

**Northern Region: Winter Trail Markings**

**FY2004 Request: \$258,500**

**Reference No: AMD 36443**

**AP/AL:** Allocation

**Project Type:** Construction

**Category:** Transportation

**Location:** Central Alaska

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**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2008

**Appropriation:** Surface Transportation Program

**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This amendment updates the project description. Mark overland winter trails in Northern Region with permanent trail markers. Trail markers will ensure winter travelers can safely journey between communities in the area.

<b>Funding:</b>	<b>FY2004</b>	<b>FY2005</b>	<b>FY2006</b>	<b>FY2007</b>	<b>FY2008</b>	<b>FY2009</b>	<b>Total</b>
Fed Rcpts	\$258,500						\$258,500
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$258,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$258,500</b>

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phased Project	<input type="checkbox"/> On-Going
9% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input checked="" 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
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**

FY2003 - \$380,000. Project description updated.

**Project Description/Justification:**

Install trail markers/tripods along winter trails in the Northern Region, beginning with the Lower, Middle, and Upper Yukon areas. As funding permits, priorities for construction are:

- 1) Mountain Village - Russian Mission (Completion: 80 miles)
- 2) Tanana - Alakaket (120 miles)
- 3) Hughes - Alakaket (75 miles)
- 4) Hughes - Huslia (90 miles)
- 5) Tanana - Manley (65 miles)

These trails are the winter transportation routes between remote communities in Alaska. Winter travelers get lost every year traveling between villages on unmarked trails. This project will provide safe winter travel for rural Alaska residents.

This work will complete the Lower Yukon Trail marking and start marking identified trails in the Middle and Upper Yukon Area. Use of local force account labor is anticipated. The estimated cost for trail staking is \$1,000-\$1,500/Mile depending on the spacing of the markers.