



KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
STATE FUNDING PRIORITIES - 2023

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Kenai Peninsula Borough

Year 2023 State Capital Improvement Projects

SERVICE AREA: South Kenai Peninsula Hospital Service Area

Funding Recipient:	Kenai Peninsula Borough on Behalf South Peninsula Hospital Service Area
Project Name:	Emergency Power Plant replacement and improvements
Project Priority Ranking:	

Detailed Project Description and Justification

Background

The Kenai Peninsula Borough (Borough) owns and provides for the operation of South Peninsula Hospital (SPH) through the South Kenai Peninsula Hospital Service Area. South Peninsula Hospital Inc. (SPHI) operates the hospital and other medical facilities by way of an Operating Agreement with the Borough.

SPHI is a non-profit hospital founded in 1956 and has grown significantly in the past 60+ years. The Hospital has served the people of Homer and a service area reaching from Ninilchik to the southern end of Kachemak Bay. The service area for SPH includes the following communities: Anchor Point, Diamond Ridge, Fox River, Fritz Creek, Halibut Cove, Happy Valley, City of Homer, Kachemak City, Nikolaevsk, and Ninilchik. The extended service area includes Nanwalek, Port Graham, and the Seldovia Area.

SPH is a 22-bed acute care critical access hospital with an attached 28-bed skilled nursing/Long-Term Care facility. It provides various healthcare services, including acute care, cancer care, home health, family birthing, imaging, sleep center, rehabilitation, surgery, trauma level IV emergency care, and other specialties clinical services utilized by residents of the service area as well as other Alaskans and seasonal visitors.

Justification

The Hospital is currently operating at the minimum of emergency power infrastructure causing critical impacts to the operation during the frequent outages experienced in rural Alaska. The assurance of medical services through both minor and major power supply interruptions is critical to quality of life for the service area residents, as well other Alaskans that frequent the southern Kenai Peninsula. The SPH emergency power plant and components are all far beyond their useful life expectancy and have placed the hospital in a position of needing to weigh critical infrastructure needs over patient services.

The current emergency power plant was built in the early 1980's with no notable upgrades to the facility and systems until 2007. At that time an expansion to the hospital drove a need for an increase in power output but was not sufficiently funded to allow for a total renovation/relocation of the already ageing system.

In addition to the practical need for emergency power, Federal and State as well as Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Accreditation requirements dictate and drive the need for a robust emergency backup power system at all health care facilities

The dilapidated conditions of the existing emergency power plant system have triggered violation citations from CMS with a deadline for corrective action by August 2024.

A temporary fix to the code issues has been unidentified and efforts are being made to apply repairs that will bring the system into compliance. However these upgrades are temporary in nature and do not address the concern, risk, and capacity of the aged infrastructure. A long-term solution, in addition to this response to current compliance issues is necessary.

In addition to the basic need for dependable emergency power the plants location is an obstruction and disruption to hospital operations. The need to relocate the plant to a more appropriate site on the campus has been established as a capital priority.

Methodology

Based on the current South Peninsula Hospital Facility Master Plan, efforts are underway to establish and site a new location on the campus that will support a new power plant facility for the foreseeable future.

Once a site is identified, a detailed design development process will be completed that fits the power plant facility to the location and the hospital's operational needs. Improvements to the emergency power supply throughout the existing hospital facility are also planned as part of the project.

Upon Completion of the design development, and through a public procurement process, a construction contract will be entered into by the Kenai Peninsula Borough and the successful general contractor for the completion of the construction portion of the project.

The project will be managed by the Kenai Peninsula Borough's Capital Projects division and upon commissioning the operations and maintenance of the plant will be turned over to SPH Inc. per the operating agreement.

Funding Requested:	\$4,500,000.00	Election District:	Senate:	
Total Project Cost:	\$4,500,000.00		House	

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Funding Plan

Total Project Cost	\$4,500,000.00	<i>Most accurate estimate of how much this project will cost</i>
Funding Secured		<i>How much of the project costs are in hand, secured, appropriated, etc. Please include in-kind contributions and volunteer labor. Do not include hypothetical funds.</i>
Funding Requested	\$4,500,000.00	<i>How much is being requested from this year's capital budget</i>
Pending Requests		<i>Amount requested from other sources but not received</i>
Project Deficit		<i>Additional funding needed to complete the project</i>

Secured Funding Sources and Amounts

N/A	
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If this project is funded this year, will you be requesting state funding again?

