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Alaska State Highway #4 "Glennallen, Alaska to Valdez, Alaska"

MILE	KM	ITEM	SUMMARY	MILE	KM
0.0	0.0	The Richardson Highway is Alaska's oldest highway, classed as a Scenic Byway	The Richardson Highway began as a gold rush trail to Eagle, Alaska in 1898. - Highway Byway Highlites; Alaska's, Thompson Pass is the site of world class ice climbing and extreme skiing. - Alaska's, Blueberry Lake Campground, one of Alaska's most scenic. - Alaska's, Keystone Canyon, a gorge cut by the Lowe River. - Alaska's, Worthington Glacier. - At the Visitor Center, near Copper Center, get information on America's largest national park, Wrangell-St. Elias Mountains home to the highest concentration of peaks over 16,000 feet in North America.	112.8	181.6
0.0	0.0	Junction of Alaska Highway #1 'The Glenn Highway'	Community of Glennallen, Alaska. Access to a large Visitor Information Center. Services fuel at highway, gas, diesel. West to Palmer Alaska, Wasilla, Alaska, Big Lake Alaska, Anchorage, Alaska. The Glen Highway is a National Scenic Byway, which runs from Glennallen, Alaska to Anchorage, Alaska.	112.8	181.6
1.1	1.7	Community of Tazlina, Alaska		111.8	179.9
2.3	3.7	Roadside highway turnout - Rest Area - View Area		110.5	177.9
3.9	6.2	Services fuel at highway		109.0	175.4
4.3	6.9	Point of Information	Crossing the Gulkana River, Alaska.	108.6	174.7
4.3	7.0	Roadside highway turnout		108.5	174.6
7.8	12.5	Access to Wrangell - St. Elias National Park & Preserve	East side of highway, access to Park Information Center. The more than 13 million acres of the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve encompass three mountain ranges. The largest park of the National Park System, this wilderness includes the continent's largest assemblage of glaciers, and greatest collection of peaks above 16,000 feet, including 18,008 ^{ft} Mount St. Elias, the second highest peak in the United States.	105.1	169.1
8.4	13.5	Community of Copper Center, Alaska	Copper Center, Alaska is located on the west bank of the Copper River at the confluence of the Klutina River. In the early years, Copper Center became the principal supply center for miners in the Nelchina-Susitna region.	104.5	168.1
10.3	16.6	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	102.5	165.0
17.3	27.8	Point of Information	Crossing Willow Creek, Alaska	95.6	153.8
17.3	27.9	Roadside highway turnout	No services. West side of highway.	95.5	153.7
17.4	28.0	Roadside highway turnout	No services. West side of highway	95.4	153.6
17.5	28.1	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'. - Photo looking east at a portion of The Alaska Pipeline, suspended above ground. The 800-mile-long Trans Alaska Pipeline System is one of the largest pipeline systems in the world. It stretches from Prudhoe Bay, Alaska to Valdez, Alaska	95.4	153.5
20.3	32.7	Roadside highway turnout - Scenic View Area	Paved turnout with historical marker sign.	92.5	148.9
24.9	40.0	Point of Information	Crossing Yamerak Creek.	88.0	141.6
25.1	40.4	Roadside highway turnout - Scenic View Area	No services.	87.7	141.2
25.4	40.8	Access to Highway #10 'The Edgerton Highway'	East to the communities of Lower Tonsina, Alaska - Chitina, Alaska - McCarthy, Alaska - Kennicott, Alaska. East access to Liberty Falls State Recreation Site. Camping sites, water, pit toilets, picnic shelter, picnic sites, no RV dump station. The community of Chitina, is between two of the largest mountain ranges in North America; the Chugach Range, which stretches along the South Central Coast of Alaska and the Wrangell Mountains. Chitina was a supply town in the early years for the Kennecott Copper Mine and the Copper River Northwestern Railway.	87.5	140.8
26.3	42.3	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	86.6	139.3
26.8	43.2	Services fuel at highway	West side of highway.	86.0	138.4
27.4	44.1	Point of Information	Crossing Yamerak Creek.	85.4	137.5
27.5	44.2	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	85.4	137.4
27.8	44.8	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	85.0	136.8
28.4	45.7	Point of Information	Crossing Squirrel Creek, Alaska	84.4	135.9

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28.5	45.9	Access to Squirrel Creek State Recreation Site - Photo taken from Squirrel Creek	East of highway. NOTE: Side trip to Squirrel Creek State Recreation Site. Facilities; camping sites, picnic sites, water (pump) pit toilets, fishing, no dump station.	84.3	135.7
30.4	48.9	Point of Information - Photo Looking north at the Tonsina River Alaska	Crossing the Tonsina River - The Tonsina, flows out of the northern Chugach Mountains creating a portion of the western border of the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park.	82.5	132.7
30.6	49.2	Access to R V Park Campground	East side of highway.	82.3	132.4
33.9	54.5	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	79.0	127.1
35.5	57.1	Roadside highway turnout	Large gravel turnout, no services. West side of highway.	77.4	124.5
