Alaska Canada Rail Link Study Environmental Bio-Physical Assessment

Overview of Employment Opportunities Railroad Operations & Maintenance

The Alaska Canada Rail Link (ACRL) has the potential to provide numerous types of employment to local residents. This employment requires professional, skilled and semi-skilled labor.

The following railroad employment opportunities would probably be available:

President	
Responsibilities:	Manages and is responsible for the entire railroad
Desired Experience:	20+ years of comprehensive railroad experience, preferably in all facets of the railroad industry
Education	College degree, computer literacy
Category	Professional

Chief Transportation Officer	
Responsibilities:	Manages all train operations including train crews, train dispatchers and operating supervision
Desired Experience:	20+ years of comprehensive railroad operations experience in heavy haul freight and passenger operations
Education	College degree, Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) or Transport Canada regulatory operating requirements, operating rules, computer literacy
Category	Professional

Chief Engineer	
Responsibilities:	Manages all maintenance of way track, signal systems, bridges and buildings, including responsibility for maintenance of way, including track mechanics, signal system maintainers, and bridge and building employees
Desired Experience:	20+ years of comprehensive railroad engineering experience in track, signals, bridges and buildings
Education	College degree in civil engineering, Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) or Transport Canada Track Safety Standards, signal systems, computer literacy
Category	Professional

Chief Mechanical Officer	
Responsibilities:	Manages all locomotives, rolling stock and equipment maintenance facilities, including all mechanical employees
Desired Experience:	20+ years of comprehensive railroad mechanical maintenance experience in locomotives, rolling stock, and maintenance facilities
Education	College education, Association of American Railroads Interchange Standards, locomotive and rail car maintenance courses, computer literacy
Category	Professional

Chief Financial Officer	
Responsibilities:	Manages all finances and general business affairs
Desired Experience:	20+ years of comprehensive railroad financial experience, including business administration, taxation, insurance, risk management and banking. Certified Public Accountancy preferred
Education	College degree in business, finance or accounting; computer literacy
Category	Professional

Administrative	
Responsibilities:	Performs administrative and clerical functions
Desired Experience:	Entry level to very experienced
Education	Formal administrative training preferred and computer literacy required. Basic accountancy and finance desired.
Category	Skilled

Locomotive Engineer	
Responsibilities:	Operates locomotives in yard and road service
Desired Experience:	Qualified locomotive engineer preferred, including heavy haul and passenger train experience. No history of Driving (motor vehicles) Under the Influence
Education	High school diploma, locomotive engineer training and territory qualification, operating rules
Category	Skilled

Conductor	
Responsibilities:	Directs the safe and efficient movement of a train or switch engine in yard and switching service
Desired Experience:	Qualified conductor preferred, including yard and industry service
Education	High school diploma, conductor training and territory qualification, operating rules
Category	Skilled

Train Dispatcher	
Responsibilities:	Manages the safe and efficient movement of trains throughout the railroad using computerized train dispatching software.
Desired Experience:	Qualified train dispatcher, computer literacy
Education	High school diploma, operating rules
Category	Skilled

Yardmaster	
Responsibilities:	Manages the safe and efficient of train movements in a train yard. Receives trains into yard, directs movement of rail cars and locomotives, prepares trains to be dispatched to other locations.
Desired Experience:	Qualified yardmaster
Education	High school diploma, operating rules, computer literacy
Category	Skilled

Trainmaster / Road Foreman	
Responsibilities:	Supervises locomotive engineers. Manages train crews and train operations after departure from yards, while enroute, and prior to arrival in yards. Performs operating efficiency testing of operating personnel.
Desired Experience:	Qualified locomotive engineer with 10+ years of railroad operating experience
Education	High school diploma, FRA regulatory operating requirements, operating rules, computer literacy
Category	Skilled

Roadmaster	
Responsibilities:	Manages day-to-day maintenance of the track and signal system infrastructure, including federally mandated inspections and compliance with federal standards.
Desired Experience:	10+ years of maintenance experience in both railroad track and signal systems, including inspections
Education	College degree desired; high school diploma, FRA and/or Transport Canada regulatory requirements, computer literacy required.
Category	Skilled

Track, Bridge & Building Mechanic		
Responsibilities:	Performs daily maintenance, inspection and repair of track, bridge and building infrastructure. Duties include obtaining permission to occupy the railroad, drive trucks, operate all on-track and off track equipment, welding equipment, cranes.	
Desired Experience:	Experience in railroad, bridge and building maintenance construction. Experience in non-railroad construction suitable for entry level positions; welding, plumbing and electrical systems preferred.	
Education	High school diploma, FRA and/or Transport Canada regulatory requirements, commercial driving license required; computer literacy preferred.	
Category	Skilled; semi-skilled	

Signal Maintainer	
Responsibilities:	Performs daily maintenance, inspection and repair of signal systems and communications infrastructure. Duties include obtaining permission to occupy the railroad, drive trucks, operate all on-track and off track equipment, welding equipment, cranes, electronic testing equipment including computers.
Desired Experience:	Experience in electronics. Knowledge of FRA and/or Transport Canada required signal testing
Education	High school diploma required, advanced electronics testing and repair training preferred
Category	Skilled

Mechanical Supervisor	
Responsibilities:	Performs daily management all locomotive, rolling stock and equipment maintenance facilities, including supervision of all mechanical employees
Desired Experience:	10+ years of comprehensive railroad mechanical maintenance experience in locomotives, rolling stock, and maintenance facilities
Education	High school diploma, computer literacy, Association of American Railroads Interchange Standards, locomotive and rail car maintenance courses
Category	Skilled

Locomotive and Rail Car Repair Mechanic		
Responsibilities:	Performs daily maintenance of all locomotives, rolling stock and equipment maintenance facilities	
Desired Experience:	5+ years of comprehensive railroad mechanical maintenance experience in locomotives, rolling stock, and maintenance facilities desired. Electrical and electronics, welding, sheet metal, diesel mechanic and plumbing preferred.	
Education	High school diploma, Association of American Railroads Interchange Standards, locomotive and rail car maintenance courses, computer literacy	
Category	Skilled	

All railroad employees must agree to submit and pass a drug and alcohol free test prior to the commencement of employment for the railroad, and freely avail themselves to random drug and alcohol testing at any time during employment.