

EVOS General Restoration & Habitat Protection Project

FY2024 Request:

\$0

Reference No:

64754

AP/AL: Appropriation

Project Type: Research / Studies / Planning

Category: General Government

Location: Statewide

House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40)

Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40)

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2022 - 06/30/2027

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Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Port Graham Corporation (PGC) General Restoration & Habitat Protection is a five-year project that will create the tools and infrastructure necessary for PGC to protect subsistence areas, restore resources and services, and protect and enhance critical habitats injured by the 1989 Exxon Valdez Oil Spill.

| Funding: | <u>FY2023</u> | <u>FY2024</u> | <u>FY2025</u> | <u>FY2026</u> | <u>FY2027</u> | <u>FY2028</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| 1018 EVOSS | \$7,146,292 | | | | | | \$7,146,292 |
| Total: | \$7,146,292 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$7,146,292 |

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| <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 |
| Totals: | 0 | 0 |

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Project Description/Justification:

The *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council (EVOS-TC) was formed to oversee restoration of the injured ecosystem using the \$900 million civil settlement.

Port Graham Corporation (PGC) is located on the tip of the Kenai peninsula at the sea-bound entry to Cook Inlet. PGC lands encompass high mountain vistas, tidewater and massive glaciers, deep fjords, protected bays and inlets, and an abundance of marine mammals, fish, shellfish, birds and plants, all vital to the people that live on these lands. Access from major population also makes this region a destination for many visitors and user groups. This project will create the tools and infrastructure necessary for PGC to protect subsistence areas, restore resources and services, and protect and enhance critical habitats injured by the 1989 Exxon Valdez Oil Spill. As one of the largest landowners in the oil spill affected area, all of the approximately 200 miles of coastline habitat owned and managed by PGC was injured by the Spill. PGC is requesting \$7.5M to work in partnership with 3GLP/E Terra to preserve important land records located in village archives, audit and correct parcel ownership records, collect detailed data to support PGC infrastructure maintenance and development, compile a PGC region-wide base map and records system that meets or exceeds national map standards and invest in facilities that will redirect human use from impacted critical habitats and support other research or restoration activities. Establishing a baseline of data for impacted areas is

essential in developing ecosystem wide management plans that continue to provide resources and services to not only PGC shareholders, but also other user groups.

This project will benefit multiple species and services considered injured because of the spill. Over a five-year period PGC and partners will train and utilize local workforce resources to implement tasks associated with goals. This proposal includes funds necessary to develop data acquisition and management to monitor and enhance habitat on spill damaged PGC land.

This is for a five-year project started in FY22 with a total funding amount of \$7,146,292 which includes a 9% general administrative amount for the managing state agency.

| Line Item | Amount |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1000 - Personal Services | \$3,839,268 |
| 2000 – Travel | \$148,780 |
| 3000 - Services | \$1,425,000 |
| 4000 - Commodities | \$0 |
| 5000 - Capital Outlay | \$818,400 |
| 7000 - Grants | |
| Indirect Cost | \$324,783 |
| General Administration | 590,061 |
| Total Request | \$7,146,292 |

Project will fund existing positions:

Actual execution of the project will be contracted to outside entities.