37.8	60.9	Roadside highway turnout - Scenic View Area	West side of highway.	75.0	120.7
41.2	66.3	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	71.6	115.3
44.1	71.0	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	68.7	110.6
44.6	71.8	Access to Alaska Pipeline, pump station #12		68.2	109.8
44.6	71.8	Access to Alaska Pipeline, pump station #12	West side of highway.	68.2	109.8
47.2	75.9	Point of Information	Entering Prince William Sound Fishing Management Area.	65.7	105.7
49.3	79.3	Roadside highway turnout	Paved turnout, no services. East side of highway.	63.6	102.3
50.0	80.4	View from highway - Photo taken June 15th	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	62.9	101.2
50.0	80.4	View from highway Photo taken June 15th	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	62.9	101.2
52.9	85.2	Roadside highway turnout	Paved and gravel turnout, no services. East side of highway.	59.9	96.4
53.4	85.9	Services fuel at highway	Access to R V Park Campground east side of highway.	59.5	95.7
54.1	87.0	Roadside highway turnout	Paved and gravel turnout, no services.	58.8	94.6
55.1	88.6	Roadside highway turnout	Paved turnout, no services. East side of highway.	57.8	93.0
57.1	91.9	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	55.7	89.7
58.3	93.9	Point of Information	Crossing the Tiekkel River, Alaska	54.5	87.7
60.5	97.3	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	52.4	84.3
61.4	98.8	Roadside highway turnout Mount 'Billy' Mitchell	Paved turnout with historical marker. Lt. Billy Mitchell ' Father of the modern U.S. Air Force' . In 1902 Lt. Billy Mitchell, U.S. Army Signal Corps, was sent to the territory of Alaska to construct a telegraph line linking Valdez and Nome to the United States. Mitchell learned to fly in 1918 and commanded several units in World War 1, he became the leading proponent to create an independent U.S. Air Force. Mitchell's previous Alaska experience shaped his idea, he who holds Alaska will hold the world, as far as defending the North American continent. In 1946 Mitchell was awarded the posthumously a special non-combat Medal Of Honor by Congress for outstanding pioneer service and foresight in the field of American Military Aviation	51.5	82.8
61.8	99.4	View from highway - Photo Looking at Mount Billy Mitchell	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	51.1	82.2
62.1	99.9	Roadside highway turnout		50.8	81.7
62.1	100.0	Point of Information - Photo Looking at the Alaska Tiekkel River	Crossing the Tiekkel River, Alaska.	50.7	81.6
65.9	106.1	Roadside highway turnout	Gravel turnout, no services. West side of highway.	46.9	75.5
65.9	106.1	Point of Information	Crossing Jottahamma Creek.	46.9	75.5
66.8	107.5	Roadside highway turnout	Gravel turnout, no services. West side of highway.	46.0	74.1
70.2	113.0	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	42.6	68.6
71.7	115.4	Point of Information	Crossing the Tsaina River, Alaska	41.1	66.2
71.8	115.5	Roadside highway turnout	Large paved turnout, no services. East side of highway.	41.1	66.1
72.2	116.2	Point of Information	Leaving B.L.M. Land management Area.	40.6	65.4
73.5	118.3	View from highway - Photo looking at The Worthington Glacier, Alaska	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway' The Worthington Glacier is one of the most accessible glaciers in Alaska. The glacier is named for the transit man of an 1899 survey party mapping an ice-free corridor to Alaska's interior who survived being swept away in a glacial stream.	39.3	63.3
74.3	119.5	Access to Lodging	East side of highway.	38.6	62.1

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80.0	128.7	Roadside highway turnout - Scenic View Area -	Paved turnout, No services. West side of the highway. Photo taken from turnout Looking at The Worthington Glacier, Alaska.	32.9	52.9
80.2	129.0	Roadside Turnout - Worthington Glacier State Recreation Site.	Paved viewing area with interpretive displays, picnic area, trails, and toilets.	32.7	52.6
83.3	134.0	Point of Information - Thompson Pass	Thompson Pass, Alaska passes over the Chugach Mountains.	29.6	47.6
83.6	134.5	Roadside highway turnout	Paved turnout, no services. West side of highway.	29.3	47.1
83.8	134.9	Roadside highway turnout	Paved turnout, no services. West side of highway.	29.0	46.7
84.9	136.6	Roadside highway turnout	No services. West side of highway.	28.0	45.0
85.1	137.0	Access to Alaska's Blueberry State Recreation Site	East of highway 1.2 miles. Camping sites, water, hiking trails, no picnic sites, no R V Dump Station. fishing.	27.7	44.6
87.7	141.2	Roadside highway turnout	Long paved turnout, no services. East side of highway.	25.1	40.4
90.5	145.7	Point of Information	Crossing Sheep Creek, Alaska.	22.3	35.9
90.8	146.1	Roadside highway turnout	With emergency telephone. West side of highway.	22.1	35.5
92.7	149.2	Point of Information	Crossing Lowe River, Alaska.	20.1	32.4
93.1	149.8	Point of Information	Entering Keystone Canyon, Alaska.	19.8	31.8
93.9	151.1	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	19.0	30.5
94.1	151.4	Roadside highway turnout	No services. East side of highway.	18.8	30.2
