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# FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA  
2007 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 1  
Bill Version: HB 168  
(H) Publish Date: 3/7/07

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. Affected: Commerce  
Title Land Transfers Alaska RR and DOTPF RDU \_\_\_\_\_  
Component Alaska Railroad Corporation  
Sponsor Transportation Component No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Requester Transportation

**Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)**

Note. Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
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<b>CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
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**FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)**

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type—Do not abbreviate)						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY2007) cost: 0.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2008 budget proposal:

**POSITIONS**

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation would authorize the Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) to exchange approximately ten acres of land with the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOTPF) to accommodate two DOTPF projects. The Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) is a public corporation supported by revenues generated through its freight, passenger and real estate services. ARRC does not receive state funding for operations or capital improvements.

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# FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA  
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Fiscal Note Number: 2  
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Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. Affected: DOT&PF  
Title Land Transfers Alaska RR & DOTPF RDU Admin and Support (3330)  
Component Commissioner's Office  
Sponsor House Transportation Committee  
Requester H TRA Component No. 530

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Personal Services						
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Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill has no financial impact on DOT&PF

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# Alaska State Legislature



## HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

### House Bill 168: DOT and RR Land Swap

House Bill 168 would authorize the Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) to exchange approximately ten acres of land with the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOTPF) to accommodate two DOTPF projects. The Parks Highway Improvement project in Wasilla and the Heavy Aircraft Cargo Apron project at the Fairbanks International Airport both require an adjustment to the Alaska Railroad's track and right-of-way lands. This legislation ensures that all the appropriate titles to property can be in place for both of these important DOTPF projects.

The Alaska Railroad Corporation Act, Alaska Statute 42.40.285, requires Legislative approval for the ARRC to "exchange, donate, sell or otherwise convey its entire interest in land".

#### **Section 1: Parks Highway Improvement Project**

Section 1 conveys approximately 6.3 acres of ARRC property adjacent to the Parks Highway to DOTPF. The widening and lane improvements to the Parks Highway required relocation of a portion of the Alaska Railroad mainline in the vicinity of Wasilla Lake. DOTPF acquired the necessary property south of the existing 200-foot Alaska Railroad right-of-way. The ARRC was able to relocate its tracks to this property just south of its original alignment. Once the railroad was relocated, DOTPF was able to complete construction of the improvements to the Parks Highway. The project is complete.

#### **Section 2: Fairbanks International Airport Heavy Aircraft Cargo Apron**

Section 2 would convey approximately 3.3 acres of ARRC property to DOTPF to accommodate construction of the new Heavy Aircraft Cargo Apron. Fairbanks International Airport is 43<sup>rd</sup> in the nation for the amount of landed weight, serves nearly a million passengers and has 17 airlines operating at the facility. Replacing the currently inadequate heavy aircraft cargo apron located next to the airport terminal is part of the planned construction upgrade and expansion of the Fairbanks International Airport. Of the four current aircraft parking positions, two interfere with the taxiway and create a potential safety risk. Expansion of the terminal will create additional interference with the third parking position. To eliminate a potential safety hazard and accommodate the airport expansion, the DOTPF is planning to construct a new heavy aircraft cargo apron on ARRC property adjacent to the airport. This proposed land exchange of approximately 3.3 acres will allow for the construction of a heavy aircraft cargo apron that will provide parking for four large cargo planes and be designed to handle the weight and size of the largest cargo planes. DOTPF must have a legally sufficient title interest to property in order to comply with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grant assurances and funding participation requirements. Construction of this project will begin this summer.

