

Cold Bay Access Improvements**FY2006 Request: \$2,000,000****Reference No: AMD 40532****AP/AL:** Allocation**Project Type:** Planning**Category:** Transportation**Location:** King Cove**Contact:** John MacKinnon**House District:** Bristol Bay/Aleutians (HD 37)**Contact Phone:** (907)465-6973**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2010**Appropriation:** Surface Transportation Program**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Perform preliminary engineering and environmental analysis of a follow-on project to further improve access to the Cold Bay airport facility from King Cove. This project will evaluate alternatives such as a direct road link between the two communities. There is a proposed land exchange between the state and federal landowners that would secure a right-of-way for the project. This project contributes to the Department's Mission by reducing injuries, fatalities and property damage and by improving the mobility of people and goods.

Funding:	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fed Rcpts	\$2,000,000						\$2,000,000
Total:	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000

<input checked="" 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
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
<u>One-Time Startup:</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

None.

Project Description/Justification:

The project will pursue the most cost-effective strategy for the movement of people and goods, in all weather conditions between the communities of Cold Bay and King Cove. Although a road and hovercraft ferry link are currently under construction between these communities, the Aleutians East Borough and State of Alaska continue to believe that other alternatives would offer improved service in the long run. If a land exchange is negotiated, the key impediment to the all-land access option would no longer exist. The environmental effort undertaken with this funding would consider all reasonable options to improve access between the two communities, using the road-hovercraft as the baseline or "no-build" alternative.