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FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Project Name: North Douglas Channel Crossing

Project Location: City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ), AK

Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):

Requested funds will finish the Environmental Impact Statement for the North Douglas Channel Crossing project, which is an effort to construct a bridge crossing over the Gastineau Channel from North Juneau to North Douglas Island. Public benefit from this project include: economic growth, reduced commuter travel time, and increased public safety. The current Juneau/Douglas bridge intersections will not support anticipated traffic volumes resulting from residential/commercial development of North Douglas. A second bridge crossing will be necessary to support growth in this area, shorten commuter travel to business centers, and will enhance emergency response time. The bridge would not only serve the residents of Douglas Island (pop. 5,408) but also residents on the Juneau side (total pop. 31,341) wanting to go over to Douglas (Eaglecrest ski area, N. Douglas boat launch, popular hiking trails, etc). The bridge would also serve residents of Mendenhall Valley and areas north (pop. 21,650). This project remains CBJ's top federal request priority.

Related Appropriations Bill: TTHUD/DOT/FHWA/Surf.Trans.Priorities/Brig.

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: $4.5 million

Total funding to complete this project: $76 million

Number of years to fund this project: 6

Matching funds from the State of Alaska: $3 million

Matching funds from local and private entities:

CBJ will provide portion of funding through a voter-approved bond.

If this project was funded in prior appropriations bills (within the last five years), list each bill and the amount funded:

FY03 Omnibus (P.L. 108-7, House Report 108-010): $4.219 million

Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: 0

Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: 0 = Gov.Prop.Budgt

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List legislation that authorizes this project:

Check all that apply:

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Alaska Contact Information

Name/Org.: Rod Swope

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FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Project Name: NOAA Funding for John Cobb and Berthing at Juneau

Project Location: City & Borough of Juneau, AK

Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):

The John Cobb research vessel has been dedicated to fisheries sciences missions in Southeast Alaska since it first entered service in 1950. NOAA plans to de-commission the Cobb in September 2008. Currently there is no provision in NOAA's budget for replacement of the Cobb, though considerable work has been expended over a number of years on design of a replacement vessel. Juneau requests that funding be provided to NOAA to replace the Cobb and urges consideration of berthing the vessel in Juneau. The loss of the Cobb will hinder important research underway - the Cobb collects essential data on juvenile salmon, eelgrass ecology, black cod, rockfish, and data for assessing climate change impacts. Berthing at Juneau would provide operational benefits for the nearby NOAA Ted Stevens Marine Research Institute at Lena Point, Juneau, AK. The Cobb has been instrumental in collecting the fishery data used by scientists at Lena Point. Maintaining a healthy salmon fishery is extremely important to the economy of Southeast Alaska. Similar efforts to berth the Oscar Dyson and Fairweather in Kodiak and Ketchikan, respectively, have brought great economic activity to those cities.

Related Appropriations Bill: CJS/NOAA/Procurement, Acquisition, Const.

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: $15 million

Total funding to complete this project: $15 million

Number of years to fund this project: 1

Matching funds from the State of Alaska: 0

Matching funds from local and private entities:

CBJ has the dock space available and is willing to make any other necessary accommodations.

If this project was funded in prior appropriations bills (within the last five years), list each bill and the amount funded:

Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: 0

Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: 0=Gov.Prop.Budgt

☐ Check this box if state funding was sought but not provided.

List legislation that authorizes this project:

Check all that apply:

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Alaska Contact Information

Name/Org.: Rod Swope

A replacement vessel for the Cobb is essential to maintain the continuity of ocean surveys and for supporting expanded fish stock and habitat assessments. It is also imperative that the research operations of the existing vessel be maintained until its replacement is brought on line. In addition to its basic fish stock and habitat assessment functions critical to the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, the Cobb provides substantial support to meet international treaty obligations of the U.S., such as the Pacific Salmon Treaty. The Cobb supports the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Convention, provides fisheries forecasts for the State of Alaska and the Regional Aquaculture Associations in southeast Alaska, supports regulatory processes conducted by the National Marine Fisheries Service's (NMFS) Alaska Regional Office, and also provides support for fisheries research conducted at the University of Alaska School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences and the NMFS's Northwest Fisheries Science Center.

Continuity is important in building upon the Cobb's long time series observations of stock and habitat assessments conducted by the Ted Stevens Marine Research Institute and the National Marine Mammal Laboratory. With 160 useful days at sea per year, the value of the Cobb to the Alaska Fisheries Science Center is estimated at $1.2 million per year, plus an additional $300,000 for logistics (transportation and personnel costs). Data types and activities supported by the Cobb include: oceanography, benthic marine habitat, estuarine studies, epipelagic coastal monitoring, marine mammal surveys, marine fish life history studies, trophic nutrition and ecology, forage fish surveys, and logistics and transportation in support of the remote field station at Little Port Walter.

