



Cadastral Survey,
Vallenar Bay,
U.S. Forest Service
Ketchikan, Alaska



DOWL was selected by the USDA Forest Service, Tongass National Forest, to perform a retracement and rehabilitation survey for 5.75 miles of forest boundary on Gravina Island. The project is located in Township 75 South, Range 89 East of the Copper River Meridian, approximately six miles west of Ketchikan. Access to the job was by helicopter with services supplied by Temsco Helicopters from Ketchikan.

DOWL subcontracted a portion of the work to a local land surveyor to take advantage of local knowledge and DOWL provided the party chief, the survey equipment, and prepared the project deliverables. The subject boundary had been surveyed and marked in 1984 and the focus of our work was to recover property corners, rehabilitate them as necessary, and re-brush and mark the lines according to Forest Service standards. DOWL prepared a Record of Survey for the final deliverable product.

“These are fun projects for us because there are not a lot of opportunities to do this type of work in Alaska and they provide a good break from our usual type of work.”

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Chief of Survey