## HEAVY AIRCRAFT CARGO APRON

### \*PROJECT DESCRIPTION\*:

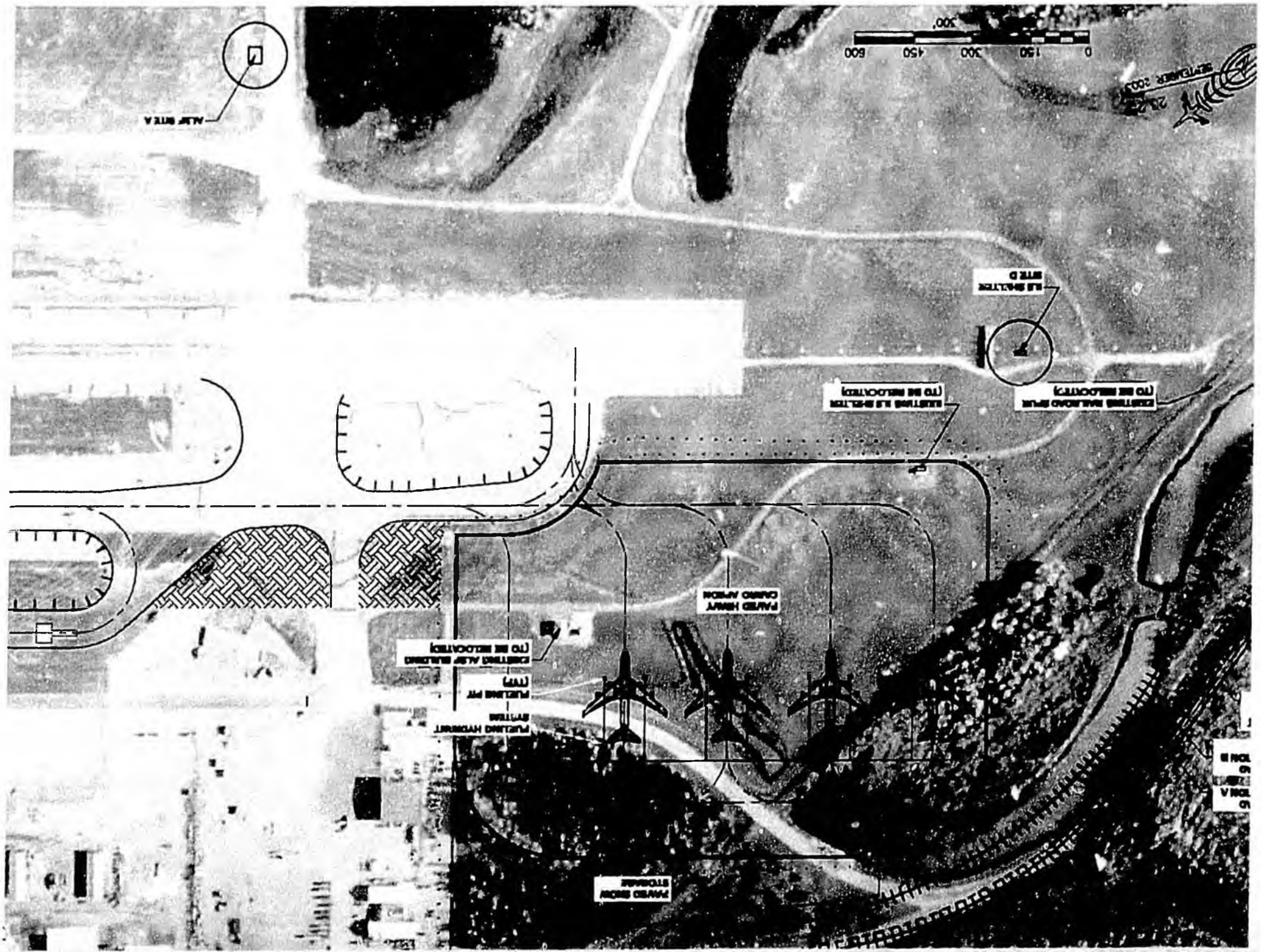
Work under this project will include the design and construction of a new 26.5 acre cargo apron area at the south end of the west ramp and extension of Taxiway "A" approximately 1,000 feet to provide access. The apron will accommodate four B-747 on concrete hardstands. Ancillary work will include the construction of fencing, access roads, snow storage areas and subsurface drainage systems.

### \*PROJECT JUSTIFICATION\*:

Transient heavy aircraft parking is provided on the apron south of the terminal building. Recent inspections of the pavement in this area determined that the apron has reached the end of its design life and requires rehabilitation or total reconstruction. In addition, two of the existing four hardstands penetrate the FAR Part 77 transition surface.

Also, three of the four existing four hardstandas will be rendered inoperable this summer due to the southern expansion and construction of the passenger terminal resulting from the Terminal Area Development Project. The remaining old hardstand will be operationally conflicted when during passenger operations on the south end of the passenger terminal.

The project site is in an un-developed area of the airport and it is anticipated that these improvements will permit the private development of underutilized land by providing access to the airside from these properties. This development will expand the potential revenue base for airport operations by opening additional lease acreage, affording warehousing opportunities, and assuring short and long-term heavy aircraft parking.



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**PARKS HIGHWAY - WASILLA**  
**PROJECT SUMMARY STATEMENT**

The Parks Highway is a rural interstate highway that provides a connection between the major cities of Anchorage, Wasilla and Fairbanks. This project, located between the intersection with the Glenn Highway and the City of Wasilla, is the primary highway between Anchorage and Wasilla. This portion of the Parks Highway was originally constructed in 1971 and 1972 as a two-lane rural highway. In 1996, the highway was widened between Palmer-Wasilla Highway and Crusey Street to four lanes. This project reconstructed the portion of the Parks Highway between Seward Meridian Parkway and Crusey Street.

