

PRIMARY INTERPRETIVE THEME:

Homer, with its famous Spit, reaches into Kachemak Bay, inviting us to explore public lands, waters, and diverse communities beyond the end of the road, while drawing us back to the “Cosmic Hamlet by the Sea.”

SUBTHEMES:

The Spit: The Homer Spit is a striking geologic feature that has been shaped by a receding glacier, impacted by an earthquake, and shored back up to maintain our vital link to the bay’s communities and resources.

Volcanoes: Perched on the Pacific Ring of Fire, this area is witness to our dynamic earth’s simultaneous powers of creation and destruction as evidenced by the active volcanoes seen across Cook Inlet, and the continuously rising Kenai Mountains, which dominate the horizon across Kachemak Bay.

Bay and Inlet: Kachemak Bay and Cook Inlet are wild, ecologically diverse, and expansive estuaries shaped by dramatic and dynamic forces, like earth movements, climate patterns, and tides, and currents.

Wildlife and Habitat: Visitors may view a diverse range of terrestrial and marine life and their habitats from Baycrest Hill.

Public Lands and Waters: The surrounding public lands you can see from Baycrest Hill have been designated as special places such as parks and refuges that allow a seemingly endless list of recreational opportunities.

Glaciers and Kenai Mountains: The glaciers of Kachemak Bay and lower Cook Inlet are constantly shaping the landscape and seasonally mixing freshwater with saltwater, creating a rich estuarine soup.