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Into the Wild

Literary Journey | 1990-1992





Summary

Into the Wild, written by Jon Krakauer, follows Chris McCandless from 1990-1992 from Atlanta, Georgia to just outside Healy, Alaska. McCandless gave away his entire life savings to charity and drove his Datsun west after graduation from Emory University. Little did his family know this would be the last time they would see Chris.

This map seeks to give a better understanding of where and how Chris McCandless traveled, people he met, and important points throughout each year of his journey.



Deliverables

- 2 PDF Maps
- Web Map
- Story Map

Problems to Solve

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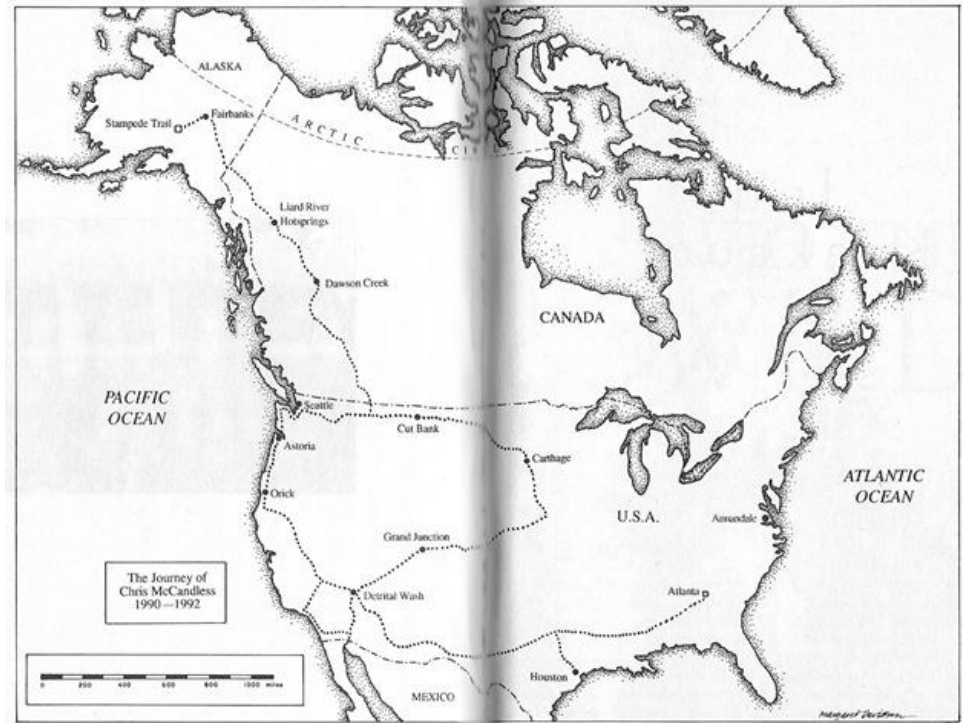
PDF maps do not have a character that reflects Chris McCandless' journey

2

New PDF and web maps alike sought to enable the reader to understand the different ways Chris traveled, and the adaptable sense of his personality

3

Existing PDF maps do not give the full sense of Chris' journey over the 2 years, or allow a breakdown of his journey per year to enhance understanding





Process



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1

Data Creation - Path & Points

Manually digitized paths and points visited.
Attribute table included applicable attributes:
city, transportation mode, year, etc.

Merge Data

Data for points and journey were created per
year and merged together for entire 2 year
journey



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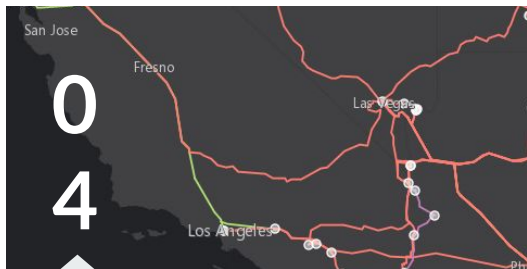
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Downloading Data / Geoprocessing

Data was downloaded from ArcGIS Portal for
PCT, important points for McCandless in
Alaska and online resources for NPS
Boundary, and Alaskan Waterways



Process Cont.



Query Data

Select certain elements from the NPS layer, rivers, important points along McCandless' journey, PCT to get applicable data and information.

