Museum seeking transportation information

To the Editor:

The Transportation Museum of Alaska, a non-profit organization, located on the edge of the Alaska State Fairgrounds near Palmer is engaged in planning its future development. The importance of this planning is that the Museum will be moving to larger quarters, in excess of 4.5 acres, and needs to establish goals for facilities, collection and preservation policies.

As we have a statewide commitment to "collect, preserve, communicate and exhibit Alaska's transportation history" for the benefit of the public we are asking for public support and assistance in our planning effort. In particular we seek public input which will help define as well as refine our collection and preservation goals of transportation related items on a state-wide hasis.

We need to know what transportation-related items exist around the state which were relevant to the development, and everyday operation. of Alaskan transportation. from virtually the days of the Bering Land Bridge until today. What and where are items pertaining to Alaska's transportation history today? What and where are those trucks, cars, trains, airplanes, boats, heavy equipment, stories, documents and photographs?

We also are looking for people willing to donate written or photographic materials. at least for copying, that deal with Alaska's transportation history

Please, those who are concerned about Alaska's transportation history please respond. There is much to be done and it's already pretty late. Our address is SRB Box 7860, Palmer, AK. 99645. phone 745-4493.

> Sincerely, John Cooper Assistant Director