

NANA Regional Broadband Network — Construction Updates

This update provides information on where broadband construction is taking place, what activities are planned, and important safety reminders for community members. The most recent updates will be at the top of the document and continue in descending order.

SAFETY REMINDER:

For the safety of all residents and crews, please stay clear of construction zones and work areas. Avoid traveling through active work areas while construction is underway.

Use caution when approaching barge/boring activities on the river.

Use caution when approaching marine activities on the water.

Emergency or Safety Concerns

If you observe a safety issue related to construction, contact Jason Louvier at jason.louvier@nana.com (907)-265-4115 or onsite construction personnel immediately.

For more information and previous construction updates please visit www.NANANET.com

Date: Sept. 28, 2026

Next Update Expected: Monday, Oct. 5, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

KIVALINA: In-village aerial activities (splicing and service drop/exterior house box installations) are expected to continue over the next two weeks.

KIANA: In-village aerial activities (splicing and service drop/exterior house box installations) are anticipated to continue over the next two weeks.

REGIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC

Ongoing river boring activities

- Noatak River – pulling fiber into existing bore
- Kobuk River near Noorvik – pulling fiber into existing bore

Fiber crossing

- Hotham Inlet (Kobuk Lake) north side
- Kiwalik River near Candle
- Wulik River near Kivalina

Please use caution when traveling near active work areas on the water, reduce speed when approaching crews and equipment, and give marine operations plenty of space.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: Sept. 25, 2026

Next Update Expected: Monday, Oct. 5, 2026

REGIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC UPDATE

Fiber crossing

- Hotham Inlet (Kobuk Lake) north side – Scheduled this Sunday September 27th

Please use caution when traveling near active work areas on the water, reduce speed when approaching crews and equipment, and give marine operations plenty of space.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: Sept. 21, 2026

Next Update Expected: Monday, Sept. 28, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

KIVALINA: In-village aerial activities are expected to continue over the next two weeks.

KIANA: In-village aerial activities are anticipated to continue over the next three weeks.

REGIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC

Ongoing river boring activities

- Noatak River

Fiber crossing

- Kiwalik River near Candle
- Wulik River near Kivalina

Please use caution when traveling near active work areas on the water, reduce speed when approaching crews and equipment, and give marine operations plenty of space.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: Sept. 14, 2026

Next Update Expected: Monday, Sept. 21, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

KIVALINA: In-village aerial activities are expected to continue over the next two weeks.

KIANA: In-village aerial activities are anticipated to continue over the next three weeks.

REGIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC

Ongoing river boring activities

- Noatak River

Fiber crossing

- Kiwalik River near Candle
- Inmachuk River near Deering

Please use caution when traveling near active work areas on the water, reduce speed when approaching crews and equipment, and give marine operations plenty of space.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: Sept. 8, 2026

Next Update Expected: Monday, Sept. 14, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

KIVALINA: In-village aerial activities are expected to continue over the next two weeks.

KIANA: In-village aerial activities are anticipated to continue over the next three weeks.

REGIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC

Ongoing with boring river activities

- Kobuk River near Melvin Channel
- Noatak River

Fiber crossing

- Wulik River near Kivalina
- Kiwalik River near Candle
- Inmachuk River near Deering

Please use caution when traveling near active work areas on the water, reduce speed when approaching crews and equipment, and give marine operations plenty of space.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: Sept. 7, 2026

Next Update Expected: Monday, Sept. 14, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

KIVALINA: In-village aerial activities are expected to continue over the next two weeks.

KIANA: In-village aerial activities are anticipated to continue over the next three weeks.

REGIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC

Ongoing river boring activities

- Kobuk River near Melvin Channel
- Noatak River

Fiber crossing

- Wulik River near Kivalina
- Kiwalik River near Candle
- Inmachuk River near Deering

Please use caution when traveling near active work areas on the water, reduce speed when approaching crews and equipment, and give marine operations plenty of space.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: Aug. 31, 2026

Next Update Expected: Monday, Sept. 7, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

KIVALINA: In-village aerial activities are expected to continue over the next two weeks.

KIANA: In-village aerial activities are anticipated to begin late this week.

REGIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC

Ongoing with boring river activities

- Kobuk River near Ambler
- Ambler River near Ambler (water level dependent)

Fiber crossing

- Wulik River
- Inmachuk River

Please use caution when traveling near active work areas on the water, reduce speed when approaching crews and equipment, and give marine operations plenty of space.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: Aug. 24, 2026

Next Update Expected: Monday, Aug. 31, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

KIVALINA: In-village aerial activities are anticipated to begin this coming week.

REGIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC

Ongoing river boring activities

- Between Kiana and Ambler (water level dependent)
- Melvin Channel near Noorvik

Fiber crossing

- Wulik River

Please use caution when traveling near active work areas on the water, reduce speed when approaching crews and equipment, and give marine operations plenty of space.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: Aug. 17, 2026

Next Update Expected: Monday, Aug. 24, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

NOORVIK: In-village aerial activities are anticipated to continue for the next week. We are preparing for river bores in the Kobuk River, near Melvin Channel. Use caution when approaching marine activities on the water.

KIANA: We are preparing for river bores in the Kobuk River, near Kiana. Use caution when approaching marine activities on the water. In-village aerial construction activities are anticipated to begin later this week.

KIVALINA: In-village aerial activities are anticipated to begin this week.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: Aug. 7, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, Aug. 14, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

NOORVIK: In-village aerial activities are anticipated to continue for the next week, and barge activities in preparation for boring on the Kobuk River near Noorvik are anticipated to begin this week.

KIANA: Barge activities in preparation for boring on the Kobuk River near Kiana are anticipated to begin late next week.

KIVALINA: In-village aerial activities are anticipated to begin late next week.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: July 31, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, August 7, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Noorvik and Hotham Inlet

Construction Activity

Preparation for boring on the Kobuk River near Noorvik is planned for later this week; aerial construction continues in Noorvik, and in-water fiber placement is beginning at Hotham Inlet.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial construction, barge and boring activity, and fiber placement.

Date: July 24, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, July 31, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Buckland, Deering, Noatak, Noorvik and Hotham Inlet

Construction Activity

Regional aerial surveys will continue along the developed route. Boring is underway near Candle, aerial construction continues in Noatak and Noorvik, and in-water preparation is beginning at Hotham Inlet.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial surveys and construction, barge and boring activity, and preparation for fiber placement.

Date: July 17, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, July 24, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Buckland, Noatak, Noorvik and Hotham Inlet

Construction Activity

Regional aerial surveys will continue. Boring has begun near Buckland, aerial construction continues in Noatak and Noorvik, and in-water preparation is beginning at Hotham Inlet.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Aerial surveys and construction, boring activity, and in water activities in preparation for fiber placement.

Date: July 13, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, July 17, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Buckland, Noatak and Noorvik

Construction Activity

Barge activities continue near Buckland, with boring expected to begin later in the week. Aerial construction is expected to resume in Noatak and begin in Noorvik.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Barge and boring activity and in-village aerial construction.

Date: July 3, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, July 10, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Buckland

Construction Activity

No project activity is expected over the holiday weekend or early the following week. Crews are expected to resume work near Buckland later in the week.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Limited activity, followed by preparation for boring work outside Buckland.

Date: June 26, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, July 3, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Noatak

Construction Activity

Crews will install aerial fiber throughout the village by attaching fiber-optic cable to existing utility poles.

WHAT TO EXPECT

In-village aerial fiber installation.

Date: June 19, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, June 26, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Deering, Buckland and Noatak

Construction Activity

Crews will install aerial fiber throughout the villages by attaching fiber-optic cable to existing utility poles.

WHAT TO EXPECT

In-village aerial fiber installation.

Date: June 12, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, June 19, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Deering and Buckland

Construction Activity

Crews will install aerial fiber throughout the villages by attaching fiber-optic cable to existing utility poles.

WHAT TO EXPECT

In-village aerial fiber installation.

Date: May 1, 2026

Next Update Expected: Monday, June 1, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Winter construction activities for the 2025/2026 season are complete.

Construction Activity

No planned construction in the coming weeks. Will provide updates as we get closer to the start of planned summer activities.

WHAT TO EXPECT

No construction activities.



Date: April 24, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, May 1, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Crews will be working from near Hotham Inlet to Noorvik MP 313-332 as shown on the map below.

