A drive on the 42-mile long Nabesna Road is much the same today as it was when it was built by the Alaska Road Commission in 1933 to connect Nabesna Mine to the port in Valdez. Today, Nabesna Road provides access to the northern part of the park offering the chance to experience true Alaska wilderness.

Before beginning your trip, stop at the Slana Ranger Station to check on current road conditions and to pick up a park map. Generally, the road is passable by any two-wheel drive vehicle, even most RVs. At times, high clearance and four-wheel drive are recommended beyond Mile 29, where you encounter the first of three creek crossings. Following spring runoff or a heavy rain, these intermittent stream crossings can have high water and deep channels.

- Road begins at mile 60 of the Glenn Highway (Tok Cutoff). 42 miles, EACH WAY
- NO FUEL available in Slana or along the Nabesna Road. Fill up before arriving. Closest available fuel is in Chistochina (20 miles south), or Mentasta (15 miles north)
- Drive slowly, carefully, and courteously. Carry a full-sized spare and an adequate jack.
- This is a remote area with limited services. Private land exists along the road in many areas. Please respect the privacy of landowners.