

# STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES

# 2024-2027

Statewide Transportation Improvement Program

**Amendment 1** 

**Volume Three** 

**Engagement Summary for Amendment #1** 



COVER PHOTO: VIEW OF NORTHERN LIGHTS THROUGH THE OLD KNIK RIVER BRIDGE AND HEADLIGHTS FROM THE NEW KNIK RIVER BRIDGE OF THE OLD GLENN HIGHWAY IN PALMER, TAKEN FEBRUARY 2019 BY LISA TORKELSON, ALASKA DOT&PF



## 2024-2027 STIP

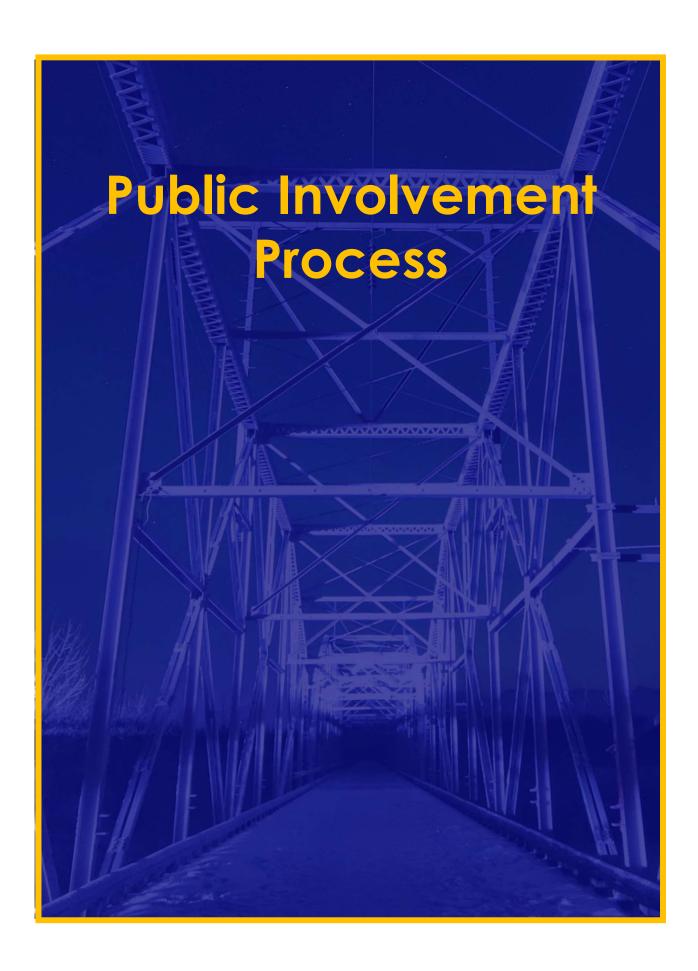
(STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM)

## STIP 24-27: Volume 3 AMENDMENT #1

**Engagement Summary** 

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#### PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS

For 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1, the Alaska DOT&PF implemented tools and processes to support continuous engagement with the public, legislators, local governments, Tribal governments, Federal land management agencies, MPOs, RPOs, and other transportation stakeholders. These efforts have been conducted in accordance with 23 CFR 450.210, 17 AAC 05.135 and 17 AAC 05.160 ensuring a transparent, inclusive, and collaborative approach to transportation planning and decision-making.

The DOT&PF provided a web page that outlines relevant public involvement processes and resources to support effective public engagement in the planning process including the development of the draft STIP. After a brief website outage, the department extended the public comment an additional three days to ensure the public had adequate time to review and comment. When faced with the Crowdstrike technology outage, the department established an alternative site within 30 minutes in order to maintain tools for engagement with the general public in the development and implementation of the STIP.

### **KEY ELEMENTS OF THE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS**

**Legislative:** Although the Alaska Legislature was out of session, the department reached out via email on the evening of July 3, 2024, alerting legislators that AMD1 was available for public review and comment. Staff answered follow up individual legislative questions via email and phone calls, and a second outreach was conducted on July 31, to remind legislators that the comment period had been extended from Aug. 3 to Aug. 5 and to ensure legislators had an opportunity to submit comments. Alaska's Congressional staff was also contacted via email at this time.

The department worked with the House Transportation Committee to make an additional announcement on July 11, during a hearing on Road Safety in which the department highlighted projects that are in AMD1. This was the result of DOT&PF collaborative partnerships with legislative bodies, encouraging ongoing dialogue and cooperation, and ensures that legislative priorities and community needs are reflected in transportation planning efforts.

This outreach aligns with the requirements of 23 CFR 450.210, fostering informed decision-making and legislative support for Alaska's transportation infrastructure.

**Underserved Communities:** Previous to the release of AMD1, Alaska DOT&PF worked with our Civil Rights division to ensure we included traditionally underserved Alaskans in our outreach plan. Traditionally underserved Alaskans include those not served by the existing transportation network, low-income and minority households, and those who may face challenges accessing employment and other services.

Alaska DOT&PF process included:

- Access to web based STIP documents
- Comment opportunities in a variety of technologies, including phone, text, web-based comment forms.
- Direct email to senior service providers, disability government and non-government advocacy groups and service providers, culture and ethnic organizations, and those serving the blind and visually impaired.
- Electronic flyers were developed with ALT Text for use by people who are blind or visually impaired
- Radio and social media outreach to non-English speakers (Yupik) in native language to communicate opportunities to engage in transportation planning processes

**Local Municipal Governments:** During the development of the STIP and its amendments, DOT&PF staff provide information on relevant projects and planning activities to local municipal governments.

For the AMD1 Public Notice period, the department sent an announcement that the amendment was available for public review and comment to the GovDelivery (a government email distribution service similar to Mail Chimp or Constant Contact) STIP list, which includes city, village, Tribal and borough governments, a distribution of approximately 1,376. The announcement was also distributed to the GovDelivery media announcement list of approximately 7,000 individuals. Between the two lists, 8,342 notices were emailed, with an open rate of 40% within the first 24 hours, or 3,342 unique users.

The department also distributed an amendment announcement notice, per United States Postal Service, to all local Alaska local governments (city, village, Tribe, borough) and offered opportunities for presentations.

DOT&PF offered visual tools to communicate the status of projects and programs to local governments, accessible at dot.alaska.gov/stip.

**Tribal Governments:** The STIP AMD1 announcement was mailed and emailed to all Federally Recognized Tribes, with an offer to schedule a formal consultation. The same announcement was sent via United States Postal Service to all Federally Recognized Tribes.

This is the first time that the department has offered formal consultation to all Tribes in Alaska. The Native Village of Wales accepted our offer and discussed their transportation needs, which were primarily focused on air transportation concerns.

Additionally, Alaska DOT&PF maintains established channels of communication with Tribal partners throughout Alaska via regular in-person and virtual meetings, traditional and electronic communications, and face-to-face interactions at regional conferences and gatherings. These communication channels are used to inform, engage, and consult with Alaska's Tribal partners, facilitating comprehensive and cooperative conversations that allow Tribal stakeholders to share their vision and goals for their communities. Additionally, DOT&PF enhances these efforts with mass communication techniques to ensure broader awareness of the STIP's availability and public comment period in rural Alaska.

**Federal Land Management Agencies:** Alaska DOT&PF ensures coordination with federal land management agencies through a continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive (3C) transportation planning process, in compliance with 23 CFR 450.210. This approach ensures that transportation planning is consistent and coordinated among different agencies and jurisdictions.

DOT&PF regularly attends and participates in the monthly Federal Land Managers Transportation Working Group (TWiG) to discuss transportation issues and opportunities on federal lands in Alaska. Additionally, DOT&PF attends bi-weekly Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) coordination meetings with Western Federal Lands (WFL) staff. The FLAP provides funding for transportation projects that improve access to federal lands, and DOT&PF's FLAP-funded projects are integrated into the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The department works closely with WFL staff to ensure alignment with federal and state goals and priorities.

During the development of STIP AMD 1, on June 11-13, a large DOT&PF and Federal Land Managers team met to discuss the STIP, STIP AMD 1 and other planning efforts throughout the state. On July 3, Planning staff attended the TWiG and alerted the group that AMD 1 would be posted soon. After the STIP was officially posted, DOT&PF Planning staff provided email notification to the TWiG of the availability of the STIP for review and comment.

The DOT&PF values the input and collaboration of federal agencies and strives to maintain strong and productive relationships. By engaging in these structured coordination efforts, DOT&PF ensures that transportation planning processes are inclusive and responsive to the needs and priorities of federal land management agencies.

**Municipal Planning Organizations:** In compliance with 23 CFR 450.208, the Alaska DOT&PF, in cooperation with the State's three Municipal Planning Organizations (MPOs), follows a continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive (3C) coordination process. This process supports the production of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), Metropolitan Transportation Plans (MTPs), Transportation Improvement Plans (TIPs), and other MPO planning products.

DOT&PF planning staff meet weekly with the MPOs to collaborate on projects, discuss the STIP, and assist with work products. Monthly technical and policy meetings provide regular opportunities to engage the public on the development of these products and discuss the status of the TIPs and the STIP. Please see attached list of MPO coordination meetings that supported the development of AMD1.

In 2024, a statewide collaborative team was formed to ensure a unified approach to MPO processes and procedures across Alaska. This cross-regional team, comprising state and MPO staff, is developing formal 3C processes and procedures to ensure compliance with federal requirements.

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#### **Rural Planning Organizations:**

Alaska has established three Regional Planning Organizations (RPOs) throughout the state: Copper Valley (established in August 2022), Northwest Arctic Borough (established in March 2023), and FAST Rural RPO (established in February 2023). These organizations enable rural communities, Alaska Native Villages, and Tribal members to create stronger connections to transportation planning by organizing with multiple communities within a region and providing more feedback on regional transportation investments through regular meetings, consultation, and engagement.

During the development of the amendment, DOT&PF met with the the Copper Valley RPO, provided information on projects and planning activities. We are pleased that the Copper Valley RPO offered us extensive comment for STIP AMD1, and we will continue supporting the other newly formed RPO's so they are integrated and active in the transportation planning processes.

#### **Public Engagement Processes and Activities:**

The department utilizes an interactive web-based platform to distribute the STIP across the state. The interface allows for easy public access with multiple tools to review the State's investments by city, borough, investment area, and legislative district. The platform includes low tech options for review, including the traditional PDF versions for those without high-speed connectivity. The interface allows the public to continue to provide feedback even after Amendment 1 public comment period's have concluded, allowing for ongoing STIP comment and dialog.