No

Please describe the project timeline and when the expenditures will occur.

Project will proceed immediately upon available funds and estimated at 420 days for completion
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Has this project gone through a public review process at the local level?

Yes

Is it a community or service area priority demonstrated by resolution or other official action?

Yes

If a community or service area meeting was conducted, how was it advertised? When and where was it held? Who attended? ((Note: The Clerk's office has the meeting specifics and would be happy to help complete this question))

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly meeting in Soldotna, AK on January 17,2023

Who will own this project or facility?

The Kenai Peninsula Borough

Entity responsible for providing ongoing operation and maintenance of this project?

SPH Inc, a non-profit health care provider contracted to operate the South Peninsula Hospital for the South Peninsula Hospital Service Area

How will operations and maintenance be funded after the project is complete?

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Please select one project type:

	Planning and Research
	Maintenance and Repairs
X	Remodel, Reconstruction and Repairs
	New Construction and Land Acquisition
	Equipment and Materials
	Information System and Technology
	Other:

Recipients Federal Tax ID:

92-0030894



Kenai Peninsula Borough

Year 2023 State Capital Improvement Projects

SERVICE AREA: Kenai Peninsula Road Service Area

Funding Recipient:	Kenai Peninsula Borough – Road Maintenance Service area
Project Name:	Area Wide Road Capital improvement Priorities
Project Priority Ranking:	

Detailed Project Description and Justification

The Kenai Peninsula Borough is seeking \$10,000,000 to Improve roads currently maintained by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Roads Service Area (KPB RSA).

Background

The Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) - Road Service Area (RSA) provides for year-round maintenance of over 650 miles of Roads in the Kenai Peninsula Borough. Roughly, 98% of the Roads in the system are gravel surfaces. The majority of the roads in the system were adopted by the Kenai Peninsula Borough from the State of Alaska. The remained were either adopted into the program by the property owners through a road maintenance application process, or constructed to current RSA standards and adopted in to the road maintenance program. Many roads throughout the borough did not meet RSA Standard Specifications when originally adopted but were “grandfathered” in to the services area based on a history of prior use.

The KPB RSA area prioritizes its Capital improvement projects through the use of a Tier list that is generated by the department through their operational assessment. The list is then evaluated by the RSA Board and a recommendation for yearly priority projects, extending out to 5 years is sent to the Borough Administration for inclusion in the annual budget at the wishes of the Assembly. The total estimated cost of the current Capital improvement project Tier list is in excess of \$30 million over the next 10 years.

Justification

On an annual basis, the KPB RSA spends approximately \$2.5 million on capital improvements with a focus on bringing all the roads under service area maintenance up to the most current RSA Standard Specifications. Projects are prioritized based on public safety, maintenance cost reduction, and quality improvements. The impacts of these improvements are area wide and serve to improve quality of life while lowering the cost of maintenance to the taxpayer for years to come.

Methodology

If funding is made available The KPB and the RSA will immediately seek professional design services to prepare bid ready documents for construction. Projects will include in part, safety improvements, road embankment upgrades, drainage improvements, pavement rehabilitation, road realignments etc. The RSA already has a standard specification established for road improvements that will help to expedite the design efforts and allow projects to be on the street for construction as early as 2023.

Funding Requested:	\$10,000,000.00	Election District:	Senate:	C
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Total Project Cost:	\$10,000,000.00		House	5
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Funding Plan

Total Project Cost	\$10,000,000.00	<i>Most accurate estimate of how much this project will cost</i>
Funding Secured		<i>How much of the project costs are in hand, secured, appropriated, etc. Please include in-kind contributions and volunteer labor. Do not include hypothetical funds.</i>
Funding Requested	\$10,000,000.00	<i>How much is being requested from this year's capital budget</i>
Pending Requests		<i>Amount requested from other sources but not received</i>
Project Deficit		<i>Additional funding needed to complete the project</i>

Secured Funding Sources and Amounts

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If this project is funded this year, will you be requesting state funding again?

Yes

Please describe the project timeline and when the expenditures will occur.

Projects will proceed immediately upon available funds and estimated 2 years for completion

Has this project gone through a public review process at the local level?

