Haines Highway Reconstruction - Milepost 3.5 to 21

FY2013 Request: $1,000,000
Reference No: 47846

AP/AL: Allocation
Category: Transportation
Location: Haines

Project Type: Construction
House District: Cordova/Southeast Islands (HD 5)
Impact House District: Cordova/Southeast Islands (HD 5)
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2012 - 06/30/2019
Contact: Pat Kemp
Contact Phone: (907)465-3900
Appropriation: Surface Transportation Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:
This project will widen the highway to a paved width of 36’ and improve the roadside environment. Improve drainage, straighten selected curves to a 55 mph design speed where able and other improvements including addressing the mudslide area at milepost (MP) 19.

Funding:

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State Match Required: ☑
One-Time Project: ☑
Phased - new: ✔
Phased - underway: ☑
On-Going: ☑
0% = Minimum State Match % Required: ☑
Amendment: ☑
Mental Health Bill: ☑

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

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Additional Information / Prior Funding History:
None.

Project Description/Justification:
The Haines Highway provides the shortest link between tidewater and numerous Yukon mineral prospects with several major mines nearing production and approximately 200 miles of the proposed gas line route and links the Haines, Alaska marine port with the interior of Alaska and the Yukon. Portions of the Haines Highway do not meet current highway standards, including width and curve radii. There is a mudslide area at MP 19 that has caused multiple closures of the road and significant maintenance efforts. This project would improve the roadway to current standards and address the mudslide problem at MP 19. Reconstruction of this highway has recently increased in importance with the accelerated development of several large Yukon mines that may use the Haines Highway and the Port of Haines for shipment of ore concentrate.

This project contributes to the Department's Mission by reducing injuries, fatalities and property damage and by improving the mobility of people and goods.