

limit. Road and air transport are very expensive. This is why the need has also arisen for the construction of a railway line in the region.

"The Yakutsk - Amur Mainline Railway (YAM) will link the capital city of the Yakut Autonomous Republic with Berkakit. The line will run for about eight hundred kilometres. The first section of the project will be the construction of the line from Berkakit to Tommot (three hundred and eighty kilometres). The first forty kilometres of the rail line have already been laid. The building of the earthen under way. Settlements for the railway construction workers will also be built.

"This section of the Yakutsk - Amur Main Line should be open to traffic in 1991."

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