Yes

Is it a community or service area priority demonstrated by resolution or other official action?

Yes

If a community or service area meeting was conducted, how was it advertised? When and where was it held? Who attended? ((Note: The Clerk's office has the meeting specifics and would be happy to help complete this question))

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly meeting in Soldotna, AK on January 17, 2023; Kenai Peninsula Road Service area Board, Annually on or around June 1st establishes priorities from the Tier list.

Who will own this project or facility?

Kenai Peninsula Borough and the Kenai Peninsula Road Service Area

Entity responsible for providing ongoing operation and maintenance of this project?

Kenai Peninsula Road Service Area

How will operations and maintenance be funded after the project is complete?

Kenai Peninsula Road Service Area

Please select one project type:

	Planning and Research
X	Maintenance and Repairs
X	Remodel, Reconstruction and Repairs
	New Construction and Land Acquisition
	Equipment and Materials
	Information System and Technology
	Other:

Recipients Federal Tax ID:

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Kenai Peninsula Borough

Year 2023 State Capital Improvement Projects

SERVICE AREA: Seward-Bear Creek Flood Service Area

Funding Recipient:	Kenai Peninsula Borough on Behalf Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area
Project Name:	Seward Flood Service Area – Flood Mitigation Projects, Capital Request
Project Priority Ranking:	1

Detailed Project Description and Justification

Background

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Seward-Bear Creek Flood Service Area provides planning, protection and mitigation of flooding, sedimentation and erosion hazards in the community of Seward, Bear Creek and Lowell Point. The service area prioritizes its mitigation projects through the use of an identified mitigation needs list. The list is evaluated annually by the Flood Service Area Board of Directors and a recommendation for yearly priority projects is sent to the Borough administration for inclusion in the annual budget at the wishes of the assembly.

Projects:

Japanese Creek Drainage Improvements; In 2020, the Kenai Peninsula Borough Flood Service Area, Solid Waste Department and the City of Seward partnered with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to compete a feasibility study of the Japanese Creek alluvial floodplain. The USACE provided recommendations and cost estimates of alternatives to reduce the risk of flooding, erosion and sedimentation, including new LiDAR data acquisition and hazard analyses. LiDAR was acquired in 2021 with local sponsor funds. Updated flood hazard analyses and mapping of the alluvial fan, and design and engineering of the preferred alternatives will be completed in 2023. The total estimated cost for construction of alternatives, including Dieckgraeff Road modifications, construction of a debris basin, and installation of an early warning system is estimated at \$1,958,880.00.

Bruno Rd Armoring & Drainage Improvements; The Kenai Peninsula Borough Flood Service Area maintains 2,600-foot-long gravel embankments in the Questawoods neighborhood, with assessed values of over \$36.5 million, to channelize Kwechak Creek flows. Storm events cause flood waters to rapidly erode existing gravel berms, undermining the adjacent road, causing damages to infrastructure and private properties and closure of Bruno Road, the only egress for the neighborhood. Though maintenance operations are completed annually, emergency response activities have been necessary six times in the last five years to reduce the impacts of flooding in the neighborhood. The total estimated cost for road and drainage improvements, including design and engineering, construction of an armored revetment along 1,000 feet of paved roadway, drainage ditching and driveway culverts is estimated at \$2,197,079.

Box Canyon Creek Water Diversion Structure; The Kenai Peninsula Borough Flood Service Area maintains a 2,800-foot-long gravel embankment, built to deactivate the alluvial fan of Box Canyon Creek. The Old Exit Glacier neighborhood with assessed values of over \$44 million, borough, state, and federal infrastructure are protected by this water diversion structure. During the 2012 flood event, the embankment was entirely eroded, causing debris laden flooding and extensive damages to infrastructure, roads, and private properties throughout the neighborhood. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), at the request of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Flood Service Area, will compete an initial study of the Box Canyon Creek floodplain during the 2023 fiscal year. Following the initial study, the USACE will continue to the feasibility phase of the Continuing Authorities Program, Section 205 of the 1948 Flood Control Act. The program requires a 50% local match and allows the USACE to study, plan, and construct small flood risk management projects without specific authorization by Congress. The total cost for evaluation of long-term mitigation alternatives and selection of a preferred plan, is estimated at \$1,400,000 with \$700,000 local sponsor match.

