



## ARRC's Quarterly Progress Report

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Ms. Rutson,

Attached please find ARRC's Quarterly Progress Report for January - March 2013, as stipulated in the *Programmatic Agreement Among the Surface Transportation Board, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Federal Railroad Administration, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, U.S. Army Garrison Fort Wainwright, Alaska, and Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer Regarding the Alaska Railroad Corporation, Northern Rail Extension Between North Pole and Delta Junction, Alaska*. STB Finance Docket No. 34658.

The report identifies fieldwork activities for historic properties during the last quarter, as well as relevant construction progress that was initiated, underway, or completed during the last quarter and steps to be initiated, continued, or completed in the next quarter.

Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks Mark



# **Northern Rail Extension Project**

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4/23/2013

### **MEMORANDUM**

To: Victoria Rutson, Chief,  
Office of Environmental Analysis  
Surface Transportation Board

From: Mark Peterburs, Project Manager

Subject: Northern Rail Extension Project  
Quarterly Progress Report, January-March 2013

This quarterly progress report is submitted in accordance with the *Programmatic Agreement (PA) among the Surface Transportation Board, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Federal Railroad Administration, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, U.S. Army Garrison Fort Wainwright, Alaska, and Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer regarding the Alaska Railroad Corporation, Northern Rail Extension Between North Pole and Delta Junction, Alaska*, STB Finance Docket 34658, executed in December 2009. This progress report covers the period from January 2013 through March 2013.

### **Project Progress – January to March 2013**

Key activities/milestones conducted during the reporting period are summarized below.

#### Historic Properties:

- Completed and submitted the 2012 Annual Report for the PA

#### Construction:

- Eleven in-river piers have been completed to date and are ready for girder placement
- Transportation of girder spans from China (via Valdez) continued
- The temporary access causeway in the river (riprap and fingers) between Pier 7 and 17 was removed and stockpiled behind the levee
- Bolt-up operations (bolting the girders together as pairs) began in mid-January and continues

#### Public Outreach:

- Planning for the Northern Rail Open House in Salcha, May 15, 2013

### **Milestones/Planned Activities – Next Reporting Period**

- Delivery of final six girder spans from China (via Valdez)





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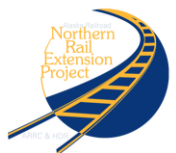
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- Begin girder erection, early summer
- Prepare for Annual Meeting for PA and Cultural Resource Contractor Training, (dates to be determined)

### **NRE Project Photographs**



**Figure 1. Northern Rail Extension Winter Progress. Photographed March 2013.**





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Figure 2. Northern Rail Extension Alignment, looking south. Photographed March 2013.





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**Figure 3. Northern Rail Extension Beams. Photographed March 2013.**

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