

BLM awards contract

The Bureau of Land Management has awarded a \$5.8 million contract to build a Fairbanks District office building for the agency, Sens. Ted Stevens and Frank Murkowski announced recently.

The 47,800 square foot building will be built by Kiewit Construction Co. Inc. of Fairbanks and will be located at the corner of University Avenue and Airport Way.

The facility will house most of the existing BLM offices, which are now located at Fort Wainwright. One BLM facility, the Alaska Fire Service, will move from its existing building but will remain at Fort Wainwright.

"Construction of the new BLM building next to the proposed site of the Department of Natural Resources' new Fairbanks office will centralize all northcentral Alaska's resource departments in one general area and make it more convenient for the public," Stevens said.

The BLM building is expected to be ready for occupancy by fall, 1988.