Nome - Nome Harbor

FY2013 Request: $1,500,000
Reference No: 54858

AP/AL: Allocation
Category: Transportation
Location: Nome
Impact House District: Bering Straits (HD 39)
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2012 - 06/30/2017
Appropriation: Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Fund (AS 29.60.800)

Project Type: Construction

House District: Bering Straits (HD 39)
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Brief Summary and Statement of Need:
Replace 980 lineal feet of the fendering system along on the east and south sheet pile docks that is more tolerant of Nome’s environmental conditions.

Funding:

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Project Description/Justification:
Nome is the regional center for 23 outlying communities within the Bering-Norton Sound area. St. Paul Harbor, approximately 550 miles away, is the closest harbor with similar facilities. The Nome Harbor is unique in many regards due to its northern location and importance to Western Alaska. The harbor was first constructed by the federal government when the Corps of Engineers constructed the first rubble breakwaters in 1923. Subsequent Corps projects and city and state grants culminating in the construction of a 2,986 foot long federal breakwater, the city’s 3025 foot causeway and a small boat harbor. The Nome Harbor offers protected moorage alongside a 120 foot dock and the inner harbor sheet pile wall docks. Creation of a community development quota system in 1992 has created a commercial fishing fleet in Nome and established the Norton Sound Seafood Center which contributes greatly to Nome’s economy. The current fenders in the harbor are too short, allowing vessels to get caught underneath them during a low tide, and have been found to be inadequate for Nome’s harsh climate and ice forces, resulting in several fenders being torn loose and mangled by ice forces.

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