

# OPEN HOUSE - PUBLIC MEETING

MARCH 24, 2011



## PROJECT INFORMATION FOR:

### **BIRCH HILL BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITY & FARMERS LOOP TO CHENA HOT SPRINGS ROAD TRAIL CONNECTION**

#### **PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING:**

To present project scope and status for the two projects, and to receive your input regarding the six alternatives presented, issues, and/or concerns, as well as other options that we should consider.

#### **PROJECT SCOPES:**

##### BIRCH HILL BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITY

Construct a bicycle/pedestrian path along Birch Hill Road to allow safe access to the Birch Hill Recreational Trail System.

##### FARMERS LOOP TO CHENA HOT SPRINGS ROAD TRAIL CONNECTION

Provide an all season trail connection between Farmers Loop Road and Chena Hot Springs Road. This will connect the Farmers Loop Bike Trail and adjacent winter trails to the Chena Hot Springs multi-use trail.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

##### BIRCH HILL BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITY

Alternative 1: Path along Birch Hill Road from Fairhill Road to East Birch Hill Road

A: Path follows the road alignment around the corner at the bottom of the hill

B: Path diverges from Birch Hill Road to follow an existing trail through the woods near the corner at the bottom of the hill

##### FARMERS LOOP TO CHENA HOT SPRINGS ROAD TRAIL CONNECTION

Alternative 2: Birch Hill/Steese Expressway Route (Includes A & B alternatives above)

Alternative 3: Swan Lane Route

Alternative 4: Old Steese Route

##### COMBINATION OF BOTH PROJECTS

Alternative 5: Combine the two projects (Includes A & B alternatives above)

Alternative 6: No-Build Option (For either or both projects)

More information about these projects is available on the Alaska DOT&PF website:

*<http://dot.alaska.gov/nreg/trails/>*