Alaska Marine Highway System - Cordova Dock Emergency FY2012 Request: \$1,200,000 Repairs Reference No: 54195 **AP/AL:** Appropriation Project Type: Renewal and Replacement

Category: Transportation	
Location: Statewide	House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)
Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)	Contact: Michael A. Neussl
Estimated Project Dates: 04/15/2012 - 06/30/2016	Contact Phone: (907)465-6977

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

The existing float system of the Cordova Dock needed emergency repairs in the fall of 2011. The necessary repairs were made to keep the dock operational and mitigate any potential hazards. This funding would reimburse the department for the costs already incurred to make emergency repairs to the Cordova Dock.

Funding:	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014 F	Y2015	FY2016	FY2017	Total
Gen Fund	\$1,200,000						\$1,200,000
Total:	\$1,200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,200,000
State Match Required One-Time Project Phased - new Phased - underway On-Going 0% = Minimum State Match % Required Amendment Mental Health Bill					n-Going		

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Operating & Maintenance Costs:		Amount	Staff
	Project Development:	0	0
	Ongoing Operating:	0	0
	One-Time Startup:	0	
	Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

None

Project Description/Justification:

Because of the imminent danger of the existing float system of the Cordova dock, the cost to fix the float system was funded out of the department's Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) Deferred Maintenance allocation. The department is requesting that these funds be reimbursed.

The existing float system had two failed float connector joints near the center region of the float system on both the seaward and shoreward sides of the float system. The existing float connectors nearly completely failed, which resulted in penetrations of the float walls below the waterline and water leakage into four of the float units. The failure of these connectors was analogous to a load supporting beam that had a crack, which caused a significant loss of structural capacity at the midspan. Further structural deterioration of the float connectors would eventually result in the entire float system coming apart.

The float system currently supports an extensive network of structural steel platform framing that is affixed to the deck of the floats. This framing supports vehicle loads which access the stern berth. The framing members are also integrated into the vehicle access platform for the side berth. Should the underlying floats begin to come apart, the overlying platforms will not be properly supported or braced and will also experience separation and resulting structural failure. In essence, the integrity of

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the float connections is essential to maintain the foundation for the overlying platforms. Further deterioration would result in the complete closure of the terminal.