The following tasks support public engagement across all user groups and STIP Amendment regulation 17 AAC 05.195 and include:

Activity	Description	Date
Publication of a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the geographic area of the project(s) amended	,	July 10, 2024 (digital and print circulation 50,000+)  July 14, 2024 (digital and print circulation 50,000+)
Written notice informing	State of Alaska Online Public	July 3, 2024

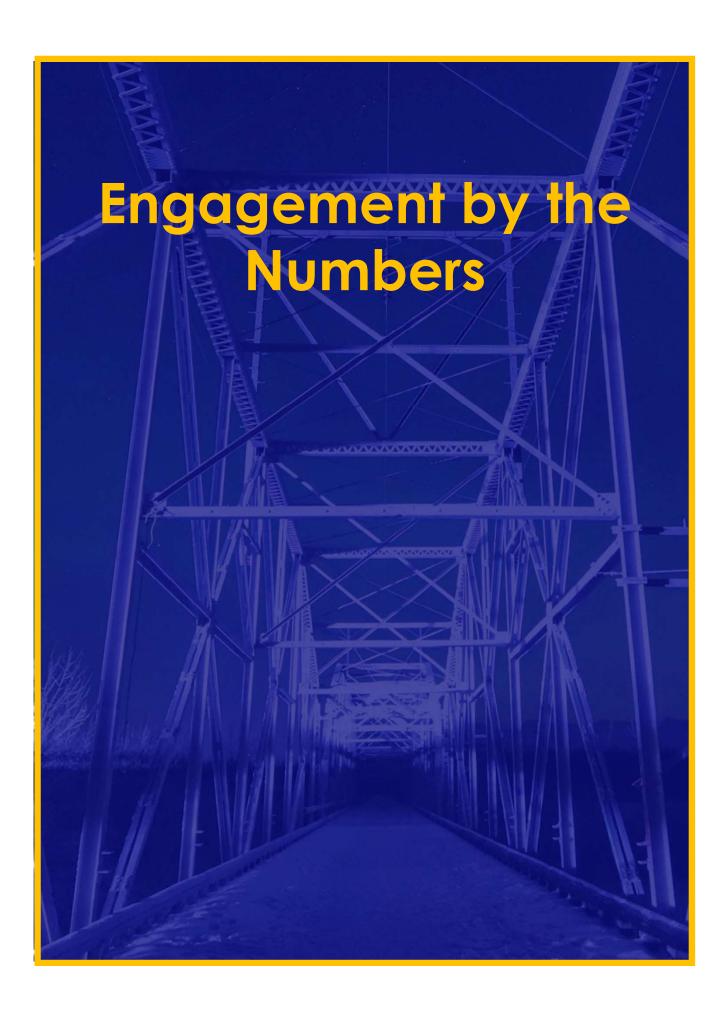
interested persons affected by the amendment of the STIP.  Written notice informing interested persons affected by the amendment of the STIP.	Notice  Email distribution to STIP GovDelivery List (Government bulk email service) Email distribution to Media GovDelivery List (Government bulk email service)	July 5, 2024 8,342 Distribution
Written notice informing MPO's affected by the amendment of the STIP.	Email notification	July 4, 2024
Solicit comments regarding the amendment, and will provide for a comment period on the proposed amendment of the STIP of not less than 30 days after the publication of the notice.	STIP documents posted at dot.alaska.gov/stip.) State of Alaska Online Public Notice posted July 3, 2024. (Comment period extended to Aug. 5, 2024 after webpage outage on July 8.)	July 3, 2024

Additional activities conducted, but not required by STIP Amendment regulation 17 AAC 05.195:

- July 3 Legislators emailed Online Public Notice
- July 4 Email to MPOs
- July 5 Federal land managers notice via email (FHWA, BIA, BLM, Forest Service, USDA)
- July 5 Radio Public Service Announcement (PSA) in English released statewide
- July 8-23 Individual emails from planning staff to Alaska cities, villages, boroughs, Tribes
- July 10 Postcard mailed to all Alaska cities, villages, boroughs
- July 10 Postcard mailed to all Alaska Native Tribes with consultation offer.
- July 11 Formal letter to FHWA Alaska Division and FTA Alaska Division
- July 11 Emails to FHWA Alaska Division with links to interactive tools & public announcements
- July 11 Social media announcement
- July 12 Commissioner message on InMotion (DOT&PF Newsletter)
- July 12 Email notification to all Non-Government Organizations with ALT Text for Blind and Visually Impaired.
- July 12 Email to tribes announcing availability of STIP AMD1 for review, comment and consultation opportunity
- July 16 MVP Meeting, DOT&PF Staff available to answer questions
- July 17 FAST Meeting, DOT&PF Staff available to answer questions
- July 18 AMATS Meeting, DOT&PF Staff available to answer questions
- July 19, Radio Public Service Announcement (PSA) in Yupik distributed to Western Alaska radio
- July 22 Yupik social media posted
- July 31 Legislators emailed a second notice

All Public Comments and the disposition of public comments are incorporated into the Alaska DOT&PF 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1 Engagement Summary and Change Log, which is incorporated by reference, and available on the Alaska DOT&PF 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) website: https://publicinput.com/stip/

The department documents all public engagement and provides references to formal public comment period timeframes and advertisements, summaries of general public involvement, summaries of municipal planning organizations and rural planning organizations involvement, Federal agency involvement, and summaries of local and Tribal government involvement. It also includes a change log summarizing changes from the public noticed STIP to the final STIP.



## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC **FACILITIES**

## STIP 2024-2027 Amendment #1

Alaska DOT&PF is dedicated to involving stakeholders and the public in the development of the STIP and its amendments, and going beyond what is required in regulation.

### FOSTERING AN INFORMED & ENGAGED PUBLIC



2.5K +

individual emails & postcards sent to stakeholders

distribution of **Anchorage Daily News** 

two legal notices published



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sent to civic, cultural, and ethnic groups; transportation advocates: and accessibility advocates

### ALASKA NATIVE **COMMUNITY &** TRIBAL OUTREACH

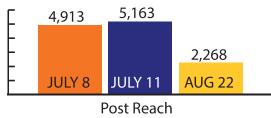
Reaching the Alaska Native community, remote villages, and Federally Recognized Tribes was a focus of our campaign.

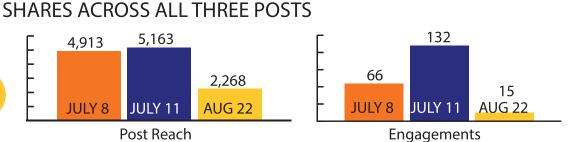
- Sent out postcards offering formal consultations with Federally **Recognized Tribes**
- Followed up those formal offers with emails
- Released a public service announcement on radio in Yup'ik language
  - Published a Yup'ik language social

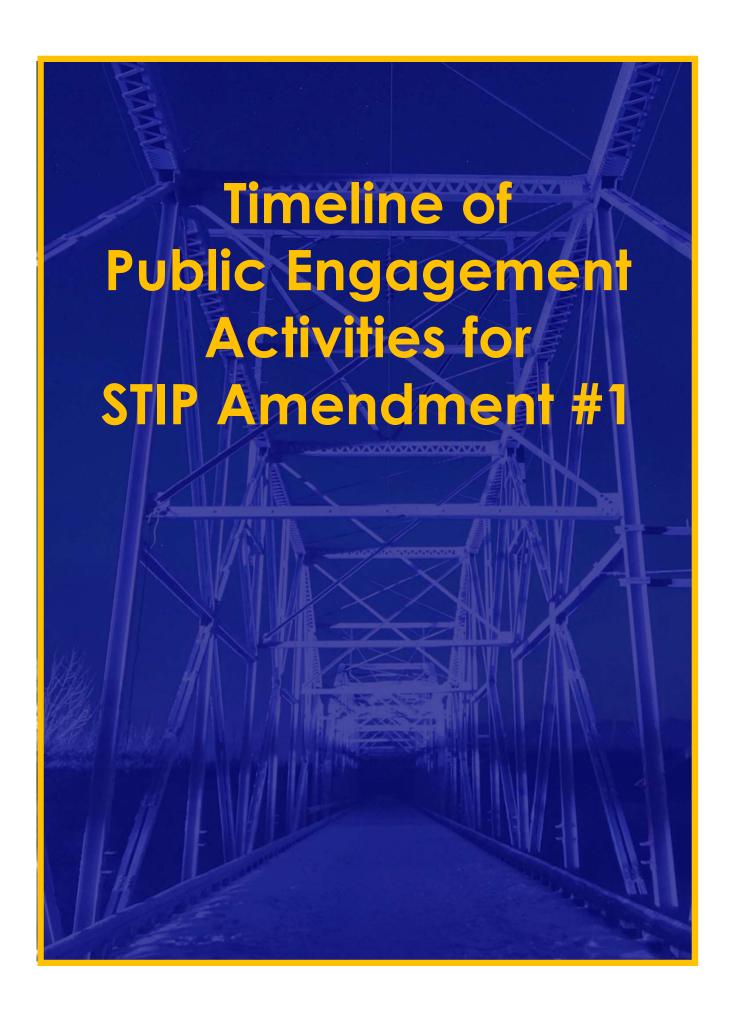
### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

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August 22 post was in Yup'ik



