

Anchorage: Mid-Town Congestion and Truck Route Improvements

FY2006 Request: \$26,000,000
Reference No: 40426

AP/AL: Allocation

Project Type: Construction

Category: Transportation

Location: Anchorage Areawide

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2010

Appropriation: Governor's Transportation Initiative

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This multiple-project initiative will address the most congested areas in east and midtown Anchorage.

Funding:	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bond Funds	\$26,000,000						\$26,000,000
Total:	\$26,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$26,000,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input 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:

Project Description/Justification:

This initiative will address the most congested areas in east and midtown Anchorage. It includes two discrete projects:

- ? Tudor-Bragaw intersection improvements - \$7 million. This project would construct additional auxiliary turn lanes at the intersection of Tudor Road and Bragaw Street. The south edge of Tudor Road would be shifted 12 feet further south to provide an additional east and westbound left turn lane on Tudor Road. The west edge of Bragaw Street would be shifted 12 feet further west to provide an additional southbound through and right turn lane. The east edge of Bragaw Street would be shifted 12 feet further east to provide a northbound right turn lane. Use of state and local funds would speed project delivery, as there are inadequate STIP funds to apply to the project.
- ? Dowling Road east extension - \$19 million. The Dowling Road extension portion of the project creates an important truck bypass route that supports the gas pipeline construction. It involves reconstructing 2,100 feet of Dowling Road between Lake Otis Parkway and Norm Street to a five-lane urban arterial standard and a 3,200-foot extension to the new Abbott Loop Road (Bragaw Street) constructed to a four-lane rural arterial standard with a depressed median. This project has significant environmental and permitting issues that are more complex and slower to overcome if federal funds are used. Use of state and local funds would speed the project delivery significantly and save over \$5 million as compared to a federally funded project. The new alignment or other equivalent state roads will be transferred to Municipality of Anchorage ownership as a condition of the funding.