Construction Activity

One convoy with up to five pieces of equipment will continue trail development, clearing, mulching between MP 330 and MP 332.

A second convoy, with up to 10 pieces of equipment, will place fiber optic cable between MP 313 and MP 332. Trail equipment, which includes Steiger tractors, piston bully's, trailers, snowmobiles and sleigh camps, will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting.

From Hotham Inlet to Noorvik MP 313-332

WHAT TO EXPECT

Clearing and mulching activities, and fiber placement operations.



Date: April 17, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, April 24, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Crews will be working from Noatak River southeast to Hotham Inlet and from Hotham Inlet to Noorvik as shown on the map below.

Construction Activity

One convoy with up to five pieces of equipment will continue trail development, clearing, mulching and pile driving/placing poles between Noatak River MP 119 and Noorvik.

A second convoy, with up to 10 pieces of equipment, will place fiber optic cable along the same section of trail. Trail equipment, which includes Steiger tractors, piston bully's, trailers, snowmobiles and sleigh camps, will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting.

From Noatak River to Hotham Inlet MP 119-129 to Noorvik MP 330

From Hotham Inlet to Noorvik MP 296-330

WHAT TO EXPECT

Clearing and mulching activities, pile driving, pole setting, and fiber placement operations.



Date: April 10, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, April 17, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Crews will be working from Noatak south to Noatak River and from Noatak River to Noorvik as shown on the map below.

Construction Activity

One convoy with up to five pieces of equipment, continuing trail development, clearing, mulching and pile driving/placing poles between Noatak River MP 119 and Noorvik.

A second convoy with up to ten pieces of equipment will be placing fiber optic cable from Noatak to Noatak River MP 119. Trail equipment, which includes Steiger tractors, piston bullies, trailers, snowmobiles and sleigh camps, will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting.

From Noatak MP 71 to Noatak River MP 119

From Noatak River MP 119 to Noorvik MP 330

WHAT TO EXPECT

Clearing and mulching activities, pile driving, pole setting, and fiber placement operations.



Date: April 3, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, April 10, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Crews will be working from Kivalina south to Noatak and from Noatak to Noorvik as described and shown on the map below.

Construction Activity

One convoy with up to 5 pieces of equipment, continuing trail development, clearing, mulching and pile driving/placing poles between Noatak and Noorvik. A second convoy with up to ten pieces of equipment will be placing fiber optic cable from Kivalina to Noatak and continuing south towards Hotham Inlet and Noorvik. Trail equipment, which includes Steiger tractors, piston bully's, trailers, snowmobiles and sleigh camps, will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting.

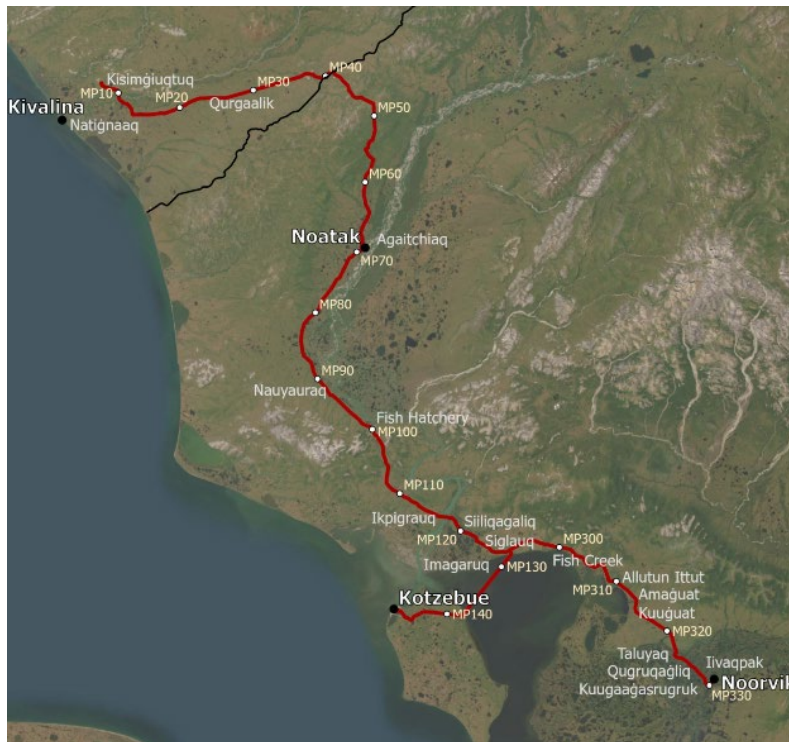
From Kivalina to Noatak MP 0 to 71

From Noatak to Hotham Inlet MP 71 to 128

From Hotham Inlet to Noorvik MP 128 to 330

WHAT TO EXPECT

Clearing and mulching activities, pile driving, pole setting, and fiber placement operations.