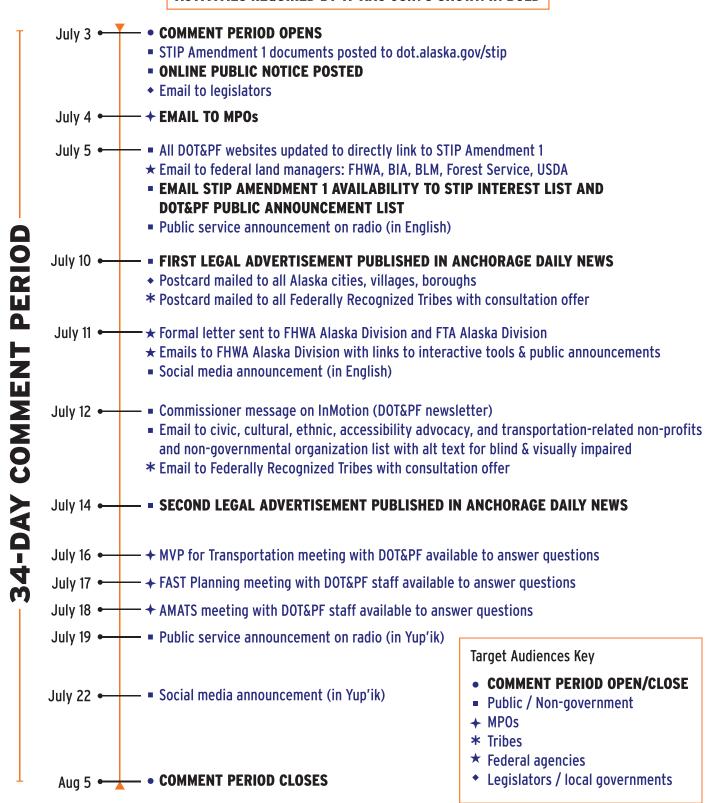


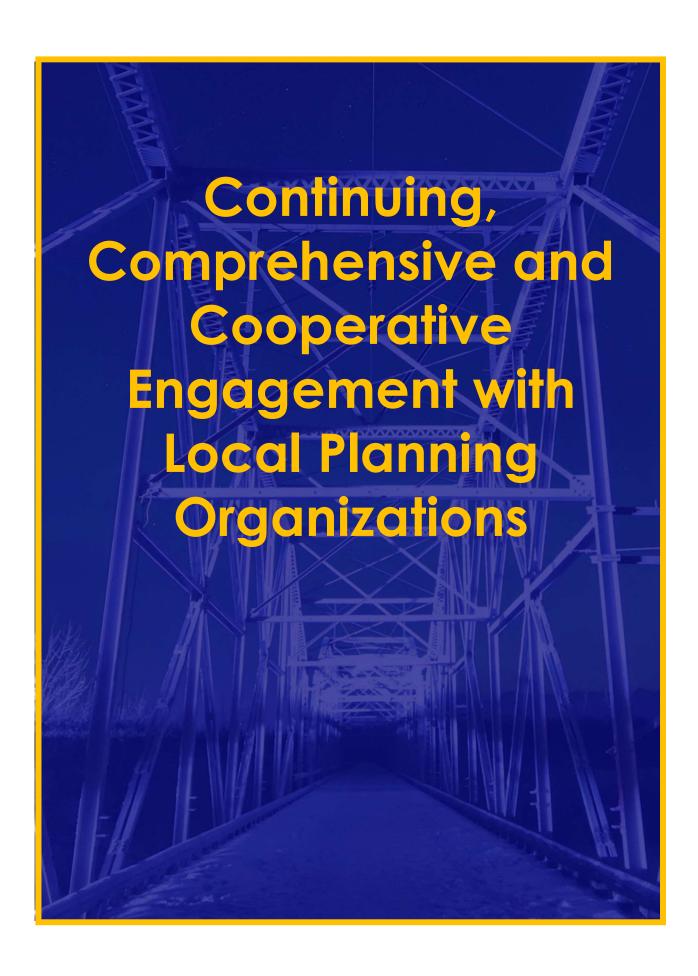


## STIP 2024 - 2027 Amendment 1

## timeline of public involvement activities

#### **ACTIVITIES REQUIRED BY 17 AAC 05.195 SHOWN IN BOLD**





Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
April 3, 2024	FAST Technical STIP Committee Project Prioritization	Project Prioritization	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
		Review	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Lauren Little, John Perreault
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Christopher Stepovich
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			KUAC: Dan Bross
			RESPEC: Megan Flory
April 4, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP Amendment 2	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Galen Jones, James Starzec, Mary Hoffman, Steven Rzepka, Mark Eisenman, Sean Baski, Joselyn Biloon, John Linnell, Judy Chapman
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association, Inc.: Karen Pletnikoff
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Mook Puttong, Emily Weiser, Lindsey Hajduk
			Chugach Mtn. Bike Riders: Will Taygan
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			<b>HDR:</b> Laurie Cummings, Amy Burnett, Chris Hughes, Alice Horazdovsky
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brad Coy, Craig Lyon, Steve Ribuffo, Melinda Kohlhaas, Taylor Keegan, Matt Stichick, Jamie Acton, Brandon Telford, Bart Rudolph

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Aves Thompson
April 8, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP recaps and path forward	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith
	leadership		<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney
April 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	Project Prioritization Review, Travel Demand	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
		Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Adam Moser
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Wasilla: Brad Hanson
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Alex Strawn, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham, Maija Disalvo
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Natalie Lyon
			Valley Transit: Jennifer Busch
April 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review, Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Luke Bowland, John Linnell, Ben White, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Kinney Engineering: Josh Cross, Aiza Miguel
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Mat-Su Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
April 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Katherine Keith, Randi Bailey
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			City of North Pole: Michael Welch, Danny Wallace
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Nathan Belz
April 18, 2024	AMATS Policy Committee	TIP Amendment 2 Air Quality Conformity	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds, Adeyemi Alimi
		TIP Amendment 2 Letter of support for DOT&PF PPPP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Sarah Riopelle, Luke Bowland, Ben White, James Starzec, John Linnell, Anna Bosin, Kelly Summers, Patrick Swalling, Joselyn Biloon, Mark Eisenman
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Dueber
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Mook Puttong, Lindsey Hajduk, Mark Littlefield
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brandon Telford, Jamie Acton, Bart Rudolph, Zakary Hartman, Taylor Keegan, Russ Oswald

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Meg Zaletel
			Rabbit Creek Community Council: Nancy Pease
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Wolfgang Junge
April 25, 2024	FAST Policy Board Chair Work		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson
	Session		Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
April 26, 2024	FAST Executive Director Work Session		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Randi Bailey, Shane Moller, James Starzec, Adam Bradway
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
April 26, 2024	AMATS Executive Director Work	Work session to go over project updates ahead of	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: James Starzec, Katherine Keith
	Session	STIP Amendment 1, and to share the tools to ensure everyone has access to information	AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
April 26, 2024	AMATS Support Discussion	Discussing contract with DOWL for assistance with STIP corrective actions,	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: James Starzec, Katherine Keith, Judy Chapman
		specifically the congestion management process	AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		management process	<b>DOWL:</b> Renee Whitesell, Jessica Smith
April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP after action and Amendment 1 next steps	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Winnie Cichosz, Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone, Andy Mills, Lauren Little
			Federal Highway Administration: Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney, Julie Jenkins, Emily Haynes, Theresa Hutchins, Emily Biondi, Harlan Miller, Kenneth Petty
April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	Meeting on Tier 2 Items	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 1, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory Committee	Updates on STIP Interior Transportation Plan	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
		TIP Admin Modification	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Brett Nelson, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Sara Lucey, Jennifer Wright, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Michael Bredlie
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			<b>Michael Baker International:</b> Sarah Schacher, Jeff Kupko
			National Renewable Energy Laboratory: Karlin Swearingen
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
May 2, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory	TIP Narrative Update	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Anna Bosin, Noah King, Patrick Swalling, Roxanne Risse, Katherine Keith, Sarah Riopelle
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Chuck Homan, Lindsey Hajduk, Nancy Pease
			CRW Engineering: Colin Singleton
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brad Coy, Craig Lyon, Steve Ribuffo, Russ Oswald, Taylor Keegan, Bart Rudolph, Matt Stichick, Zakary Hartman
			Turnagain Community Council: Cathy Gleason

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> William Still, John McLeary, Evan Sharp, Mary Dean, Stephen Stone
May 8, 2024	MVP and DOT&PF	Meeting on STIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Adam Bradyway
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 9, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF:	Meeting on Tier 2 Items	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherin Keith, Dom Pannone
	Meeting on Tier 2		<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 14, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory	STIP Project Prioritization	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee	Review Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, John Linnell, Luke Bowland
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood, Kate Dueber
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Commuter Rail Committee: Cynthia Wentworth
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles, Jr.
			Matanuska Susitna Borough: Alex Strawn, Tom Adams, Maija DiSalvo, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Natalie Lyon
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
			Trucking Industry Advocate: Lawerence Smith
May 14, 2024	Alaska Railroad Corporation	Amendment 1 Discussion	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Ryan Anderson
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Bill O'Leary, Michelle Maddox, Brian Lindamood

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
May 15, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP TIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Katherine Keith, Adam Moser, Jennifer Wright
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			City of Fairbanks Assembly: Jerry Cleworth, Scott Crass
			City of North Pole: Michael Welch, Danny Wallace
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman,
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
May 15, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP Amendment 1 Meeting on Discretionary Grant Source Funding &	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherin Keith, Dom Pannone, Lauren Little
		Project Obligations	<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 16, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	TIP Narrative	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Sean Baski, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, John Linnell, Steven Rzepka
			<b>Alaska Railroad Corporation:</b> Kate Dueber, Brian Lindamood
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Mook Puttong
			CRW Engineering: Colin Singleton
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			HDR: Chris Hughes, Morgan Miller
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kent Kohlhase, Brad Coy, Brandon Telford, Zakary Hartman, Bart Rudolph, Craig Lyon, Allison Bolgiano
			Municipality of Anchorage Assembly: Daniel Volland, Meg Zaletel

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			Rabbit Creek Community Council: Nancy Pease
			Turnagain Community Council: Cathy Gleason
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Jason Norris
May 21, 2024	DOT&PF and MPO's	Coordination of Planning Process to ensure 3C or 23 CFR 450.208	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Dom Pannone, Lauren Little, James Starzek, Ben White, Adam Moser
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 21, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Update	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Clint Adler, Luke Bowland, Adam Bradway, Katherine Keith, Ben White
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			Fairbanks Area Surface Transportation: Jackson Fox
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			<b>Matanuska Susitna Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Alex Strawn
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			Office of Senator Wilson: Sharon Johnson
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
May 22, 2024	MVP Special Policy Board Meeting	Special meeting and work session with the MVP Board and Technical Committee to discuss transportation projects	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Yemi Alimi

