

Seward - Airport Improvements

FY2015 Request: \$17,000,000

Reference No: 58635

AP/AL: Allocation

Project Type: Construction

Category: Transportation

Location: Seward

House District: North Kenai (HD 28)

Impact House District: Kenai Areawide (HD 28-30)

Contact: Steven Hatter

Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2019

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Appropriation: Airport Improvement Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Reconstruct runways 13/31 and 16/34, construct erosion control, widen Taxiway A, and install new lighting, markings, and fencing.

Funding:	<u>FY2015</u>	<u>FY2016</u>	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2020</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fed Rcpts	\$17,000,000						\$17,000,000
Total:	\$17,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,000,000

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

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

No prior funding history

Project Description/Justification:

The Seward Airport is subject to gradually increasing risk of severe flooding as the surrounding Resurrection River delta receives gravel build-up washed down from nearby mountains while the airport property does not. Increasing the elevation of the runway and the gap between the north end of the runway and the Alaska Railroad (ARR) embankment will ensure continued operation of the airport during flood events. This will also protect the State's investment in the airport, the ARR switching yard and Seward Small Boat Harbor to the south. The airport lighting control building is frequently flooded and the runway lights are floating out of the ground. The threshold for runway 13/31 needs to be moved to expand the Runway Safety Area.