

**Kotzebue: Obstruction Removal and Safety Area****FY2006 Request: \$6,700,000****Reference No: AMD 38397****AP/AL:** Allocation**Project Type:** Construction**Category:** Transportation**Location:** Kotzebue**Contact:** Kip Knudson**House District:** Arctic (HD 40)**Contact Phone:** (907)269-0724**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2010**Appropriation:** Airport Improvement Program**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Expand the runway safety area at the Kotzebue Airport. This project contributes to the Department's Mission by reducing injuries, fatalities and property damage and by improving the mobility of people and goods.

<b>Funding:</b>	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fed Rcpts	\$6,700,000						\$6,700,000
<b>Total:</b>	\$6,700,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,700,000

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input type="checkbox"/> On-Going
5% = 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	
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**

FY2005 Supplemental Request - \$5,300,000; FY2004 - \$6,992,188.

**Project Description/Justification:**

The Airport Master Plan identifies the need to upgrade the existing approach for runway 8/26 and expand the safety area. The proposal had been postponed because the process of removing hills that are too close to the runway would have impacted a community water source. However, the community now utilizes an alternate source that will not be impacted by removing hills that penetrate the Federal Aviation Regulations Part 77 surface. Suitable material from the obstruction removal will be used to expand the safety areas up to the recommended 500' width for runway 8/26.

Additional funding of \$6,700,000 will allow the Runway Safety Area (RSA) to be expanded to a width of 500', rather than the 340' width. This legislative authority increase will allow the department to proceed with this additional widening in the event that additional discretionary funding becomes available or a currently programmed RSA project is not deliverable. This approach has been discussed with FAA and they are in agreement.