Cartography

The PDF maps were created in Illustrator and Photoshop. Color changes and image editing was done in Photoshop, text & layout were done in Illustrator.

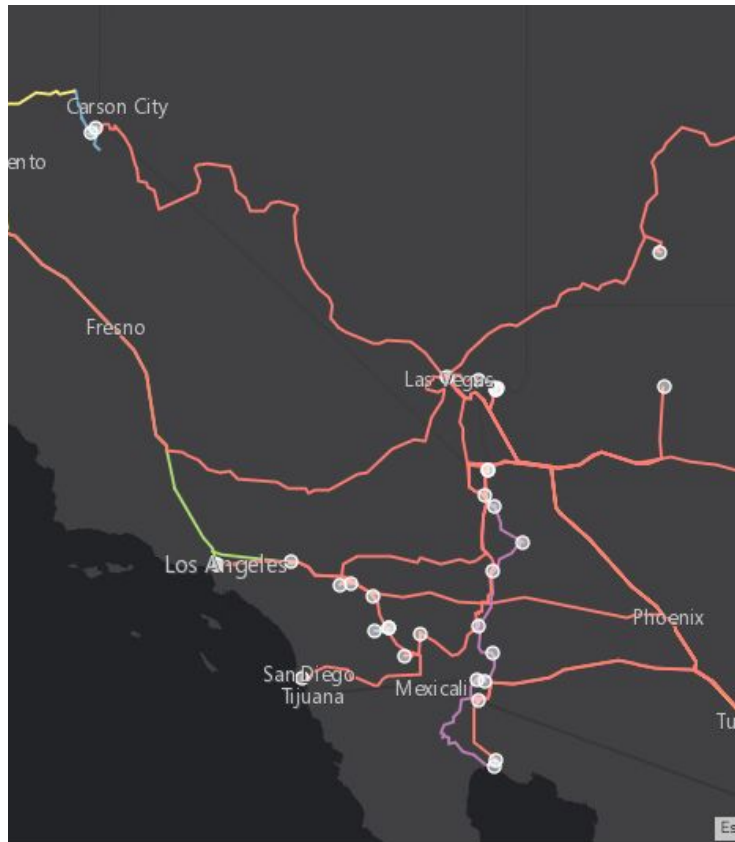


Story Map & Web Map

The data was uploaded from ArcPro to ArcGIS Online to create and format the Web Map and Story Map

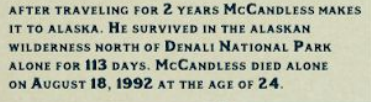
Problems / Resolutions

- 01 | Export to Ai extension, EPS not readable by Ai**
Exported layers as PDFs and brought into Adobe CC
- 02 | ArcPro PDF exporting only as squares**
Update did not solve problem, had to export data layers separately and zoom out till the entire dataset fit into a square format
- 03 | Path Overlap**
Certain paths were traveled multiple times with different modes of transportation, but the latest year appears on top.
- 04 | Exporting Graph/Chart**
Attempted to export graphs to see which places were visited multiple times; graphs did not produce desired results
- 05 | Layout**
Layout of Alaska focus could be fine tuned more along with editing web map to create a more cohesive look





