

Environmental Health Food Safety Laboratory Construction FY2002 Request: \$13,964,700
Reference No: 33825

AP/AL: Appropriation **Project Type:** Health and Safety
Category: Health/Human Services
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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2001 - 06/30/2006

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Current food safety laboratory facilities lack basic infrastructure requirements. The lease expires in December, 2000 with no potential for long term renewal. This project contracts for services to complete facility programming, detailed design, specifications, and the construction of a new Food Safety Laboratory.

Funding:	<u>FY2002</u>	<u>FY2003</u>	<u>FY2004</u>	<u>FY2005</u>	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>Total</u>
COPs	\$13,654,700						\$13,654,700
Gen Fund	\$310,000						\$310,000
Total:	\$13,964,700	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,964,700

<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"/> On-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

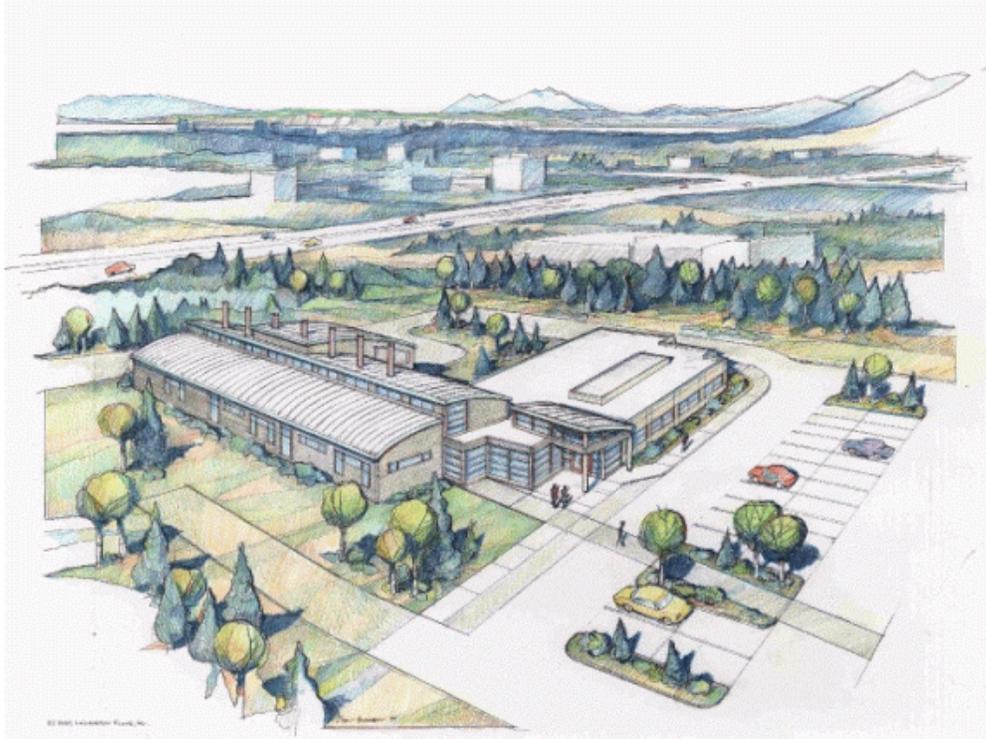
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

An appropriation of 145.7 was made in FY1999 for a feasibility study. Cost comparisons and property evaluations were performed in FY2000. In FY2001 240.0 was appropriated for facility programming and site planning.

Project Description/Justification:

Seafood and Food Safety Laboratory



The EH FSL has been located in its present location (a remodeled grocery store) in Palmer for approximately 30 years. During that time, the lab has received only minor upgrades and renovations. The facility does not meet current building codes, and the lease expires in December of 2000 with no potential for long term renewal. The state must either go out with a Request for Proposal (RFP) for another leased facility or purchase or construct a state-owned laboratory.

In FY1999, with a legislative appropriation, EH contracted for a feasibility study to determine the most cost-effective option to replace the current laboratory. The result of that study was that a state-owned facility was the most economical option and included a conceptual design, general layout, equipment requirements, and cost estimates. The design and construction aspects of the first study were further refined with a legislative appropriation in FY2001. In addition, an evaluation of suitable property was performed, and a 4.74-acre state-owned parcel adjacent to the DHSS public health lab in Anchorage was selected as the most economical and accessible site for the new food safety lab. Through an RSA to DOT/PF, a contract was awarded for conceptual programming and site planning.

This FY2002 appropriation will allow the Department to construct a 20,500 sq. ft. Seafood/Food Safety Laboratory that will be capable of meeting the needs of Alaskan companies involved in selling seafood, milk, and other food products in interstate and international commerce.

The total project cost is approximately \$13,964,700, summarized as below:

Design Phase	1,362,200
Construction Phase	<u>12,402,500</u>
Subtotal	13,764,700
Project Financing	<u>200,000</u>
Total Project	13,964,700

Of the total project costs, approximately \$310,000 of the project is classified as non-bondable costs requiring general fund expenditure.