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ALASKA STATE MUSEUM

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## **END OF THE LINE**

### **Alaska State Museum Presents Ben Huff's "The Last Road North" Photos from the Dalton Highway**

JUNEAU – Beginning near Fairbanks and paralleling the Trans-Alaska Pipeline more than 400 miles to the Arctic Ocean, the Dalton Highway is America's northernmost highway and one of the most isolated roads in the world. Despite its remoteness, hundreds of commercial trucks brave the "North Slope Haul Road" every day, populating a breathtaking, sometimes dangerous, backdrop with a flavorful cast of characters.

Opening First Friday, February 1, 2013, photographer Ben Huff's new exhibit "The Last Road North" presents a collection of photos taken during five years of travels along the Dalton Highway. Huff's keen eye captures the complex landscape of a modern frontier, portraying the road as both a physical and metaphorical line between wilderness and civilization.

Ben Huff's work has appeared in museums and galleries throughout Alaska, as well as New York, Washington, DC, and internationally in Cambodia, China and Australia. Currently an adjunct instructor at University of Alaska Southeast, Huff also exhibited as part of the Alaska Positive 2012 exhibition at the Alaska State Museum this past fall that is now touring the state. "The Last Road North" appears as part of Alaska State Museum's 2013 Solo Artist Series.

"The Last Road North" runs February 1 through March 7, 2013 during regular museum hours. Join Ben Huff for a February First Friday reception, beginning at 4:30 p.m., sponsored by Friends of the Alaska State Museum.

Winter hours are 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Discounted winter admission is \$3. Visitors 18 and under are admitted free of charge. An annual pass that allows unlimited visits to the Alaska State Museum and the Sheldon Jackson Museum in Sitka is available for \$15. Assistance is available for visitors with special needs by contacting Visitor Services at 465-2901 before the visit.

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