Tiehacker Bank Stabilization; Storm events in recent years have caused flood waters to rapidly erode streambanks along upper Salmon Creek, threatening to undermine Tiehacker Road and utility infrastructure. Erosion has carved out over 1.4 acres of streambank since the 2006 flood event. The Kenai Peninsula Borough Flood Service Area proposes to complete design and engineering and construct an armored revetment along 440 feet of streambank, backfilling the eroded area to protect the road, utilities and private properties from future flood hazard. The total estimated cost for bank stabilization, including design and engineering, and construction of an armored revetment along 440 feet of eroded bank is estimated at \$727,776.

Sediment Extraction Maintenance; In an effort to maintain current streambed channel elevations and flood water carrying capacity the service area executes several priority sediment extraction projects on an annual basis. The highest priority areas are selected by the Flood Service Area board from a list of 10 pre-established extraction sites. Investment in long term benchmark control to allow for consistent and accurate material extraction is either in place or established with each project. Recent studies estimated nearly 400,000 cubic yards of material are deposited annually throughout the Resurrection Bay basin. The current rate of sediment buildup exceeds the approximately \$200,000.00 available annually for maintenance projects and flood response. A large project focused on establishing the remaining engineering controls and returning active streambed corridors to pre-2012 event channel elevations would not only drastically improve mitigation efforts, but would also relieve some of the burden on the service area and the Borough due to flooding impacts. \$1,500,000.00 would significantly advance the efforts and assist in the implementation of more effective long term solutions for streambed maintenance.

Methodology

Should funding be made available the Kenai Peninsula Borough would immediately advance on each project’s perspective phase.

Funding Requested:	\$7,083,735.00	Election District:	Senate:	C
Total Project Cost:	\$8,022,472.00		House	5

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Funding Plan

Total Project Cost	\$8,022,472.00	<i>Most accurate estimate of how much this project will cost</i>
Funding Secured		<i>How much of the project costs are in hand, secured, appropriated, etc. Please include in-kind contributions and volunteer labor. Do not include hypothetical funds.</i>
Funding Requested	\$7,083,735.00	<i>How much is being requested from this year's capital budget</i>
Pending Requests		<i>Amount requested from other sources but not received</i>
Project Deficit		<i>Additional funding needed to complete the project</i>

Secured Funding Sources and Amounts

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Initial & Feasibility Study funds	\$488,737
City of Seward local sponsor match	\$135,000
Kenai Peninsula Borough Solid Waste & Flood Service Area local sponsor match	\$315,000

If this project is funded this year, will you be requesting state funding again?

No

Please describe the project timeline and when the expenditures will occur.

Projects will proceed immediately upon available funds and estimated 3 years for completion

Has this project gone through a public review process at the local level?

Yes

Is it a community or service area priority demonstrated by resolution or other official action?

Yes

If a community or service area meeting was conducted, how was it advertised? When and where was it held? Who attended? *((Note: The Clerk's office has the meeting specifics and would be happy to help complete this question))*

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly meeting in Soldotna, AK on January 17, 2023; Seward-Bear Creek Flood Service Area Board of Directors meeting in Seward, AK on December 5, 2022

Who will own this project or facility?

Kenai Peninsula Borough and the Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area

Entity responsible for providing ongoing operation and maintenance of this project?

Kenai Peninsula Borough and the Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area

How will operations and maintenance be funded after the project is complete?

Seward-Bear Creek Flood Service Area maintenance funding

Please select one project type:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Planning and Research
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Maintenance and Repairs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Remodel, Reconstruction and Repairs
<input type="checkbox"/>	New Construction and Land Acquisition

	Equipment and Materials
	Information System and Technology
	Other:

Recipients Federal Tax ID:

92-0030894



Kenai Peninsula Borough

Year 2023 State Capital Improvement Projects

SERVICE AREA: Solid Waste Department

Funding Recipient:	Kenai Peninsula Borough – Solid Waste Department
Project Name:	Solid Waste Transfer Site improvements
Project Priority Ranking:	

Detailed Project Description and Justification

The Kenai Peninsula Borough is seeking \$2,000,000 to improve transfer facilities in various location across the Borough.

