

Bethel Airport - North Apron and Access Road Reconstruction

FY2017 Request: \$5,000,000
Reference No: 61022

AP/AL: Allocation

Project Type: Construction

Category: Transportation

Location: Bethel

House District: Lower Kuskokwim (HD 38)

Impact House District: Lower Kuskokwim (HD 38)

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2016 - 06/30/2021

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Appropriation: Airport Improvement Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Reconstruct the north apron and north ramp access road. Construct new connector road between Chief Eddie Hoffman Highway and the North Air Taxi Road.

Funding:	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2020</u>	<u>FY2021</u>	<u>FY2022</u>	<u>Total</u>
1002 Fed Rcpts	\$5,000,000						\$5,000,000
Total:	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000,000

<input checked="" 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
5% = 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:

Bethel Airport is one of the busiest in Alaska, and serves as the hub for over 35 villages in the surrounding area. Reconstruct the North Apron which has a very poor Pavement Condition Index of 23 and has had no major construction since 1985. Since the consolidation of several air carrier operations at the far north end of the airport, the north ramp has become the busiest area of the airport. The north ramp access road is now very congested and too narrow for passenger pick-up and drop off, medical transport, cargo delivery vehicles, pedestrians, and parking. Also construct a new connector road between Chief Eddie Hoffman Highway and the North Air Taxi Road.

Future maintenance and operating costs are estimated to increase by \$6,000 per year beginning in 2019.