Proposed Solutions



1991

1992

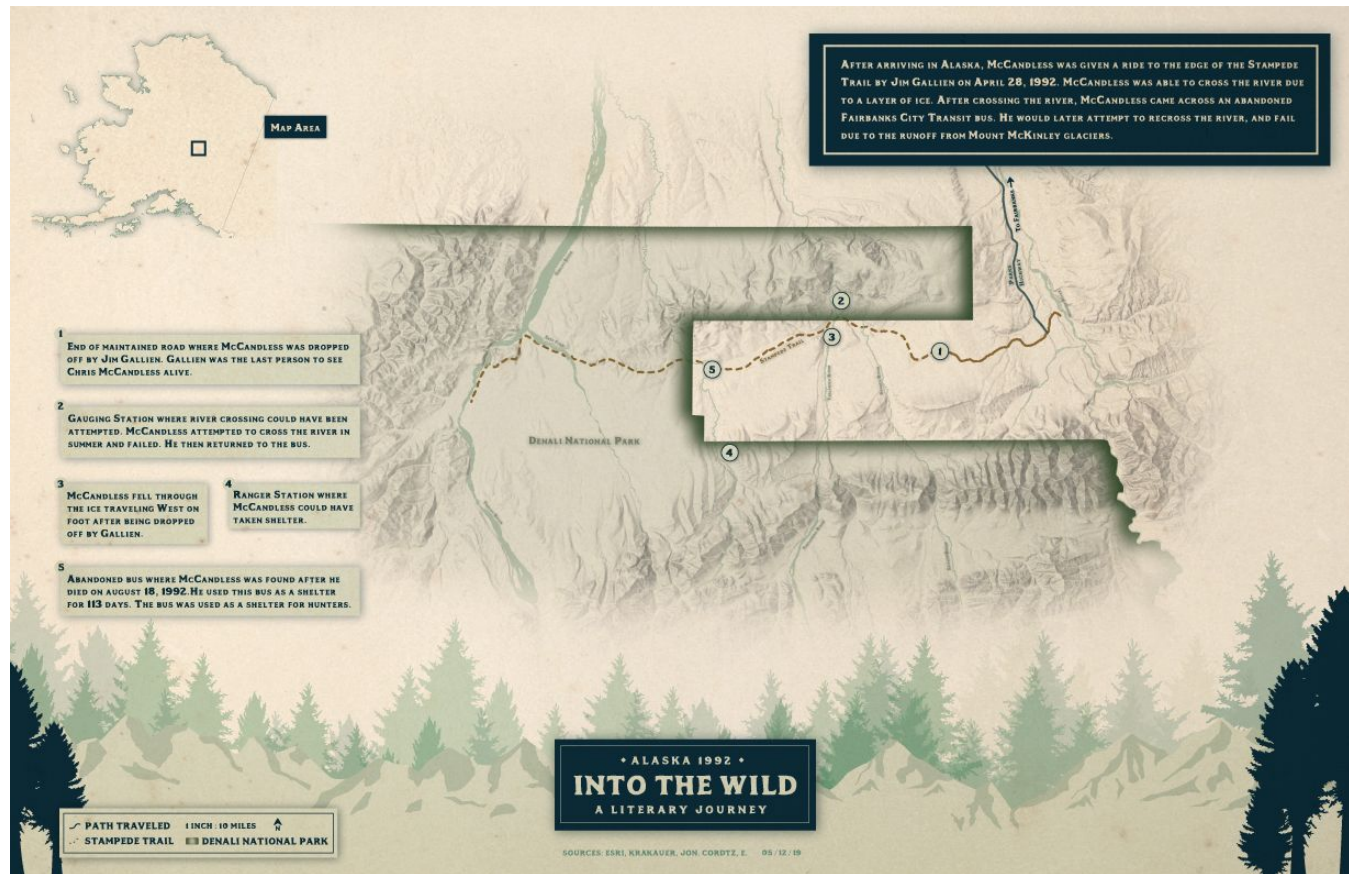


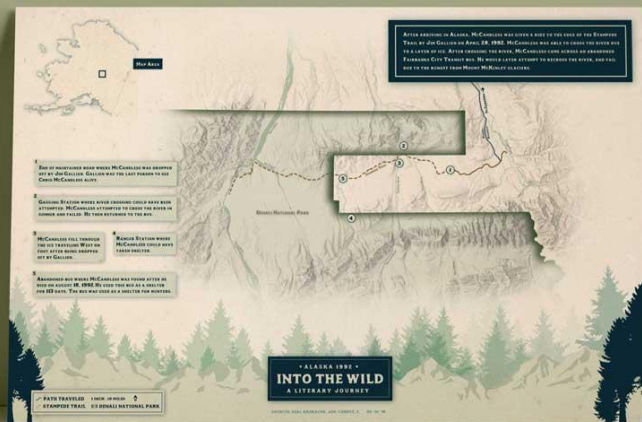
FOLLOW THE JOURNEY OF CHRIS MCCANDLESS FROM ATLANTA, GEORGIA TO THE ALASKAN WILDERNESS. USES BATS THE WILD BY JON KRABHORN'S TO RETRACE MCCANDLESS' STEPS IN AN ATTEMPT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT LED MCCANDLESS TO TAKE ON A JOURNEY THAT ULTIMATELY CHANGED HIS LIFE.

