



1980 Laying the groundwork.

\$42 million for Alaska in 1980

In 1980, Northwest Alaskan Pipeline Company is planning to spend nearly \$42 million in Alaska to prepare for construction of the Alaska Highway Natural Gas Pipeline. This is a substantial increase over the amount Northwest spent in Alaska last year. Following is a brief summary of Alaskan activities taking place in 1980 as part of the planning and design phase of the project.

Using Alaskan companies for an Alaskan project

Northwest is contracting with several Alaskan firms to conduct field testing programs, including engineering and environmental studies in preparation for pipeline construction. The largest field program to date on the project, a borehole drilling program, is being conducted by five Alaskan firms. Other major engineering programs that will be conducted by Alaskan contractors in 1980 include:

- Material Site Exploration
- Construction Compatibility Tests
- Fault Studies
- Ice Dam Tests
- Frost Heave Field Tests

Using Alaskans for jobs in Alaska

Northwest Alaskan, Fluor Northwest, Inc. (the management contractor on the gasoline project), and the Office of the Federal Inspector, are expanding their Alaska operations and hiring personnel to support the field programs and other Alaska project activities. Northwest and Fluor plan to add approximately 50 employees to their Alaska staffs during 1980. In addition, approximately 400 people at the peak will be employed by Alaska contractors and subcontractors working on gasoline field programs this year.

Safeguarding our Alaskan Environment

Northwest also has contracted with Alaskan firms to continue environmental research along the route of the gasoline in Alaska. Among the environmental programs planned are studies of:

- Peregrine Falcons
- Sharp Tailed Grouse
- Mammals
- Fish
- Streams
- Waterfowl

Archaeological Field Studies also will be continued along the entire route.

These are just some of the things Northwest is doing in Alaska in 1980 as we help put Alaska's energy to work!



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