Homer - Beluga Lake Float Plane Base Improvements FY2017 Request:

Reference No:

\$2,500,000 61021

AP/AL: Allocation Project Type: Construction

Category: Transportation

Location: Homer House District: Homer/South Kenai (HD 31)

Impact House District: Kenai Areawide (HD 29-31) Contact: John Binder

Appropriation: Airport Improvement Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Construct an access road from Homer Airport to Beluga Lake, an access ramp into the lake, a rescue

boat house, and lakeside floats for transient parking and associated improvements.							
Funding:	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021 F	FY2022	Total
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Total:	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,500,000
▼ State Match Required ▼ One-Time Project □ Phased - new					Phased - underway	Phased - underway	
5% = Minimum State Match % Required Amendment					☐ Mental Health Bill		
Operation 9 Maintenance Costs							
Operating & Maintenance Costs:					Amount		Staff
Project Development:					0		0
Ongoing Operating:				0		0	
One-Time Startup:				0			
			-	Totals:	0		0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

No prior funding history.

Project Description/Justification:

There is no direct public access from Homer Airport directly to Beluga Lake. Operators who must haul aircraft on trailers from Beluga Lake must travel on Sterling Highway to Ocean Drive, then down Kachemak Drive to the Homer Airport General Aviation tie down and hangar area. This requires a permit to close the highway when the aircraft are in transit. Emergency response equipment is currently housed on the south side of Homer Airport. This causes lengthy response times to accidents at Beluga Lake.

The maintenance and operating costs at this airport are expected to increase by approximately \$10,000/year beginning in 2018.