

Anchorage: Old Seward Highway Reconstruction - O'Malley FY2008 Request: \$11,500,000
Road to Brandon Reference No: AMD 39097

AP/AL: Allocation **Project Type:** Construction
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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2007 - 06/30/2012
Appropriation: Surface Transportation Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This amendment to the FY2008 Governor's Budget adds \$2,800,000 Federal Funds for a new FY08 project total of \$11,500,000. Project will widen the existing road from two lanes to four lanes with a center two-way left-turn lane, to include illumination, curb and gutter, a storm drain, and pedestrian improvements. 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:	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	Total
Fed Rcpts	\$11,500,000						\$11,500,000
Total:	\$11,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,500,000

<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
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:	26,000	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	26,000	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

FY2007 - \$6,600,000; FY2005 - \$3,800,000.

Project Description/Justification:

The Old Seward Highway is a narrow two-lane strip paved road with no shoulders or turn lanes. It currently operates over capacity during peak hours. The Old Seward Highway provides a major access to residential and commercial areas in South Anchorage, which continues to see the highest level of residential growth and development in Anchorage. No significant improvements have been made to this high volume roadway since it was originally constructed in the 1940s. This project is needed to relieve congestion, provide for safe turning movements, and to construct pedestrian facilities.

Operating and maintenance costs will be approximately \$26,000 per year beginning in FY2010.