

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Matanuska-Susitna Borough****Federal Tax ID: 92-0030816****Project Title:****Project Type: New Construction and Land Acquisition**

Matanuska-Susitna Borough - Bogard Road Extension East

State Funding Requested: \$31,000,000
One-Time Need**House District: Mat-Su Areawide (13-16)****Brief Project Description:**

Provides an additional east-west corridor from Palmer to Wasilla to reduce traffic congestion, traffic related fatalities and improve safety in the core area.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$43,500,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$12,500,000)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$31,000,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:**\$12,500,000 from 2006 State Budget appropriation***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Construction of the Bogard Road Extension from the City of Palmer to Trunk Road will provide the final link for the Bogard-Seldon Corridor (which will then allow travel from Palmer to north of Wasilla without having to use the Palmer-Wasilla Highway or Parks Highway). This will be an additional east-west corridor to relieve traffic congestion and improve safety in the most populous areas of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

The funding requested will provide for the construction of 3.25 miles of road between the Glenn Highway in Palmer and Trunk Road, one of the Borough's few north-south arterials. The construction of this segment will provide the last link for an additional east-west corridor between the Borough's two largest cities. The Bogard Road Extension will relieve traffic congestion on the Palmer-Wasilla Highway, which is one of the top five most dangerous roads in the state and has been nominated as a highway safety corridor. In addition, once construction begins on the upgrade of the Palmer-Wasilla Highway, the Bogard Road Extension will be needed as an alternative route for travel.

This project could be split into two phases if full funding is not available.

Project Timeline:

If fully funded, this project would begin construction in Fall of 2012 with completion projected for Fall of 2014. All phases of this project are complete except for construction.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Matanuska-Susitna Borough

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No