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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
Section of Environmental Analysis

ARRC NORTHERN RAIL EXTENSION PROJECT
Environmental Impact Statement

COMMENT FORM

Your input is an important element in the scoping phase of this project. To help us incorporate your views and suggestions, please provide your comments below and mail to the address preprinted on the back of this form. Please write legibly. You may attach additional sheets if necessary.

Please include your name and address so that we can add you to our mailing list if you would like to receive subsequent information on the project. Thank you for taking the time to provide us with your comments.

Comment deadline is: January 13, 2006.

Comments may be submitted today,
or sent to:

Surface Transportation Board
Case Control Unit
Attention: David Navecky
STB Finance Docket No. 34658
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What potential environmental issues and impacts are you concerned about?

July 1, 2005 we bought 54 acres on the Salcha River. ^{downstream} south of the Richardson Highway Bridge about a mile. This property was bought and is intended to be where we will retire. There are two domiciles on the property that are used as week-end retreats this winter. We have longed for a trapline and have one set on the property at the present time.

The property consists of 14 acres on the Salcha River and it goes south about 40 acres and includes a pond. The pond nests ducks and waterfowl, many grouse are in the nearby woods and of course the moose travel from the river to the pond.

The Salcha River is a spawning area from the Tanana River up the Salcha for many miles, we are about a mile from the Tanana River and all along the front of our property, fish are caught, we look out the window and watch a main fishing hole for King Salmon.

I believe alignment N3 goes right through our property where the buildings are and goes across the middle of our pond. N2B is also in the very near vicinity and would impact our lifestyle of trapping, fishing, hunting and serenity.

Our property discription is 5S 4E 21 2107 = 0472042
5S 4E 28 2828 = 0472221

In conclusion - to preserve the wetlands in the area and the spawning and nesting of fish and fowl I would like you to consider the alignment that is the farthest south and crosses the river only one time at the Eielson crossing. As I see it this area has vast wilderness and fewer private property owners would be impacted.

Thank-you for this consideration

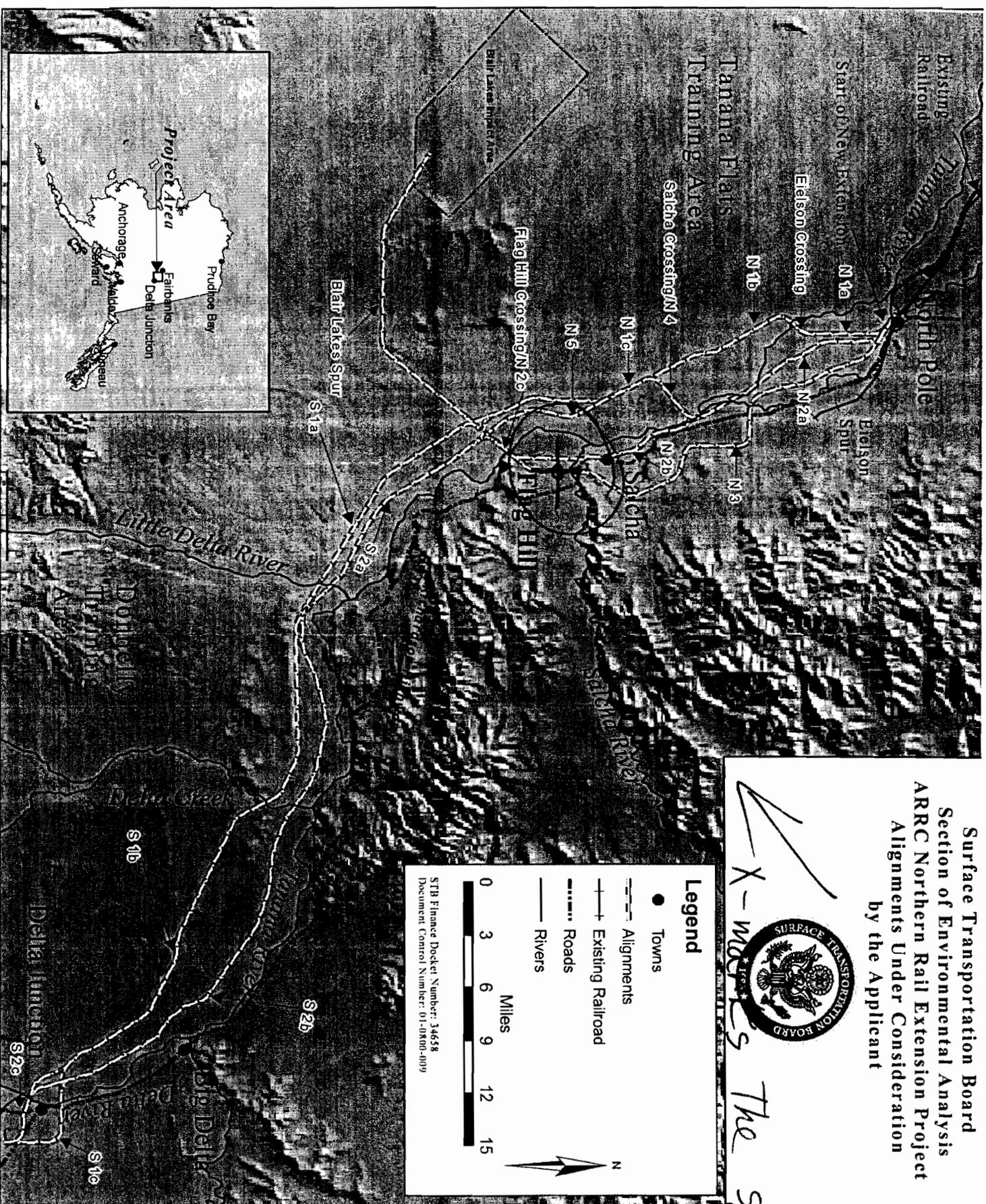
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 Alignments Under Consideration
 by the Applicant

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