Dalton Highway: Milepost 197 to 209 FY2010 Request: \$22,900,000 Reference No: AMD 47690

AP/AL: Allocation Project Type: Construction

Category: Transportation

Location: Statewide Contact: Frank Richards

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Estimated Project Dates: 02/01/2009 - 06/30/2011 **Appropriation:** Surface Transportation Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This is a new FY10 Capital Request. The 414 - mile long Dalton Highway is the sole ground transportation link to the revenue lifeblood of Alaska, the North Slope oil and gas fields. Over the last two decades the roadway surface and roadside drainage structures have fallen into disrepair due to insufficient funding. This project contributes to the Department's Mission by reducing injuries, fatalities and property damage and by improving the mobility of people and goods.

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Funding:	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	Total		
Fed Rcpts	\$22,900,000	_					\$22,900,000		
Total:	\$22,900,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$22,900,000		
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Operating & Maintenance Costs:	Amount	Staff
Project Development	: 0	0
Ongoing Operating	: 0	0
One-Time Startun	. 0	

Totals: 0 0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

Project Description/Justification:

This project consists of rehabilitation, including widening, resurfacing and enhancements. Grade raises, delineator installation, brush cutting, drainage repairs, repair of damaged bridges, and additional surfacing are also planned. There are poor foundation conditions and serious embankment failures in this area.

The Dalton Highway Corridor from Fairbanks to Prudhoe Bay is vital to North Slope oil and gas development. This highway is a statewide priority and provides the sole ground transportation link to Alaska's major revenue source. Overland access to these resources is critical to their continued development, to Alyeska Pipeline operation and maintenance and to future gas pipeline construction. Truck traffic is expected to continue to grow as continued oil and gas development requires increasing amounts of drill pipe, materials for production facilities and other supplies. Traffic growth is expected to accelerate significantly with construction of the planned gas pipeline.