

Sitka: Sawmill Creek Road Upgrade**FY2005 Request: \$2,500,000****Reference No: 39109****AP/AL:** Allocation**Project Type:** Construction**Category:** Transportation**Location:** Sitka**Contact:** John MacKinnon**House District:** Sitka/Wrangell/Petersburg (HD**Contact Phone:** (907)465-6973

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2009**Appropriation:** Surface Transportation Program**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Reconstruct and widen 4.95 miles of Sawmill Creek Road from Jeff Davis Street to the end of pavement at Blue Lake Road. Includes intersection improvements at Indian River Road, replacement of the Indian River Bridge #0865, sidewalk additions and separated path reconstruction. This project contributes to the Department's Mission by reducing injuries, fatalities and property damage and by improving the mobility of people and goods.

Funding:	<u>FY2005</u>	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fed Rcpts	\$2,500,000						\$2,500,000
Total:	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,500,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input 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	0
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

None. Per the Department's new cost sharing policy, the community must provide the match for this project.

Project Description/Justification:

Construction, including utility relocations, of a wider road with paved shoulders and pedestrian accommodations as appropriate. Due to limited funding, the initial stage of construction extends from the Post Office intersection (Jarvis Street) to Shotgun Alley. Traffic volumes for this segment are 4,300 vehicles per day. This request will supplement bond funds in funding construction.

Upgrading and widening this arterial supports the Department's mission of improving mobility of people and goods. This route is the only surface link to the eastern side of Sitka, including the Industrial Park at Sawmill Cove. This part of Sitka has grown substantially, and highway improvements are lagging behind community growth that has already taken place. Of greatest concern are narrow pavement widths and problematic characteristics at heavily-used intersections.