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## **ARRC Mainline Closed Between Talkeetna and Hurricane**

ANCHORAGE, Alaska – The Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) is suspending all train movements north of Talkeetna and south of Hurricane due to wash out and ice conditions. The full extent of track damage between ARRC milepost 241 and 254 is still being assessed and crews continue to monitor the area.

Track north of Talkeetna has been impacted by one confirmed washout and heavy ice on the track. ARRC work crews and materials are in place to begin mainline repairs when conditions allow. Break-up conditions along the Susitna River have impacted train operations in previous years.

Passenger on the south-bound Aurora Train, which left Fairbanks for Anchorage Sunday morning, will unload at Hurricane and continue to Talkeetna and Anchorage by bus. Freight service between Anchorage and Fairbanks is halted until the mainline opens.

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