Edgerton Highway/McCarthy Road

Richardson Highway to McCarthy, AK

Edgerton Highway Log

Distance from junction with Richardson Highway (J) is followed by distance from McCarthy Road junction at Chitina (C).

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Edgerton Highway/McCarthy Road

To Glennallen (see Richardson Highway section)

To Valdez (see Richardson Highway section)

Principal Route Logged

Paved

Unpaved

Key to Advertiser Services

C-Camping

D-Dump Station

G-Gas (reg., unld.)

I-Ice

L-Lodging

M-Airline

P-Propane

R-Car Repair (major)

S-Car Repair (minor)

T-Telephone (pay)

Refer to Log for Visitor Facilities

Key to mileage boxes

miles/kilometres from:

Glennallen

Fairbanks

Valdez

Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve

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The National Park Service ranger station in Chitina has information on current road conditions and also on backcountry travel in Wrangell–St. Elias National Park and Preserve. The station is open daily from noon to 4 P.M.

There is no vehicle access to McCarthy/Kennicott from Chitina. Or let Kennicott Shuttle (www.kennicottshuttle.com) or Wrangell St. Elias Tours (www.alaskayukontravel.com) do the driving for you.

Take your time on the McCarthy Road. We recommend slow speeds (5 to 10 mph) on sections of rough road, and no more than the posted speed limit—35 mph—on improved gravel. Watch for sharp rocks, railroad spikes, no shoulders, narrow sections of road, soft spots, washboard, potholes and a few “roller coaster” curves. Motorists with large vehicles or trailers should exercise caution, especially in wet weather.

Flat tires are not uncommon on the McCarthy Road: Carry a spare. Tire repair is available in Chitina and McCarthy.

Emergency medical services: Between the junction of the Richardson and Edgerton highways and McCarthy, contact the Cross Road Medical Center in Glennallen, phone 911 or (907) 822-3203.

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