#### North Slope Borough - Community Winter Access Trails FY2020 Request: \$1,672,077 Reference No: AMD 62811

AP/AL: Allocation Project Type: Life / Health / Safety **Recipient:** North Slope Borough Category: Development Location: North Slope Borough **House District:** Arctic (HD 40) **Impact House District:** Arctic (HD 40) Contact: April Wilkerson

**Appropriation:** National Petroleum Reserve - Alaska Impact Grant Program

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

This request amends the original Governor's supplemental request by adding allocation-level funding. This change is due to the timing of approval of individual National Petroleum Reserve - Alaska grants. This project supports the North Slope Borough Community Winter Access Trails (CWAT), and supports a Traveler Safety and Inspection Program within the NPR-A villages. This project focuses on maintaining preexisting trails and managing public safety. Grant funds are requested for labor, fringe benefits, contractual services, equipment purchase, material, supplies, freight, travel, and 25% administration

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Funding:	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	Total
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Operating & Maintenance Costs:		Amount	Staff
	Project Development:	0	0
	Ongoing Operating:	0	0
	One-Time Startup:	0	
	Totals:	0	0

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

This project was awarded at a total of \$4,000,000, which will be partially funded by the FY2019 supplemental and partly funded by this FY2020 appropriation.

# **Project Description/Justification:**

As authorized December 12, 1980, by 42 USC Chapter 78, Sections 6501-6508, the federal government, through the US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) manages and allows the exploration and development of oil and gas within the NPR-A. In accordance with 42 USC § 6508, 50 percent of the money received by the federal government from the "sales, rentals, bonuses, and royalties on leases issued ... " within the NPR-A is paid to the State of Alaska.

As required by AS 37.05.530, regulations (3 AAC 150.010 – 150.090) were adopted establishing the NPR-A Impact program which allow municipalities impacted by oil and gas development in the NPR-A to apply for grant assistance to alleviate the impact. Grant applications are considered in accordance with:

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- AS 37.05.530(c), participation is limited to municipalities.
- AS 37.05.530(c), (d), and (e), municipalities must demonstrate present impact or the need to determine or plan for future impact.
- AS 37.05.530(c), priority is given to municipalities that are experiencing or will experience the most direct or severe impact from oil and gas development.
- AS 37.05.530(e), municipalities may use the funds to alleviate the impact of the oil and gas development only for the following activities and services: (1) planning; (2) construction, maintenance, and operation of essential public facilities by the municipality; and (3) other necessary public services provided by the municipality.
- AS 37.05.530(f), funds may not be used for the retirement of municipal debt.
- 3 AAC 150.050(c), impact is defined as an effect reasonably attributable to NPR-A oil and gas activities under 42 USC § 6508 on (1) population; (2) employment; (3) finances; (4) social and cultural values; (5) air and water quality; (6) fish and wildlife habitats; (7) the ability to provide essential public services, including health care, public safety, education, transportation, utilities, and government administration; and (8) other things of demonstrable importance to the applicant or the applicant's residents.

As required by Alaska Statute (AS) 37.05.530(g), NPR-A funds received that are not appropriated for the NPR-A Impact program are deposited as follows:(1) 25 percent to the principal of the Alaska Permanent Fund; (2) .5 percent to the Public School Trust Fund (AS 37.14.110); and (3) the remaining amount may be appropriated to the Power Cost Equalization and Rural Electric Capitalization Fund (AS 42.45.100).