

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Unalaska****Federal Tax ID: 92-0036399****Project Title:****Project Type: New Construction and Land Acquisition**

# Unalaska - Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

**State Funding Requested: \$5,000,000****House District: 37 / S**

Future Funding May Be Requested

**Brief Project Description:**

Design and Construction of a new Wastewater Plant to meet environmental limitations.

**Funding Plan:**

Total Project Cost:	\$25,414,276
Funding Already Secured:	(\$2,211,645)
FY2012 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$5,000,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$18,202,631

*Funding Details:**In 2009, Unalaska recieved a \$1,000,000 grant from the State Municipal Grant program for Wastewater Treatment Plant.**From 2004 to 2010, the City provided \$1,211,645 to this project.***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

On the average the Unalaska Waste Water Plant treats 550,000 gallons of waste per day. At this time, the waste water plant utilizes preliminary screening for solid removal and ultraviolet light for disinfection. Due to the increase of leachate outfall from the landfill and increase of transient residents, the current Waste Water Plant cannot meet environmental limitations. The City of Unalaska is currently in negotiations with EPA to determine compliance measures and monetary penalty amount.

Unalaska is in the process of preparing a Waste Water Facility report to determine if advance primary treatment or secondary treatment will be needed to meet current and future environmental limitations. If advance primary treatment is needed the project cost will be approximately \$12 million. If secondary treatment is needed, the project will cost approximately \$25 million. The City of Unalaska will be requesting \$4 million from the Federal Government and through this request, is requesting \$4 million from the State of Alaska for this project.

Unalaska is the number one fishing port in the nation. This economic activity, currently operating in Unalaska, contributes \$27 million in taxes per year to State of Alaska coffers. Our contribution per capita is twice the State of Alaska average. Investment in Unalaska produces a two fold return to the State.

**Project Timeline:**

Design and Engineering - 2012

Construction - 2016

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

City of Unalaska will be responsible of ongoing operations and maintenace.

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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