

Akutan Ferry Planning and Design**FY2004 Request: \$1,000,000**
Reference No: AMD 39462**AP/AL:** Appropriation
Category: Transportation
Location: Akutan
House District: Bristol Bay/Aleutians (HD 37)
Estimated Project Dates: 03/31/2004 - 06/30/2009**Project Type:** Planning
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The Aleutians East Borough (AEB) is the sponsor for this earmark and for the planning and environmental work underway. ADOT&PF is executing a TORA, which will give AEB primary management responsibilities for environmental, ROW and design process. AEB agrees with this arrangement.

Funding:	<u>FY2004</u>	<u>FY2005</u>	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fed Rcpts	\$1,000,000						\$1,000,000
Total:	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000

<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 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
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

None.

Project Description/Justification:

This earmark is intended to promote one of the alternatives in the Akutan Airport Master Plan (AMP) project. The purpose of the AMP is to identify a site for an airport to serve the community of Akutan. A site has been tentatively identified. A NEPA document is currently being prepared which will evaluate this site in detail, together with alternate means of accessing the airport site. Two land routes (roads) are being looked at, as are five other alternatives which each involve a combination of marine and road access. The Aleutians East Borough (AEB) supports these marine/road alternatives, which they refer to collectively as the "ferry alternative". AEB has obtained the earmark to ensure that the marine alternatives receive adequate consideration during the NEPA process. We have no objection to this and agree with the FAA that these alternatives have promise.