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Transport Complex in the Far North

Greater and more complex tasks have been laid down in the long term State program for the composite development of productive forces in the Far-Eastern economic region, the Buryat Autonomous Soviet Socialist Republic and Chita Oblast for the period up to the year 2000. The program provides for: greater involvement in the economic turnover of natural resources; an increase in the role of the industrial potential of these districts, including Magadan Oblast, in the united national-economic complex of the USSR; and an improvement of conditions affecting human life and work.

By the year 2000, the output of industrial production in Magadan Oblast is expected to increase 1.4 times; this includes electrical power generation which is expected to rise by 2.7 times, and coal mining which expected to rise by 2.3 times. There will be a considerable increase in the production of various kinds of agricultural and fish products. During this period, the oblast expects to build new and particularly important facilities, and to reconstruct and enlarge facilities already in operation; over 100 facilities in the industrial infrastructure will be affected. More construction is expected during this period as compared to the last fifteen years: housing is expected to increase two-fold, children's pre-school establishments by 1.5 times, and polyclinics and schools for general education by 1.6 times.

Completion of the tasks planned for the economic and social development of the oblast will make it possible for the area to reach a new