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## <u>DESTINATION AMERICA GREENLIGHTS ALL-NEW SERIES "BUYING THE ROCKIES" (WT)</u> AND SEASON 2 OF "RAILROAD ALASKA"

(Beverly Hills, Cal.) – Destination America becomes King in the North with the greenlight of new programming that celebrates the romance and roughness of life atop some of America's highest altitudes. First, the newest addition to Destination America's "Buying" franchise, **BUYING THE ROCKIES** (WT), features home-seekers looking to leave their lowland lodging behind and move on up to a mountain-top home of their dreams. **The 10-episode first season of BUYING THE ROCKIES** (WT) is slated to premiere this fall. Then, **RAILROAD ALASKA** returns for a second season chronicling everyday challenges faced by homesteaders living along Alaska's critical 650-mile-long railroad and the elite crew of workers that must keep the train rolling to deliver life-sustaining supplies. **RAILROAD ALASKA** season 2 is on track to premiere 10 new episodes beginning this fall.

"It's every American's dream to buy a piece of what makes them happy, whether it's a log cabin in the Rocky Mountains or a homestead haven in Alaska," said Marc Etkind, general manager of Destination America. "In **BUYING THE ROCKIES (WT)** and **RAILROAD ALASKA**, viewers will discover that living in the wild is as much about the journey as it is about the destination."

Every episode of **BUYING THE ROCKIES** (**WT**) sends potential homeowners on a rocky road trip to tour three properties. From grand log mansions built for entertaining to cozy, efficient cabins just big enough for two, each home boasts its own charm and challenges. Seclusion, stunning views, adventure sports, and life among the great outdoors are some of the interests that attract families to the Rockies, but facing life off the grid is a big decision. Mountain high or valley low, four-wheel drive is a necessity and life in the Rockies could mean giving up luxuries like electricity.

Celebrating hardworking Americans who literally put life and limb on the line, **RAILROAD ALASKA** chronicles one railroad crew's mission to maintain Alaskans' lifeline to precious supplies and help, because if the train doesn't get though, locals won't get food, fuel, or other crucial supplies. Homesteaders living miles from roads or towns and surrounded by wild animals – from bears to moose – can flag down the passenger train to get what they need. From supplying construction projects to purchasing everyday home goods, seemingly straight-forward tasks are a daunting endeavor for these off-gridders.

**BUYING THE ROCKIES (WT)** is produced by Paper Route Productions for Destination America with Alan LaGarde and Sumit David as executive producers. For Destination America, Fay Yu is executive producer, Marc Etkind is general manager, and Henry Schleiff is Group President, Investigation Discovery, Destination America, American Heroes Channel and Discovery Fit & Health.

**RAILROAD ALASKA** is produced by Windfall Films with Carlo Massarella and David Dugan as executive producers and Tom Langan as series producer. For Destination America, Caroline Perez is executive producer, Marc Etkind is general manager, and Henry Schleiff is Group President, Investigation Discovery, Destination America, American Heroes Channel and Discovery Fit & Health.

## **About Destination America**

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