Background

The Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) Solid Waste Department is responsible for developing and implementing programs for disposal of all solid waste generated within the Borough in an economically feasible and environmentally responsible manner. Transfer sites for collection of waste at various locations around the Borough allow for the public to dispose of their waste close to their residence so that Solid Waste can have it hauled to the landfill for final disposal or through other methods for items such as recyclables.

The transfer station in Hope is currently located on land owned by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and has been used by the Kenai Peninsula Borough for at least 20 years. DNR has requested that the transfer site on their land be relocated off state property. A new site has been selected on KPB owned land within Hope to complete the relocation project.

The transfer stations in Ninilchik and McNeil Canyon are undersized for their current usage. Both could be expanded to allow for placement of additional dumpsters on site to better service the public. The McNeil Canyon site is lacking Z-wall infrastructure present at several other transfer sites that allow for placement of dumpsters and ease of disposal for the public. There has been significant residential construction in the McNeil Canyon area to the east of Homer that has caused increased use of the site.

Justification

Hope Transfer Site

The solid waste transfer station in Hope has been located on land owned by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). They have requested that the transfer site on their land be relocated to vacate their property. A new site has been selected on KPB owned land within Hope to complete the relocation project.

McNeil Canyon

There has been significant population growth in the McNeil Canyon area, east of Homer. This growth has significantly increased the volume of residential waste being received at the McNeil Canyon transfer site.

Ninilchik

In 2008 a temporary bulkhead was constructed at Ninilchik transfer site to improve safety and convenience of waste disposal by area residents. Since that time the volume of the waste delivered to the site has increased and need for improvements and expansion to the facility has made it a capital priority.

In addition to these priority locations the Anchor point, Kasilof and Cooper Landing transfer sites are in need various minor improvements to address, safety, security, convince of residential waste disposal,

Methodology

Should funding be made available, the Kenai Peninsula Borough would immediately begin design development for site improvements with the intention of starting construction in 2023 and a completion of all work by late summer 2024.

Funding Requested:	\$2,000,000.00	Election District:	Senate:	
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Total Project Cost:	\$2,000,000.00		House	
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Funding Plan

Total Project Cost		<i>Most accurate estimate of how much this project will cost</i>
Funding Secured		<i>How much of the project costs are in hand, secured, appropriated, etc. Please include in-kind contributions and volunteer labor. Do not include hypothetical funds.</i>
Funding Requested		<i>How much is being requested from this year's capital budget</i>
Pending Requests		<i>Amount requested from other sources but not received</i>
Project Deficit		<i>Additional funding needed to complete the project</i>

Secured Funding Sources and Amounts

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If this project is funded this year, will you be requesting state funding again?

NO

Please describe the project timeline and when the expenditures will occur.

2023 thorough 2024

Has this project gone through a public review process at the local level?

YES

Is it a community or service area priority demonstrated by resolution or other official action?

YES

If a community or service area meeting was conducted, how was it advertised? When and where was it held? Who attended? ((Note: The Clerk's office has the meeting specifics and would be happy to help complete this question))

Assembly meeting on Feb. 7, 2023

Who will own this project or facility?

The Kenai Peninsula Borough

Entity responsible for providing ongoing operation and maintenance of this project?

Kenai Peninsula Borough Solid Waste Department

How will operations and maintenance be funded after the project is complete?

Thorough the Kenai Peninsula Borough General Fund and annual budget process.

Please select one project type:

	Planning and Research
	Maintenance and Repairs
X	Remodel, Reconstruction and Repairs
	New Construction and Land Acquisition
	Equipment and Materials
	Information System and Technology
	Other:

Recipients Federal Tax ID:

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Kenai Peninsula Borough

Year 2023 State Capital Improvement Projects

SERVICE AREA: Seldovia Recreational Service Area

Funding Recipient:	Seldovia Recreational Service Area
Project Name:	Susan B English School Sport Court Upgrades
Project Priority Ranking:	

Detailed Project Description and Justification

The Kenai Peninsula Borough is seeking \$275,000 to rehabilitate the Sport Court of Susan B English School as a recreational asset to the service area residents.