Date: March 27, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, April 3, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Crews will be working from Kotzebue north towards Noatak and from Noatak to Kivalina as described and shown on the map below.

Construction Activity

North: One convoy with three pieces of equipment, continuing trail development and clearing mulching. A second convoy with up to ten pieces of equipment is mobilizing north from Kotzebue to Kivalina, then will start fiber optic placement from Kivalina towards Noatak. Trail equipment, which includes Steiger tractors, trailers, snowmobiles and sleigh camps, will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting.

From Kotzebue towards Noatak over the sea ice to MP 149 - 70

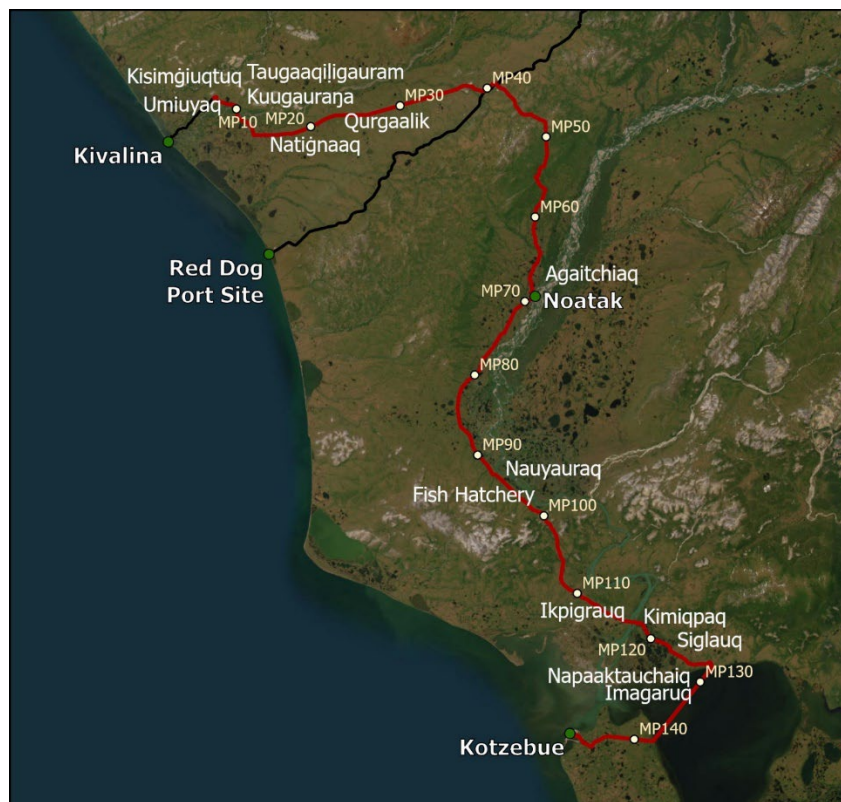
From Noatak River Crossing north to Noatak MP 119 – 71

From Noatak to Kivalina MP 71 - MP 0

South: No Project Activities

WHAT TO EXPECT

Clearing and mulching activities, equipment/camp mobilization and fiber placement operations.



Date: March 20, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, March 27, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Crews will be working from Kotzebue north towards Noatak and from Kotzebue south towards Deering as described and shown on the maps below.

Construction Activity

North: One convoy with three pieces of equipment continuing trail development and clearing mulching.

