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New Building Signage Says "Jobs are Alaska's Future"

(Juneau) – The Department of Labor & Workforce Development today unveiled new building signage at its downtown Juneau administrative office building. The billboard-size sign on the front of the building carries the department logo and its "Jobs are Alaska's Future" mission statement.

"With the natural gas pipeline project and continued growth forecasted in many industries, Alaskans will want and need training for new job opportunities," said Governor Frank H. Murkowski. "This new signage demonstrates the Department of Labor & Workforce Development's leadership in the effort to prepare Alaskans for the jobs of the future."

The first of two signs for the Juneau office building went up on Sunday afternoon. The second will be installed in the next couple of weeks on the Egan Road side of the building. Plans are in the works for new signage in Anchorage and potentially Fairbanks as well.

"Alaska has enjoyed 18 consecutive years of job growth and economic forecasts are for it to continue," said Commissioner Greg O'Claray. "With 10-year forecasts calling for an estimated 43,000 jobs being created by 2012, we want Alaskans to know we're here and ready to prepare them for a new career today or for the opportunities of tomorrow."

The downtown administrative office building does not at this time house one of the 24 one-stop Alaska Job Centers across the state. In the lobby of the downtown offices, job seekers may obtain printed materials with information about job search services available and directions to the Juneau Job Center located about nine miles north of downtown on Glacier Highway. Printed information about the full array of Department of Labor & Workforce Development services is also available at the downtown location.

"Jobs are Alaska's future. Be ready for the job that's ready for you," said O'Claray.