The gathering of dead trees on Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) land can be a generally allowable casual use of borough land as provided by KPB 17.10.190 and defined by KPB 17.10.250(C).

Gathering of dead trees on KPB land is considered a casual use if:

- It is conducted as a dispersed use (no more than 5 trees per acre in a calendar year) and does not create a substantial impact to the appearance of the property;
- It does not involve vehicles or machinery which disturbs the ground surface or create trails. Appropriate use of existing roads or motorized vehicle trails for general access to KPB land can be an allowable casual use under KPB 17.10.190 as defined by 17.10.250(C);
- It is conducted on vacant property that is not for sale, is not occupied by another use, and is not currently leased or permitted to another user;
- It does not create a hazard or disturbance to another user, adjacent property, travel ways or utility lines;
- It is not for commercial purposes.

Any gathering of dead trees which conflicts with these guidelines or KPB 17.10.190 as defined by 17.10.250(C) requires a permit from the KPB Land Management Division.

The cutting or damaging of live trees is not allowed under these guidelines.

If you have any questions please contact the KPB Land Management Division at 714-2205 or toll-free at 1-800-478-4441.

Please be good stewards as you enjoy your public lands

17.10.190. Casual use of borough land
A. A casual use does not create an interest in the title of the land.
B. The casual use of borough land does not require a permit.
C. The mayor may close any and all borough land to casual use by issuing a written order that contains a finding that an emergency exists and a statement of the facts on which the finding is based. The mayor shall publish notice of the locations of borough land that the mayor has closed to casual use.

17.10.250. Definitions
C. “Casual Use” means a use of borough land that is nonexclusive and involves only minimal disturbance to the land. Nonexclusive examples of a casual use are hiking, cross country skiing, snow machining, berry picking, hunting, brushing survey lines or trails where roots are not disturbed, livestock drives, and the use of all-terrain vehicles off an established road or right-of-way but on an existing trail. However, hiking trails or consistent use for hiking and establishing hunting camps do not constitute a casual use.
Additional Firewood Gathering Information for the Kenai Peninsula

To be of assistance to you, this list of Federal, State and Borough agencies has been compiled. Call the following agencies or visit their websites for up-to-date information on firewood gathering opportunities and permits.

**ALASKA STATE FORESTRY**
Website: [https://dnr.alaska.gov/FPS/index.cfm?fuseaction=Area.ShowAreas](https://dnr.alaska.gov/FPS/index.cfm?fuseaction=Area.ShowAreas)
Kenai-Kodiak Area Office Number: (907) 260-4212

**KENAI NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE**
Website: [https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Kenai/](https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Kenai/)
Email: kenai@fws.gov
Phone: (907) 262-7021
Toll Free: 1-877-285-5628

**U.S FOREST SERVICE SEWARD RANGER DISTRICT**
Website: [http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/chugach/home/?cid=fsm8_028840](http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/chugach/home/?cid=fsm8_028840)
Phone: (907) 224-3374
USING THE SIMPLE PARCEL VIEWER TO LOCATE KPB OWNED PARCELS

The web address to the Simple Parcel Viewer is:

https://gis.kpb.us/map/index.html?viewer=basic

Before you can enter the mapping program you must agree to the disclaimer by clicking of the “I agree” bottom

You have now entered the mapping program. Across the top of the map you will see all the basic tool icons. You can have the icons labeled by clicking on the “Tool Labels” icon located at the top right corner of the map. Tools are organized by types which are found on the bottom of the tool bar. The types are Find, Identify, Measure, Draw, Coordinates & Share
The easiest way to find borough land is to use the **Bookmark** tool which is located to the right of the menu box. When you click on the bookmark icon a dropdown menu will appear. Click on the area you are interested in locating borough land.
Once the map has zoomed to the desired area you will need to activate a layer on the map titled **Ownership Type**. The Ownership layer is nested in the **Land Records** layer. Make sure that Land Records is checked and then click the + sign to the left of Land Records to expand the layer. Click on **Parcels** and **Ownership Type** and then click on the + to the left of Ownership Type to expand the item and see the colored legend of ownership types.
You are allowed to gather personal use firewood from any borough land that is vacant that is not for sale, is not occupied by another use and is currently not leased or permitted to another user. To verify this you can call the Planning Department (907-714-2200) with the parcel ID number and check to make sure that there are no activities on the parcel(s) you are interested in. To identify the parcel ID click on the Identify icon on the tool bar at the top of the map and then click on the desired parcel; the parcel will then be highlighted in blue on the map. In the menu box on the left word Ownership and a number (example: Ownership, 11353) will appear, click on > which is directly to the right and the box will expand and you will see additional information on the parcel. Note the Parcel ID which is an eight digit number.

To exit out of the selection to view another click on the X to the left at the top of the menu and the on the ... to the left on the menu box and a dropdown menu will appear, select Remove from Results and the blue highlight parcel will disappear and you can make another selection.