

A red snowplow is clearing a snowy road in a winter forest. The plow is moving from right to left, pushing a large pile of snow. The background shows a dense forest of bare trees under a bright sky.

Modern, Resilient and Agile Alaska DOT&PF

Alaska Municipal League 2026 Winter Legislative Conference

Department of Transportation & Public Facilities
Ryan Anderson, P.E., Commissioner

February 17, 2026



STRUCTURE



COMMISSIONER

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

STRATEGIC ASSETS

Alaska International
Airport System

Alaska Marine
Highway System

Statewide
Equipment Fleet

Division of Facilities

Measurement Standards
& Commercial Vehicle
Compliance

INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS

CROSS-FUNCTIONAL TEAMS

Program Management
& Administration

Data Modernization
& Innovation / Highway
Safety Office

Program Development /
Project Management
Office

Alaska Trails & Local
Access Systems

Communications

Procurement

Civil Rights

NORTHERN

CENTRAL

SOUTHCOAST

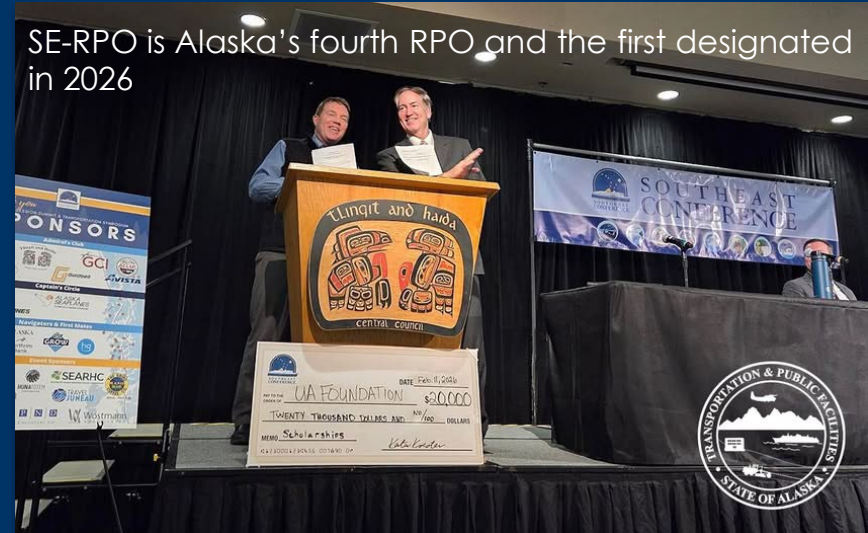


Regional Planning Organization (RPO)

- RPO's are one of several transportation planning structures used nationwide, alongside Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs).
- RPOs are especially valuable in rural regions, as they allow communities to build capacity and participate meaningfully in transportation planning and funding decisions while maintaining flexibility.

RTPO is an organization that:

- Identifies local transportation needs
- Conducts transportation planning
- Assists local governments
- Supports the statewide transportation planning process in non-metropolitan regions of a State
- Serves areas with population size less than 50,000



SE-RPO is Alaska's fourth RPO and the first designated in 2026

Commissioner Ryan Anderson, P.E. and Robert Venables, Executive Director of the Southeast Conference, officially designating the Southeast Conference as a Regional Planning Organization.

Current RPO's in Alaska

1. Copper River Valley 2022
2. Northwest Arctic Borough 2023
3. Fairbanks North Star Borough/FAST
4. Southeast Conference 2026

Tribal Policy Modernization

Resilience is Relational

ALASKA DOT&PF TRIBAL RELATIONS

Community-Led Transportation
COLLABORATION • MUTUAL RESPECT • LASTING RELATIONSHIPS



ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES



Meet
The Team

Modernizing Policy 01.03.010 (2002), developing a draft Statewide Tribal Consultation Policy, training modules, and a resource library

- Updating Statewide Tribal Consultation Policy
- Survey Outreach and Engagement Sessions Informing the Policy
- Training Modules For DOT&PF Staff
- Tribal Engagement Resource Library

West Coast Storm 2025 Team Response

50+ Communities impacted by
two typhoon surge storms

250+ DOT&PF Employees Statewide

Active Incident Command Structure across operations,
logistics, planning, finance and community engagement.
Leading statewide data-assessment efforts for all agencies.

15+ Contractors Rebuilding Infrastructure

15+ Transporters Delivering Critical Supplies

55+ Suppliers

6,000,000+lbs Materials Delivered So Far

35 in 3 days Our drone team completed
damage assessments in 35 communities in just 3 days.



Working through the **Statewide Emergency Operations Center**, in collaboration with state agencies, nonprofit and private partners, the Governor's Office, and federal agencies to restore transportation systems and assist affected communities.

DOT&PF Capital Programs



By Land. By Sea. By Air. Alaska Moves the North.

Alaska's transportation system is fully integrated, connecting the Pacific to the Arctic through highways, rail, ports, and world-class aviation. Together, these assets support global trade, resource development, and the daily needs of communities across our state. This isn't just infrastructure, it's Alaska's strategic advantage.

Highways

Alaska's highways connect communities, resource development, ports, and military installations across vast distances. In many regions, they are essential lifelines that keep people, goods, and industry moving year-round.

Marine Highways

Serving coastal communities across Alaska. Alaska's Marine Highway moves people, freight, and fuel across 3,100 miles of coastline strengthening supply chains from Southeast to the Arctic.

Aviation

With over 80% of communities accessible only by air, aviation is critical infrastructure. From village runways to one of the world's top cargo hubs in Anchorage, Alaska connects locally and globally.

Transit

Transit systems provide reliable mobility for workers, seniors, and families — supporting local economies and expanding access to jobs, healthcare, and essential services.

Thank You.

Commissioner Ryan Anderson, P.E.

Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

DOT.Commissioner@alaska.gov

Alaska 511: 511.alaska.gov