From Kotzebue towards Noatak over the sea ice to MP 149 - 70

From Noatak River Crossing north to Noatak MP 119 – 71

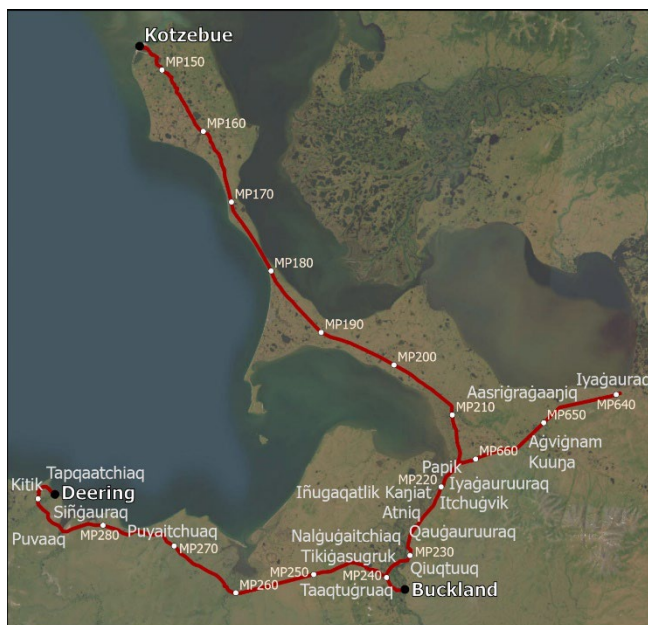
From Noatak to Kivalina MP 71 - MP 0 (71 Miles)

South: One convoy with ten pieces of equipment continuing trail development, clearing, mulching, and placing fiber optic cable.

From Buckland to Deering MP 256 - MP 295 (39 Mi)

WHAT TO EXPECT

Fiber deployment activities will include convoys traveling with up to ten vehicles including Steiger tractors, trailers, snowmobiles and sleigh camps. Trail equipment will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting. Upon arrival in Deering the southbound convoy will turn around and travel north to Kotzebue then will continue to Kivalina.



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Date: March 13, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, March 20, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Crews will be working from Kotzebue north towards Noatak and from Kotzebue south towards Buckland and Deering as described and shown on the maps below

Construction Activity

North: Continuing trail development and clearing mulching.

From Kotzebue towards Noatak over the sea ice to MP 149 - 70

From Noatak River Crossing north to Noatak MP 119 - 71

From Noatak to Kivalina MP 71 - MP 0 (71 Miles)

South: Continuing trail development and clearing/mulching. Placing fiber optic cable.

From Selawik Intersection to Buckland MP217-MP238 (21 Mi)

From Buckland to Deering MP 238 - MP 295 (57 Mi)

Estimated Dates:

Friday, March 12 through Friday, March 19.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Full trail development and clearing equipment; Pisten Bullies and Mulcher, Steiger tractors with trailers. Trail equipment will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting. Two convoys are working, one traveling South and one traveling North, with two pieces of equipment each.

Fiber deployment activities will include convoys traveling with up to eight vehicles including Steiger tractors, trailers, snowmobiles and sleigh camps. Trail equipment will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting. Two Steigers resupplying between Kotzebue and the convoy.



Date: March 6, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, March 13, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Crews will be working from Kotzebue north towards Noatak and from Kotzebue south towards Buckland and Selawik as described and shown on the maps below

Construction Activity

North: *Continuing trail development and clearing mulching.*

From Kotzebue towards Noatak over the sea ice to MP 149 - 70

From Noatak River Crossing to the Hotham Inlet Crossing MP 119 - 149

From Noatak River Crossing north to Noatak MP 119 - 71

South: *Continuing trail development and clearing/mulching. Placing fiber optic cable.*

From Selawik Intersection towards Selawik NWR MP 640 - 662 (22 Mi)

From Selawik Intersection to Buckland MP 217 - 238 (21 Mi)

Estimated Dates:

Friday, March 6 through Friday, March 13.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Full trail development and clearing equipment; Pisten Bullies and Mulcher, Steiger tractors with trailers. Trail equipment will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting. Two convoys are working, one traveling South and one traveling North, with two pieces of equipment each.

Fiber deployment activities will include convoys traveling with up to eight vehicles including Steiger tractors, trailers, snowmobiles and sleigh camps. Trail equipment will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting. Two Steigers resupplying between Kotzebue and the convoy.



