



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**February 9, 2010; 08:00 AKST (Circle City, AK)** - The front runners of the 2010 Yukon Quest were heading to Eagle last night and continue to this morning. Zack Steer led the pack. He dropped one dog at the Slaven's Roadhouse dog drop and began his trek to Eagle at 5:55 p.m. followed by Hugh Neff, Ken Anderson and Lance Mackey.

Rookie Abbie West has been closely following the front runners. She was the eighth musher to arrive at Slaven's Roadhouse and left before midnight. Brent Sass is currently running the smallest team with 9 dogs on the line after dropping one at Slaven's.

Mushers were still arriving and departing from the Circle City checkpoint into the early hours of the morning.

By the time of this release, all 24 competitors had arrived at the Circle City checkpoint, with the last getting in at 4:15 AM local time. Three were resting there, while 10 were heading to Slaven's. At the Slaven's Roadhouse dog drop, two mushers were resting, while 9 teams were on the move toward Eagle.

\*\* For the most up-to-date results from the Yukon Quest, please visit <http://yukonquest.com/site/race-updates/>. You can also access mini-updates of the race through our Facebook page - <http://www.facebook.com/YukonQuest> . Plus, follow the race on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/YukonQuest2010> \*\*

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