

Seward Highway: Windy Corner Safety Improvements**FY2009 Request: \$20,000,000****Reference No: 45625****AP/AL:** Allocation**Project Type:** Construction**Category:** Transportation**Location:** Anchorage Areawide**Contact:** Frank Richards**House District:** Anchorage Areawide (HD 17-32) **Contact Phone:** (907)465-3900**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2008 - 06/30/2013**Appropriation:** General Obligation Bonds**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Provide improvements in the Windy Corner area of the Seward Highway, including highway and railroad relocation, passing lanes, sheep viewing turnout and recreational access. 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:	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	Total
G/O Bonds	\$20,000,000						\$20,000,000
Total:	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000,000

<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 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>	0	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**Project Description/Justification:**

This segment of the Seward Highway is designated a Traffic Safety Corridor due to the extremely high incidence of major injury and fatal accidents along this portion of the roadway. This stretch of highway has a 50% higher accident rate than average due to traffic congestion, lack of passing lanes, icy conditions, high speeds, curves and vehicle conflicts. This is a stand alone component of an overall roadway project to reconstruct the Seward Highway from Potter Marsh in South Anchorage to the community of Bird.