

Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Fund

FY2024 Request: \$0
Reference No: 49780

AP/AL: Appropriation **Project Type:** Construction
Category: Transportation
Location: Southeast Alaska **House District:** Southeast Region (HD 1 - 4)
Impact House District: Southeast Region (HD 1 - 4) **Contact:** Dom Pannone
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2021 - 06/30/2026 **Contact Phone:** (907)465-2956

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

The 50/50 harbor grant program maximizes local government, promotes state jobs and provides economic assistance for needed maintenance/repair, expansion and replacement. The program continues to show strong local interest. Five municipalities from across the state submitted applications requesting a total of \$14.1M in matching state funds for FY2022. If fully funded, the state and the department can enable over \$28 million in local construction ready harbor projects to be built. These harbor projects are locally managed and therefore require minimal department staff resources. Location of these harbors are Cordova, Seward, Sand Point, Sitka, and Juneau.

Funding:	<u>FY2025</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>FY2030</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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

- Sec1 Ch19 SLA2018 P10 L18 SB142 \$3,031,105
- Sec1 Ch1 SLA2017 P8 L18 SB23 \$5,000,000
- Sec27(a) Ch2 SLA2016 P43 L11 SB138 \$207,500
- Sec27(b) Ch2 SLA2016 P43 L16 SB138 \$4,400,000
- Sec1 Ch38 SLA2015 P7 L14 SB26 \$4,497,000
- Sec35(b) Ch18 SLA2014 P116 L24 SB119 \$996,046
- Sec35(c) Ch18 SLA2014 P117 L22 SB119 \$2,000,000
- Sec1 Ch18 SLA2014 P64 L13 SB119 \$1,704,000
- Sec1 Ch17 SLA2012 P135 L20 SB160 \$23,093,100

Provides funding for first two projects: City of Cordova \$5M: South Harbor and City of Seward: Seward Harbor \$1.7M.

Project Description/Justification:

As directed by the Legislature, the department started in 1986 to transfer state owned harbor facilities, whenever possible, to local municipalities in order to maximize local governance. Since then, 78 harbors have been transferred. AS 29.60.800 created a program to provide state financial and

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economic assistance to a municipality with one of more harbor facilities by making available a 50/50 matching state grant, and it established a priority preference process for previously stated owned harbors, i.e. Tier I harbors. Tier II harbors are harbors which were locally built and were never owned by the state.

Project Name	Tier	Legislative District	Total Project Cost	Local Match (50%)	State Match (50%)
City of Cordova: South Harbor	I	32	\$10,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
City of Seward: Seward Harbor	II	29	\$3,459,975	\$1,729,988	\$1,729,988
City of Sand Point: Sand Point Harbor	II	37	\$7,120,000	\$3,560,000	\$3,560,000
City & Borough of Sitka: Eliason Harbor	II	35	\$4,233,484	\$2,473,484	\$1,760,000
City & Borough of Juneau: Aurora Harbor	II	33	\$4,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
			\$28,813,459	\$14,763,472	\$14,049,988

AS 29.60.800 continues to see strong support from the municipalities across the state; from Nome to Unalaska to Kodiak to Juneau. To date, the total amount requested from the state in match totals \$199.6 million, which far exceeds the amount of state funds appropriated to date to the harbor grant program. Still the department has been able to award 43 (27 Tier I's and 16 Tier II's) harbor grants to the municipalities. These harbor grants total over \$84.2 million in needed local economic assistance, which results in improved marine facilities for the fishing industry and puts Alaskans to work.