Wrangell - Evergreen Road Improvements and Pedestrian Access

### FY2014 Request: $5,000,000

**Reference No:** AMD 56878

**AP/AL:** Allocation

**Category:** Transportation

**Location:** Wrangell

**Impact House District:** Farmers Loop/Two Rivers (HD 2)

**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2013 - 06/30/2019

**Appropriation:** Surface Transportation Program

**House District:** Ketchikan/Wrangell (HD 33)

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### Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This is a new FY2014 capital project due to the submission of the new 2013 - 2015 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which occurred after the December 14th release of the Governor's budget. This project will rehabilitate and widen the road from the Alaska Marine Highway terminal to the airport, approximately 1 mile along Stikine Avenue/Evergreen Roads, as well as straighten curves where able to, construct curbs, gutters and sidewalks from the Ferry Terminal to Petroglyph Beach access, and redesign electrical services along the route.

### Operating & Maintenance Costs:

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### Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

None.

### Project Description/Justification:

Driver and pedestrian safety are both of paramount concern along this well used major collector. This length of road is in poor condition, and has narrow shoulders that do not provide adequate space for pedestrians utilizing the route to walk between the ferry terminal and the airport, or between town and the Petroglyph Beach, an extremely popular tourist attraction and cultural exhibit. Not only is there extensive use of this narrow major collector by pedestrians, but the curve in the road creates difficulty in seeing on coming traffic or pedestrians a driver may try to avoid one, and inadvertently blunder into another. In 2005 the Pavement Serviceability Rating (PSR) for this section of road was 1.9, which is in the poor range. Ruts were 0.54 inches deep on average, and the International Roughness Index (IRI) was 196 though there are no hard and fast standards for IRI, generally anything above 170 is considered poor.