

SEW-148

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SITE CARD16-521  
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1. NAME OF SITE	2. PERTINENT DATES
Itditarod Trail ( <i>Natl. Historic Trail</i> )	1899-1923
3. LOCATION Seward to Nome, 958 miles.	
4. DESCRIPTION (DIMENSIONS, PRESENT CONDITION, TOPOGRAPHICAL & OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL FEATURES, ETC.) Although used earlier, the trail was surveyed and blazed by the Alaska Road Commission during the <sup>late</sup> winter of 1908-1911. The name, Itditarod Trail, was attached to the route <sup>in 1908</sup> when gold was discovered in the Innoko-Itditarod District and the route received its heaviest use. After completion of the Alaska Railroad, in 1923, use of the trail diminished, and portions returned to their natural state. In 1973, the first Itditarod Trail Sled Dog Race was held and the trail is being recut and used. <i>It was declared by Congress and Dept. of Interior to be a National Historic Trail - possibly under management of BLM.</i>	
5. SIGNIFICANCE The winter route was used to transport mail and supplies to Nome and Itditarod from the ice-free port at Seward.	
6. DANGER OF DESTRUCTION	
7. RELEVANT PRINTED, MANUSCRIPT, PHOTOGRAPHIC REFERENCES Report, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, Anchorage, (1976) Field Office, BLM Itditarod Race Comm. <i>BLM.</i>	
8. OWNER OF PROPERTY/ADDRESS Primary Owner, BLM, 555 Cordova, Anchorage, Alaska <i>Deer Leg. - State of Alaska.</i>	

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QUAD ID SEW	ID# 148
SITE NAME Itditarod Trail	
LAT. (DEG)	(MIN) (SEC)
60	06 30N
LONG. (DEG)	(MIN) (SEC)
149	27 00W
THEME 5	RESOURCE NATURE H-6
OWNERSHIP Fed	SIZE <i>10,000 acres</i>
PRESERVATION STATUS NRE	
CULTURAL AFFILIATION Historic	
BIBLIOGRAPHIC REFERENCE See files	
DATES 1899-1923	
RELIABILITY 1	AHRS DATE 12/1/76
NR/NRE DATE	
SITE CONDITION B-1 D-6	
SITE ENVIRONMENT 03 04 08	
SITE REPOSITORY	