

Statewide - Scenic Byways Grants

FY2012 Request: \$750,000
Reference No: 36450

AP/AL: Allocation **Project Type:** Construction
Category: Transportation
Location: Statewide **House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)
Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1-40) **Contact:** Frank Richards
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2011 - 06/30/2018 **Contact Phone:** (907)465-3900
Appropriation: Surface Transportation Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This program identifies and designates segments of the road corridors that are outstanding for their scenic, recreational, historic, cultural, natural and/or archaeological qualities. Projects are then developed to display these qualities. This project contributes to the Department's Mission by increasing private investment.

Funding:	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	Total
Fed Rcpts	\$750,000						\$750,000
Total:	\$750,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$750,000

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

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

\$500,000 - Ch 43 SLA 2010 Sec 7 pg 52 ln 28; \$500,000 - Ch 15 SLA 2009 Sec 1 pg 36 ln 5;
 \$650,000 - Ch 29 SLA 2008 Sec 13 pg 172 ln 4; \$250,000 - Ch 30 SLA 2007 Sec 4 pg 116 ln 23;
 \$500,000 - Ch 159 SLA 2004 Sec 1 pg 47 ln 25; \$500,000 - Ch 82 SLA 2003 Sec 1 pg 53 ln 27. Per the Department's new cost sharing policy the communities must provide the match for these projects.

Project Description/Justification:

The Scenic Byways program allows communities to promote tourism and economic development by obtaining official state and/or national recognition for roads that possess outstanding scenic, recreational, historic, cultural, natural, and/or archaeological qualities. Projects are then developed to enhance, interpret, and promote these qualities.

The grant program provides resources for byway communities to create a unique travel experience and enhance local quality of life through efforts to protect, interpret, and promote the intrinsic qualities of designated byways. Projects funded through this program reflect the decisions and priorities of local byway communities and organizations.

For more information on Alaska's Scenic Byways program go to:

<http://dot.alaska.gov/stwdplng/scenic/index.shtml>