

Village Safe Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Projects **FY2013 Request: \$51,500,000**
Reference No: 41376

AP/AL: Appropriation with Allocations **Project Type:** Water / Sewer / Solid Waste
Category: Health/Human Services **Recipient:** Various
Location: Statewide **House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)
Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1-40) **Contact:** Bill Griffith
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2012 - 06/30/2017 **Contact Phone:** (907)269-7601

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This project provides financial and technical assistance to rural communities to plan, design, and construct water and sewer system improvements. 60% of the funding will provide first-time service to communities while 40% will be used for expansions, upgrades and replacements of existing service.

Funding:	<u>FY2013</u>	<u>FY2014</u>	<u>FY2015</u>	<u>FY2016</u>	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fed Rcpts	\$42,250,000						\$42,250,000
G/F Match	\$8,750,000						\$8,750,000
Stat Desig	\$500,000						\$500,000
Total:	\$51,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$51,500,000

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going
25% = 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
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

Village Safe Water Projects has received prior appropriations of \$81,395.2 in FY2005, \$92,439.5 in FY2006, \$90,705.9 in FY2007, \$66,674.1 in FY2008, \$102,138.0 in FY2009, \$66,666.6 in FY2010; \$48,500.0 in FY2011 and 51,500.0 in FY2012.

Project Description/Justification:

The Facility Construction component within the Division of Water provides technical and financial support to Alaska's communities to design and construct drinking water and sanitation facilities. Communities apply each year to the State for grants for these projects. Applications are scored based primarily on the extent to which proposed projects address critical public health needs, as well as the communities' capacity to operate and maintain the facilities. High ranking projects are placed on a multi-year priority list, which identifies projects to receive funding over the next several years. The majority of project awards made under this program are eligible for grant funds made available to the state through the federal government. A portion of the federal grant monies available require the state to appropriate matching funds.

Each year communities propose more projects than the State has funding available. When projects are proposed, total costs are estimated based on the best information available but are subject to change. Balances in these projects may be shifted to augment other projects that were underestimated or, applied to other approved projects on the waiting list based on a first-ready, first-served basis.

This project contributes to the Department's End Result A - Citizens are Protected. Drinking water and sewer projects constructed with grant funds protect residents from unsafe sanitary conditions.