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Alaska Railroad schedules open house events to discuss proposed capital project plans for 2007

*Four events provide ample opportunity for public participation:
Fairbanks, Seward, Anchorage and Wasilla*

ANCHORAGE, Alaska – The Alaska Railroad (ARRC) invites the public to four open house events in January to showcase plans for capital improvements during 2007. Locations for events include Fairbanks, Seward, Anchorage and Wasilla.

These venues provide an opportunity for the public to review and comment on an annual proposed Program of Projects (POP). Each open house will include continuing and proposed capital improvement projects that are in various stages – from conceptual planning to construction. Project managers will be on-hand to explain projects that are located all along the Railroad system, from Seward to Fairbanks.

The schedule for the POP Open Houses are as follows:

- **Fairbanks** – 4:00-6:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 17, at the Railroad's Depot and Intermodal Facility, 1745 Johansen Expressway. Emphasis will be on projects located in Interior Alaska.
- **Seward** – 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Saturday, January 20, at ARRC's Passenger Dock Terminal on Port Avenue. This will be held in conjunction with Seward's Polar Bear Jump Festival. Emphasis will be on projects located in Seward and along the mainline leading from Anchorage to Seward.
- **Anchorage** – 4:00 – 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 24, at the Railroad's Historic Rail Depot (Ship Creek), 411 West First Avenue. Emphasis will be on projects located in and around Anchorage and Southcentral Alaska.
- **Wasilla** – 4:00-6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 25 – Evangelo's Restaurant, 2530 E. Parks Highway. Emphasis will be on projects located in and around the Mat-Su Valley.

People unable to attend the open house events may visit www.AlaskaRailroad.com for project information. Written comments may be e-mailed to public_comment@akrr.com or mailed to Alaska Railroad Capital Projects, P.O. Box 107500, Anchorage, AK 99510-7500.

Open House locations are accessible to individuals with disabilities. If special accommodations are needed, please contact the Railroad by calling TTY/TDD 265-2620, voice 265-2494, or via the Alaska Relay Service (ARS) TTY 1-800-770-8973 or voice 1-800-770-8255.

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