The Cobb has been instrumental in collecting data on the Lynn Canal herring stock, which is under consideration for endangered species listing. Such listing could have serious economic implications for Juneau and Southeast Alaska. Additional new research the Cobb would support includes: red fern/Tulsequah mine, Berners Bay monitoring, Taku River Gilnetting, and Southeast Pink Salmon Harvest forecasting. Without the Cobb or its equivalent, there is no vessel for research.

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FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Project Name: Approach lighting for Runway 26 in Juneau

Project Location: Juneau International Airport (JNU), City & Borough of Juneau (CBJ), AK

Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):

CBJ/Juneau (JNU) Airport requests funds be directed to FAA to install approach lighting equipment (otherwise known as "MALSR" - Medium Intensity Approach Lighting System with Runway Alignment Indicator) on Runway 26. Under the FY01 Omnibus, FAA received $1.5 million to complete this project, however, this earmark expired due to the unexpected delay in finishing the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). FAA has now completed an EIS and issued a Record of Decision (ROD) in July 2007, incorporating installation of MALSR. Permits, expected to be issued in June 2008, will include the MALSR project in anticipation of FAA being funded to do the project, however the MALSR project is not funded. FAA indicated intent to build the MALSR system thru FY01 earmark. FAA says MALSR funding may take 3 years through internal procedures, and this funding is unlikely. Due to the timing of permits and construction efficiencies, it is optimal to secure the funds and start construction as soon as possible. This will ensure that the environmental documents are still current and coordinating MALSR with airport expansion will save money. If FY09 funds not possible, JNU requests new language.

Related Appropriations Bill: TTHUD/DOT/FAA Approach lighting program

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: $4,160,7000

Total funding to complete this project: $4,160,7000

Number of years to fund this project: 1

Matching funds from the State of Alaska: 0

Matching funds from local and private entities:

Should federal funding option fail and requested language be successful, JNU will contribute the appropriate share.

If this project was funded in prior appropriations bills (within the last five years), list each bill and the amount funded:

$1.5 million (FY01 Omnibus, PL106-346/H.Rpt.106-940)

Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: 0

Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: 0=Gov.Prop.Budgt

☐ Check this box if state funding was sought but not provided.

List legislation that authorizes this project:

Check all that apply:

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Alaska Contact Information

Name/Org.: Dave Palmer, Juneau International Airport

FAA Alaska Regional Administrator Robert Lewis' letter of July 30, 2007 concludes: "We concur that the MALSR on Runway 26 will improve the safety and reliability for aircraft operations at Juneau Airport."

The advent of the new FAA Required Navigation Performance (RNP) procedures to Rwy 26 makes the MALSR system most important. In securing an earmark in FY01 for MALSRs at Juneau, the FAA indicated its intent to build theMALSR system. Now that the earmark expired, the FAA indicates that even following its internal procedures (taking up to 3 years), funding is not likely. Due to the timing of permits and construction efficiencies, it is most optimal to secure the funds and start construction as soon as possible. This will ensure that the environmental documents are still current and coordinating MALSR construction with the airport expansion will save money.

If FY09 federal funding is not possible, JNU requests new language to allow it to use Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funds for the MALSR project on Runway 26. FAA claims that JNU may not now use AIP funds for the MALSR project; however, Section 314 of the FY01 Consolidated Appropriations Act (PL106-346) may be modified to change the reference from "instrument landing systems" to "approach lighting systems and other aids to navigation" to allow for this. JNU defers to Senator Stevens personal staff and Commerce committee staff regarding the specific language change.

STRUCTURES
Piles, LF driven.....$100,000
Catwalk, LF.....$1,600,000
Misc. Steel, Ton.....$250,000
Gen Set Pad, EA.....$20,000
Gen Set, EA.....$50,000
Cable, LF.....$10,000
ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT
MARLS w/Site Spares.....$51,800
Site Spares.....$0
RMS.....$32,000
LCU.....$25,300
RRCS.....$28,600
Transceivers & Antennas for RMS.....$1,700
Lamps/Filters/Aiming Device $1,600
LIR Structures $47,500
Cable, misc. $7,300
Air to Ground Mod Kit $1,000
OTHER
Parts, Hardware, Fittings.....$20,000
Factory Inspection.....$5,900
Freight $6,000
F&E Training & Depot $6,000
Support Contractor..... $10,000
INSTALLATION
Equipment Installation.....$825,000
NON-STRUCTURE, NON-EQUIPMENT
Mobilization.....$203,000
Construction Survey.....$30,000
Quality Control/Assurance.....$20,000
Scheduling.....$8,000
Erosion Control.....$50,000
DESIGN & ADMIN
Design.....$205,000
Permits.....$25,000
Construction Administration.....$203,000
CONTINGENCIES
Contingency for Equipment Pads (Protect Ground)....$100,000
Contingency for Steel $25,000
Contingency for Overall Project.....$92,000

