

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Midnight Sun Council****Federal Tax ID: 920027314****Project Title:****Project Type: New Construction and Land Acquisition**

Midnight Sun Council, Inc. Boy Scouts of America - Lost Lake Scout Camp and Northern Lights High Adventure Base Construction

State Funding Requested: \$428,000**House District: Fairbanks Areawide (1-5)**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Lost Lake Scout Camp and Northern Lights High Adventure Base construction, including Multipurpose Maintenance/Storage Facility, 2 parking lots, road construction, building site preparation, unit camp development, construction at rifle, archery, shotgun and black powder ranges; drainage, grading and graveling of the parking lot and beach at the Aquatics Area; construction of two bunkhouses and a Program Building for offices, training, and storage.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$868,900
Funding Already Secured:	(\$141,900)
FY2014 State Funding Request:	(\$428,000)
Project Deficit:	\$299,000

Funding Details:

2012 - Design Alaska(plan/design \$25,000), Bennett Engineering -(engineering \$11,900), Shannon and Wilson Inc. - geotechnical(\$5,000); 2013 - Ground/foundation preparation - Richard Lantz Construction(\$28,000), Rasmuson Tier II Grant - \$118,000, Rolling Stone(\$25,000), volunteer construction(\$87,000), State of Alaska -- \$428,000; 2013-15 - Service clubs - \$110,000, NRA, Shooting Sports Alliance, Potterfield Foundation - \$31,000.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The Midnight Sun Council, Boy Scouts of America operates the only developed camp in the Interior of Alaska. It is used by Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, state and local agencies including the State Troopers and the Delta Water Conservation District, church groups, youth groups, service clubs and many others. There was over 5,471 user days at the camp last year. As the only developed camp in the Interior, it is in high demand throughout the year. A recently completed Capital Campaign of 3.4 million in 2001-6 produced great local support and new facilities. The Council has hired a Maintenance Ranger for the camp in 2012 and provides a residence on site for him. This smaller campaign is to provide proper maintenance facilities for the new Ranger, update and expand heavily used areas and grow our camp and High Adventure Base attached to it.

Projects include:

- Maintenance and Storage Facility. Current maintenance is in the Ranger's garage and an outdated Alyeska Quonset hut. It will have 1,800 square ft. enclosed space and 2,000 sq. ft. covered outside. This will allow year-round maintenance, storage of vehicles, tools, and program supplies for Lost Lake Scout Camp, Day Camps, National Jr. Leader Training,

Woodbadge, etc.

- Parking lot, road and building site construction. This involves a lot of excavation and preparation work throughout camp by heavy equipment. Most of the work is preparation for new construction while some repairs will also be done. We are removing a 1970's era Alyeska Quonset hut, building a parking lot at our High Adventure Facility, rebuilding our Unit Site Access Road, preparing sites for a Bathroom, Youth Leader Training Shelter, 2 additional High Adventure Cabins, and a High Adventure Program Building; repairing tent sites and building Program Shelters in Unit Sites. This part of our camp construction will involve a lot of small donors and volunteer labor (for construction of the program shelters) after the heavy equipment work is finished initially.

- Shooting Sports Area. Expansion is needed due to increasing interest and heavy use. This includes the Rifle, Shotgun, Black Powder, and Archery areas in the camp. Projects include an archery range shelter, archery site grading and drainage, and outhouse installation. We are seeking partnership funding from the NRA Foundation, Shooting Sports Alliance Foundation, and the BSA Larry Potterfield Shooting Sports Foundation to complete the project.

- Aquatics Area. This area serves our Lost Lake Scout Camp and the Northern Lights High Adventure Base. It provides swimming, lifesaving, rowing, canoeing, kayaking, sail boating, motor boating, and fishing for the two camp programs. Preparation for this project has already begun with site engineering. Available materials at our Lost Lake Camp quarry will allow construction of drainage and grading for the parking lot and repair of the beach with existing quarried materials onsite.

- Northern Lights high Adventure Base - Two eight-person bunkhouses were added to the camp in the past 10 years by a successful partnership of the State of Alaska (furnishing the building materials) and local service clubs (providing skilled and unskilled volunteer manpower) at the High Adventure Base. These two cabins are used continually both in and off season and the need is there for many more. We propose the construction of two additional cabins where a parking lot and bathrooms and showers are already funded by the state and others. Each of the bunkhouses measure 22 X 22 feet and can accommodate 8 sleepers. Materials cost approximately \$45,000/bunkhouse. A small program center for briefing, supply preparation, training and storage is also planned. The building would also be used off season for overnight stays by local units.

Project Timeline:

2012-planning and preparation with site engineering, plan/design work. 2013-beginning of some construction, ground work, Foundation and Grant requests, site preparation, and road construction. 2014-15 Most construction will begin in 2014 and continue into 2015.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Midnight Sun Council, Boy Scouts of America

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No

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