Background

The Kenai Peninsula Borough's Seldovia Recreational Service Area(SRSA) provides year-round recreational opportunities and assets to the service area residents. The community has expressed the desire to upgrade the court prior to the outbreak of COVID-19. The pandemic has further reinforced the need for outdoor recreation opportunities. Susan B. English School(SBE) campus also houses a ball field where the community gathers year-round for field games and recreation. The upgrades to the sport court will help further nurture the love of being active as it contributes greatly to the physical and mental health of individuals, bonds family and friends, instills pride in heritage and provides economic benefits to our communities not to mention creates a more desirable school for students to enroll and thrive in.

Justification

The Seldovia Recreational Service Area funds the Sea Otter Community Center(SOCC) in Seldovia. Due to many factors over the years, the pandemic, staffing issues and inconsistency in management of the SOCC, fiscal budgeted funds have not been fully utilized building the SRSA fund balance to over \$100,000. The SRSA understands the need to maintain a healthy fund balance in the event of an emergency or capital repair, however, the current balance is beyond those needs. With public-public partnerships the SRSA hopes to source funding that will accomplish the communities desire to bring the court back to its former glory and support healthy choices for Seldovia's youth and greater community.

Over the last year, the SRSA and the SOCC have held several meetings and gatherings to get a feel from the service area residents as to what type of recreational asset they would like to see the SRSA fund for the community with some of the excess funds in the SRSA's fund balance. The overall thought was to upgrade the sport court on the SBE school campus.

Methodology

Should funding be made available the Kenai Peninsula Borough would source bids to contract the necessary repairs which include but are not necessarily limited to; concrete repairs and surfacing , replace the tennis posts, paint lines for 2 basketball courts, 2 tennis courts and a pickle ball court, replace the tennis rebound wall of 52'x11'6", purchase and mount second set of middle school height basketball hoops and backboards on current power poles, install 200' of debris blockers in existing chain link fence to keep rocks off court from snowplow and existing playground areas, purchase spectator benches and ball storage bins, pull power from the SOCC to the benches and install power pedestal for charging laptops and phones.

Funding Requested:	\$255,000	Election District:	Senate:	
Total Project Cost:	\$275,000		House	

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Funding Plan

Total Project Cost	\$275,000	<i>Most accurate estimate of how much this project will cost</i>
Funding Secured	\$20,000	<i>How much of the project costs are in hand, secured, appropriated, etc. Please include in-kind contributions and volunteer labor. Do not include hypothetical funds.</i>
Funding Requested	\$255,000	<i>How much is being requested from this year's capital budget</i>
Pending Requests		<i>Amount requested from other sources but not received</i>
Project Deficit	\$255,000	<i>Additional funding needed to complete the project</i>

Secured Funding Sources and Amounts

\$20,000	Local
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If this project is funded this year, will you be requesting state funding again?

No

Please describe the project timeline and when the expenditures will occur.

The expenditures will occur in an 18 month time frame from when the grant is awarded to allow for the engineering, bidding, and construction process.

Has this project gone through a public review process at the local level?

Yes

Is it a community or service area priority demonstrated by resolution or other official action?

Yes

If a community or service area meeting was conducted, how was it advertised? When and where was it held? Who attended? *((Note: The Clerk's office has the meeting specifics and would be happy to help complete this question))*

Service Area Board, Assembly Resolution

Who will own this project or facility?

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Entity responsible for providing ongoing operation and maintenance of this project?

Seldovia Recreational Service Area: Kenai Peninsula Borough

How will operations and maintenance be funded after the project is complete?

General Budgetary Process

Please select one project type:

	Planning and Research
	Maintenance and Repairs
	Remodel, Reconstruction and Repairs
	New Construction and Land Acquisition
	Equipment and Materials
	Information System and Technology
	Other:

Recipients Federal Tax ID:

92-0030894



Kenai Peninsula Borough

Year 2022 State Capital Improvement Projects

SERVICE AREA: Western Emergency Service Area

Funding Recipient:	Kenai Peninsula Borough
Project Name:	Expansion and Renovation of WES Station 3 – Anchor Point
Project Priority Ranking:	

Detailed Project Description and Justification

The Kenai Peninsula Borough is seeking \$3,500.00 to expand and renovate the Fire Station (WES station 3) in Anchor Point, Alaska.