GRAND TOTAL: $4,160,700

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FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Project Name: Health Facilities Equipment for Bartlett Regional Hospital

Project Location: Bartlett Regional Hospital, an enterprise fund of City & Borough of Juneau, AK

Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):

Bartlett Regional Hospital is in need of 4 key pieces of health facility equipment: 1) A Nuclear Medicine Camera is needed to replace the existing camera that has reached its end of life; 2) CBJ needs Digital Mammography equipment to include 2 units (mobile and in house), a workstation, and Computer Assisted Diagnosis equipment; 3) a Slice scanner (64 or 28 CT) is needed to replace the aging CT equipment and allow for expansion of CT services to include cardiac screening and virtual colonoscopies; and 4) an autoclave is needed for onsite disposal of federally-regulated medical waste. Currently medical waste must be shipped to Oregon for disposal at considerable expense to CBJ. Diagnostic Imaging (through the nuclear camera and digital mammography) is key to diagnosis and treatment of injury, illness, and disease. Medicare patients, visitors, and residents will benefit from improved and enhanced services. This purchase of health facilities equipment is one component of a 5-year capital plan to upgrade and expand Bartlett Regional Hospital. CBJ will seek alternative sources of funding throughout the larger hospital improvement project.

Related Appropriations Bill: Labor HHS/Health facilities equipment

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: $2.9 million

Total funding to complete this project: $2.9 million

Number of years to fund this project: 1

Matching funds from the State of Alaska: 0

Matching funds from local and private entities:

If this project was funded in prior appropriations bills (within the last five years), list each bill and the amount funded:

Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: 0

Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: 0=Gov.Prop.Budgt

☐ Check this box if state funding was sought but not provided.

List legislation that authorizes this project:

Check all that apply:

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Alaska Contact Information

Name/Org.: Garth Hamblin

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FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Project Name: Electrical Power to FAA Weather Tower

Project Location: Eaglecrest Mountain, Douglas Island, City & Borough of Juneau (CBJ), AK

Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):

This request will partially fund the electrical power line connection from the North Douglas highway to the top of the Eaglecrest Mountain, a distance of 7.5 miles, and construct a four-wheel drive access road to allow servicing year round in any weather condition. The funds requested will provide continuous electrical power to the FAA tower, which is a federal facility that services the Juneau International Airport. Because Juneau, Alaska is accessible only by airplane or ship, Juneau must have a very reliable airport operation. There are two pieces to this project: 1) The State of Alaska has funded $1.4 million to run power from the North Douglas Highway to the base of the mountain. 2) City & Borough of Juneau (CBJ) requests $1.4 million in federal funds (to be used in conjunction with the $250,000 from CBJ and $100,000 from the Rasmuson Foundation) to build the road and bury a new power line from the base of the mountain to the top of the mountain. Currently, the weather tower has unreliable electrical power (present cable installed in early 1990s and in need of replacement) and can be serviced only by helicopter or chairlift. Project would replace cable and provide access road.

Related Appropriations Bill: TTHUD/DOT/FAA

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: $1.4 million

Total funding to complete this project: $1.4 million

Number of years to fund this project: 1

Matching funds from the State of Alaska: $1.4 million

Matching funds from local and private entities:

City and Borough of Juneau: $250,000; Rasmuson Foundation: $100,000

If this project was funded in prior appropriations bills (within the last five years), list each bill and the amount funded:

Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: 0

Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: 0=Gov.Prop.Budgt

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List legislation that authorizes this project:

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Alaska Contact Information

Name/Org.: Kirk Duncan

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FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Project Name: Auke Lake Wayside & Trail Improvements

Project Location: City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ), AK

Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):

Since 2005, CBJ and the University of Alaska Southeast (UAS) have engaged in a fundraising campaign to link the Auke Lake trail to UAS campus, upgrade the existing trail (ADA accessible), and improve the wayside picnic/parking area. The trail will provide educational and recreational opportunities to the UAS community, residents, visitors. So far, CBJ and UAS have raised enough money to fund the footbridge connection from UAS and the overall trail upgrades; construction will begin in 2008. The CBJ requests federal funding to support improvements to the Wayside Park and build a floating boardwalk. The proposed Wayside Park upgrades would provide public parking, boat launch, a picnic shelter, restrooms and proposed interpretive amenities for trail and watercraft users. The present parking lot comprises erosive soils that are rife with potholes. The Wayside Park is the lynchpin, the critical link that unites the University to the trail system. The floating boardwalk will connect the recreation and educational user to the trail that straddles the east end of the lake. The boardwalk is crucial to avoiding disturbance of essential fish habitat, while diversifying the user's lake experience.

