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## Memo

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## Subject: RS 2477 and Trail Easement Research for the Cripple River Area Near Nome Alaska

After reviewing the files located in our office, electronic files searches, and discussions with Department of Natural Resources Northern Region personnel, we are presently unaware of any known and identified RS 2477 rights of way paralleling the Cripple River from its mouth in NW<sup>1</sup>/4NW<sup>1</sup>/4 Section 13, Township 11 South, Range 36 West, Kateel Meridian; continuing upstream to the Nome to Teller Highway corridor within the following townships and ranges in the Kateel Meridian as determined from Alaska USGS 1:63 360 series topographic map Nome (C-2), (1950):

MTRS:

| K011S036W12 | K010S036W22 | K009S036W34 |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| K011S036W01 | K010S036W15 | K009S036W35 |
| K010S036W36 | K010S036W16 | K009S036W36 |
| K010S036W25 | K010S036W09 | K009S036W25 |
| K010S036W26 | K010S036W04 | K009S035W31 |
| K010S036W23 | K010S036W03 | K009S035W30 |
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There are, however, two RST's in the general vicinity of the Cripple River. These are the Nome to Teller Coastal Trail (RST 158) and the Penny River Trail (RST 170). The Nome to Teller Coastal Trail (RST 158) crosses the Cripple River in Section 13 T011S, R013W KM as it parallels the coast line from Nome to Teller.

This research is by no means conclusive and reflects only known RS 2477 rights of way. It is possible that there are presently unknown and unidentified RS 2477 rights of way within the research area. Thank you for your concerns regarding this issue. If you have any further questions or concerns, feel free to contact me.

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