

Willow Maintenance Station Replacement**FY2006 Request: \$350,000****Reference No: 36801****AP/AL:** Appropriation**Project Type:** Health and Safety**Category:** Transportation**Location:** Willow**Contact:** Frank Richards**House District:** Rural Mat-Su (HD 15)**Contact Phone:** (907)465-3900**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2010**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Construction of the Willow maintenance shop will begin in the Spring of 2005 and continue into 2006. 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>FY2006</u>	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bond Funds	\$350,000						\$350,000
Total:	\$350,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$350,000

<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:

FY2005 - \$381,868.

Project Description/Justification:

Structural evaluation of the DOT&PF Willow Maintenance Building deemed the structure unsafe, and following a directive from the Commissioner, it was vacated during the summer of 2001. Currently the Department is renting a hangar for use as a warm storage building at the Willow Airport and using the former sign shed as an office and crew station, as well as continuing to use the airport snow removal equipment building constructed in 1999.

The Willow maintenance station is responsible for maintaining the Parks Highway from milepost 52 to milepost 99 (Talkeetna cutoff), as well as 23 miles of Hatcher Pass Road, several side roads in the Willow vicinity and the Willow airport. This equates to very high 55.9 lane miles per operator (37 lanes miles per operator is State average).

The funds will be used to phase construction of a new maintenance shop, water and septic systems, and relocating a fueling station. The maintenance shop is similar to that for East Fork, and will be a standard for future warm storage facilities. The new facility is on the east side of the Parks Highway closer to the Willow Airport vehicle warm storage building.

The old structure was removed this past fall. A concept design was completed and then it was determined that a pre-engineered metal building would be used. Purchase documents are being processed to receive bids on the metal structure. Preliminary site work has begun with the foundation expected to be complete this spring. Funding received to-date will only provide a foundation and building shell. Additional funding is necessary to complete the building including lights, septic system, equipment and fencing. If funding is provided by July 1, 2005, the building could be complete by late September 2005.