

## Alaska Railroad Corporation News Release

DATE: March 19, 2012 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CONTACT: Tim Sullivan, 907-265-2357

## ARRC Hosts Salcha Open House for Tanana River Crossing Project

(Anchorage, Alaska) The Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) will host a public open house to discuss the current status and upcoming summer construction of the Northern Rail Extension Phase One – Tanana River Crossing. Open house details:

6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 21, 2012 Salcha School, 8530 Richardson Highway Question-and-Answer session starts at 6:30 p.m.

The crossing is the first phase of the larger Northern Rail Extension (NRE) project, which will eventually expand railroad track infrastructure from North Pole / Eielson 80 miles southeast to Delta Junction. Phase One will create approximately 150 jobs per year during the expected three-year construction of the new bridge across the river and an associated levee near Salcha.

The open house will offer nearby residents and the interested public a project update to include construction phasing, traffic control, and community impacts. The presentation will provide an overview of these topics, however, attendees can come at any time during the open house to review displays and ask questions. Members of the project team will be on-hand to answer questions and explain phases and stages of the project.

###

The ARRC is an Equal Opportunity Corporation. If you need special assistance in order to participate in any ARRC service, program, or activity, please contact the Alaska Railroad Corporation; P.O. Box 107500; Anchorage, AK 99510; Attention: Ann Courtney, courtneya@akrr.com, 265-2461; via Alaska Relay Service for hearing impaired – dial 711 anywhere inside Alaska, OR dial toll-free from anywhere outside the state 1-800-770-8255 (voice); 1-800-770-8973 (TTY). Upon request, printed materials can be made available in alternate formats.