

Doyon closes Canadian asbestos mine

FAIRBANKS--Doyon, Limited, says it will close an asbestos mine on land it owns in the Yukon Territory this month.

The land is located near Boundary on the Taylor Highway. Doyon plans to develop the land near the mine, according to Jim Haynes, director of Resources for Doyon, as quoted in Alaska Industry Magazine.

The mine was opened in

1967 and was expected to produce asbestos for about ten years, as it has. Freight from the mine provides about 30 percent of the tonnage on the White Pass and Yukon Railroad from Whitehorse to Skagway, and a large part of the freight shipped by container from Skagway to Vancouver, British Columbia. About 300 people are now employed at the mine.