

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Kenai Peninsula Borough****Federal Tax ID: 92-0030894****Project Title:****Project Type: New Construction and Land Acquisition**

Kenai Peninsula Borough - Kachemak Emergency Service Area Diamond Ridge Community Center / Training Facility

State Funding Requested: \$100,000**House District: Kenai Areawide (33-35)**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

For the construction of a Community Center/ Firefighter/EMS Training Facility to be used for public meetings, the Ski Club, Firefighter Training and EMS Training. Kachemak Emergency Service Area Priority #1.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$800,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	(\$100,000)
Project Deficit:	\$700,000

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

This facility will provide a place for local residents for meetings, shelter, Home Owner Associations and public gatherings in addition to use on occasion by the Kachemak Bay Ski Club who uses the area for their trail head convergence. The facility will be used more regularly for a training facility for fire and EMS personnel. Without having a building to hold regular training it has been difficult to recruit fire department personnel from the west side of the service area. Kachemak Emergency Service Area has had numerous applicants that have withdrawn their interest because of the lack of facilities on the west side. Personnel must drive 20 miles to attend training events at the McNeil Canyon Station at Mile 12 East End Road. With the construction of a fire station equipment building currently in progress this separate facility will augment that operation in many ways.

Project Timeline:

Construction of this facility would be available to inhabit within 1-year of securing funding, weather permitting.

Secure Funding July 2012

Architectural August 2012

Begin Ground Work August 2012

Bid and Procure Building Package and General Contractor August 2012

Begin Construction September 2012

Complete Construction February 2013

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

KPB/Kachemak Emergency Service Area

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

Name: Robert Ciccirella
Title: Fire Chief
Address: 53048 Ashwood Avenue
Homer, Alaska 99603
Phone Number: (907)235-9811
Email: bciccirella@borough.kenai.ak.us

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



KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

Year 2012 State Capital Improvement Projects

KACHEMAK EMERGENCY SERVICE AREA

Funding Recipient: Kenai Peninsula Borough / Kachemak Emergency Service Area

Project Name: Diamond Ridge Community Center / Training Facility

Project Priority
Ranking: 1

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

For the construction of a Community Center/Firefighter/EMS Training Facility to be used for public meetings, the Ski Club, Firefighter Training and EMS Training.

This facility will provide a place for local residents for meetings, shelter, Home Owner Associations and public gatherings in addition to use on occasion by the Kachemak Bay Ski Club who uses the area for their trail head convergence. The facility will be used more regularly for a training facility for fire and EMS personnel. Without having a building to hold regular training it has been difficult to recruit fire department personnel from the west side of the service area. Kachemak Emergency Service Area has had numerous applicants that have withdrawn their interest because of the lack of facilities on the west side. Personnel must drive 20 miles to attend training events at the McNeil Canyon Station at Mile 12 East End Road. With the construction of a fire station equipment building currently in progress this separate facility will augment that operation in many ways.

Time line:	Construction of this facility would be available to inhabit within 1-year of securing funding, weather permitting.
	Secure Funding July 2012
	Architectural August 2012
	Begin Ground Work August 2012
	Bid and Procure Building Package and General Contractor August 2012
	Begin Construction September 2012
	Complete Construction February 2013

Funding Plan:	\$300,000 Building package and construction	\$120,000 Ground work and Pad
	\$120,000 Architectural Design	\$110,000 Septic, Well etc.
	\$100,000 System, Fixtures and Equipment	\$ 50,000 Finishing

Funding Request:	\$ 800,000	Election District:	Senate:	R
Total Project Cost:	\$ 800,000		House:	35

CONTACT INFORMATION

Robert Cicciarella, Fire Chief	Phone:	907-235-9811
53048 Ashwood Avenue	Fax:	907-235-8034
Homer, Alaska 99603	E-mail:	bcicciarella@borough.kenai.ak.us

How did the Service Area select this project as a funding priority?

The community has been requesting a fire station and community center since 2005 when land was acquired on Diamond Ridge Road. There have been public meetings and letters of support sent to legislators. Insurance companies have been working with area residents and property owners along with the Fire Service Area to lower Insurance Services Office (ISO) ratings with improved fire and EMS response as a by-product. Construction on the fire station will begin Spring of 2012.

If a Community Meeting was conducted, how was it advertised? When and where was it held? Who attended?

Property owners have attended Service Area Board meetings to show their support. These meetings have been advertised in local newspapers and local public radio. The meetings were held at the two existing fire stations and were also attended by Borough Assembly members and Legislators.

Who owns the property and what is the status of the land for the project?

The Kenai Peninsula Borough. The land has been prepared for construction and right of ways have been granted.

Who will own the project or facility?

The Kenai Peninsula Borough.

Entity responsible for ongoing operation and maintenance of this project:

Kachemak Emergency Service Area.

How will operations and maintenance be funded after the project is complete?

Through a Kenai Peninsula Borough Mill Levy of 2.25 for the operating fund for the Kachemak Emergency Service Area.