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Summary

File: RST 170

Customer: 000028495 PENNY RIVER TRAIL
 NRO **
 Case Type: 123 REVISED STATUTE 2477 DNR Unit: 200 LAND MANAGEMENT
 File Location: NRO NRO LAND
 Case Status: 94 COMPLETE Status Date: 01/21/1994
 Total Acres: 294.780 Date Initiated: 06/23/1993
 Office of Primary Responsibility: LNO LAND-NORTHERN REGION
 Last Transaction Date: 01/23/2006 Case Subtype: 1232 ADMIN REVIEW
 Last Transaction: LOCRCVD FILE LOCATION UPDATE RECEIVED

Land Records

Meridian: K	Township: 009S	Range: 035W	Section: 27	Section Acres: 17
17	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 009S	Range: 035W	Section: 28	Section Acres: 15
15	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 009S	Range: 035W	Section: 32	Section Acres: 2
2	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 009S	Range: 035W	Section: 33	Section Acres: 12
12	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 009S	Range: 035W	Section: 34	Section Acres: 1
1	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 009S	Range: 035W	Section: 35	Section Acres: 24
24	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 010S	Range: 035W	Section: 02	Section Acres: 14
14	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 010S	Range: 035W	Section: 05	Section Acres: 13
13	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 010S	Range: 035W	Section: 08	Section Acres: 4
4	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 010S	Range: 035W	Section: 09	Section Acres: 10
10	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 010S	Range: 035W	Section: 11	Section Acres: 15
15	NOMINATED			
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Meridian: K	Township: 010S	Range: 035W	Section: 23	Section Acres: 10
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11	NOMINATED			
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32	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 011S	Range: 035W	Section: 03	Section Acres: 6
6	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 011S	Range: 035W	Section: 04	Section Acres: 17
17	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 011S	Range: 035W	Section: 08	Section Acres: 15
15	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 011S	Range: 035W	Section: 09	Section Acres: 1
1	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 011S	Range: 035W	Section: 17	Section Acres: 4
4	NOMINATED			
Meridian: K	Township: 011S	Range: 035W	Section: 18	Section Acres: 4
4	NOMINATED			

Case Actions

06-23-1993 MULTIPLE CUSTOMERS FROM CASE INITIATION		
RELATION A	11	APPLICANT

CUSTOMER NUMBER A	000163281
06-23-1993 RS 2477 NOMINATED	
DOT QUAD: 094-100A	
08-15-1993 RESEARCH INITIATED	
01-21-1994 CASEFILE SUMMARY COMPLETED	
01-21-1994 COMPLETED	
STATUS 94:	94 COMPLETE

Legal Description

Casefile Summary
RST 170
Penny River

TRAIL DESCRIPTION

THIS ROUTE BEGINS AT PENNY RIVER, APPROXIMATELY 10 MILES WEST OF NOME. THE TRAIL RUNS UP PENNY RIVER APPROXIMATELY 12 MILES, THEN HEADS WESTWARD ACROSS A SADDLE TO THE HISTORIC SITE OF OREGON. THE TRAIL CONTINUES TO THE NOME-TELLER HIGHWAY, THEN RETURNS TO PENNY RIVER. THE ROUTE IS LOCATED IN THE USGS 1:63,360 NOME C-2 QUADRANGLE AND IS APPROXIMATELY 17 MILES LONG.

HISTORICAL DOCUMENTATION

This route is in the 1973 Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Trail Inventory as trail 100a in the Nome (94) quadrangle. The route is labeled 25b in Alaska Road Commission (ARC) documents. Freight was hauled from the coast up the Penny River route to mining operations on Oregon, Hungry and Nugget creeks.

A SYNOPSIS OF HISTORIC DOCUMENTATION (COPIES OF SOURCES IN THE FILE) OF USE AND CONSTRUCTION FOLLOWS:

ARC Annual Reports
1908, \$141.50 SPENT ON THIS ROUTE

1915: PENNY RIVER ROAD IS LISTED AS A CURRENT PROJECT;

1918: ROUTE LISTED AS 17 MILES IN LENGTH, THAT "... CONNECTS THE COAST AT MOUTH OF PENNY RIVER WITH OREGON CREEK. IT IS A COMBINATION ROAD AND TRAIL." NO EXPENDITURES MENTIONED;

1920: ROUTE LISTED AS 12 MILES IN LENGTH. GENERAL MAINTENANCE PERFORMED FOR \$78.00;

1923: ROUTE IS LISTED AS INCLUDING 1 1/2 MILES OF WAGON ROAD; THE REPORT STATES, "THIS ROAD COMMENCES AT THE BEACH AT THE MOUTH OF THE PENNY RIVER AND EXTENDS ONE AND ONE HALF MILES UP THE RIVER TO ALLOW TRAVEL TO GET AROUND DEEP SLOUGHS. ALL THE FREIGHT TO HUNGRY, NUGGET AND OREGON CREEKS IS HAULED OVER THIS ROUTE. FROM THE END OF THE ONE AND ONE HALF MILES OF WORK IT FOLLOWS THE CREEK ONTO THE DIVIDE AND AND THEN AROUND TO THESE CREEKS. EXPENDITURES: NONE";

1954: \$1957.08 SPENT TO DATE ON PROJECT, WITH \$691.05 SPENT ON MAINTENANCE, AND THE REST, \$1276.03, WAS SPENT ON CONSTRUCTION.