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
		for inclusion in STIP Amendment 1	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, Clint Adler, Chris Bentz, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington, Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Mat-Su Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Tom Adams, Crystal Smith
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
			Trucking Advocate: Lawerence Smith
May 29, 2024	MPO Quarterly Meeting (all-day)	STIP and STIP Amendment 1: Cooperative PL Fund Need ID and Travel Demand Model Tier II findings recap, Issues, timeline, TIPs in AirTable MPO Allocations Presentation at TC/PC? E-STIP applications	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Judy Chapman, Adam Bradway, Scott Vockeroth, Adam Moser, James Starzec AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen FAST Planning: Jackson Fox Federal Highway Administration: Theresa Hutchins, Julie Jenkins Federal Transit Administration: Ned Conroy MVP: Kim Sollien
May 30, 2024	ARRC	STIP Amendment 1 discussion follow-up	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith  Alaska Railroad Corporation: Michelle Maddox, Christina Isabelle-Glover
June 3, 2024	FHWA Quarterly Meeting	Organizational Updates DOT&PF Division Office S&O Agreement (review of draft S&O agreement prior to HQ submission) August Redistribution Data/Information Sharing Project(s) Shakwak, Denali Other Items?	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone, Andy Mills, Lauren Little, Shannon McCarthy Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins, Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney, Emily Haynes

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		STIP Amendment 1 timeframe	
June 5, 2024	Policy & Procedure on	Policy & Procedure on	<b>Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation:</b> Nick Czarnecki
	Committee	MPO coordination during development of the STIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Brett Nelson, Randi Bailey, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Sara Lucey, Jennifer Wright, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Don Galligan
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fort Wainwright: John Weinberger
			<b>Michael Baker International:</b> Sarah Schacher, Jeff Kupko
			National Renewable Energy Laboratory: Karlin Swearingen
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
June 6, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee MPO Coordination during development of the STIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Adam Bradway, Joselyn Biloon, John Linnell, Katherine Keith, Orion LeCroy, Sean Holland	
			<b>Alaska Railroad Corporation:</b> Andrew Reynolds, Kate Dueber
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Lindsey Hajduk
			Anchorage Assembly: Mark Littlefield
			HDR: Morgan Miller

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			Municipality of Anchorage: Kim Carpenter, Melinda Kohlhaas, Taylor Keegan, Jamie Acton, Daniel Mckenna-Foster, Bart Rudolph, Brandon Telford, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Stephen Stone
			Northern Solutions: Shawna Nelson
June 11, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO Coordination during	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway
		development of the STIP	Alaska Legislature: Sharon Johnson, Jody Simpson
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood, Kate Dueber
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Richard Martin
			Mat-Su Borough: Alex Strawn, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham, Tom Adams, Brad Swortz
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
June 11-13,	Alaska	STIP Amendment 1	Invite List:
2024	Transportation Working Group Federal Land Managers/Alaska TWiG		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, John Eric Taylor, Adam Moser, Brett Nelson, Henry Cole, Judy Chapman, Sara Lucey, Katherine Keith, David Post, Kim Griffith
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			<b>Alaska Municipal League:</b> Nils Andreassen, Erin Reinders, Britta Hamre
			Bureau of Indian Affairs: Donna Pearson
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Christina Mounce, Michael Lukshin, Kevin Doniere, Chris Riley, Miles Brooks,

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			MVP: Kim Sollien
			National Park Service: Laura Minski
			<b>US Forest Service:</b> Paul Escamilla, Harvey Hergett
			<b>US Dept. of Agriculture:</b> Griffith Berg, Jason Johnston, Jeff Schramm, Rueben Glaves
			US Army Corps of Engineers: Levi Wood
			Volpe: Larissa Ireland, Kaitlin Justice
			Federal Highway Administration: Samantha Shields, Nicholas Grisham, Kristin Austin, Matthew Hermen, Andrew Rasmussen, Katherine McQuillan
			Western Federal Lands: Seth English-Young
June 18, 2024	MVP Policy Board Committee	Program of Projects DOT&PF 3C Policy & Procedure	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Luke Bowland
			Alaska Legislature: Sharon Johnson
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Maija DiSalvo, Julie Spackman,
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			North Lakes Community Council: Rod Hanson
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Rodney Fodge
June 19, 2024	FAST Policy Board	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Nick Czarnecki
		MPO coordination during development of the STIP - review and recommend	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, Adam Moser, Brett Nelson, Ben White, Judy Chapman, Ivet Hall, Joe Kemp
			City of Fairbanks: Mayor David Pruhs

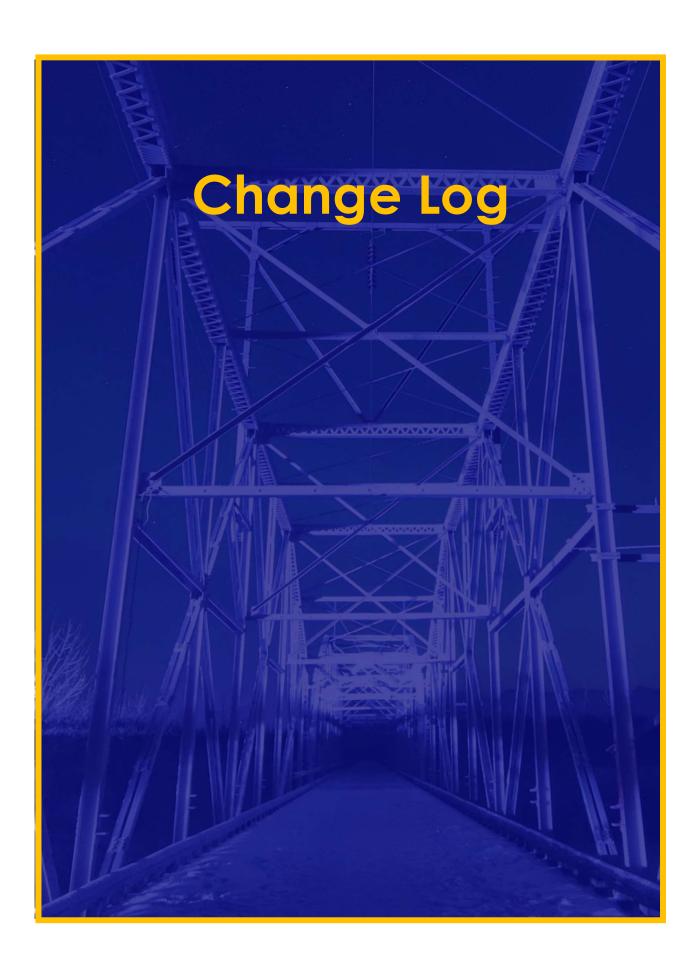
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			<b>City of North Pole:</b> Chandra Clack, Danny Wallace
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Trinity Consultants:</b> Suriya Vallamsunda, Tom Carlson
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Patrice Lee, Molly Farrell, Z. Zanon, Gary Wilken
June 20, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	3C Process memo STIP Update	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Mark Eisenman, James Starzec, Luke Bowland, Ben White, John Linnell, Steven Rzepka, Joselyn Biloon, Adam Moser, Alex Read, Adam Bradway, Anna Bosin, Julius Adolfsson
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Christine Schuette, Lindsey Hajduk
			<b>Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Mark Littlefield, Allie Hartman
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kent Kohlhase, Daniel Mckenna-Foster, Zakary Hartman, Brandon Telford, Bart Rudolph, Brad Coy
June 27-28, 2024	Planning team work session	June 27, DOT&PF Planning developed a revised draft of the 3C document compiling all	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: MPO Planners, Planning Chiefs, Planning Division Ops Manager
		the MPO comments into one document with staff recommendations.	MPOs: Executive Directors
		June 28, DOT&PF provided all three MPO Executive Directors with a copy of the revised	

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		document with MPO comments captured and an update on the status.	
July 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	STIP Amendment 1 and comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Clint Adler, Ben White
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Mat-Su Borough: Crystal Smith, Alex Strawn
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			Trucking Industry: Lawerence Smith
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
July 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	MVP STIP Amendment comments Alaska DOT&PF 3C	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Adam Bradway, Ben White, Shannon McCarthy
		Comprehensive,	Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
		Continuing, and Cooperative	Alaska State Legislature: Sharon Johnson
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann, Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			<b>Matanuska Susitna Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Maija DiSalvo, Alex Strawn
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
July 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 and ED comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Brett

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			Nelson, Ben White, Judy Chapman, Al Beck, Adam Moser	
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs	
			City of North Pole: Chandra Clack	
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Corey DiRutigliano, Olivia Lunsford	
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth	
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell	
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman	
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass	
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann	
			KTVF: Patrick Gilchrist	
			MVP: Kim Sollien	
			Michael Baker International: Sarah Schacher	
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker	
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Evee Rynish	
July 18, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 and ED Comments	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, Joselyn Biloon, Brett Nelson, Shannon McCarthy, Adam Moser, Judy Chapman, Sarah Riopelle	
			Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Jason Olds	
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Emily Weiser	
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Dueber	
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox	
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann, Julie Jenkins	
			HDR: Morgan Miller	
			Municipality of Anchorage Assembly: Daniel Volland, Mark Littlefield	
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage:</b> Daniel Mckenna- Foster, Brandon Telford, Zakary Hartman, Bart	

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			Rudolph, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Jamie Acton, Graham Downey	
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Melissa Babb	
July 23, 2024	Fairbanks Coordination	FAST Planning and Fairbanks North Star	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith	
	Meeting	Borough coordination regarding projects and	Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman	
		programs	FAST Planning: Jackson Fox	
July 30, 2024	FAST Special Technical	STIP Amendment 1 draft comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Nick Czarnecki	
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, Brett Nelson, John Netardus, Al Beck, Adam Moser, Ivet Hall	
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Deuber	
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pritash, William Rogers	
			City of North Pole: Cody Lougee	
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene	
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd	
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Kellen Spillman, Don Galligan, Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke	
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass	
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann	
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich	
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Mary Farrell, Gary Wilken, two unknown call-ins	
July 30, 2024	Mat-Su Coordination Meeting	MVP Planning and Mat-Su Borough coordination on STIP Amendment 1	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Andy Mills, Sean Holland	
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford	
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino	
			MVP: Kim Sollien	

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July 31, 2024	FAST Special Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 comments	<b>Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation:</b> Jason Olds
	Meeting		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Al Beck, Ivet Hall, Adam Moser, Kaitlin Williams
			City of North Pole: Chandra Clack
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Deborah Todd
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			<b>Fairbanks North Star Borough:</b> Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann
			RESPEC: Megan Flory
			Not affiliated or unknown affiliation: Gary Wilken, Sue Wilken, Mary Farrell, Jenny Campbell, Barbara Schuhmann, Jon Cook, Alexander Gagne-Hawes, Anonymous, one additional call-in
August 1, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP Amendments 2 and 3 VRU's	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities
			AMATS: Technical Commitee
			*Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet



STIP ID	Name	Incuded in Original STIP	Included in AMD #1 Public Review	Included in AMD 1 Final for FHWA Approval	Reasons for Change
2231	Bethel Tundra Ridge Road Rehabilitation	No	Yes	Yes	Project Funding Increase
2617	Seward Highway Milepost 17-22.5 Rehabilitation	No	Yes	Yes	Project Funding Increase
	Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek				Segments of project outside of MPO added
12641	[Parent and Final Construction]	No	Yes	Yes	back into STIP.
					Project updated based on project delivery
13883	Skagway Ferry Terminal Modifications	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
					Project updated based on project delivery
18923	Pavement and Bridge Preservation Program: Northern Region	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
10323	avenient and Bridge Freder vation Frogram. Not them region	140	163	103	estimates and forecasts.
22446	Dalton Highway Milepost 18-37 Reconstruction	No	Yes	Yes	Project added to convert AC and fund increase.
22440	Datton Frighway Milepost 18-37 Neconstruction	INO	163	163	Project updated based on project delivery
20124	Cold Crook Dridge and Tataline Bridge Deplement	No	Vos	Vas	
26124	Gold Creek Bridge and Tatalina Bridge Replacement	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
	Haines Highway Milepost 3-25 and Chilkat Bridge Reconstruction	l	.,	.,	Project updated based on project delivery
26330	[Stage 2]	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
					Project updated based on project delivery
28810	Herring Cove Bridge Rabilitation	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
	Parks Highway Bridge Replacement Montana Creek, Sheep Creek,				Project updated based on project delivery
29737	and Goose Creek Bridges	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
					Project updated based on project delivery
29911	Vine Road Reconstruction: Knik-Goose Bay Road to Hollywood Road	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
					Project updated based on project delivery
29973	Richardson Highway Milepost 65-80 Rehabilitation	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
					Project updated based on project delivery
30209	Sitka Pedestrian Seawalk [TAP Award and WFLHD)	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
	,				Project is within MPA Boundary. Included in
					Public Notice Draft Amendment #1 for
	Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to				transition to AMATS TIP an removed from final
2127/	Parks Highway	No	Yes	No	STIP submitted for FHWA Approval.
	Control Points LED Signal Upgrade	No	Yes	Yes	Added at request of Railroad
31037	Control Folints LED Signal Opgrade	NO	163	163	Project is within MPA Boundary. Included in
					Public Notice Draft Amendment #1 for
	Clann Highway Incident Management and Traffic Assemmedations				transition to AMATS TIP an removed from final
24020	Glenn Highway Incident Management and Traffic Accommodations	N	V	N	
	[Parent and	No	Yes	No	STIP submitted for FHWA Approval.
	Seward Freight Dock Expansion and Airport Connector Road	No	Yes	Yes	Added at request of Railroad
330/8	Portage Station Improvements	No	Yes	Yes	Added at request of Railroad
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33218	Keku Road Resurfacing: Kake to Seal Point [WFLHD]	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
	Dalton Highway Milepost 190 Hammond River Bridge Replacement				Project updated based on project delivery
33240	[WFLHD]	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
					Project is within MPA Boundary. Included in
					Public Notice Draft Amendment #1 for
	Abbott Road Pavement Preservation: New Seward Highway to Lake				transition to AMATS TIP an removed from final
33683	Otis Pkwy	No	Yes	No	STIP submitted for FHWA Approval.
					Project is within MPA Boundary. Included in
					Public Notice Draft Amendment #1 for
					transition to AMATS TIP an removed from final
33686	Muldoon Road Pavement Preservation [SOGR Award 2022]	No	Yes	No	STIP submitted for FHWA Approval.
					Project updated based on project delivery
33693	Big Lake Road Rehabilitation [SOGR 2022]: Milepost 3.6-9.1	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
	West Coast Alaska Storm 2022 Planning	No	Yes	Yes	Project added to convert AC.
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34021	Railroad Avalanche Control	Yes	Yes	No	Project removed at the request of the Railroad
	Richardson Highway Milepost 346 Northbound Chena Bridge				Project updated based on project delivery
34130	Replacement	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
34130			. 55		Project is within MPA Boundary. Included in
					Public Notice Draft Amendment #1 for
	Soward Highway Milenest 09 E to 119 Bird Elate to Babbit Craek				transition to AMATS TIP an removed from final
24164	Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek	No	Vos	No	
34164	[Stage 1]	No	Yes	No	STIP submitted for FHWA Approval.
3446-	Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek	l <sub>No</sub>	Vas	Vos	Segments of project outside of MPO added
34165	[Stage 2]	No	Yes	Yes	back into STIP

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					Project is within MPA Boundary. Included in
					Public Notice Draft Amendment #1 for
	Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Glenn Highway Airport				transition to AMATS TIP an removed from fina
34169	Heights to Parks Highway [Stage 1]	No	Yes	No	STIP submitted for FHWA Approval.
					Project is within MPA Boundary. Included in
					Public Notice Draft Amendment #1 for
	Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to				transition to AMATS TIP an removed from fina
34170	Parks Highway [Stage 2]	No	Yes	No	STIP submitted for FHWA Approval.
			1		Project is within MPA Boundary. Included in
					Public Notice Draft Amendment #1 for
	Class High and Indiana Management and Tariffic Assessment detions				
	Glenn Highway Incident Management and Traffic Accommodations	l	l.,	l	transition to AMATS TIP an removed from fina
34171	[Stage 1]	No	Yes	No	STIP submitted for FHWA Approval.
					This is the corrected project. 34539 was
34229	Low No Emission Shuttle Ferry	Yes	Yes	Yes	removed in STIP for final approval.
34316	Marine Service Center Sheetpile Wall and Crane City	No	Yes	Yes	Added Discretionary Grant Project
					MARAD funded projects not required to be in
34319	Cold Bay AMHS Ferry Terminal Reconstruction	Yes	Yes	No	the STIP.
	Railway Grade Crossing Triangle Clearing	No	Yes	Yes	Added at request of Railroad.
0.007			1.00	1.00	This discretionary grant not required to be
24200	Alaska Rural Remote Operations Workplan (ARROW Program) for	Yes	No	No	listed in STIP.
34398	Alaska Kurai Kemote Operations Workplair (AKKOW Program) for	res	INO	INO	listed in STIP.
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34400	Railroad Improvement Program	Yes	No	No	Project removed at the request of the Railroad
34404	Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Planning: MVP	No	Yes	No	Planning funds not required to be listed in STII
<u>344</u> 06	Urban Transit MVP Planning	No	Yes	No	Planning funds not required to be listed in STII
	Matsu Valley Planning for Transportation (MVP) Advance Project				
34531	Definition	No	Yes	Yes	Added at request of MVP MPO
	Matsu Valley Planning for Transportation (MVP) Improvement				
34532	Program FY25-27	No	Yes	Yes	Added at request of MVP MPO
	Alaska West Coast Resiliency Projects-DOT&PF	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project bundle.
34330	Critical Upgrades to Ferry Dock Infrastructure in Five Rural Alaska	110	1103	163	Discretionary grant project bundle.
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34537	Communities - DOT&PF	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project bundle.
					Project consolidated in 34229. This STIP ID wa
34539	AMHS Low-No Emission Shuttle Ferry-DOT&PF	No	Yes	No	removed.
	Replacement of the M/V Tustumena Vessel Serving Rural Southwest				
34542	Alaska-HA Grant FY22 - DOT&PF	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Replacement of the M/V Tustumena Vessel Serving Rural Southwest				
34543	Alaska-HA Grant FY23 - DOT&PF	No	No	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Modernization of Four Critical Vessels Necessary for Service and				, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
34544	Environmental Benefits - DOT&PF	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
34344	Environmental Benefits Bortain	1110	103	103	Discretionary grant project at deca.
24545	Chana Bivar Bailread Bridge Benlacement ABBC	No.	Vac	Vos	Railroad.
34343	Chena River Railroad Bridge Replacement - ARRC	No	Yes	Yes	Raill Odd.
	Chilkoot Community Electric Vehicle and Economic Development				Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Awards ar
34546	Infrastructure Hub-Chilkoot Indian Association	No	Yes	No	not required to be included in STIP
34547	City of North Pole: Alaska, Drainage Project-City of North Pole	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
34549	Clarks Point - Ekuk Road Project-Bristol Bay Native Association	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	.,,				Planning grants not required to be included in
34550	Comprehensive Safety Action Plan -City and Borough of Sitka	No	Yes	No	the STIP
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	Develop a Regional Transportation Cafety Plan 9 Hardata 2.5 1 11				Diamaing groups not required to be included to
	Develop a Regional Transportation Safety Plan & Update 3 Existing	l	<u> </u>	l	Planning grants not required to be included in
34551	Transportation Safety Plans-Inupiat Community of the Arctic Slope	No	Yes	No	the STIP
	Develop a Tribal Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of				Planning grants not required to be included in
34552	Tununak	No	Yes	No	the STIP
	Develop a Tribal Transportation Safety Plan-Organized Village of				Planning grants not required to be included in
34553	Kwethluk	No	Yes	No	the STIP
	Develop a Tribe's First Transportation Safety Plan and Update 17				  Planning grants not required to be included in
34554		No	Yes	No	the STIP
J-JJ4	Develop the Tribe's First Transportation Safety Plan-King Island		1.03		Planning grants not required to be included in
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	Native Community	No	Yes	No	the STIP
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		No	Yes	No	Planning grants not required to be included in the STIP

