

Parcel Purchases by Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustees

FY2003 Request:

\$291,000

Reference No:

35768

AP/AL: Appropriation

Project Type: Planning

Category: Natural Resources

Location: Anchor Point

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2002 - 06/30/2003

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustees Council will likely authorize the purchase of three land acquisition packages. Two of the parcels are currently held by The Conservation Fund who has purchased them for transfer and sale to the state based upon initial Trustee Council actions and comments. One parcel is currently owned by the University of Alaska.

Funding:	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008	Total
EVOSS	\$291,000						\$291,000
Total:	\$291,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$291,000

<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"/> 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:

This is a new request for purchase of new parcels.

Project Description/Justification:

Three parcels are proposed for purchase.

1. Icicle Seafoods. Block 8, Ninilchik Townsite (Block 8/Lots 1-11, 15-19, 21, 22). The Ninilchik River runs through this block of parcels and the area has traditionally been used for recreational river access and sportfishing access. Plans for sale of the subdivision threatened to create conflicts between new owners and existing users of these parcels. Purchase would protect habitat and ensure continued public access to the Ninilchik River. Purchase price based upon approved appraised value is \$113,000.
2. Anchor River Valley Estates Subdivision. Anchor Point, AK (Block 2/Lots 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14). Plans for sale of these lots were of concern to the Alaska Department of Fish & Game because of the potential impact to riparian habitat and loss of public access to the Anchor River. Purchase price based upon approved appraised value is \$78,000.
3. USS 448, Valdez Duck Flats. This parcel is currently owned by the University of Alaska. The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council has successfully negotiated with the University for the purchase of this parcel. An offer has been authorized by the Trustee Council for the appraised market value of the parcel, \$100,000. Acquisition of this parcel will protect valuable wetlands, maintain the Valdez viewshed and protect habitat for outmigrating and spawning pink salmon. This acquisition is strongly supported by the City of Valdez.