

Relocation Experience

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**"An Athabascan Indian Speaks
Of His Relocation Experience"**

In the Interior Arctic of Alaska, Fort Yukon is located on the bank of the Yukon River and eight miles north of the Arctic Circle.

Fort Yukon is essentially an Athabascan Indian village. Population is about 800, of which about 100 consist of Caucasians.

Here are just a few of the typical establishments that can be seen in this town are general merchandise stores, movie house, coffee shops, high school, post office and a municipal airport. Fort Yukon is not an Indian reservation.

Fort Yukon and the surrounding areas were inhabited by Athabascan Indians since times immemorial.

The first recorded contact with white man was in 1846. A man by the name of John Bell, an employee of the Hudson's Bay Company who reached the Yukon by way of the Porcupine