

A Favorite Iditarod Checkpoint

McGrath is a community of about 325 residents. Located 221 miles NW of Anchorage and 269 miles SW of Fairbanks in Interior Alaska, McGrath is adjacent to the Kuskokwim River at mile 401 on the Iditarod Trail.

McGrath was a seasonal Upper Kuskokwim Athabaskan village which was used as a meeting and trading place for Big River, Nikolai, Telida and Lake Minchumina residents. The Iditarod Trail also contributed to McGrath's role as a supply center. From 1911 to 1920, hundreds of people walked and drove dog teams over the Trail on their way to the Ophir gold districts.

A federally-recognized tribe is located in the community -- the McGrath Native Village. Slightly more than half of the population are Alaska Native. As a regional center, McGrath offers a variety of employment opportunities, but subsistence remains an important part of the local culture.

There are no roads connecting McGrath to the highway system and air transportation is the only means of commercial travel from Anchorage. Freight arrives year 'round by cargo plane or seasonally by barge during summer months.

TRANSPORTATION & LODGING

PenAir—from Anch.	800-448-4226
Magnuson Airways—Local	907-524-3123
Redline Charters—Local	907-524-3733
Tanana Air Service—Local	907-524-3330

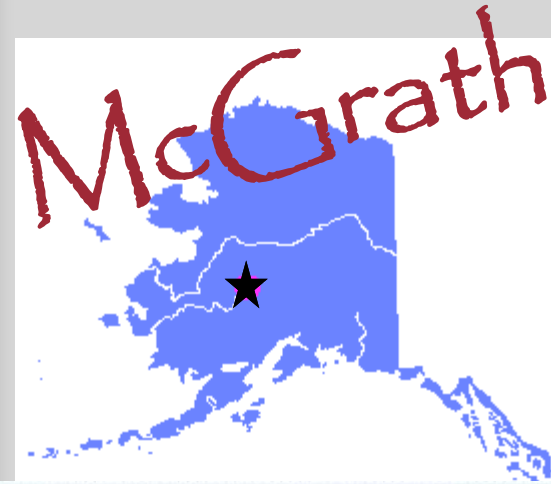
Hotel McGrath B&B	907-524-3951
Susie's Iditarod Bunkhouse	907-524-3331
Takusko House Lodge	907-524-3198

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- City of McGrath
- M.T.N.T. Limited
- UAF- I-A Campus McGrath Center
- Doyon, Limited
- State of AK—Div. of Forestry—DNR
- Innoko National Wildlife Refuge
- KSKO Public Radio
- State of Alaska—Dept. of Transportation
- State of AK - Fish & Wildlife Protection
- McGrath Native Village Council
- National Weather Service
- Tanana Chiefs Conference
- Iditarod Area School District
- Interior Regional Housing Authority
- State of Alaska—Fish & Game
- Southcentral Foundation—McGrath Health Center
- Alaska State Troopers