Related Appropriations Bill: TTHUD: TCSP or Surface Trans. Priorities

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: $1.3 million

Total funding to complete this project: $1.3 million

Number of years to fund this project: 1

Matching funds from the State of Alaska: 0

Matching funds from local and private entities:

$500,000 (Rasmuson Foundation); $700,000 (University of Alaska Southeast Foundation and CBJ); and $100,000 from Statewide AK Trails Initiative FY07

If this project was funded in prior appropriations bills (within the last five years), list each bill and the amount funded:

Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: 0

Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: 0=Gov.Prop.Budgt

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List legislation that authorizes this project:

Check all that apply:

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Alaska Contact Information

Name/Org.: Rod Swope, City and Borough of Juneau

An enhanced Auke Lake trail network will serve as an economic engine for CBJ by attracting residents, visitors and prospective students to the unique beauty and wilderness character of Auke Lake.

Hiking is an immensely popular activity in CBJ. A 2006 report by the Juneau Economic Development Council that found the primary reason people choose to live in Juneau is the "quality of life" and "outdoor recreation opportunities."

CBJ Parks & Recreation estimates approximately 500,000 visitations to its Parks & Recreation facilities and trails. In 1996, CBJ completed a community survey to identify the recreation patterns and facility needs of Juneau households and found that 91% of households have used a park, beach or wayside picnic area within the last year. Studies also show that property values may increase up to 25% for homes proximal to parkland and recreational facilities.

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FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Project Name: Reprogram DOT Funds to Repair Basin Bridge

Project Location: City and Borough of Juneau, AK

Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):

Reprogrammed funds will go toward planning, designing, repairing and/or replacing the Basin Road wooden trestle bridge. The Basin Road bridge trestle is badly in need of major repairs and/or replacement. This is a priority project because it provides the only access to the city's year round water supply (drinking water and fire suppression) and provides a vital transportation link to summer commercial activities in the Last Chance Basin. In addition, Alaska Electric Light and Power (AEL&P) (the local electric light and power company) requires access to Last Chance Basin to maintain their hydroelectric water intake for power. Detailed inspections and/or design engineering still needs to be completed, but cursory inspections noted deterioration and rot in portions of the wood support structure and decking and some erosion and 'undermining' of several of the main support concrete footings. The $3.5 million estimate envisions an upgrade and improvements to existing structure. The trestle is 410' long.

Related Appropriations Bill: TTHUD/FHWA

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: 0-language request

Total funding to complete this project: $3.5 million

Number of years to fund this project: TBD

Matching funds from the State of Alaska: 0

Matching funds from local and private entities:

A local match of $200,000 has been set aside for this project.

If this project was funded in prior appropriations bills (within the last five years), list each bill and the amount funded:

FY05 Omnibus (P.L. 108-447, H.Rpt. 108-792): $1.8 million. However, these funds were funneled through the State DOT, where they were diverted to fund a shortfall in another local State DOT project called the Sunny Point project.

Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: 0

Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: 0=Gov.Prop.Budgt

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List legislation that authorizes this project:

Check all that apply:

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Alaska Contact Information

Name/Org.: Rod Swope

The FY03 Omnibus (P.L. 108-7, H.Rpt. 108-10) contains $1 million for "Juneau Heliport, Alaska" to remain available until expended (Title III, General Provisions, Section 330). The City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ) and the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOTPF) have determined that these funds are insufficient to construct the project. According to DOTPF, the funds were transferred to Western Federal Lands Highway Division within USDOT/FHWA, which determined there was insufficient public support to complete the heliport project.

CBJ, working in concert with DOTPF, requests these funds be reprogrammed to address a critical public safety need: the repair and/or replacement of the Basin bridge.

Language needed:
"Of the $1,000,000 appropriated under the heading "General Provisions" in Public Law 108-7 for Juneau Heliport, Alaska, the unobligated share shall be available for improvements to the Basin Road wooden trestle bridge in Juneau, Alaska."

Depending on appropriations rules, customs and traditions, there can be two options:
1. Appropriations Committee reprogramming letter
2. Bill language in the FY09 TTHUD Appropriations Bill