

**Sanitation Upgrades to Parks**

**FY2024 Request: \$2,000,000**

**Reference No: 63828**

**AP/AL:** Appropriation

**Project Type:** Life / Health / Safety

**Category:** Natural Resources

**Location:** Statewide

**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)

**Impact House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)

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**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2023 - 06/30/2028

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**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

The department will address deferred maintenance and emergency repair needs related to park sanitation to help safeguard public health and safety at state park facilities, meet current codes and standards, satisfy user expectations, and comply with statutory mandates.

<b>Funding:</b>	<u>FY2024</u>	<u>FY2025</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>Total</u>
1004 Gen Fund	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000		\$6,000,000
<b>Total:</b>	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$6,000,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input type="checkbox"/> Ongoing
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
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Prior Funding History / Additional Information:**

Sec11 Ch1 SLA2022 P91 L29 HB281 \$1,418,000

Sec8 Ch1 SLA2021 P75 L22 HB69 \$2,029,000

**Project Description/Justification:**

Alaska Statute (AS) 41.21.010 and 41.21.020 explicitly direct the department to develop and maintain a system of parks and outdoor recreational facilities for the enjoyment of Alaskans and for the attraction of visitors to the state. The condition of Alaska's parks has a direct impact on the ability to attract park users.

This project will positively serve many Alaskans as 81 percent of Alaskans participate in outdoor recreation each year (Outdoor Recreation in Alaska: Impacts and Opportunities, The University of Alaska Anchorage Center for Economic Development, 2019). Alaska far exceeds the national average of 48 percent and is ranked number one in the nation, highlighting the importance of outdoor recreation to Alaskans. On some occasions this state funding can leverage federal-aid funds and extend its reach in addressing other deferred maintenance or capital needs.

Addressing sanitation deferred maintenance in a timely manner will reduce operational costs and prevent more costly repairs in the future – resulting in state savings in the long term. Engineered solutions will be used to maximize the useful lives of the facilities. Select, durable materials will be used to reduce future maintenance burdens.

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There are no other alternatives to this project other than further deferring the maintenance needs. Doing so will only exacerbate the problem and result in deteriorated, unsafe sanitation facilities that will be more costly to repair and operate. As a result, the department will fail to comply with statutory mandates.

**Line Item Detail**

<b>Line Item</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1000 Personal Services	\$333,367
2000 Travel	\$100,000
3000 Services	\$53,333
4000 Commodities	\$13,300
5000 Capital Outlay	\$1,500,000
7000 Grants	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>