Date: February 27, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, March 6, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Crews will be working from Kotzebue north towards Noatak and from Kotzebue south towards Buckland as described and shown on the maps below

Construction Activity

North: *Continuing trail development and clearing/mulching*

From Kotzebue towards Noatak over the sea ice to MP 149- MP 70

South: *Continuing trail development and clearing/mulching. Placing fiber optic cable.*

From Kotzebue to the Selawik Intersection - MP159 - MP216 (57 Mi)

From Selawik Intersection towards Selawik NWR - MP640 - MP662 (22 Mi)

From Selawik Intersection to Buckland MP216-MP238 (22 Mi)

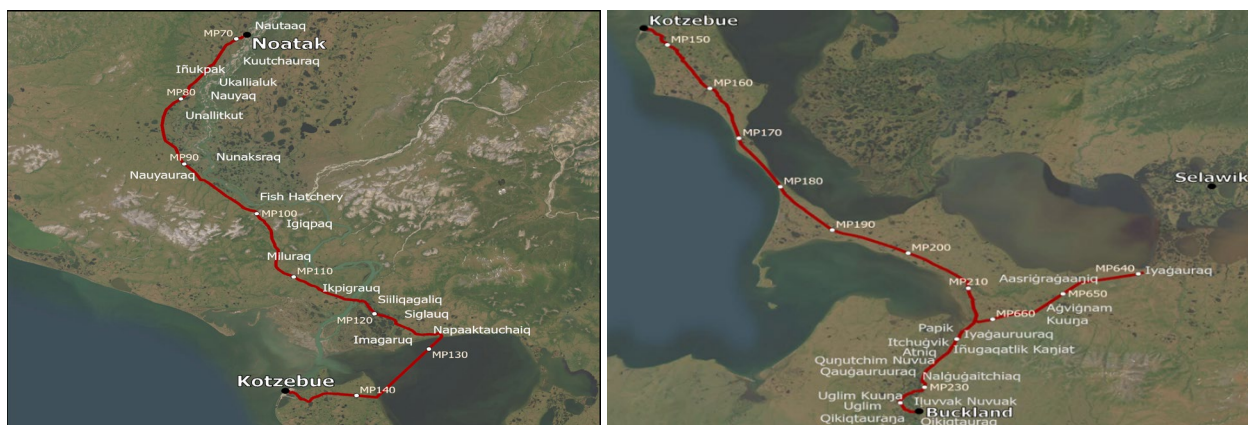
Estimated Dates:

Friday, February 27 through Friday, March 6.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Full trail development and clearing equipment; Pisten Bullies and Mulcher, Steiger tractors with trailers. Trail equipment will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting. Two convoys are working, one traveling South and one traveling North, with two pieces of equipment each.

Fiber deployment activities will include convoys traveling with up to eight vehicles including Steiger tractors, trailers, snowmobiles and sleigh camps. Trail equipment will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting. Two Steigers resupplying between Kotzebue and the convoy.



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Date: February 20, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, February 27, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Kotzebue to Noatak and Kotzebue to Buckland

Crews will be working from Kotzebue north towards Noatak and from Kotzebue south towards Buckland as shown on the maps below

Construction Activity:

Kotzebue North to Hotham Inlet MP 139 – 146 Fiber Deployment

Kotzebue North to Noatak over the sea ice MP 149 – 70 Trail Development and Mulching

Kotzebue South to Buckland MP 149 – 239 Trail Development and Mulching

Estimated Dates:

Friday, February 20 through Friday, February 27.

What to Expect:

Trail development and mulching operations will include Pisten Bullies, mulchers, Steiger tractors, and trailers. Equipment will be clearly visible with 360-degree lighting. Two convoys of 3-5 pieces of equipment will be operating, one working north and the other south.

Fiber deployment activities will include convoys traveling with up to eight vehicles including Steiger tractors, trailers, snowmobiles and sleigh camps.



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Date: February 13, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, February 20, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Kotzebue Area

Crews will be working from Kotzebue north towards Noatak and from Kotzebue south towards Buckland as shown on the included map (below).