USGS

1900: USGS REPORT, RECONNAISSANCES IN THE CAPE NOME AND NORTON BAY REGIONS, ALASKA 1900, BY ALFRED H. BROOKS, GEORGE B. RICHARDSON, ARTHUR J. COLLIER, AND WALTER C. MENDELHALL, PUBLISHED 1901. THE REPORT STATES, "... MR. COLLIER REACHED NOME FROM PORT CLARENCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE A HASTY RECONNAISSANCE OF THE GOLD DIGGINGS OF PENNY AND CRIPPLE RIVERS. HE ENTERED THE REGION BY THE USUAL ROUTE OF TRAVEL ALONG THE PENNY RIVER, AND SPENT SEVERAL DAYS ON HUNGRY AND OREGON CREEKS ...". ALSO MAP PLATE XVII, "TOPOGRAPHIC MAP OF THE NOME REGION, ALASKA," SHOWS THE ROUTE. THIS MAP WAS SURVEYED IN 1900, AND PRINTED IN 1901;

1908: USGS WATER SUPPLY PAPER 218, MAP PLATE IV, "MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF GAGING STATIONS IN NOME REGION," SHOWS THE ROUTE:

1950: USGS 1:250,000 NOME QUADRANGLE SHOWS A PORTION OF THE ROUTE NORTH OF THE NOME-TELLER HIGHWAY.

OTHER

1905: ARTICLE, "TWENTY-FOUR MILES OF DITCH," FAIRBANKS EVENING NEWS, DATED 9/23/05, MENTIONS USE OF THE ROUTE;

1908: ALASKA ALMANAC, COMPILED BY E.S. HARRISON, REPORTS PRICES FOR FREIGHTING TO VARIOUS POINTS ALONG THE ROUTE;

LAND STATUS

DIVISION OF LAND PERSONNEL RESEARCHED STATE STATUS PLATS, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (BLM) MASTER TITLE PLATS AND BLM HISTORIC INDICES FOR SERVICENT ESTATES AND HISTORIC FEDERAL WITHDRAWALS.

PERTINENT SERVICENT ESTATES AND WITHDRAWALS, AS SHOWN ON BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT AND ALASKA DIVISION OF LAND RECORDS, ARE LISTED AS FOLLOWS:

1. MS 1381/979928, PATENTED MINING CLAIM, DATE LOCATED: 1/1/05;
2. MS 1292/909599, PATENTED MINING CLAIM, DATE LOCATED: 5/27/07-

- 11/1/08;
3. MS 1365/981082, PATENTED MINING CLAIM, DATE LOCATED: 4/22/10;
 4. MS 1308/946762, PATENTED MINING CLAIM, DATE LOCATED: 7/1/11;
 5. MS 1309/946763, PATENTED MINING CLAIM, DATE LOCATED: 10/10/18;
 6. MS 1384/1021621, PATENTED MINING CLAIM, DATE LOCATED: 7/24/23
 7. F14908-A2, VILLAGE SELECTION, VILLAGE OF NOME, DATE OF APPLICATION: 12/17/71;
 8. IC 707, VILLAGE SELECTION, SITNAKSUAK NATIVE CORPORATION, DATE OF APPLICATION: 6/17/74;
 9. IC 708, REGIONAL SELECTION, BERING STRAITS NATIVE CORPORATION DATE OF APPLICATION: 6/17/74;
 10. F44253, STATE OF ALASKA, PENDING GENERAL GRANT, DATE OF APPLICATION: 1/10/75;
 11. F14908, VILLAGE SELECTION, VILLAGE OF NOME, DATE OF APPLICATION: 12/18/75;

ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT

THE EARLIEST RESERVATION ALONG THE SUBJECT ROUTE WAS PATENTED MINING CLAIMS WITHIN MS 1381, WITH LOCATION DATES BEGINNING 1/1/05. DOCUMENTATION IN THE FILE INDICATES THAT CONSTRUCTION AND USE OF THE ROUTE OCCURRED BY 1900. THE GRANT OF THE RS 2477 RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE PENNY RIVER TRAIL WAS ACCEPTED BY CONSTRUCTION AND USE, SUBJECT TO VALID, EXISTING RIGHTS, WHEN THE LAND WAS NOT RESERVED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.