JOURNEY BY YEAR

• 1990-1992 •
INTO THE WILD
A LITERARY JOURNEY

Alaska







A Story Map



Into the Wild

Literary Journey

1990-1992

In April 1992 a young man from a well-to-do family hitchhiked to Alaska and walked alone into the wilderness north of Mt. McKinley. His name was Christopher Johnson McCandless. He had given \$25,000 in savings to charity, abandoned his car and most of his

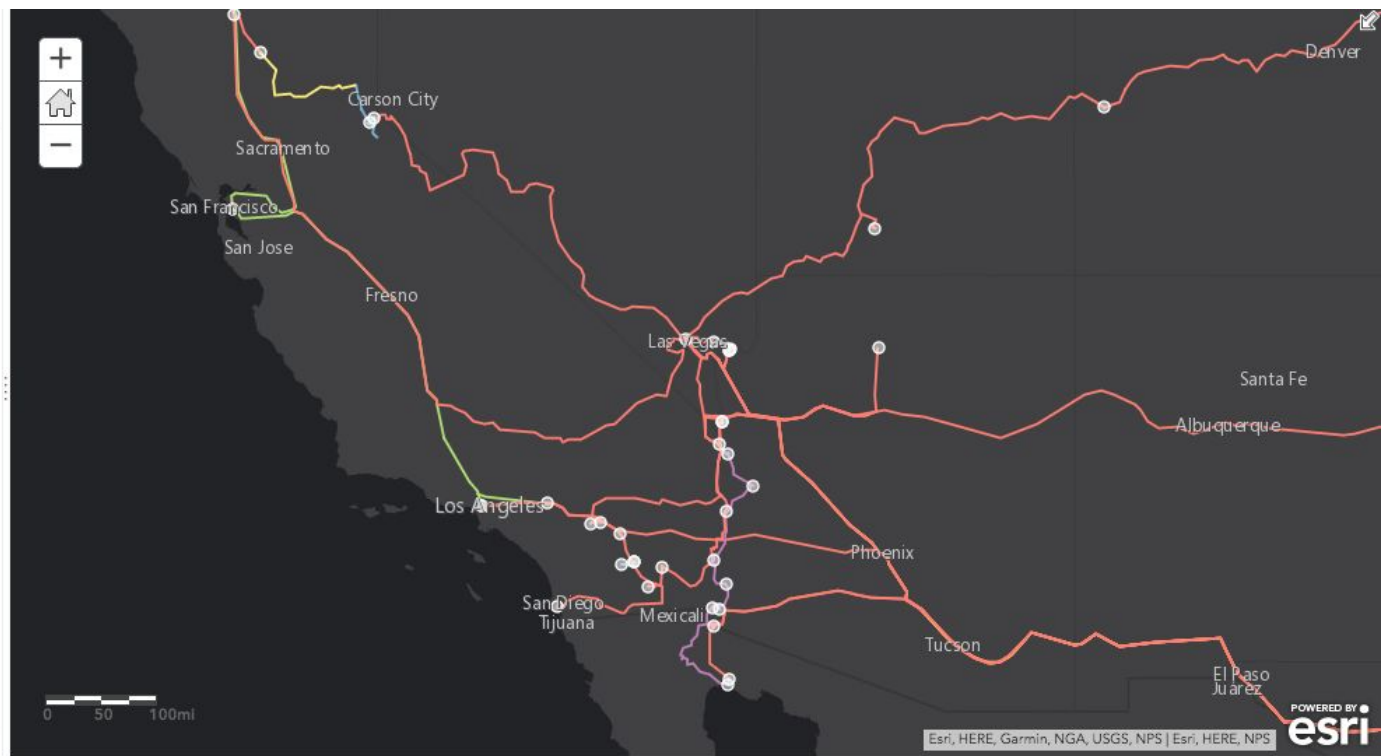


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- ☒ Journey 1990 to 1992

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- Bicycle
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- Maintained Road
- Tram

- ☐ Important Points Alaska
- ☐ Stampede Trail





Learning Experiences

- 01 | Data Creation and managing attribute table information
- 02 | Cartographic Principles
- 03 | Utilizing ArcGIS Online for Story Maps and Web Maps





Thank you.

