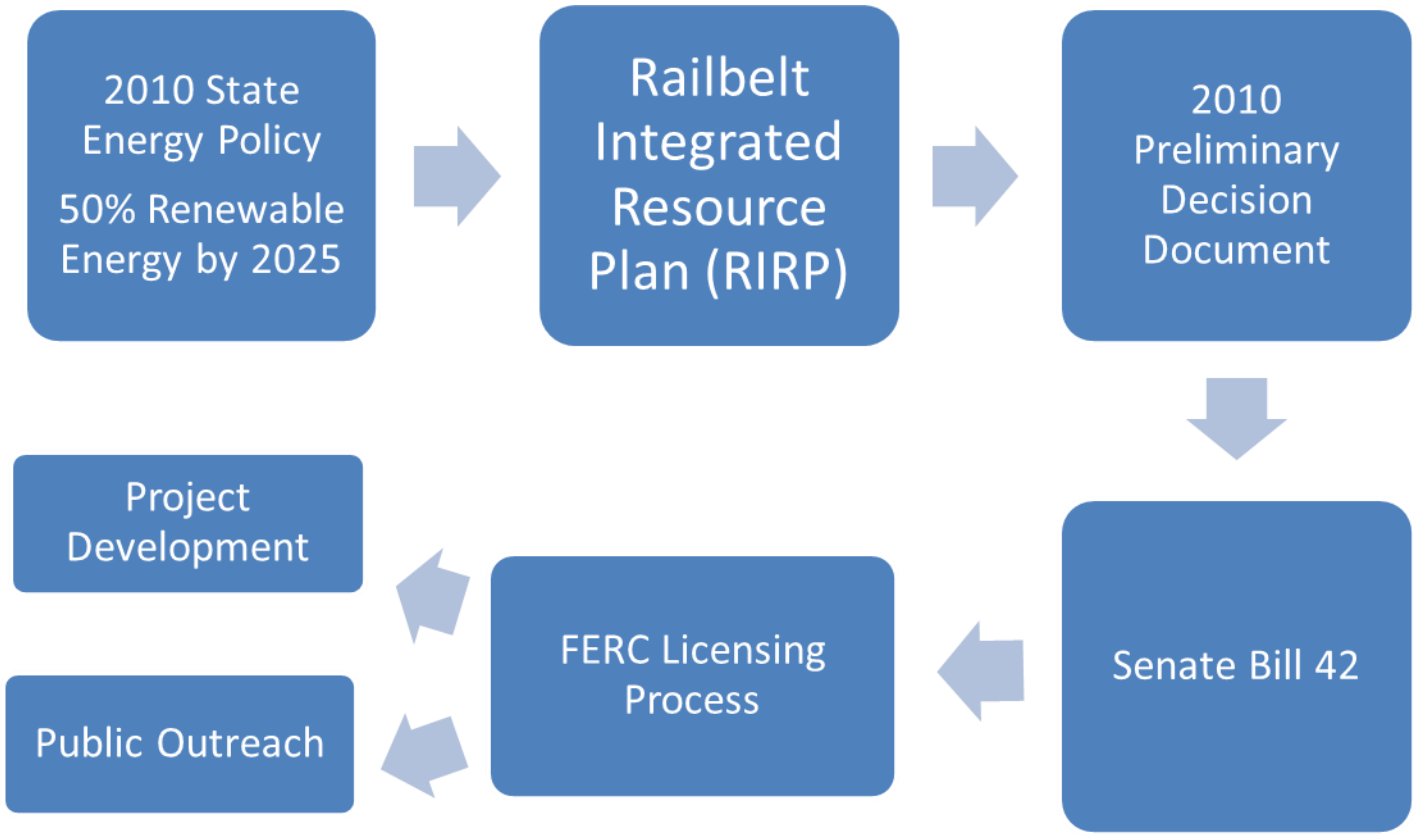
Process



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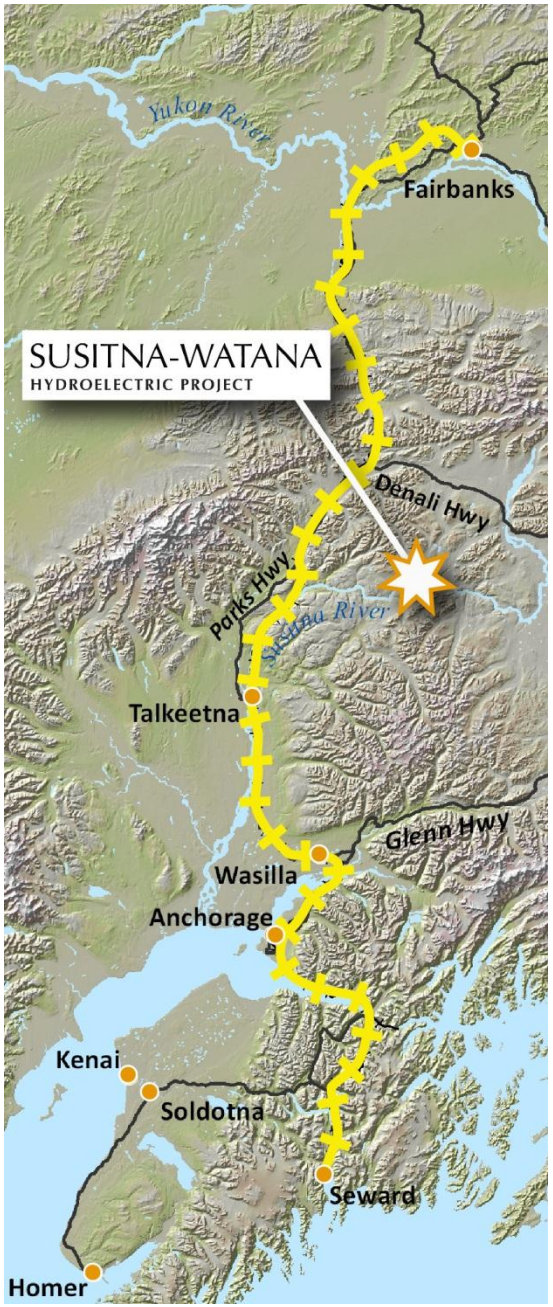

Project Overview

- Location: river mile 184, above Devils Canyon
- Size: ~700 foot-high dam
- Reservoir 39 miles long, 2 miles wide (at widest)
- Supply: ~50% of Railbelt electrical demand
- Capacity: 600 MW installed capacity, annual average 2,500, 000 MWh
- Project life: 100+ years, providing long-term, stable rates

