

# Kenai Peninsula Borough

## Community & Fiscal Projects

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### MEMORANDUM

TO: Brent Johnson, Assembly President  
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Peter A. Micciche, Mayor *PM*  
Brandi Harbaugh, Finance Director *BH*  
Robert Ruffner, Planning Director *RR*  
Scott Griebel, Road Service Area Director *SG*

FROM: Brenda Ahlberg, Emergency Manager/Community & Fiscal Projects *BA*

DATE: July 20, 2023

RE: Ordinance 2023-19-08, Accepting and Appropriating \$1,500,000 From the U.S. Forest Service for Fuel Mitigation Response to Beetle Impacts on Rights-of-Way of Borough Roads (Mayor)

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The Kenai Peninsula Borough (Borough) received an award notification in the amount of \$1,500,000 through the Community Projects Funds - 2023 Congressionally Directed Spending Program. The Assembly supported this request as part of Joint Resolution 2021-002 as an effort to address the boroughwide impacts of the current spruce bark beetle infestation.

This grant will provide funds to mitigate hazardous trees on rights-of-way of Borough-owned roads. Robert Ruffner, Planning Director and Scott Griebel, RSA Director will provide project oversight. The grant performance period is July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026.

Enclosed:  
USFS Email Notifications  
Joint Resolution 2021-002

<b>FINANCE DEPARTMENT FUNDS/ACCOUNT VERIFIED</b>	
Account:	<u>262.21320.24SBB.49999</u>
Amount:	<u>\$1,500,000.00</u>
By: <i>CG</i>	Date: <u>7/19/2023</u>