

# Army May Permit Kuskokwim Channel

The Department of the Army may issue a permit to the McGrath & Kuskokwim Freight Service to dredge a channel from the main Kuskokwim River channel to the Aniak landing strip at Aniak, Alaska, if the proposal meets with public approval.

Spokesmen for the Alaska District Corps of Engineers have asked that interested parties submit comments or objections to the proposed project to Box 546, Bethel, Alaska, 99559, to enable the Army to make a decision based on the public interest.

The proposal calls for dredging from the main river channel to the landing strip at the lower end of the Aniak runway to improve navigation into Aniak.

Dredging will be to a 6-foot depth at extreme low water to enable delivery of freight to Aniak at any stage of water.

Approximately 100,000 cubic yards of gravel and sand will be moved. Some of this material will be used to improve the air strip at Aniak and the rest will be sold to private individuals.

According to the Corps of Engineers, comments on such things as the projects effect on navigation, fish and wildlife, water quality, recreation or the general welfare of the people will be accepted and considered in determining whether it would be in the best public interest to

grant a permit.

Comments should be mailed to reach the above address not later than Feb. 25 to insure that they can be taken into consideration before a decision is reached.