

Wildlife Restoration MULTI-YEAR GRANT INTERIM PERFORMANCE REPORT

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Alaska Department of Fish and Game Wildlife Restoration Grant

GRANT NUMBER: AKW-D-2-2019 Hunter Access CIP19

PROJECT NUMBER: Project 2.0

PROJECT TITLE: Forest Road Improvements for Hunter Access – Tanana Valley

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE: August 1, 2018 – June 30, 2024

PERFORMANCE YEAR: August 1, 2018 to September 29, 2019

REPORT DUE DATE: November 29, 2019

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2 CFR 200.301
50 CFR 80.90

I. PROGRESS ON PROJECT OBJECTIVES DURING PERFORMANCE YEAR

The tasks described in this grant are to be completed by the designated end date of June 30, 2024. The work done under this grant is for the similar purpose as described in AKW-27 3.0 Forest Roads – Mat-Su in that DNR managed state forest lands are the publicly accessible hunting grounds for local residents and roads within these lands require repair to accommodate their original purpose of forest practice operations while accommodating hunting and wildlife viewing.

OBJECTIVE 1: Replace Fortune Creek Bridge.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: No work was completed during this performance period. DNR State Parks Design and Construction took this project over from DNR Division of Forestry summer of 2019 and will begin design winter of 2019/2020.

OBJECTIVE 2: Repair and harden 10 miles of Cache Creek Road.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: No work was completed during this performance period. No work has been completed during this performance period. DNR State Parks Design and Construction took this project over from DNR Division of Forestry summer of 2019 and will begin design winter of 2019/2020.

OBJECTIVE 3: Repair and harden 12 miles of Standard Creek Road.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: No work was completed during this performance period. No work has been completed during this performance period. DNR State Parks Design and Construction took this project over from DNR Division of Forestry summer of 2019 and will begin design winter of 2019/2020.

OBJECTIVE 4: Educate wildlife recreationists and hunter user groups about sustainable road use practices.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: No work was completed during this performance period. No work has been completed during this performance period. DNR State Parks Design and Construction took this project over from DNR Division of Forestry summer of 2019 and will begin design winter of 2019/2020.

II. SUMMARY OF WORK COMPLETED ON PROJECT TO DATE.

The DOF engineer passed existing design documents to DNR State Parks, Design and Construction staff in March 2019 when the project transferred. A reimbursable services agreement (RSA) was completed transferring match funds from Forestry to State Parks. An RSA was also completed between ADF&G and State Parks for the grant funds.

DNR staff attempted to complete data collection and survey for the project in September of 2019. Unfortunately, due to hazardous road and site conditions resulting from high amounts of precipitation, the engineering staff was unable to complete the survey and data collection efforts. Data collection and survey tasks have been rescheduled for the spring/summer of 2020.

III. SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT REPORTS AND/OR AMENDMENTS.

An SDR was submitted to, and approved by, FWS in March 2019 to transfer the project from DNR Forestry to DNR State Parks Design and Construction. Project PI's for each cooperating entity were also updated in this SDR.

IV. PUBLICATIONS



Figure 1.—September 2019 survey trip. Road conditions did not allow the group to complete the survey.



Figure 2.—September 2019 survey trip. Road conditions did not allow the group to complete the survey.

V. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THIS PROJECT

Data Collection and Survey is scheduled to take place during FY20. Project Design and Contract Procurement is scheduled to take place during FY21. Project Construction is scheduled to take place during FY21-FY22.

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