Background

The Western Emergency Services was formed in 2020 when two Rural Fire Departments; Anchor Point Fire and Emergency Services and Ninilchik Emergency Services combined into one department and is the sole provider of fire and Advanced Life Support for the communities of Anchor Point, Nikolaevsk, Happy Valley, Ninilchik and Clam Gulch. With this combination, the area which we serve jumped to an overall size of 826 square miles of the western Kenai Peninsula of Alaska. The area has one major travel artery, the Sterling Highway that connects several communities and cities to the major metropolitan area of Anchorage. 45 miles of this highway runs through our service area. The department consists of 10 ten career staff and approximately 40 volunteer firefighters and EMTs. The department provides full fire protection and Advanced Life Support medical services to all of the residents as well as visitors. Due to the expansion of the fire service area, the addition of career staff who are on duty 24 hrs a day 7 days a week, and the addition of services the existing station has outgrown the use as it was originally designed some 30 years ago. Additionally, the station does not meet current NFPA standards for station design per NFPA 1500, 1, and 72 and is past the point of possible retrofit without significant expansion and renovation.

Western Emergency Services' prioritizes its Capital improvement projects through the use of a Tier list that is generated by the department through their operational assessment. The list is then evaluated by the Fire Service Area Board and a recommendation is made for yearly priority projects, the project list is extended out to 5 years and is sent to the Borough administration for inclusion in the annual budget at the wishes of the assembly.

Justification

Western Emergency Services is committed to the capital improvement of its protection area and to the safety of its personnel. The service area is funded by a 2.95 mil rate and through various competitive grants and ambulance billing with an estimated total budget of \$2,500,000.00 annually. The service area has identified several deficiencies with the current fire station (WES Station 3) in Anchor Point. The expansion and renovation (addition of 6,400 sqft) of this station will allow for safer working conditions for the employees by allowing for the needed space for equipment storage, a medical clean room, equipment cleaning room, decontamination area, bunker gear storage, sleeping/cooking/dining facilities, office spaces, a multi-use training and conference room which will double as a community meeting space, a dedicated ambulance parking garage, and additional fire apparatus parking stalls. The improvements would additionally include vehicle exhaust recovery systems in the vehicle bays to assist with the removal of carcinogens. The total estimated cost of the expansion and renovation of the station is estimated at \$3,500,000.00 The land the existing fire station is located on is already owned by the Kenai Peninsula Borough and the purchase of the adjacent properties is already being actively pursued by the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

Methodology

Should funding be made available the Kenai Peninsula Borough would immediately launch a Design/Construction project through a competitive bid process. The station would be expanded and renovated or constructed to meet all applicable NFPA standards at the time of construction. The facility if expanded or renovated constructed would have an estimated minimum useful life of 30 + years.

Funding Requested:		Election District:	Senate:	
Total Project Cost:	\$3,500,000		House	

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Funding Plan

Total Project Cost	\$3,500,000	<i>Most accurate estimate of how much this project will cost</i>
Funding Secured		<i>How much of the project costs are in hand, secured, appropriated, etc. Please include in-kind contributions and volunteer labor. Do not include hypothetical funds.</i>
Funding Requested	\$3,500,000	<i>How much is being requested from this year's capital budget</i>
Pending Requests		<i>Amount requested from other sources but not received</i>
Project Deficit		<i>Additional funding needed to complete the project</i>

Secured Funding Sources and Amounts

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If this project is funded this year, will you be requesting state funding again?

No

Please describe the project timeline and when the expenditures will occur.

Has this project gone through a public review process at the local level?

Yes

Is it a community or service area priority demonstrated by resolution or other official action?

Yes

If a community or service area meeting was conducted, how was it advertised? When and where was it held? Who attended? ((Note: The Clerk's office has the meeting specifics and would be happy to help complete this question))

Who will own this project or facility?

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Entity responsible for providing ongoing operation and maintenance of this project?

Western Emergency Services

How will operations and maintenance be funded after the project is complete?

Western Emergency Services, Operating Budget, Kenai Peninsula Borough

Please select one project type:

	Planning and Research
	Maintenance and Repairs
X	Remodel, Reconstruction and Repairs
	New Construction and Land Acquisition
	Equipment and Materials
	Information System and Technology
	Other:

Recipients Federal Tax ID:

92-0030894



Kenai Peninsula Borough

Year 2023 State Capital Improvement Projects

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Funding Recipient:	Kenai Peninsula Borough		
Project Name:	Kachemak Selo Community Center	Project Priority Ranking:	1

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

KPB is requesting the \$10,867,503 to build a community center that will function as the main center for all community functions to include community meetings, community athletic functions, and academic activities.