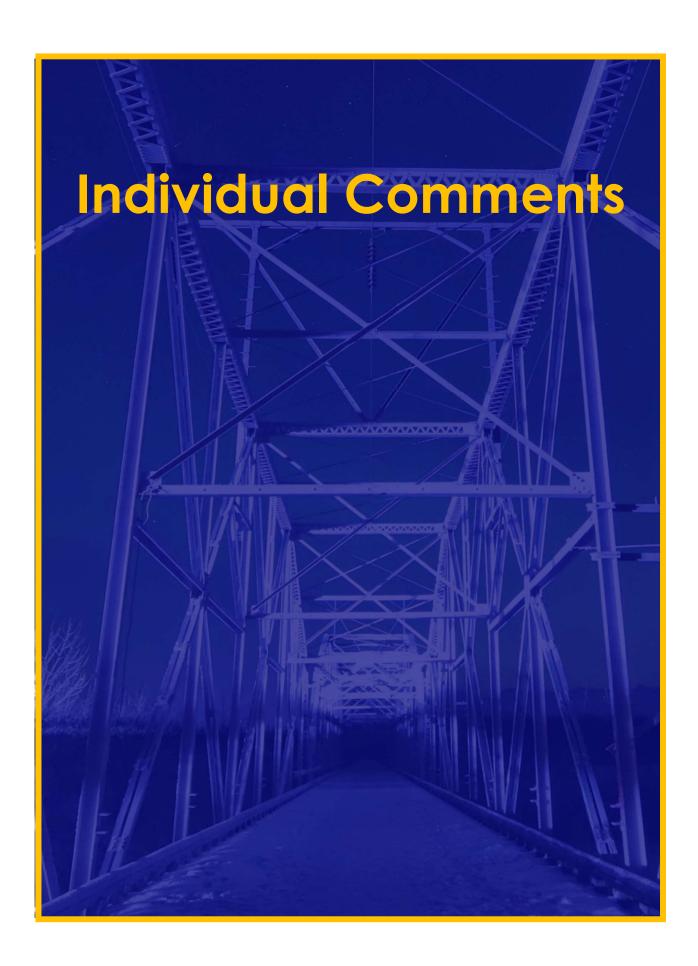
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24555	Develop the Tribe's First Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of				Planning grants not required to be included in
34557	Chitina	No	Yes	No	the STIP
24550	Develop the Tribe's First Transportation Safety Plan-The Native	N	V	NI-	Planning grants not required to be included in
34558	<u> </u>	No	Yes	No	the STIP
24550	Develop the Tribe's First Transportation Safety Plan-Village of Dot				Planning grants not required to be included in
34559		No	Yes	No	the STIP
	Developing a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan for the City of		.,		Planning grants not required to be included in
	Mekoryuk-City of Mekoryuk	No	Yes	No	the STIP
34561	Ekuk Evacuation Road Project-Bristol Bay Native Association	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Ekwok Road Spot Safety Improvements Preliminary Engineering-				
		No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
34564	Fast End Roads Design Refresh-Nome Eskimo Community	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Haines Borough & Chilkoot Indian Association Safety Action Plan -				Planning grants not required to be included in
34565	Haines Borough	No	Yes	No	the STIP
	High Priority Fish Passage Restoration at Three Mile Creek in				
	Klawock, AK-DOT&PF	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
34567	High Ridge Road Phase 02-Igiugig Village	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Hillcrest Drive and Bayou Loop Road Safety Improvements Design				
	-	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Huslia Streetlight Illumination Project-Huslia Village	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
34570	Juneau Douglas North Crossing Project-DOT&PF	No	Yes	No	Consolidated into 34146
	Kasaan Access Road Killer Hill Realignment-Organized Village of	<b>.</b>		<b>V</b>	<b></b>
34571	Kasaan	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Kenai Peninsula Borough Safe Streets Comprehensive Action Plan for	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		Planning grants not required to be included in
34572	All Communities and Cities-Kenai Peninsula Borough	No	Yes	No	the STIP
	Ketchikan Gateway Borough SS4A Action Plan Development-		.,		Planning grants not required to be included in
345/3	Ketchikan Gateway Borough	No	Yes	No	the STIP
24574	Kodiak Sargent Creek and Russian River Bridges Planning Study -	No	Vos	No	Planning grants not required to be included in
34574	DOT&PF  Main Street Snot Sofati Improvements Proliminary Engineering	No	Yes	No	the STIP
24577	Main Street Spot Safety Improvements Preliminary Engineering-	No	Vos	Vos	Discretions we group project added
345//	,	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
24570	Manokotak First, Second, Third Street Rehabilitation Road Project-	No	Vos	Vos	Discretions we group project added
34376	Manokotak Village Matanuska-Susitna Borough Action Plan -Matanuska-Susitna	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added. Planning grants not required to be included in
24570	Borough	No	Voc	No	the STIP
34373	Mile Post 111.5 Richardson Highway Turn Lanes Project-Native	No	Yes	INO	the 311r
34582		No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
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34583	Minto Community Street Improvement-Native Village of Minto	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Naknek Pedestrian Path Construction Project-Naknek Native Village				70 1 7
34584	,	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Naknek River Watershed Culvert Replacements, King Salmon, AK-				, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
34585		No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
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34586	Nerka Infrastructure Safety Improvements-Curyung Tribal Council	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Old John Lake Trail-Arctic Village Council	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Parks Highway Fish Passage Improvement Plan	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
34590	Pedro Bay Landfill Access Road-Pedro Bay Village	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Pilot Point Brush Cutting & Signs Program Startup-Native Village of				
34591		No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Preliminary Engineering for Safety Improvements on Walden Point				
34593	Road and Airport Road-Metlakatla Indian Community	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Qawalangin Tribe Port Infrastructure Improvement Project-				
34594	Qawalangin Tribe of Unalaska	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Reconnecting Lemon Creek: Improving Nonmotorized Access and				
	Community Equity with the Lemon Creek Multimodal Pathway-City				
34596	and Borough of Juneau	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
34597	Reducing Impact of Rural Board-road Burdens-DOT&PF	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
					Planning grants not required to be included in
34599	3 3	No	Yes	No	the STIP
<u>-</u>	SS4A Action Plan Grant to the City & Borough of Juneau in Alaska-				Planning grants not required to be included in
34600	City and Borough of Juneau	No	Yes	No	the STIP
	SS4A Supplemental Planning Grant for Transportation Equity in the				Planning grants not required to be included in
34601	Lemon Creek Area of Juneau, Alaska-City and Borough of Juneau	No	Yes	No	the STIP
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24502	Statewide Equitable Community Connectivity Action Plan (SECCAP)-				Diamatiana manatana ia tandahad
	DOT&PF	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
34603	Statewide Transit Study -DOT&PF	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
24504	Strengthening Transportation Resilience on the Island of Unalaska	N		V	Diamatiana manatana inatanda d
34604	<u> </u>	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
24605	Systemic Application of Roadway Departure Countermeasures-	No	Vos	Vos	Discretionary grant project added
34605		No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
24607	The Village of Shaktoolik Evacuation Road – the First Step Toward	No	Vos	Vos	Discretionary grant project added
	Resilience-Kawerak Incorporated Tribal Way Road Improvement-Sitka Tribe of Alaska	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.  Discretionary grant project added.
34608	Tribal way koad iliproveillent-sitka Tribe of Alaska	No	Yes	Yes	Planning grants not required to be included in
24600	Update an Existing Transportation Safety Plan-Manokotak Village	No	Yes	No	the STIP
34003	Update an Existing Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of	INO	163	NO	Planning grants not required to be included in
3/610	Deering	No	Yes	No	the STIP
34010	Update an Existing Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of	INO	165	NO	Planning grants not required to be included in
3/611		No	Yes	No	the STIP
34011	Update an Existing Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of Point	INO	163	110	Planning grants not required to be included in
34612		No	Yes	No	the STIP
34012	Поре	INO	165	NO	Planning grants not required to be included in
2/612	Update an Existing Transportation Safety Plan-Village of Venetie	No	Voc	No	the STIP
24012	opeace an existing transportation safety transvillage of velicue	110	Yes	140	Planning grants not required to be included in
34614	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Akiachak Native Community	l <sub>No</sub>	Yes	No	the STIP
34014	opeace the transportation safety frant-Akiachak Native community		103	110	Planning grants not required to be included in
34615	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Healy Lake Village	No	Yes	No	the STIP
24012	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Metlakatla Indian		1.03		Planning grants not required to be included in
3/616	Community	No	Yes	No	the STIP
34010	Community	110	163	110	Planning grants not required to be included in
34617	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of Atka	No	Yes	No	the STIP
34017	opuate the transportation safety train Native vinage of Atka	110	163	110	Planning grants not required to be included in
34618	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of Buckland	No	Yes	No	the STIP
34010	opuate the transportation safety trail Native vinage of Buckland	110	103	140	Planning grants not required to be included in
34619	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of Fort Yukon	No	Yes	No	the STIP
34013	opuate the transportation safety trail Native village of Fore Takon	110	103	140	Planning grants not required to be included in
34620	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of Karluk	No	Yes	No	the STIP
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34621	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of Kiana	No	Yes	No	the STIP
34022	opuate the transportation safety train reduce timege of mana	110	165	110	Planning grants not required to be included in
34622	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Native Village of Shungnak	No	Yes	No	the STIP
	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Petersburg Indian				Planning grants not required to be included in
34623	Association	No	Yes	No	the STIP
					Planning grants not required to be included in
34624	Update the Transportation Safety Plan-Sitka Tribe of Alaska	No	Yes	No	the STIP
	White Mountain Community Streets-Native Village of White	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
	Yakutat Fish Passage Culvert Replacement Program-Yakutat Tlingit				
34626	Tribe	No	Yes	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
34632	Denali Park Pedestrian Bridges and Trail (WFLHD-FLAP)	No	Yes	Yes	Project added due to formula funds included.
					Project is within MPA Boundary. Included in
					Public Notice Draft Amendment #1 for
					transition to AMATS TIP an removed from final
34635	Glenn Highway and Artillery Road Interchange Improvements	No	Yes	No	STIP submitted for FHWA Approval.
					Project is within MPA Boundary. Included in
					Public Notice Draft Amendment #1 for
	Glenn Highway Incident Management and Traffic Accommodations				transition to AMATS TIP an removed from final
34636		No	Yes	No	STIP submitted for FHWA Approval.
	Parks Highway Milepost 234-238 Reconstruction and Railroad				Project updated based on project delivery
34637	Realignment	No	Yes	Yes	estimates and forecasts.
34638	[LEDGER-TIP] MVP TIP Incorporated by Reference Section 5310	No	Yes	No	Ledger item removed from STIP
34639	[LEDGER-TIP] MVP TIP Incorporated by Reference Section 5307	No	Yes	No	Ledger item removed from STIP
	MatSu Valley Planning for Transportation (MVP) Sign Management				
34654	Plan	No	Yes	Yes	Added at request of MVP MPO
	MatSu Valley Planning for Transportation (MVP) Streetlight				
34655	Intersection Management Plan	No	Yes	Yes	Added at request of MVP MPO
34688	Prince William Sound Ferry Terminals - PWSEDD	No	No	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
34689	Port Development Project - City of Nulato	No	No	Yes	Discretionary grant project added.
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#### Change Log Comparing: 1) Approved STIP, 2) Amendment #1 Released for Public Comments, and 3) Amendment #1 Submitted to FHWA

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From: <u>Darwin Aho</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Darwin Aho</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Thursday, August 1, 2024 7:33:19 AM

Name: Darwin Aho

Email: Darwin@mtaonline.net

Question/Message: Removing the Long Lake hill improvement project from the budget shows a lack of concern for public safety. The slanted road surface, narrow paved surface, lack of shoulders, tight turns and fallen rocks make every trip a nail bitter. It's not the best way to welcome tourists to the state. Be responsible and fix the situation.

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August 20, 2024

Darwin Aho darwin@mtaonline.net

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

Dear Mr. Aho,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1, particularly regarding the Glenn Highway section from Kings River Bridge (Milepost 66) to Cascade (Milepost 92). I have personally driven this stretch of highway and fully understand your concerns. We are actively seeking solutions to address the safety issues, and we appreciate your engagement. We received nearly 40 comments on this specific stretch of highway for STIP Amendment #1, far exceeding the number of comments on any other project.

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Cc:

From: <u>Danny Allen</u>

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>
Subject: Long Lake Hill safety

**Date:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 5:54:06 AM

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Long Lake Hill has long been a safety issue and needs to be addressed. I have been in Glacier View ever since the homestead days and have seen so many accidents and very close calls in the 55 years plus. Countless cars and trucks were damaged from rocks also! I could retire on the money the state has paid out to keep the hill cleared for traffic.

Take the money that you are wanting to spend on that new Hwy project into the interior and use it to fix the un-safe Long Lake hill issue . Most of us old timers that have lived here in Glacier view just shake our heads in disgust when we see some of the other projects the State D.O.T choses to do that would have and could have been applied to the Long Lake project .

One of these days a fully loaded School bus, loaded with students will have a fatal accident because of this known issue, parents will grieve and will look at someone to blame. Guess who that will be ???

I suspect this e-mail will only fall on deaf ears and be deleted as usual . I never get replies from the D.O.T

Danny Allen Cell 907-841-2214



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August 20, 2024

Danny Allen r3danny@gmail.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

Dear Danny Allen,

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From: Alexis Althens

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

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**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Monday, July 29, 2024 11:02:43 PM

Name: Alexis Althens

Email: lexialthens87@gmail.com

Question/Message: It has come to my attention that MP 66-92 reconstruct has been removed from 24-27 Draft STIP amendment 1. As a person who commutes on weekly basis, a wife who's husband drives the school bus with the responsibility of many children, and as a mother of teens who drive the section of the road daily to attend school and sports have seen how dangerous the road can get and how badly it needs to be fixed. This stretch of the highway is a vital and an integral part of our everyday AK lives. It is the main road in and out of the state that truckers commute to and from to deliver goods to the vast majority of the population in Alaska. It would be a great shame and large mishap to undervalue the importance of this stretch of the road. It would be great to see Alaska finally do something about this problem that has been going on for decades. Long lake is notorious for the boulders that fall and the hill side erosion that occurs all along the road is an accident waiting to happen. Let's hope that God continues to protect the people who commute on this road and it doesn't take losing a life to finally make something happen.

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Alexis Althens lexialthens 87@gmail.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

Dear Alexis Althens,

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Cc:

From: Lee Althens

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u> **Subject:** mile 66-92 Glenn Hwy

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 4:41:07 PM

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#### To Whom It May Concern:

The Glenn Hwy mile 66 to 92 is falling apart and poses a danger to through traffic. We operate the school bus transportation for Glacier View School and have seen many close calls over the years. In particular Long Lake hill and the failing sections along Weiner Lake pose a great risk for the school bus daily routes.

Please include these sections for realignment work in the near future.

Lee Althens Glacier View Transportation Inc Matanuska Susitna Borough School District contractor



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Lee Althens l.althens@gmail.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

Dear Lee Althens,

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From: Susan Althens

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Susan Althens</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 4:27:05 PM

Name: Susan Althens

Email: suziepaints@yahoo.com

Question/Message: The State of Alaska has known about the dangerous stretch of the Glenn Highway known as Long Lake for decades. I have lived here for 45 years and every five years or so, we see surveyors and wonder if FINALLY this section of road will be addressed. Obviously not. You have regular reports regarding the dangerous section of road given to you by DOT workers and I heard even the governor has seen this section. It is an insult to those of us who live out here that you require letters of complaint to even consider fixing this road. Why would my complaint have more impact than the intel of your staff: engineers, planners, road maintenance workers who drive that road several times a day in all the conditions. I was told that people in Anchorage and the Valley aren't affected by this stretch of road and therefore complain that fixing the highway doesn't benefit them. But this road is the MAJOR artery to the lower forty-eight and in the case of an emergency, this road is the ONLY way out. Also, tourism would increase if the road was more hospitable to people who actually like to stop and take photos of the scenery. If there was a shoulder, bicyclists would use this road. As it is, they would be killed if they were to attempt it. And there are many semis delivering to Anchorage from the lower forty-eight as well as fuel trucks constantly on the road with horrible conditions for hazmat material. It is appalling that the people who are hired with supposedly the skills to provide safety for all the citizens of the State have chosen, once again, to ignore the danger of this road and allow such terrible conditions, not only to continue, but to deteriorate. (Resurfacing is a joke and a waste of money) You would be providing safe passage for ALL Alaskans by addressing this section of highway.

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August 20, 2024

Susan Althens suziepaints@yahoo.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

Dear Susan Althens,

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Cc:

From: Rachel Beachy

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Subject: STIP 28089: Long Lake hill on the Glenn Hwy

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I have family living in Glacier View and grew up in that community as well. The Long Lake stretch of road on the Glenn Highway is a serious safety concern.

Twelve years ago I was riding through this section of road with my sister and her car was hit by a basketball-sized rock. Coming down behind it was another, larger boulder. I still drive that stretch of the Glenn Highway regularly and often see rocks on the road when I do.

This project, STIP 28089 should be re-evaluated and move forward due to the ongoing safety hazards that are a regular, reoccurring issue on this stretch of road. A road that is integral to the State of Alaska's economy and commerce.



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August 20, 2024

Rachel Beachy raquelbeachy@gmail.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

Dear Ms. Beachy,

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Cc:

From: Rebecca Brunger

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

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**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 1:31:19 PM

Name: Rebecca Brunger

Email: rabunga@mtaonline.net

Question/Message: I have learned that the STIP ID: 28089 - Reconstruct Glenn Highway between MP 66-92 has been dropped and am formally requesting that this project be added back in. I would also request that a priority be placed on completing this project due to the dangerous road conditions that exist on this stretch of the Glenn Highway. As a lifelong Alaskan I have traveled the Glenn Highway for many years, both during the summer months when roads are dry and/or wet due to rain as well as traveling during the winter months when the road may be dry, icy, or packed with snow. I find this section of highway some of the most dangerous and scary road to navigate in the State. The road is extremely narrow in spots, which leads little room for error when large commercial vehicles, tour buses and large RV's are navigating the other side of the road. There are steep drop offs along these narrow roads where guardrails are sin king into the ground and sections where the road appears to be sluffing off with the appearance that it wouldn't take much for sections of the road to slide down the side of the mountain. Along with the windy and curvy nature of the road there are sections where rock fall from mountain sides impact the road, often daily, and as a driver you need to navigate around small and large rocks in the road. The usage of the road by various travelers (residents traveling to recreational, fishing and hunting sites, commercial vehicles hauling fuel and goods to remote towns, tours buses, and tourists hauling large RV's) appears to have increased. With the increased traffic and conditions of the roadway as mentioned above, it just makes it feel even more dangerous. I take a deep breath once we enter the King's River section and then often take another as a sigh of relief once we get through this section safely. Please consider reinstating this project and prioritize it as critical for completion, for the sake of safety of all who travel this road.

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August 26, 2024

Rebecca Brunger rabunga@mtaonline.net

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

Dear Ms. Brunger

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Cc:

From: Cheryl Chapman

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Cheryl Chapman</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 9:35:36 AM

Name: Cheryl Chapman

Email: cheryl99687@yahoo.com

Question/Message: LONG LAKE HILL That section of the highway is terrifying! I am one of many that has experienced rock slides on that hill, wondering whether or not I was going off of the cliff above the lake. The road is so winding, narrow and full of frost heaves and, often times fallen rock, that make it hard to traverse. Please widen this road or make an alternate route bypassing this hill completely!!!

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Cheryl Chapman cheryl 99687@yahoo.com

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From: <u>Karen Cleveland</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Karen Cleveland</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Sunday, August 4, 2024 8:11:17 PM

Name: Karen Cleveland

Email: kgc@mtaonline.net

Question/Message: Please do not stop soon the Glenn hwy mile 66-92. We travel this highway frequently. We have dodged rocks. Seen accidents and when it rains a lot the rocks come down even more. In some areas its very narrow making it difficult to move away from danger. We are delighted to see what they have done so far but the work must continue for our safety.

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August 26, 2024

Karen Cleveland kgc@mtaonline.net

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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Cc:

From: <u>Joseph Davis</u>

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>
Subject: Long Lake Glenn danger

**Date:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 12:33:26 PM

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Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

#### Hi,

A number of years ago I was heading from my home in Glacier View, about mile 99 on the Glenn Highway, and coming around the bend was the long downward winding road to the Long Lake parking and beyond to Palmer. As I came around that bend I started to speed up but for no conscious reason let off the gas. I still don't know what prompted me to do so but it likely saved my life. I had a big Chevy four door pickup with an 8 foot bed, a one ton truck rating. A giant bolder the size of my kitchen refrigerator - and it's big - came down that steep slope on my right - the mountain side - and hit so hard in front of me that it shot out right in front of my truck, across both lanes and the shoulder and out and down the slope to the lake, clearing all the trees out on it's massive flash down the mountain. The bolder was so close I could not see the bottom of it passing the front of my truck. I vividly recall the details, color, shape of it. It was so fast that my truck didn't have time to hit it!

My neighbor's daughter was driving home another summer and her friends shouted to speed up as rocks were on their way down. She did speed up and a rock the size of a basketball punctured the back seat driver's side door! School bus kids are directed to sit on the "less dangerous" side of the bus both going up and down.

