

Anchorage: Traffic Control Signalization

FY2007 Request: \$60,000

Reference No: AMD 39107

AP/AL: Allocation

Project Type: Construction

Category: Transportation

Location: Anchorage Areawide

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2006 - 06/30/2009

Appropriation: Surface Transportation Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This is a new FY07 Capital Budget Request. Program would provide efficiencies with better/more updated signal timing to address intersection congestion and improving air quality. Existing corridor timing plans will be evaluated and refined. Funding will also support development of a Traffic Management Center. The revised timing plans will include emergency vehicle pre-emption where appropriate and possibly corporate transit priority. 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>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>	<u>FY2012</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fed Rcpts	\$60,000						\$60,000
Total:	\$60,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$60,000

<input 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
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:

FY2006 - \$440,000; FY2005 - \$300,000. Per the Department's new cost sharing policy, the community must provide the match for this project.

Project Description/Justification:

The program would provide needed funding to be more proactive in the Municipality of Anchorage's (MOA's) efforts to improve the efficiency of their system with better/more updated signal timing plans. Improving signal timing is often one of the most cost efficient means of improving air quality by reducing congestion. As the number of signals has increased the need for better traffic signal coordination has increased. This program will allow a more proactive evaluation of traffic corridors to improve flow. Decreased congestion will improve the signal operations and response time for both emergency vehicles and transit. Signal pre-emption and priority capabilities will also be evaluated. The Municipality is working with the Anchorage Fire Department to expand locations where emergency pre-emption is installed and activated. If instituted, transit priority may allow transit vehicles to more consistently maintain their schedule when faced with uncommon traffic incidents causing delay. Traffic signal priority capabilities could allow buses to minimally alter the signal timing for a cycle and move through intersections more efficiently.