

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Fairbanks North Star Borough****Federal Tax ID: 920030612****Project Title:****Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades**

Fairbanks North Star Borough - North Star Fire Station Expansion

State Funding Requested: \$500,000**House District: Fairbanks Areawide (7-11)**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

FNSB Public Works has completed a facility condition analysis, which shows significant major maintenance needs at this station and capacity issues calling for an extension to the bay area.
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Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$500,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2012 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$500,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:**Funds are not secured for this project***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

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North Star's facilities consist of one headquarters station with four satellite stations. Station One is manned 24/7 by paid staff. The Bay # 1 expansion project will assure that the North Star Fire Department can continue to provide the excellent

service to the community.

Project Timeline:

The project will begin in the fall of 2011 and will be completed early 2013

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

The North Star Volunteer Fire Department will maintain and operate the structure

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No

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