Denali Commission and Alaska Native Tribal Health FY2006 Request: \$10,500,000 Consortium Safe Water Projects Reference No: 40551

AP/AL: Appropriation Project Type: Construction

Category: Health/Human Services

**Location:** Statewide **Contact:** Dan Easton

**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40) **Contact Phone:** (907)465-5135

Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2010

## **Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This project provides funding for grants to small communities to design and construct water and sewer facilities. It contributes to the Division's End Result 2 -- Citizens are Protected from Unsafe Sanitary Facilities. Drinking water and sewerage projects constructed with grant funds protect rural residents from unsafe sanitary facilities.

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Funding:	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	Total
Fed Rcpts	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$63,000,000
Total:	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$63,000,000
☐ State Match Required ☐ One-Time Project ☐ Phased - new ☐ Phased - underway ☑ On-Going							
0% = Minimum State Match % Required ☐ Amendment							
Operating & Maintenance Costs:					Am	ount	Staff
Project Development:						0	0
Ongoing Operating:					0	0	
One-Time Startup:					0		
				Totals:		0	0

## **Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**

None

## **Project Description/Justification:**

Federal grant funds are being made available to the state through the Denali Commission and the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium. These funds will be used to supplement grants issued to a number of communities through the Village Safe Water program and will cover the State's cost of administering the additional funding. The Village Safe Water program provides technical and financial support to Alaska's smallest communities to design and construct water, wastewater and solid waste facilities. Communities apply each year to the state for grants for sanitation projects. Applications are scored weighing the extent to which proposed projects address critical public health needs, as well as the communities' capacity to operate and maintain the facilities. Grants are awarded for the highest ranking projects. Village Safe Water program engineers work directly with community officials to make sure that planning results in facilities that are appropriate for each community, that facilities are properly and efficiently constructed, and that state and federal grant funds are used appropriately.