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Public Involvement is now Underway!

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is conducting public meetings on a proposed road corridor connecting the Fairbanks area to the Seward Peninsula. The corridor was identified in the Western Alaska Access Planning Study (WAAPS), completed in January 2010. The study identified resources and communities in Western Alaska that would benefit from a road corridor, evaluated several routes, and recommended the Yukon River Corridor, shown below. The Yukon River Corridor is approximately 500 miles long, roughly parallels the Yukon River for much of its length, and has an estimated total project cost of \$2.3 to \$2.7 billion.

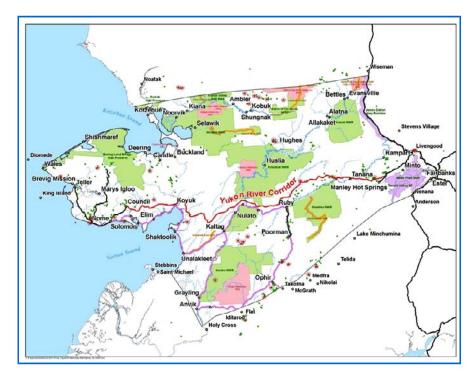
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Please help us in providing your input by filling out the questionnaire

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- How long before you can drive to Nome? The Nome Nugget Posted 12-4-08
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PROPOSED YUKON RIVER CORRIDOR

Potential benefits to the Yukon River Corridor route include:

- Lower passenger transportation costs
- Lower fuel delivery costs
- Lower freight and mail delivery costs
- Lower mining and resource development costs
- Lower energy and power infrastructure costs
- Increase in jobs, income and access to services

Anchorage Daily News Posted 2-9-11

- Public Hearings Put Road to Nome Back in the Headlights Anchorage Daily News Posted 2-14-10
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Questionnaire

Public Meeting Materials

Public Meeting Presentation

Notes from the Nome Area Meetings (October 2010)

Elim meeting notes Koyuk meeting notes Nome meeting notes Shaktoolik meeting notes Unalakleet meeting notes White Mountain meeting notes Golovin meeting notes (January 2011)

Notes from the Fairbanks Area Meetings (October - November 2010)

Tanana meeting notes Nenana meeting notes Hughes meeting notes Manley Hot Springs Community Association meeting notes Manley Hot Springs Tribal Council meeting notes Fairbanks meeting notes (January 2011) Allakaket/Alatna meeting notes (February 2011) Bettles/Evansville meeting notes (February 2011)

Notes from the Galena Area Meetings (November 2010)

Galena meeting notes Kaltag meeting notes Nulato meeting notes Koyukuk meeting notes Huslia meeting notes (February 2011) Ruby meeting notes (February 2011)

Notes from the Kotzebue Area Meetings (February 2011)

Kotzebue meeting notes Selawik meeting notes Deering meeting notes Buckland meeting notes Noorvik meeting notes

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Notes from the Anchorage Meeting (February 2011)

Anchorage meeting notes

The Executive Summary (January 2010) summarizes the Corridor Planning Report.

January 2010 Corridor Planning Report Executive Summary

The Corridor Planning Report (January 2010) documents the engineering and economic analysis of road corridor alternatives, describes the recommended Yukon River Corridor, its costs, and actions needed to move ahead with the project.

January 2010 Corridor Planning Report

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Appendix B – Mineral Resources

Appendix C - Land Ownership & Management

Appendix D - Engineering & Costs

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Appendix D – Page D8 Refined Alternatives Terrain Profile

Appendix E – Historical Corridors

Appendix F - Preliminary Alternatives Data and Scoring

Appendix G – Refined Corridor Alignments over Topographic Mapping

Appendix H – Geotechnical Analysis

Appendix I - Economic Benefits

and Socioeconomic Effects

The Inventory Report (March 2009) documents the location and type of minerals, oil and gas, tourism, fisheries, and agriculture resources in the study area and summarizes existing resource and transportation studies of the Western Alaska study area.

March 2009 Inventory Report Appendix A Maps - Part 1 Appendix A Maps - Part 2 Appendix A Maps - Part 3 Appendices B-I

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A Western Alaska Access Planning Study questionnaire has been created to gather public feedback on the options of a road connecting the Seward Peninsula (Nome Area) to Fairbanks.

Please help us in providing your input by filling out the questionnaire

Submit a Comment

Please read the Comment Acceptance and Privacy Policies below before submitting comments.

Comment Purpose

We want to hear about issues which are important to you. Your comments will be used to help shape the development and outcome of the project. Each comment received is reviewed by project team members and becomes part of the project's official public record. For your comment to be of value to the project team, please be sure it contains ideas, suggestions, recommendations or experiences that relate to the outcome of this project. Your comment is not a ballot. The project team is not soliciting comments as a means to measure the degree of support for the project.

Timeliness of Reporting Comments on the Website

The website is not set up to instantaneously post incoming messages. Messages are reviewed to ensure that they comply with DOWL HKM's Comment Acceptance Policy. The comment is then analyzed and categorized for inclusion in the website comment summary. This process may take up to a week to complete. This summary groups comments by topic to facilitate an assessment of the issues raised. Full comments are reviewed by the project team and retained as part of the official public record.

Comment Acceptance Policy

We welcome all comments and questions about the project. The best way to ensure your comment is received, logged, and posted is to email a project team member or submit your comment through the comments page of this website. Unless you tell us not to, we will post your comment on the website. If you request a reply and have included your contact information, you should get a response within a week. Comments not related to project issues, made anonymously, written by someone different from the sender, or those that contain rude or slanderous language will not be posted on the website.

Privacy Policy

In order for your comment to be posted on the project website, you must include personal identifiers with your message; no anonymous comments will be accepted. Information such as your phone number, email or address will not be published with your comment message when it is posted on the website. However, the full comment, with personal identifiers, is part of the official project record and is subject to the freedom of information

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Meetings

Public meetings are being scheduled in most of the communities along the Yukon River Corridor from October 2010 to March 2011.

The purpose of these meetings will be to get community feedback on the proposed Yukon River Corridor and the other routes considered. Other meetings will also be held with tribal governments, regional native corporations, mine owners and other groups throughout the fall and winter timeframe.

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**Future meeting dates will be updated frequently, so please keep checking back.

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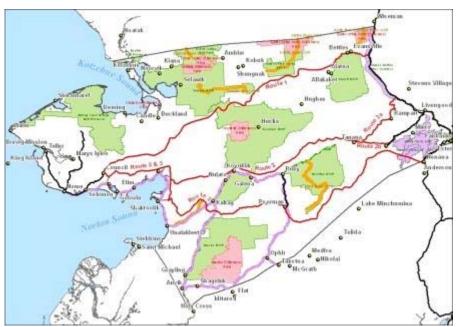
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*	1. Where do you live/reside?

★ 2. I am in favor of connecting the Seward Peninsula (Nome Area) to the Fairbanks Area.

Undecided	Yes	■ No
Why do you feel this way?		

Western Alaska Access Route Alternatives



* 3. I am in favor of the proposed Yukon River Corridor (Route 2b). If yes, go directly to question 3.

Yes
No
Route 1 (From Dalton Highway near Bettles to Nome)
Route 2a (From Dalton Highway at Yukon River Bridge to Nome)
Route 3 (From Nenana on the Parks Highway to Nome)
I do not favor any of the options

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4. What are the primary advantages of a Western Ala	aska Access Corridor?
5. What are the primary disadvantages of a Western	Alaska Access Corridor?
6. What other comments do you have about the Wes	stern Alaska Access Corridor?
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