



Alaska Long Trail News

National Scenic Trail Feasibility Study



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Hey, BLM Alaska wants you to be involved!

BLM Alaska is evaluating the characteristics of the proposed Alaska Long Trail and recommending its eligibility as an addition to the National Trails System as a National Scenic Trail (NST).

The purpose of the Alaska Long Trail NST feasibility study is to evaluate the feasibility, suitability, and desirability of designating the route as a NST.

Results of the trail study will be shared with Congress, which has the sole authority to enact legislation to designate new NSTs. Following that, rights-of-way, authorizations, and easements must be secured for the entirety of the route. Only after completion of that process could construction begin on the project. This feasibility study does not authorize any activities.

The preparation of the feasibility study meets the criteria set forth at 43 CFR 46.210(h) for a Departmental Categorical Exclusion.

This effort will depend on public input to help guide the direction of the study.

Schedule



Next Steps

The BLM will be hosting five in-person public meetings in the spring of 2024 and several more virtual meetings thereafter. Please continue to visit the project website on BLM’s National NEPA register (i.e., ePlanning) page to learn more about project updates, public meetings, and more.

In-Person Public Meetings

Date & Location	Time	Meeting Place
Monday, April 8 - Anchorage	5:30pm – 7:30pm AK	Z.J. Loussac Library
Tuesday, April 9 - Seward	5pm – 7pm AK	Gateway Hotel
Wednesday, April 10 - Wasilla	3:30pm – 5:30pm AK	Wasilla Public Library
Thursday, April 11 - Cantwell	5pm – 7pm AK	Cantwell School Gym
Friday, April 12 - Fairbanks	5pm – 7pm AK	Birch Hill Ski Area

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Other Resources

- For **more information**, please visit the project website on the BLM National NEPA Register:
<https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2030342/510>
- **Story Map** –
<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/964af503d8604c50bfaec6243c7b20c0>
- **FAQ** – <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2030342/560>

Project Website

