## Bureau of Land management

December 14, 1949

## Memorandum

To: Assistant Secretary Warne

From: Associate Director, Bureau of Land Management

Subject: Roads in Alaska

As the result of the conference held in your office on Friday December 9 concerning the administration of the areas in Alaska reserved for highway purposes, we propose to proceed, as follows:

- 1. The areas reserved for roads will continue to be administered as withdrawn areas in accordance with the provisions of Public Land Order 601 dated August 10, 1949.
- 2. The withdrawn rights-of-way will make it mandatory to restrict entries to include areas located only on one side of a road, as lands in entries must be contiguous.
- 3. The Bureau of Land Management will determine the center lines of the constructed roads in those areas which have been previously surveyed under the rectangular system of surveys and where title is still in the Government, in order that supplemental plats may be prepared to show areas and designations for the public lands bordering on the rights-of-way.
- The Bureau of Land Management, in executing new cadastral surveys will, where necessary, determine the center lines of the constructed roads as the proper basis for platting them through the sections. The plats representing the cadastral surveys will give the areas and designations of the lands abutting on the withdrawn area.
- 5. The Alaska Road Commission will reimburse the Bureau of Land Management for the cost of the field work in those cases where it is necessary to determine the center lines of the constructed highways as the basis for computing the areas of the public lands adjacent to the reserved area for highway purposes.

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6. The Alaska Road Commission will proceed as rapidly as possible to prepare maps of definite locations for all constructed roads in Alaska and file copies of those maps with the Regional Administrator, Bureau of Land Management, at Anchorage, Alaska.

(sgd) Roscoe Bell Associate Director

Concur:

(sgd) John R. Noyes Commissioner of Roads for Alaska 14 Dec. '49.