94.7	152.4	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	18.1	29.2
95.1	153.1	Roadside highway turnout - Scenic View Area - Bridal Veil Falls	Paved turnout, west side of highway. - Photo of Alaska, Bridal Veil Falls, taken from turnout.	17.7	28.5
95.4	153.6	Horsetail Falls - Roadside highway turnout - Scenic View Area -	Paved turnout. West side of the highway. Photo of Horsetail Falls, Alaska taken from roadside turnout.	17.4	28.0
95.7	154.0	View from highway	Driving south on the 'Alaska Richardson Highway'	17.2	27.6
97.2	156.5	Point of Information - Hiking Trail	Access to Pack Trail of 1899 Hiking trail. West side of highway.	15.6	25.1
97.6	157.0	Roadside highway turnout	Paved turnout, no services. East side of highway.	15.3	24.6
104.5	168.2	Truck Weigh Station	East side of highway.	8.3	13.4
106.2	170.9	Access to Alaska Pipeline Terminal	East side of highway.	6.6	10.7
108.0	173.8	Point of Information	Crossing The Valdez Glacier Stream, Alaska.	4.8	7.8
109.3	175.9	Services fuel at highway	Gas, diesel. West side of highway.	3.5	5.7
111.5	179.5	Roadside highway turnout	No services. East side of highway.	1.3	2.1
111.8	179.9	Access to Salmon Spawning Area Viewpoint	West side of highway. Access to Chucagh National Forest Information.	1.1	1.7
112.5	181.0	Access to R V Park Campground	Both sides of highway.	0.4	0.6
112.6	181.2	Services fuel at highway	Gas and diesel.	0.2	0.4
112.7	181.3	Access to R V Park Campground		0.2	0.3
112.8	181.5	City of Valdez, Alaska Business area	Valdez, Akaska is located on the north shore of Port Valdez, on the north end of Prince William Sound. Valdez is surrounded by the Chugach Mountains. They are the most heavily glaciated mountains in the Northwest. Valdez is a fishing port, both for commercial and sport fishing.	0.1	0.1
112.8	181.6	Access to City of Valdez, Alaska, Visitor information Center	North of highway. The staff here are very pleasant and helpful as well as knowledgeable of the area. - Photo of the information Center.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	NOTE: Although the highway Log is completed, we added photos of Valdez, Alaska, attractions which may be of interest to the traveller.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska harbour area.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area. Photos of some of the Glacier Tour Boats in Valdez, Alaska Harbour. Editor's Note: Our tour was taken in early June, dress warm as it is cool outside the boat, which is the best viewing area. The boat is heated inside.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area while on a glacier boat cruse. This photo is looking east from the boat at the Alaska Pipeline Storage Terminal. The Trans-Alaska Pipeline System was designed and constructed to move oil from the North Slope of Alaska to the northern most ice- free port to Valdez, Alaska. - Length: 800 miles. - Diameter: 48 inches. - Crosses three mountain ranges and over 800 rivers and streams. - Cost to build: \$8 billion in 1977, largest privately funded construction project at that time.	0.0	0.0

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112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area. On our boat cruse, we had the choice of a 6 1/2 hour cruse which goes to The Columbia Glacier, or a 9 1/2 hour cruse that went also to the Meares Glacier. We chose the 9 1/2 hour cruse and were glad we did. The Columbia Glacier, is southcentral Alaska's largest tidewater glacier. The Meares Glacier, is a advancing and very actively calving glacier. - Photo from our boat heading for the Glaciers. - Photo taken from boat looking west at the Columbia Glacier in the distance	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area, while on our boat cruse. Photo approaching the The Meares Glacier, Akaska. Photo looking west at The Meares Glacier, Meares, is an advancing and very actively calving glacier.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area. This is as close as we got to the Meares Glacier, it was awesome when calving of the glacier occurred.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area, while on our boat cruse.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area, while on our boat cruse. Photo looking at some of the local sea life, these are a family of Sea Otters.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area, while on our boat cruse. Photo looking at some of the local bird life, a adult Bald Eagle.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area, while on our boat cruse. Photo we stopped and talked to fishermen, who as you can see are very proud of there catch of Rock Fish.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area, while on our boat cruse. Photo looking a group of Sea Lions.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area, while on our boat cruse.	0.0	0.0
112.8	181.6	Valdez, Alaska - Points of interest	Photos taken of the Valdez, Alaska area. Photo - The walkway along the harbour of Prince William Sound, Valdez, Alaska. Start / Finish of Highway Travel Guide.	0.0	0.0