

These problems are very complicated and have still not been studied adequately. They are related both to the necessity of delivering cargo to an unequipped seacoast, where there are short periods of navigation and also unfavourable hydrological conditions, and to large expenditures of capital investments. After all, the construction of facilities in our oblast costs approx. 2.5-3 times more than analogous facilities in central regions of the country. For this reason, it is simply an inadmissible luxury to build without taking the future into consideration and without taking the interests of contractors into account.

All interested ministries and departments dealing with the natural resources of districts in the Far North should obtain accurate scientific recommendations pertaining to questions of transport supply before beginning to build any facilities whatsoever.

In other words, it is necessary to work out a common, integrated, scientifically-valid transport and industrial system of supplying goods to districts in the Far North, one which envisions a corresponding development of industrial and processing bases in all the affected contracting enterprises and organizations, while ensuring the least expenditures. This common transport system should be co-ordinated throughout - from the supplier to the consumer (from door to door). It should also provide for a radical improvement in the existing system of supplying goods to an unequipped coast.

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