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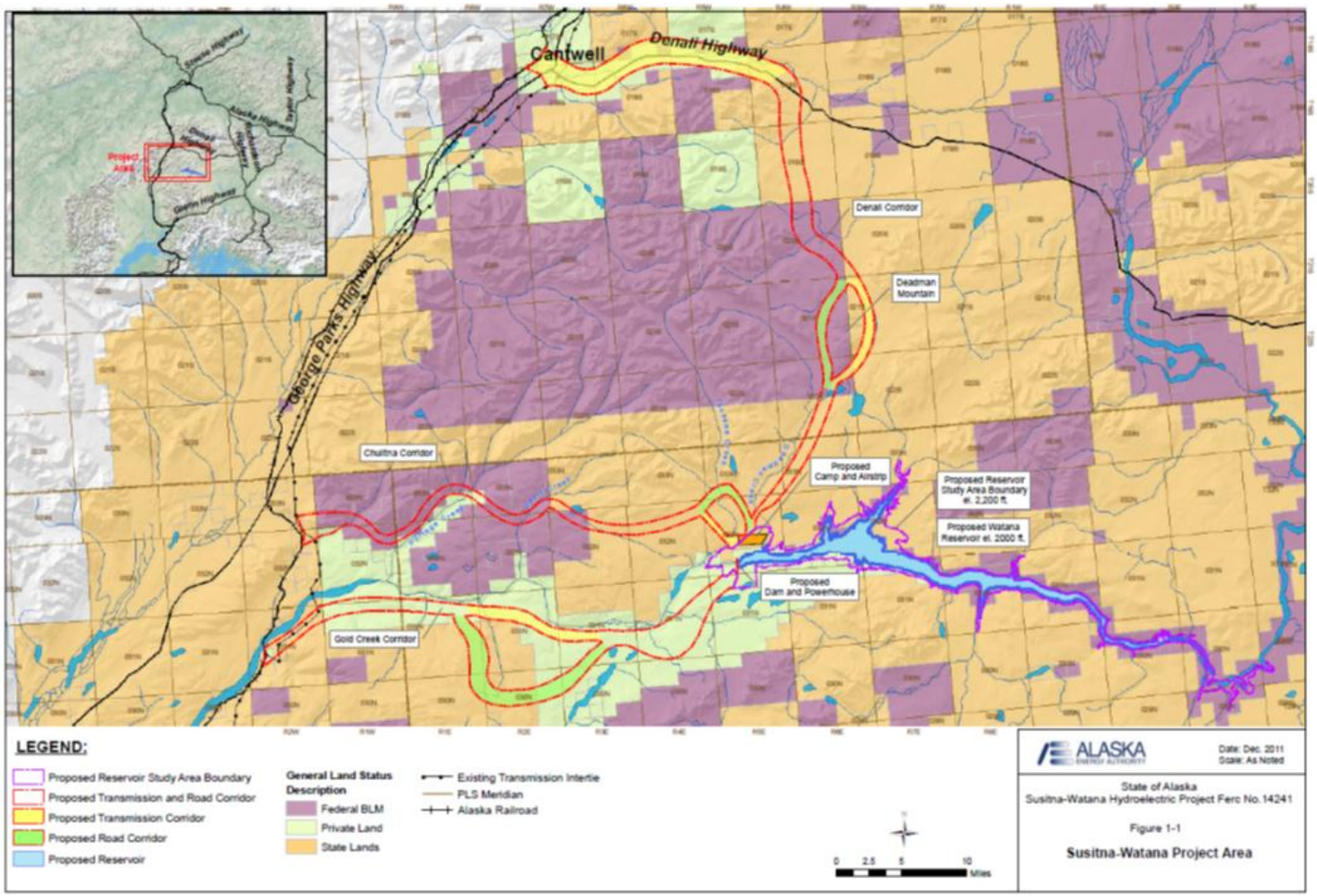
Project Area



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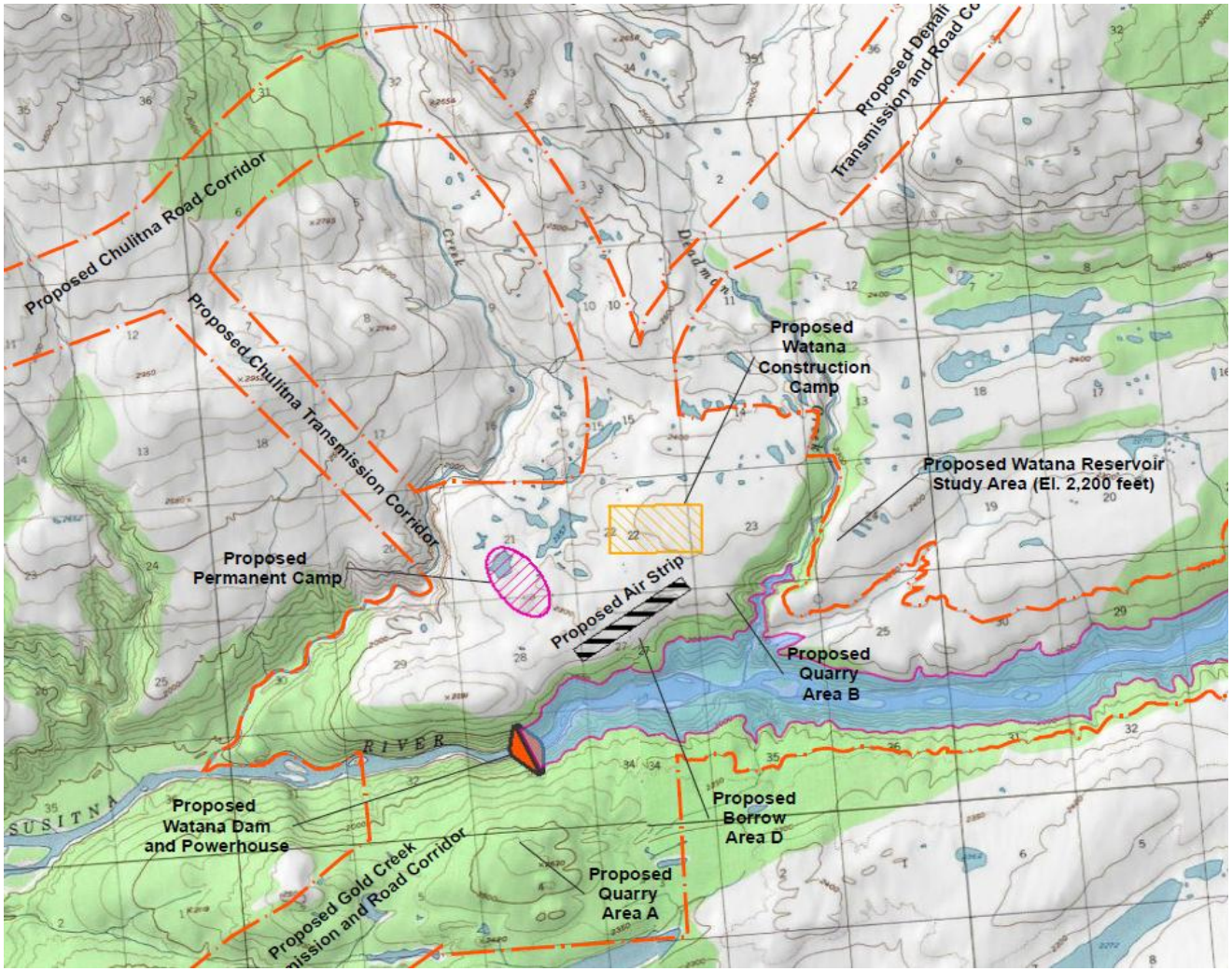
Project Site



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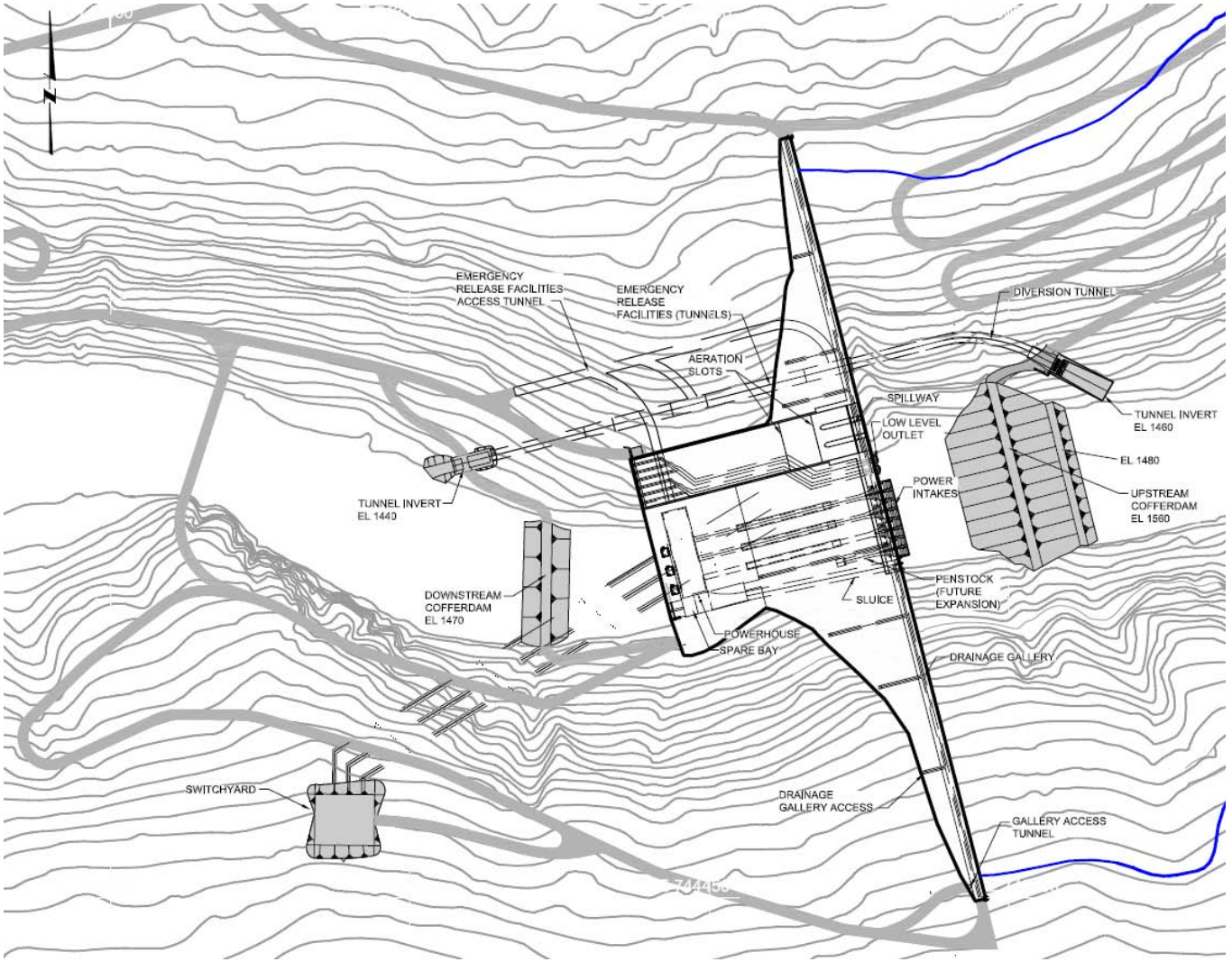
Conceptual Site Plan



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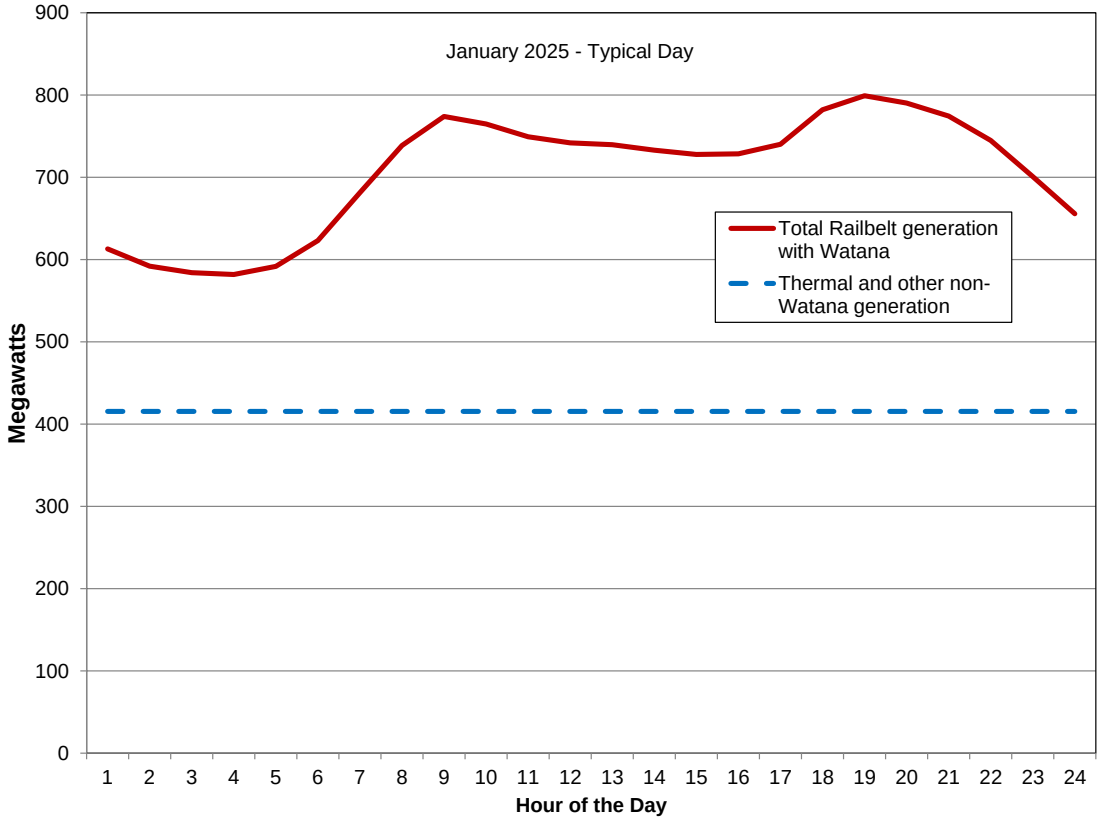
Project Daily Operation



- Load-following to provide system stability and responsiveness to energy demand

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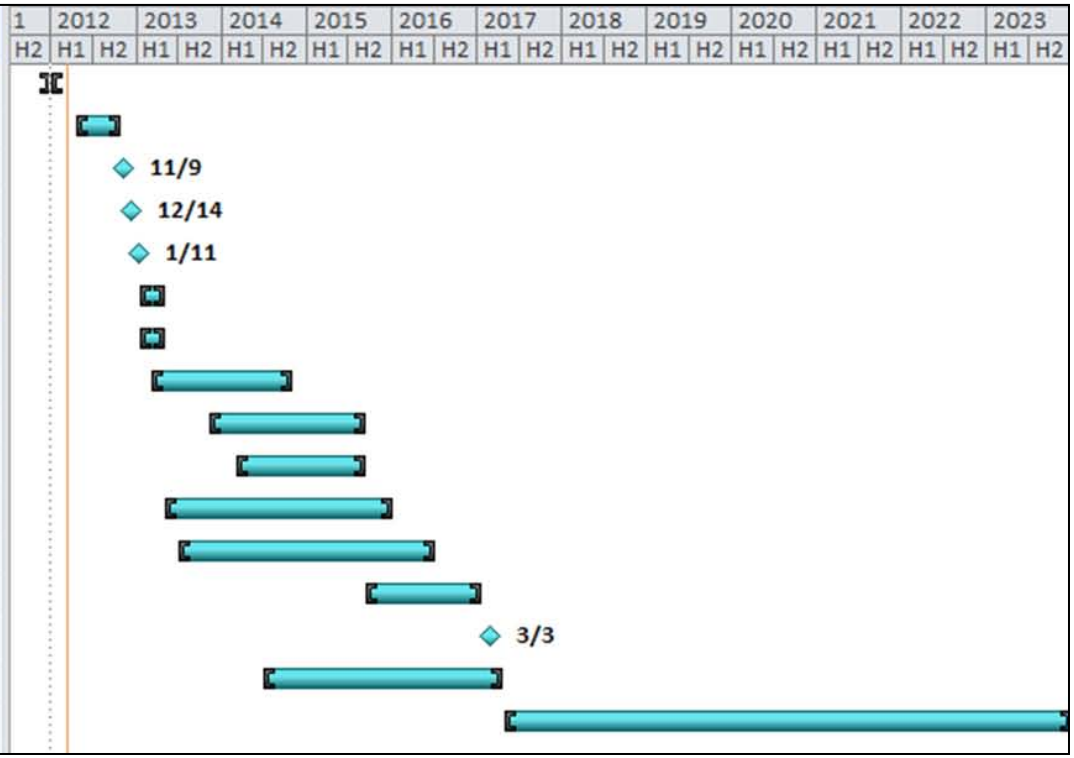
Schedule

	Task Name
1	File NOI and PAD
2	Conduct Informal Studies
3	FERC Approval of 2013 and 2014 Study Plans
4	Engineering Feasibility Study Completed
5	**Check-in**
6	Leg. Appropriation for Licensing/Final Design
7	State Investment Appropriation
8	Conduct FERC Approved Studies
9	Prepare and File License Application
10	Settlement Negotiaions w/Stakeholders
11	Negotiate Power Sales Agreements
12	Final Engineering Design
13	FERC EIS
14	FERC License Issuance
15	Project Financing
16	Construction



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2012 Environmental Studies

- Geomorphology/Sediment Transport
- Ice Studies
- Project Operation Studies
- Water Quality
- Fisheries
- Wildlife
- Botanical
- Cultural Resources
- Recreation

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2012 Engineering Studies

- Hydrology & Power Operations
- Loads & Resources Modeling (RIRP)
- Feature Layouts & Optimization
- Transmission System Reliability & Stability Modeling
- Geotechnical Investigations
- Formation of Board of Consultants
- Update of Construction Cost Estimates
- Feasibility Report

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Public Scoping Meetings

- **March 26: Anchorage**
  6-10 p.m., Loussac Library
- **March 27: Anchorage** and Wasilla
  9 a.m.-2 p.m., Loussac Library
- March 28: Talkeetna and Glennallen
- March 29: Cantwell and Fairbanks

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