Construction Activity:

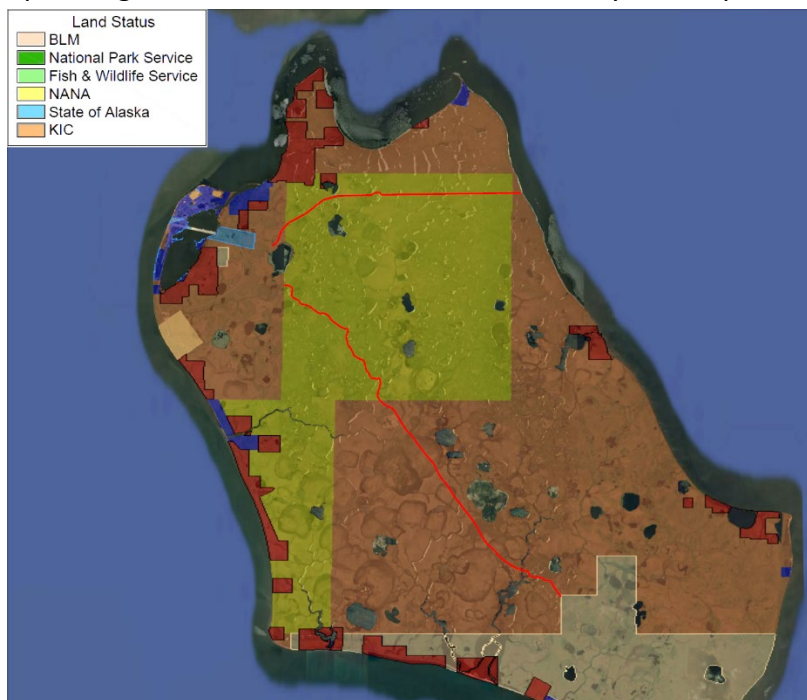
Trail breaking and mulching (as needed) for the entire week. Starting on February 18th, fiber cable laying activities are expected to begin.

Estimated Dates:

Friday, February 13 through Friday, February 20.

What to Expect:

Construction equipment, including Pisten Bullys, Steiger Tractors, Trailers and Mulcher, will be operating in the area. No weather-related delays are expected at this time.



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Date: February 6, 2026

Next Update Expected: Friday, February 13, 2026

WHERE WE'RE WORKING THIS WEEK

Kotzebue Area

Crews will be working both north and south of Kotzebue along the route shown on the project map.

Construction Activity:

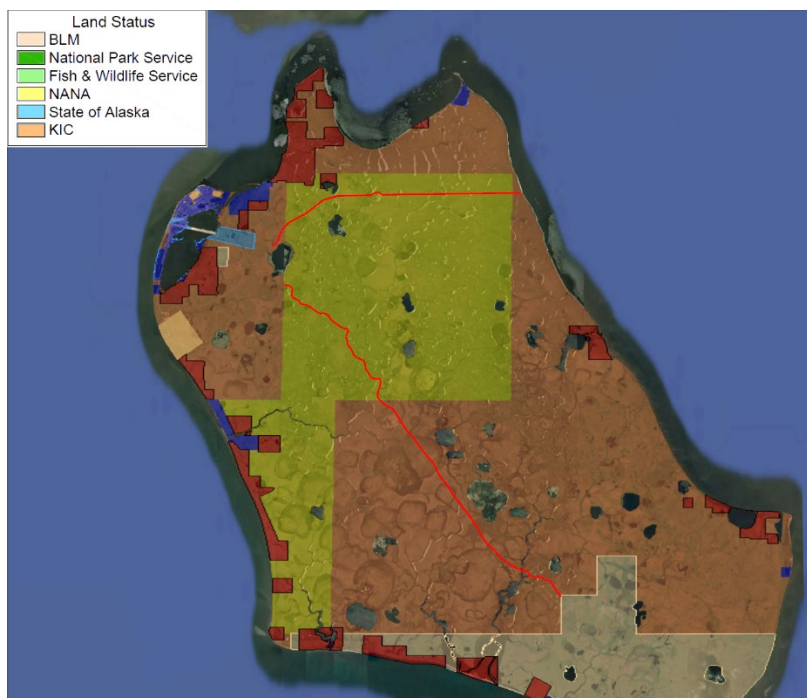
Trail breaking and mulching as needed.

Estimated Dates:

Wednesday, February 11 through Friday, February 13.

What to Expect:

Construction equipment, including Pisten Bullys and a mulcher, will be operating in the area. No weather-related delays are expected at this time.



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