

Safe Routes to Schools**FY2010 Request: \$1,000,000****Reference No: 41384****AP/AL:** Allocation**Project Type:** Construction**Category:** Transportation**Location:** Statewide**Contact:** Frank Richards**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)**Contact Phone:** (907)465-3900**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2009 - 06/30/2014**Appropriation:** Surface Transportation Program**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Implementation of the state's plan to focus program funds for school educational programs to promote safety and encourage students walking or bicycling to school, and to identify construction projects that will facilitate pedestrian or bicycle traffic from neighborhoods to schools. Provide outreach and education about safe pedestrian and bicycle travel near schools. Implement construction projects identified in the planning process. This project contributes to the Department's Mission by reducing injuries, fatalities and property damage.

Funding:	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	Total
Fed Rcpts	\$1,000,000						\$1,000,000
Total:	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input type="checkbox"/> On-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

FY2009 - \$1,600,000; FY2007 - \$1,700,000.

Project Description/Justification:

Safe Routes to Schools coordination for Alaska per SAFETEA-LU, Section 1404, and implement the educational and outreach portion of the Safe Routes to Schools Program.

Step 1 to prepare a plan is complete.

Step 2 will be plan implementation:

- Construction projects eligible under this program are: sidewalk improvements, traffic calming and speed reduction improvements, pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements, on-street bicycle facilities, off-street bicycle and pedestrian facilities, secure bike parking, and traffic diversion improvements in the vicinity of schools (within approximately two miles). Such projects may be carried out on any public road or any public bicycle or pedestrian pathway or trail in the vicinity of schools.

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- Each State must use a portion of the funds for non-infrastructure-related activities to encourage walking and bicycling to school. These include public awareness campaigns and outreach to press and community leaders; traffic education and enforcement in the vicinity of schools, student sessions on bicycling and pedestrian safety, health, and environment, and training volunteers and managers of safe routes to school programs.