

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

DIVISION OF PARKS & OUTDOOR RECREATION OFFICE OF HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

November 30, 2009

File No.: 3480 STB/Northern Rail Extension
Signed programmatic agreement

SUBJECT: Northern Rail Extension, Eielson Air Force Base (North Pole) to Fort Greely (Delta Junction), Alaska

Victoria Rutson
Chief, Section of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
Office of Economics, Environmental Analysis and Administration
Washington, DC 20423

Dear Ms. Rutson,

The Alaska State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) received the final version of the *PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT AMONG SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD, ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION, FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION, U.S. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, ALASKA STATE OFFICE, AND ALASKA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER REGARDING THE ALASKA RAILROAD CORPORATION, NORTHERN RAIL EXTENSION BETWEEN NORTH POLE AND DELTA JUNCTION, ALASKA* by email on November 23, 2009. We find the document acceptable and I have signed the SHPO signature page (see enclosed). We have also sent a copy of the signature page directly to Dave Navecky by email in accordance with your instructions. Please contact Stefanie Ludwig at 907-269-8720 if you have any questions or if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,



Judith E. Bittner
State Historic Preservation Officer

Attachment: SHPO signature page

Cc: Dave Navecky, Surface Transportation Board (via email)

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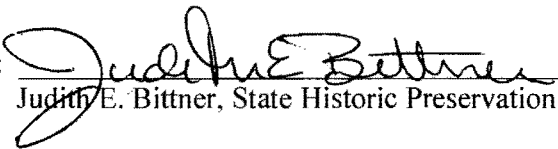
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STB Finance Docket No. 34658

SIGNATORIES

Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer

By: 
Judith E. Bittner, State Historic Preservation Officer

Date: Nov 30, 2009