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Alaska RR extension to Port MacKenzie: Meeting agenda and Draft PA for Oct. 21 meeting at 1:30 PM

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Hi everyone,

Attached to this e-mail is the Thursday, Oct. 21 meeting agenda regarding Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and the Draft Programmatic Agreement for ongoing consultation to identify historic properties that may be affected by the proposed extension of the Alaska Railroad to Port MacKenzie. Among the topics to be discussed are the Iditarod Dog Sledding Cultural Landscape and the Dena'ina Cultural Landscape. The agenda has specific information about the meeting location. For those of you who are not able to attend the meeting, we will continue to send you information about the proposed project. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Rick Starzak

(Consultant to the U.S. Surface Transportation Board)

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Proposed Extension of Alaska Railroad to Port MacKenzie, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act

October 21, 2010

Room 240 of the Atwood Building, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Anchorage

1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Alaska time

Meeting requested by: Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer

Attendees: See page 3.

Framework for discussion: National Register of Historic Places criteria and ACHP's regulations for Section 106 of the NHPA [esp. *consulting parties* at §800.2(c); *identification of historic properties* at §800.4; and *programmatic agreements* at §800.14(b)]

Please read or review:

- Cultural Resources section of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS),
- 2009 cultural resources survey report by SRB&A, and
- Draft Programmatic Agreement (Appendix J of the Draft EIS).

1:30 p.m. – 1:40 p.m.	Introductions	
	Welcome and background	David Navecky
	SHPO perspective	Judy Bittner, Doug Gasek, or Tracie Krauthoefer
	ACHP perspective	Najah Duvall-Gabriel
1:40 p.m. – 2:10 p.m.	Status of Programmatic Agreement	Richard Starzak
	Iditarod Dog Sledding Historic District-Historic Vernacular Landscape	
	Background-Identification Effort	Stephen R. Braund
	Essential Character Defining Features & Effects	group discussion (led by R. Starzak)
2:10 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	PA involvement: consultation and reports	Views: MSBHPC, Historians, Mushers, ARRC
	Summary/Action Items	Richard Starzak
	Dena'ina Cultural Landscape	
	Background-Identification Effort	Stephen R. Braund
	Essential Character Defining Features & Effects	group discussion (led by R. Starzak)
	PA involvement: consultation and reports	Views: Tribes, Alaska Natives, MSBHPC, ARRC
	Summary/Action Items	Richard Starzak

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3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Comments on Draft Programmatic Agreement

SHPO comments

Doug Gasek, Tracie Krauthoefer

ACHP comments

Najah Gabriel Duvall

STB comments

Dave Navecky

Summarize action items, next steps

Richard Starzak

Wrap up

David Navecky

Additional Consultation (if needed)

3:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Draft Programmatic Agreement

Comments, revisions requested

SHPO, ACHP, STB

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ATTENDEES:

David Navecky, U.S. Surface Transportation Board (STB), Office of Environmental Analysis;
Najah Duvall-Gabriel, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (by telephone);
Judy Bittner, Doug Gasek and Tracie Krauthoefer State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO);
David Harrison, Native Village of Eklutna;
Jim Arnesen, Eklutna, Inc.;
Debra Call, Knik Tribal Council;
Harriet Kauffman, Native Village of Tyonek;
Edith Baller, Chickaloon-Moose Creek Native Association, Inc.;
Kim Cunningham and Cindi Bettin, Cook Inlet Region, Inc.;
Fran Seager-Boss, Matanuska Susitna Borough Historic Preservation Commission;
Jim Barnett, Cook Inlet Historical Society;
John Stewart, Palmer Historical Society;
Margaret Heaven, Wasilla-Knik Willow Creek Historical Society;
Martin Buser, Happy Trails Kennels;
Erin McLarnon, Willow Dog Mushers Association;
Steve Charles, Willow Trail Committee;
Brian Lindamood, Alaska Railroad;
Kathryn Kusske-Floyd, Dorsey & Whitney, LLP (by telephone);
Stephen R. Braund, SRB&A; and
Alan Summerville, Jennifer Wallis, and Richard Starzak ICF;

INVITED, NOT ABLE TO ATTEND [as of 10/17/10]:

Curtis McQueen, Eklutna, Inc.;
Raymond Theodore, Knikatu, Inc.;
Jennifer Harrison, Chickaloon Village Traditional Council;
John McClellan, Tyonek Native Corp.;
Aaron Leggett, Alaska Native Heritage Center;
Museum of Alaska Transportation and Industry;
Vern Halter, Dream a Dream Dog Farm;
Marilyn Knapp, Anchorage Museum; and
Barb Hotchkin, Alaska Railroad.