



Talkeetna Depot Restroom Facility

PROJECT FACTS

Project Scope

The Alaska Railroad (ARRC) is constructing restroom facilities nearby the Talkeetna Depot. Existing restrooms inside the Talkeetna Depot are inadequate to accommodate the number of customers and employees using the depot. Long lines form frequently during peak depot use. Faced with growing train ridership, for the last few years ARRC has rented port-a-potties to augment restroom facilities. This project constructs suitable restroom facilities approximately 20 feet from the depot to replace the port-a-potties.

Project Benefits

- Train ridership continues to grow and the restroom addition will accommodate this growth.
- With modern plumbing and electrical systems, the 26-by-24.5-foot building will provide customers with acceptable sanitary facilities.

Status

- Designs are complete and call for separate mens and womens facilities.
- Environmental analysis and documentation required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) were completed in spring 2009.
- Restroom construction began in fall 2009. The facility was opened for use in May 2010.
- Guardrails, handrails and breezeway security gates will be installed in 2011.

Project Cost and Funding

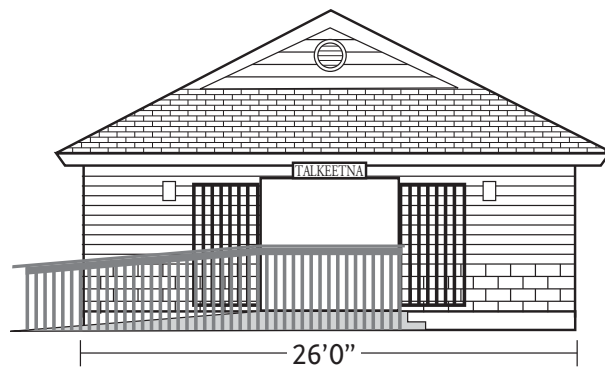
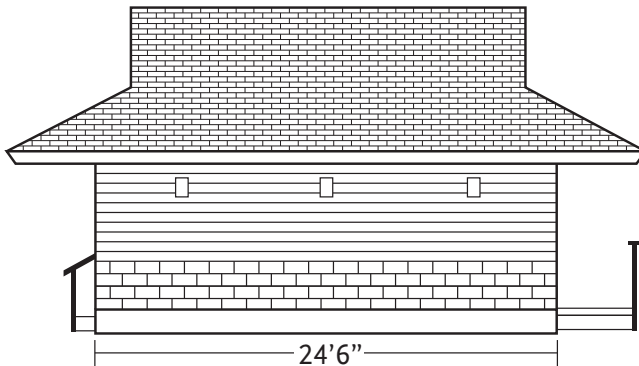
- Restroom facility estimated cost is \$400,000.
- This project is 100% funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 through a grant administered by the Federal Transit Administration.



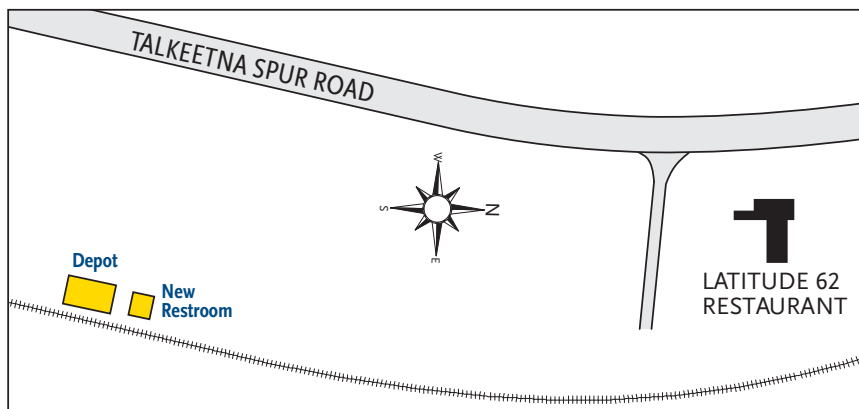
Hundreds of passengers pass through the Talkeetna Depot daily during the busy summer season.

Right: The new restroom facility is open for use, but still awaits installation of guardrails, handrails and security gates to close the breezeway when the facility closes.

Below: The new restroom facility (foreground) nears completion next to the depot. Once the facility opened for use in May 2010, porta-potties (shown at right in the photo) were no longer needed to accommodate passengers and employees.



Site Plan



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