

Whittier - Maintenance and Operations

FY2012 Request: \$2,200,000

Reference No: 38304

AP/AL: Allocation

Project Type: Life / Health / Safety

Category: Transportation

Location: Anchorage Areawide

House District: Anchorage Areawide (HD 17-32)

Impact House District: Anchorage Areawide (HD 17-32)

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2011 - 06/30/2018 **Contact Phone:** (907)465-3900

Appropriation: Surface Transportation Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Provide federal-aid funds for the eligible portion of costs to operate and maintain the Whittier Tunnel Facility. The project will provide funding on an annual basis for the duration of the VMS, Inc. Operations Contract, 2009 to 2014. 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:	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	Total
Fed Rcpts	\$2,200,000						\$2,200,000
Total:	\$2,200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,200,000

<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	0
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

\$2,100,000 - Ch 43 SLA 2010 Sec 7 pg 53 ln 28; \$2,000,000 - Ch 29 SLA 2008 Sec 13 pg 172 ln 14; \$2,000,000 - Ch 30 SLA 2007 Sec 4 pg 117 ln 10; \$2,000,000- Ch 82 SLA 2006 Sec 1 pg 102 ln 16; \$2,000,000 - Ch 3 FSSLA 2005 Sec 1 pg 85 ln 18; \$4,000,000 - Ch 82 SLA 2003 Sec 1 pg 54 ln 25. This is an annual program funded through 2013 per the current approved Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. Prior funding authorization is utilized on an annual basis.

Project Description/Justification:

The Whittier Tunnel is a vital link to the City of Whittier and provides needed access through the mountain for residents, tourists and commercial freight services via cars, trucks, buses and train. Maintenance of the tunnel is important for safety of the traveling public as well as efficiency of operation.