

Hatcher Pass - Scenic Overlook and Trailhead Construction FY2012 Request: \$1,000,000
Reference No: 51544

AP/AL: Allocation **Project Type:** Construction
Category: Transportation
Location: Hatcher Pass **House District:** Greater Palmer (HD 13)
Impact House District: Matsu Areawide (HD 13-16) **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:

Construct scenic overlooks, rest stops, and trailheads along the Hatcher Pass road corridor. Most of the sites will be paved viewing areas with covered kiosks and interpretive panels. Sanitary facilities will be installed. 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:	<u>FY2012</u>	<u>FY2013</u>	<u>FY2014</u>	<u>FY2015</u>	<u>FY2016</u>	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fed Rcpts	\$1,000,000						\$1,000,000
Total:	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000

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

None.

Project Description/Justification:

This project will upgrade facilities in the fastest tourist growth destination area in the Mat-Su Valley. The improvements will add value to private sector tourism packages, enhance the attractiveness of Alaska State Park facilities, and expand the scale of visitor attractions in this increasingly important segment of the Alaskan economy.

This authorization request is for the third and final phase of construction under the original plan. Phase I improvements at the Independence State Historical Park were completed in 2000, and Phase II scenic overlooks at Gateway, Government Peak and Gold Mint were completed in 2004.