Background: Kachemak Selo does not currently have a functioning community center that meets all of the needs of the community. It is an economically depressed community and is in need of a new school system, and community center. The buildings that are used by the community are in poor condition with a broad range of deficiencies making them unfit for renovations, community meetings, activities, or an educational environment. Currently the three buildings total approximately 5,400 square feet of space. In addition to the poor facilities, the village of Kachemak Selo is isolated from the road system and the main access is a steep switchback trail that is generally only drivable with all-terrain vehicles. Due to the beach and tides, access by water is also difficult.

If there were a community center in the community, the needs of the community at large would be met, funding from both State and Federal sources could be utilized, and the academic needs of the community could also be addressed.

Justification: The remote village of Kachemak Selo needs a community center that provides for community needs that include but are not limited to education, community gatherings, emergency shelter, arts and cultural programs. This approach allows for a value analysis of the construction that will bring the project costs into an acceptable range. The program needs of a community center and an education facility are compatible. A dual purpose facility is a more efficient use of funds. As indicated in the State Statutes for School Facility Planning and Construction, it addresses multiple community needs through one expenditure.

The limited road access available to Kachemak Selo further increases the complications and cost with the construction project. Feasibility of road access has not been comprehensively evaluated. Further complicating the needs of the community, there is no practical or safe access to the community.

Methodology: A team of design professionals would be used to value engineer the project with best practices from the construction industry to develop a project with an efficient footprint and construction methodology that captures our available funding threshold and meets the intent of the project goals.

Funding Requested:	\$ \$10,867,503
Total Project Cost:	\$ \$10,867,503
Local Match (if any):	\$0
	\$10,867,503

Election District:	Senate:	O, P
	House:	29, 30, 31 & 32

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Funding Plan:		
Total Project Cost:	\$ \$10,867,503	This should be the most accurate estimate of how much this project will cost.
Funding Secured:	\$ 0	How much of the project costs are in hand, secured, guaranteed, appropriated, etc. You may include in-kind contributions and volunteer labor. Do not include hypothetical funds.
Funding Requested:	\$ \$10,867,503	How much is being requested from this year's capital budget. Amount requested from other sources not yet received.
Pending Requests	\$ 0	Additional funding needed to complete the project.
Project Deficit:	\$ 0	

If this project is funded this year, will you be requesting state funding again? Yes: No:

Please describe the project time-line and when the expenditures will occur:

Design Development: 2021
 Construction: 2022 construction season

Has this project gone through a public review process at the local level? Yes: No:

Please list Secured Funding Sources and Amounts:

The borough has identified the land requirements and anticipates negotiations with the land owners. Final purchase of the properties is subject to assembly approval based on final designs.

If a community or service area meeting was conducted, how was it advertised? When and where was it held? Who attended?

Previous public meetings in regards to and the community and educational needs are as follows:

- November 10, 2011-K-Selo Site Council Meeting-capital improvement planning-funding options for construction.
- June 14, 2012-K-Selo Site Council Meeting-Educational Facility Planning Council-project scoping and grant funding discussion.
- July 9, 2012-K-Selo residents submit petition to KPBSD school board requesting improved school facilities.
- November 15, 2012-K-Selo Site Council Meeting-Community Development Block Grant and next steps.
- September 24, 2013-K-Selo public meeting regarding Educational Specification, grant and next steps.
- Project updates provided to K-Selo residents via school principal and/or meeting on 11/17/16, 2/3/17, 3/15/17, 12/14/17 and 12/20/17.
- February 7 and 16, 2018-K-Selo public meetings regarding selection of site.
- New meetings will take place to further discuss and appraise the community of the progress.

Who will own the project or facility? The Village of Kachemak Selo

Entity responsible for providing ongoing operation and maintenance of this project? The Village of Kachemak Selo

How will operations and maintenance be funded after the project is complete? The Village of Kachemak Selo Will Maintain the Project

Please select a project type (chosed only one):

- Planning and Research
- Maintenance and Repairs
- Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades
- New Construction and Land Acquisition
- Equipment and Materials
- Information System and Technology
- Other: