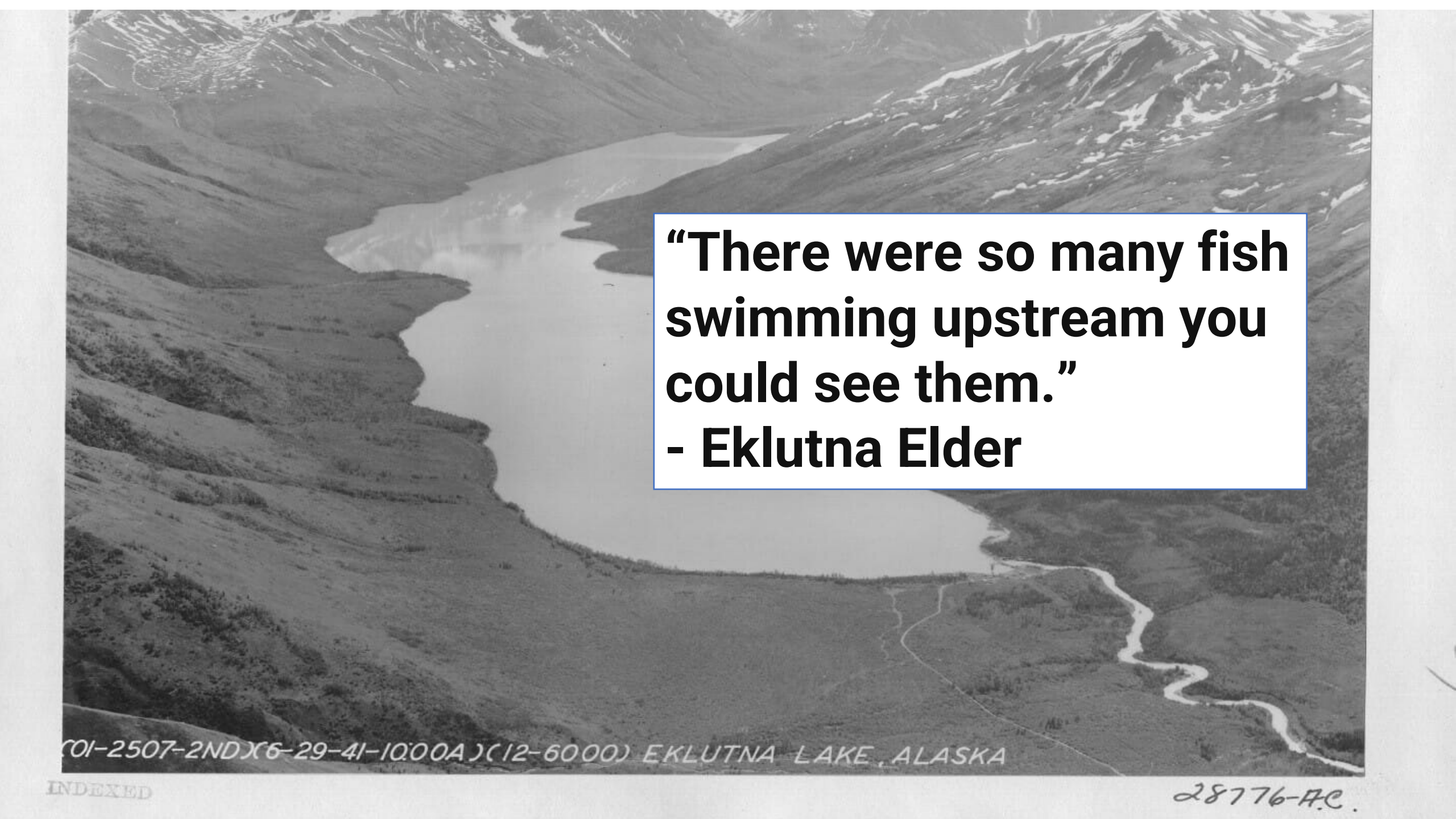




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An aerial black and white photograph of Eklutna Lake in Alaska. The lake is a large, irregularly shaped body of water in the center of the frame. It is surrounded by rugged, mountainous terrain with patches of snow or light-colored rock. A winding river or stream flows through the lower right portion of the image, leading towards the lake. The overall scene is a high-altitude, mountainous landscape.

**“There were so many fish
swimming upstream you
could see them.”
- Eklutna Elder**

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An aerial photograph of a dam and reservoir. The reservoir is a large body of water in the upper left, reflecting the surrounding landscape. A dam structure is visible in the middle ground, with a spillway channel leading to a smaller stream in the foreground. The surrounding area is densely forested with trees in various shades of green and yellow, suggesting an autumn setting. The mountains in the background are also covered in forest.

" Develop and implement measures to protect, mitigate damages to, and enhance fish and wildlife (including related spawning grounds and habitat)."

- 1991 Fish and Wildlife Agreement

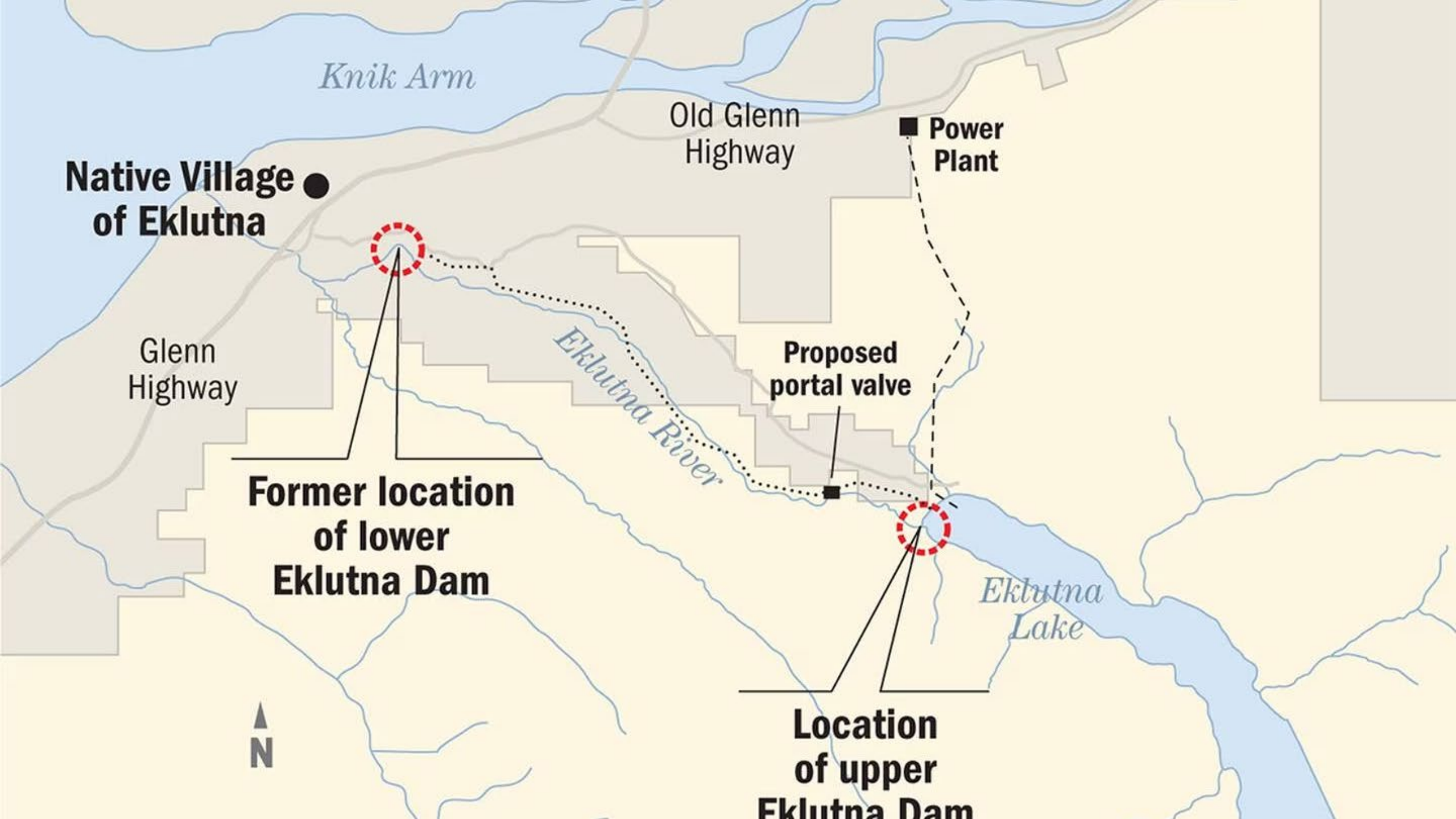


**“Salmon can
recover quickly if
given a chance.”** - Dr.
Peter Westley, *Lowell A.
Wakefield Chair in Fisheries
and Ocean Sciences,
University of Alaska
Fairbanks*









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Old Glenn Highway

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Proposed portal valve

Former location of lower Eklutna Dam

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Location of upper Eklutna Dam



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