

**Road to Umiat - Foothills West Continued Environmental Impact Study Development**      **FY2013 Request: \$10,000,000**  
**Reference No: 50844**

**AP/AL:** Allocation      **Project Type:** Construction  
**Category:** Transportation      **House District:** Arctic (HD 40)  
**Location:** Anaktuvuk Pass      **Contact:** Pat Kemp  
**Impact House District:** Arctic (HD 40)      **Contact Phone:** (907)465-3900  
**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2012 - 06/30/2017  
**Appropriation:** Roads to Resources

**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Additional funding is being requested to continue work on the Foothills West Transportation Access EIS due to scoping comments received by United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) that included the addition of an evaluation of a route from Umiat to the existing industry roads on the North Slope. To analyze this route, evaluations will include environmental studies, engineering baseline studies, subsistence and cultural studies, hydrology evaluations, geotechnical evaluations and imagery. Preliminary engineering and environmental work will be completed in order to produce an environmental impact statement (EIS) and to permit the selected route.

<b>Funding:</b>	<b>FY2013</b>	<b>FY2014</b>	<b>FY2015</b>	<b>FY2016</b>	<b>FY2017</b>	<b>FY2018</b>	<b>Total</b>
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<b>Total:</b>	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,000,000

<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	
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**

\$8,000,000 - Ch 5 FSSLA 2011 Sec 1 Pg 101 Ln 26; \$8,000,000 - Ch 43 SLA 2010 Sec 7 Pg 38 Ln 15(RefNum 48782); \$4,000,000 - Ch 3 SLA 2005 Sec 58 Pg 136 Ln 28(RefNum 41149); \$5,119,971 - Ch 159 SLA 2004 Sec 1 Pg 48 Ln 17.

**Project Description/Justification:**

The ultimate goal is to define a preferred build alternative, secure environmental permits and right-of-way that can be transferred to a public-private partnership for final design, finance and construction. This project is one of several new public-private partnerships being explored to help the state accomplish the development of its natural resources.

Additional funding for Foothills West is imperative to the progress toward providing transportation access to the Foothills West development area, with the goal of increasing the economic viability of developing remote oil and gas resources in the region by reducing industry's exploration and development costs.

This project has the potential to create numerous private sector jobs in the oil and gas industry. Future capital and maintenance costs will depend on how the project is developed (public highway, State of Alaska Capital Project Summary Department of Transportation/Public Facilities  
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public-private partnership, private transportation facility).

This project contributes to the Department's Mission by improving the mobility of people and goods and increasing private investment.