

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**

**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)**

**Grant Recipient: Anchorage**

**Project Title:**

**Project Type: Maintenance and Repairs**

# Anchorage - Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS) Matching Funding

**State Funding Requested: \$26,092,000**

**House District: Anchorage Areawide (17-32)**

Future Funding May Be Requested

**Brief Project Description:**

This request provides matching funding for transportation priorities established for Anchorage in the AMATS 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program. The AMATS federal funding will provide a 50/50 match for the state grant request.

**Funding Plan:**

**Total Cost of Project: \$52,184,000**

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
Federal Funds			\$26,092,000	2010		
<b>Total</b>			<u>\$26,092,000</u>			

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS), is a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) that prioritizes and programs federal funding on transportation related projects. While Anchorage is the largest population area in Alaska, federal funding allocations to Anchorage through AMATS continues to be disproportionate. Statewide STIP evaluation criteria penalizes Anchorage for having the tax base potential to fund transportation projects; however, because most AMATS projects are state owned and are not eligible to receive city road bond funding, many priority transportation projects have gone underfunded for years. The substantial reduction in available federal funding for the state routes has created a significant backlog in project development. Projects that address deteriorating roads, including rut repair projects, are a priority. A list of AMATS TIP projects being advanced with this funding is provided below:

1. Dowling Rd West Reconstruction Phase II - C St to Minnesota Dr
2. Huffman Rd Reconstruction - Pintail St to Old Seward Hwy
3. O'Malley Rd Reconstruction - Seward Hwy to Hillside Dr
4. Spenard Rd Rehab - Minnesota Dr to Benson Blvd
5. Eagle River Rd Rehabilitation - MP 5.3-MP 12.6
6. AMATS Non-NHS Rut Repair Projects (Priorities include Debarr Rd, Jewel Lake Rd, Eagle River Loop Rd, Potter Dr, Birch Rd, A/C Couplet, and Old Klatt Rd)
7. Glenn Hwy Trail Reconstruction - Muldoon Rd to North Birchwood Loop Rd
8. Muldoon Rd Pedestrian and Landscaping
9. Anchorage Areawide Trails Rehab

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\$24,292,000  
Approved

10. Pedestrian Plan Implementation
11. Bicycle Plan Implementation
12. Transit Facility Improvements including Centers and Stops
13. Transit Fleet Expansion/Replacement

If full funding is not provided, anticipated Anchorage priorities to be accelerated as a result of the requested AMATS 50/50 matching funds are provided below:

1. AMATS Non-NHS Rut Repair
2. Huffman Rd Reconstruction
3. O'Malley Rd Reconstruction
- 4a. Anchorage Areawide Trails Rehab
- 4b. Pedestrian Plan Implementation
- 4c. Bicycle Plan Implementation
- 4d. Transit Facility Improvements including Centers and Stops
- 4e. Transit Fleet Expansion
5. Dowling Rd West Reconstruction
6. Eagle River Rd Rehabilitation MP 5.3 to MP 12.6

Matching federal funding will be provided on a program level. Some of the projects may be developed solely with state grant funding if efficiencies in costs and project development timelines can be realized. Others may be developed with full federal funding with extra dollars freed up by state grants.

### Project Timeline:

Most expenditures should occur in 2010 and 2011.

### Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Primarily ADOT on ADOT routes being improved

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority?  Yes  No