

**Statewide Employee Housing Infrastructure Needs/Upgrades**

**FY2011 Request: \$850,000**  
**Reference No: 45491**

**AP/AL:** Allocation **Project Type:** Deferred Maintenance  
**Category:** Natural Resources  
**Location:** Statewide **Contact:** Tom Lawson  
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**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2010 - 06/30/2015  
**Appropriation:** Statewide Facility Deferred Maintenance Projects

**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This project funds specific housing projects to address the department’s most critical employee housing needs. The department provides housing for transient/seasonal staff across the state where no alternative housing exists. Depending on the location and local conditions, the department will either construct, purchase pre-fabricated housing units, or purchase and modify existing structures in the various communities that might be available. This project contributes to the department’s mission by providing the department with the means to conduct deferred maintenance and upgrades on its employee housing facilities resulting in reduced long-term capital costs and a more productive departmental workforce.

<b>Funding:</b>	<b>FY2011</b>	<b>FY2012</b>	<b>FY2013</b>	<b>FY2014</b>	<b>FY2015</b>	<b>FY2016</b>	<b>Total</b>
Gen Fund	\$850,000						\$850,000
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$850,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$850,000</b>

<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	
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**

SLA08, Chapter 29, Section 10, page 68, line 10, included \$250,000 for Statewide Field Camp Housing Replacement Projects.

**Project Description/Justification:**

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) currently has a variety of employee housing that is utilized by staff across the state, and a need for additional housing in other areas. Many of these are bunkhouses that are utilized by transient/seasonal staff; the department also owns or leases a variety of single family houses, trailers, and duplexes. As a general rule all of these units are in remote locations where no housing alternatives exist; as a result, ADF&G housing is necessary to attract and retain staff. In several locations the department is unable to fill positions due to the lack of available housing.

Several of the existing units are old and in need of major renovations/replacement and many: do not meet current building codes and safety/ADA standards and/or have leases that are expiring or the unit is up for sale.

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Current examples of known locations with either old/substandard employee housing facilities, no current housing available, or units that we may be losing include; Dutch Harbor, McGrath, Ketchikan, Galena, Port Moeller, Glennallen, Chignik, Cold Bay, Yakutat, and others.

The requested funds would cover the costs necessary to initiate specific housing projects with emphasis to address the department's most critical employee housing needs. Depending on the location and local conditions, the department will either construct, purchase pre-fabricated housing units, or purchase and modify existing structures in the various communities that might be available. Construction costs vary significantly across the state and costs could range from as low as \$300,000 for the purchase and renovation of an existing unit up to possibly \$600,000 for new construction or the purchase and installation of a pre-fabricated unit of some type. Yakutat, Port Moeller, Dutch Harbor, Ketchikan and McGrath will be the department's initial focus but other sites would follow as funding became available.