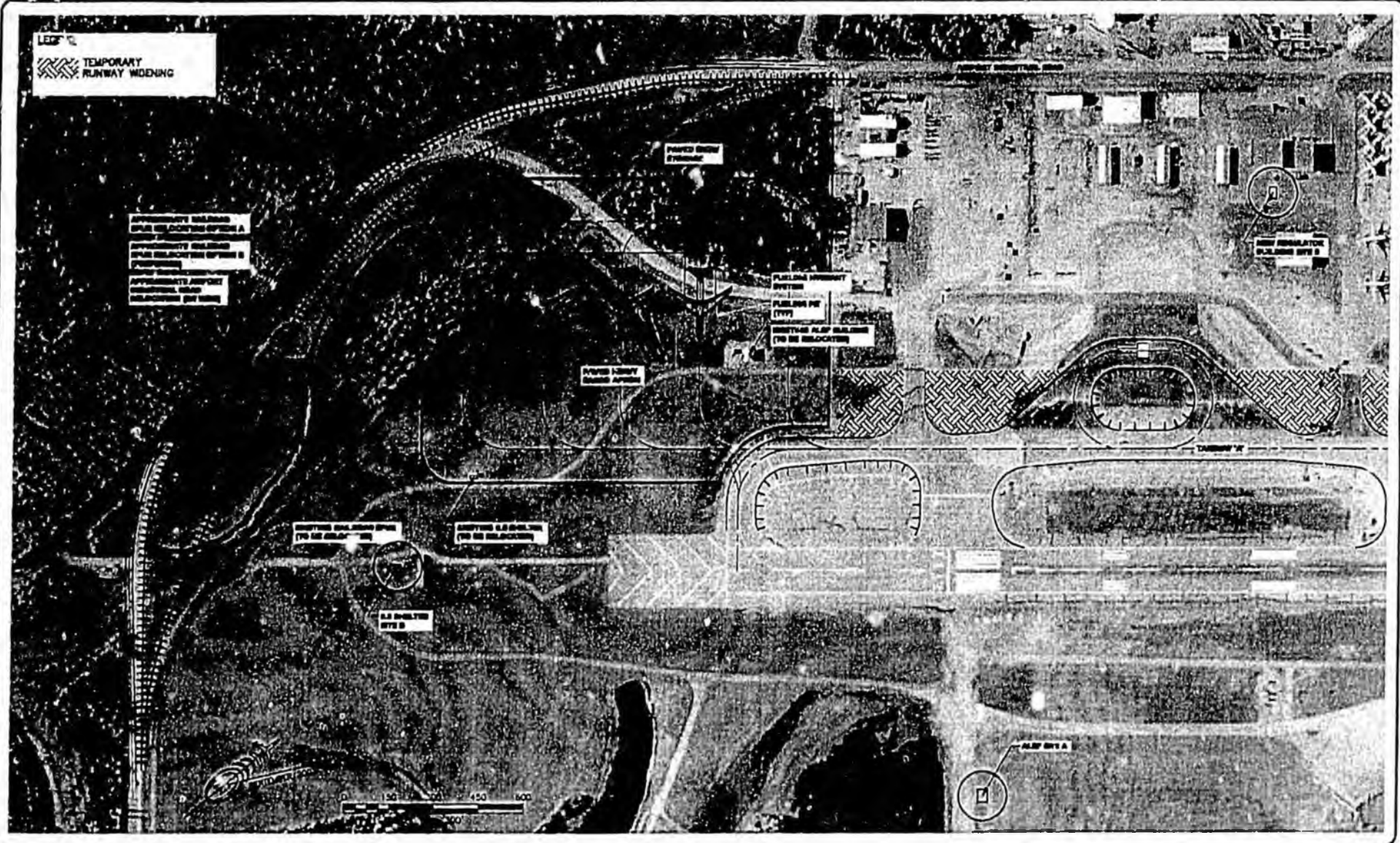
The recent project is the third segment of the Parks Highway reconstruction from the Glenn Highway through the City of Wasilla's central business district. This project reconstructed the Parks Highway from Seward Meridian Parkway (Seward Meridian) to Crusey Street. This section of the Parks Highway is located within a commercial district of the City of Wasilla. To be consistent with the adjacent commercial development, the character of the highway changes at Seward Meridian from a high-speed (55 mph) rural highway to an intermediate speed (45 mph) urban highway providing access at specified locations. The project includes frontage roads improved or constructed adjacent to, and parallel with, the Parks Highway, as appropriate for access to adjoining properties.

The Department constructed a five-lane highway: two lanes northbound and two lanes southbound with a median two-way left turn lane. Additional improvements include: reconstructed or new two-lane, two-way, frontage roads; a grade-separated interchange at Seward Meridian Parkway; a continuous pathway on the highway's north side; relocation of approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile of railroad track; and highway and intersection illumination. This 3.4 mile segment transitions from the four lane divided highway to the east to a lower-speed segment passing through the center of Wasilla. The Department completed construction of the project in 2006.

The total project cost is approximately \$55,697,000.



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PAVED DRIVE  
 (TO BE RELOCATED)

FUELING AIRCRAFT  
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NEW REMEDIATION  
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APPROXIMATE  
 AIRPORT  
 OPERATIONAL ROAD

APPROXIMATE BUILDING SPAN  
 (TO BE RELOCATED)

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AIRPORT  
 SITE A



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**LARGE AIRCRAFT  
 CARGO APRON**

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# PRELIMINARY

