

<b>Museum Final Construction and Landscaping, Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment</b>	<b>FY2006 Request:</b>	<b>\$11,000,000</b>
	<b>Reference No:</b>	<b>AMD 40048</b>

<b>AP/AL:</b> Appropriation	<b>Project Type:</b> Equipment
<b>Category:</b> University	
<b>Location:</b> Fairbanks Areawide	<b>Contact:</b> Pat Pitney
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<b>Estimated Project Dates:</b> 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2010	

**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Site Improvements at the UA Museum of the North are required to put the finishing touches on an aggressive expansion project. Improvements will include a new parking lot, landscaping, and site lighting. This request will also fund the purchase of furniture, fixtures and equipment (FF&E).

<b>Funding:</b>	<b>FY2006</b>	<b>FY2007</b>	<b>FY2008</b>	<b>FY2009</b>	<b>FY2010</b>	<b>FY2011</b>	<b>Total</b>
Univ Rcpt	\$11,000,000						\$11,000,000
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$11,000,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$11,000,000</b>

<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 checked="" 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	
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**

**Project Description/Justification:**

On June 14, 2002, the University of Alaska Museum broke ground on a new addition. Inspired by Alaska's extraordinary landscape, environment and cultures, the University of Alaska Museum's expansion will embody the spirit of the Great Land. Light-filled spaces will welcome and inspire scholars, visitors and staff with expansive windows that highlight the spectacular views of the Alaska Range, Denali and the Tanana River Valley. Inside, Alaska's treasures will be protected and conserved – hundreds of thousands of biological, geological and cultural history specimens that tell the state's rich history and help to protect its health and well-being. Visitors to the expanded University of Alaska Museum will enjoy an entirely new experience – one not replicated elsewhere.

The construction of the Museum expansion is complex. There have been multiple changes during the construction project and the original costs have exceeded estimates. This additional authority will allow use of additional funds raised by the UA Museum Expansion Campaign and other UA sources for: the design and construction of the exhibits for the new galleries; furniture and equipment for the new offices and labs; fixtures and equipment for the expansion prior to opening to the public.

In addition, landscaping will be done to enhance the architecture of the new expansion and tie into the historical mission of the museum. A new paved parking area for visitors and buses, new site lighting that matches the current UAF standards, and new pedestrian access will all be done, maximizing the Museum's accessibility and meeting all ADA standards.