

**Northwest Arctic Borough - Kivalina Evacuation and Access Road**

**FY2016 Request: \$2,500,000**  
**Reference No: 46469**

**AP/AL:** Appropriation  
**Category:** Development  
**Location:** Northwest Arctic Borough  
**Impact House District:** Arctic (HD 40)  
**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2020

**Project Type:** Life / Health / Safety  
**Recipient:** Northwest Arctic Borough  
**House District:** Arctic (HD 40)  
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**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This project will continue development of a road to serve as both an evacuation road for the community and as an access road from the village to the new school site. This project is time sensitive. Kivalina has had multiple emergency evacuations in the past six years, including two to the existing school for local shelter and one out of the village. This project is needed to continue to address this life, health, and safety issue.

<b>Funding:</b>	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	Total
Gen Fund	\$2,500,000						\$2,500,000
<b>Total:</b>	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,500,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input checked="" 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
One-Time Startup:	0	0
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Prior Funding History / Additional Information:**

Sec1 Ch16 SLA2013 P24 L17 SB18 \$2,500,000

**Project Description/Justification:**

The village of Kivalina sits on a low-lying barrier island between the Chukchi Sea and Kivalina Lagoon. Due to significant erosion, the community of Kivalina will have to be relocated. In the interim, a series of mitigation measures are being pursued to protect the community as much as possible. Currently, the only way to leave the village is by plane or boat. Both of these means of evacuation would be dangerous, if not impossible, during a large ocean storm. Compounding the situation is the community is in a remote area making it extremely difficult for outside help in time for a successful rescue mission. The community must have a way to safely evacuate themselves. An evacuation road inland meets this need and is necessary to ensure the safety of the residents.

The community has selected a site for the construction of a new school on high ground near Kisimigiuktuk Hill, which is approximately eight miles inland from the existing community. There is currently no road access to the new school site. The proposed road will serve as both an evacuation road and an as an access road to the new school from the village.

**Expenditure information (thousands):**

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<b>FY2014 Expenditures</b>	<b>FY2015 Authorization</b>	<b>FY2016 Proposed Appropriation</b>
\$300.0	\$0.0	\$2,500.0