I have other stories. We all have other stories. It's time to change where that road it, move it to the other side of the lake. Now.

It is the highway in and out of the state. It is our fuel trucks. It is our emergency vehicles. Tourism. Our neighborhood. Our lives.

Move the road now. Get it on the STIP. Get it on some list. But get it done. It's been too long. And no guardrails!

Thank you, Joseph

Joseph Davis

(907) 250-5561

Glacier View, Alaska josephdavisak@mac.com



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August 20, 2024

Joseph Davis josephdavisak@mac.com

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From: Shirley K Durtschi

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

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**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 4:02:02 PM

Name: Shirley K Durtschi

Email: Skdurtschi@gmail.com

Question/Message: We are deeply concerned about the traffic on the Glenn Highway from Kings River to Purinton. Parts of the road are badly damaged on the downhill side. Long Haul Trucks, Big trucks with trailers, snowmachines, four-wheelers, or side by sides or all three are constantly crossing the line leaving little to no room for the on coming car to defend themselves. At Long Lake the "Boulders" keep coming down. This week there were two (the size of a refrigerator) that broke apart near the road leaving remnants scattered onto and across the road. So ether the oncoming or the going vehicle meeting in the middle of the rock pile would or could badly damage their car and undercarriage. The traffic has increased exponentially. Shirley K Durtschi, Glacier View Resident 35331 West Pinocle Lane

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Shirley K Durtschi Skdurtschi@gmail.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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From: <u>Mary Farrell</u>

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: Mary Farrel

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Friday, July 26, 2024 3:36:14 PM

Name: Mary Farrell

Email: mrfarrell777@gmail.com

Question/Message: Wow. I don't think you could have made this document any less user-friendly. I had to have 2 screens open, one with the original STIP and one with Amendment #1 on it. There is no way to look at the amendment only and see what the changes are! Was this done on purpose? How about showing the "original" and "amended" dollar amounts? Or a different text color or bolding to denote numbers that have changed? This is impossible to comment on without spending ungodly amounts of time. Which, by the way, it feels like you have cut to the bare minimum. Why post this document on the Friday of a holiday weekend? With the website issues, it really wasn't available until the following week. You can't really even say there is a 30 day comment period, much less a 45 day window. While your narrative speaks of being "transparent" with the public, this is NOT a transparent document.

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Mary Farrell mrfarrell777@gmail.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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From: <u>VINCENT HAAG</u>

To: DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)

Subject: Long Lake Hill Glenn Hwy

Date: Tuesday, July 30, 2024 11:11:32 PM

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Our Family Has lived in the Glacier View area for the last 34 years. Long Lake has been a constant concern. I am a retired flagger local 341. I have been waiting for this job to start. It never has. Survey. Survey, Survey. This Has been done so many times I can't count. The only work it has had is a resurfacing many many years ago, and of course, the Biden money got us new No Parking signs. The rocks falling, although dangerous, is not the problem, the problem is there is no longer any pavement, it is literally falling off the road!!! This is the most important road in the state, this alone will cause a disaster just on its own. I took a ride to Soldotna this summer i cannot believe the contrast to this hwy. What a dream hwy!!! I wish ours look half as good !!! The road is a disgrace to Alaska. How can we invite people here and have the fear for lives?? And to know we weren't even consider on this new stip is shameful. We have been waiting forever. I hope it gets done before i die. Thank you Debra Haag 9077463710



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Debra Haag haag@mtaonline.net

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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From: <u>Eileen Haines</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Eileen Haines</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Thursday, August 1, 2024 10:24:56 PM

Name: Eileen Haines

Email: grannywrangler1@yahoo.com

Question/Message: The 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1has been removed or delayed. It involves a critically dangerous portion of the Glenn Hwy. From milepost 66 to milepost 90 is exceptionally dangerous for travel, either by motorized vehicles, pedestrians, and/or nonmotorized vehicles, bicycles, etc. At the Long Lake stretch many lives have been lost at two curves, not to mentioned large tractor/trailers with volatile pay loads that can and do contaminate the area. One load in 2020? was of rock salt at the pond adjacent to Long Lake. That curve also took the lives of a mother and two children. You can see the three crosses across the pond. On the Wiener Lake to Purinton Creek bridge stretch where several lives have been also lost. As a volunteer I witnessed the five bodies removed when a p/u truck flipped and killed all. This stretch sees Tour buses (+60 passengers), school buses, Tour vans (14 passenger) tractor/trailers and all types of motorized commerce threatened by landslides, huge boulders, sharp curves, and narrow pavement between drop-offs w/ cliffs on the opposite side and no shoulders. I am one of local residents that use this road. All motorized transportation between Port of Valdez and Anchorage have to use this corridor so we are talking about thousands of people traversing thru each day. For the sake of all these people do not further delay the upgrade especially the MP 84 to MP 90 of the Glenn Hwy. It is my understanding that the 2024-2027STIP Admen. # 1 has been removed.

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Eileen Haines grannywrangler1@yahoo.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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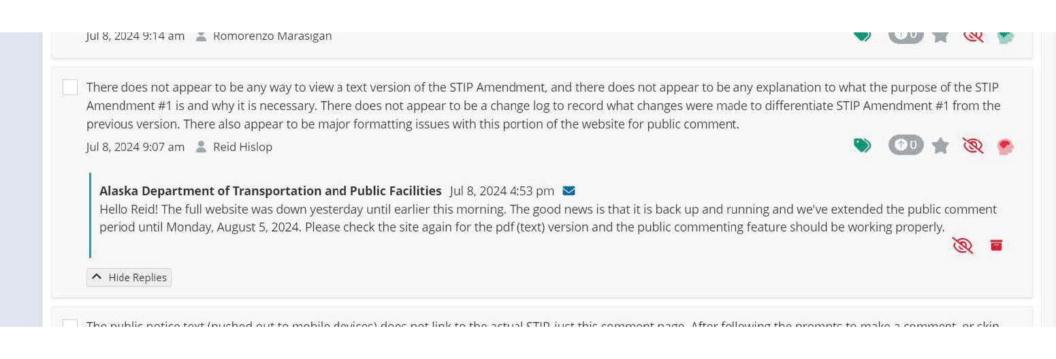
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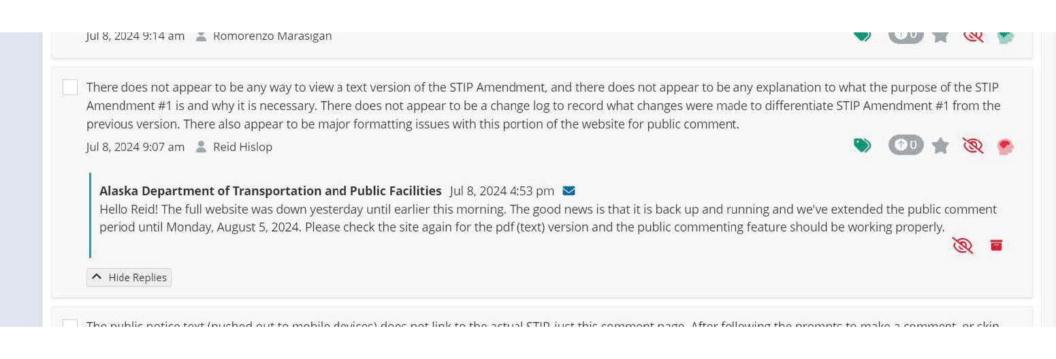
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From: <u>Carol Hrncir</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: Carol Hrncir

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 8:33:50 PM

Name: Carol Hrncir

Email: hrncircarol@gmail.com

Question/Message: In 2004 my husband Arnie Hrncir and I had Hicks Creek Roadhouse which the state bought out for Glenn Hwy realignment. Even then we saw the plans for new Glenn hwy from mile 66-92. We really need this these days 20 years later. Thank you. Carol

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Carol Hrncir hrncircarol@gmail.com

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**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 9:25:45 PM

Name: Johnstone

Email: Stonewood@gci.net

Question/Message: If you drive the Glenn hwy through this area you want to drop you would understand why it is not wise to do so. Not only do hundreds of Alaskan drive this area year round but thousands of tourists use this road and visit the mat su glacier every year.

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Johnstone <a href="mailto:Stonewood@gci.net">Stonewood@gci.net</a>

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To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

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**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Sunday, August 4, 2024 10:10:04 AM

Name: Doug Kadrich

Email: dkadrich@acsalaska.net

Question/Message: The Glenn Highway from King River to Cascade has been and is a dangerous roadway. I drive this road weekly for over 25 years and have seen numerous accidents and close calls on a regular basis. The rock slides along the Long Lake hill are dangerous enough and should have been addressed 30 years ago. The numerous curves, hills limited field of view, lack of shoulders and frost heaves, lateral cracks in the pavement, narrow bridges (Puritan Creek) lack of cleared right of way, deteriorating culvers, narrow traffic lanes make this road dangerous to the public use of the roadway. Add the summer traffic, tourists and heavy truck traffic to the unacceptable condition of this stretch of road increases the level of hazards on this road. During winter months the weather conditions make roadway additionally dangerous for the Alaskan residents that need to traverse it. It is difficult to believe the the State of Alaska has failed to address the dangerous conditions, loss of life and injury the condition and lack of basic safety standards for such a major highway in our State. The dangerous conditions of the Glenn Highway from Kings River to Cascade need to be a Number One priority for the safety of the citizens of Alaska and tourist to our great State. Unbelievable to me that the safety concerns of this roadway have not been addressed long ago.

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Cc:

From: <u>Carie Kober</u>

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Subject: Long lake hill

**Date:** Thursday, August 1, 2024 8:19:43 AM

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We have been anxiously waiting for long lake hill be done and we have since bought place basically live towards Glennallen. I was just informed taken off project there's a lot more can be taken off that should be a priority!! The roads off by cliff super narrow the winter is a joke. Think safety of Alaskans not just the tourists as well that see this. It is the main road in and out of Alaska. So all the fuel trucks and the trucks hauling supplies!! You think you'd factor that all in. Now you have rock slides. You waiting for people die more then think do something. I can't tell you how many times we've almost been hit and the tour buses in the summer. Main road all hunter go on, snow machines, four wheelers.

Then think all people that way there is NO hospital so you again putting peoples life on line by not doing this as people rush to hospitals. First responders!! I myself was rushed in December down super slick icy roads!! Ambulance finally met us and took me. Long lake terrible!!!

Seen many times people nervous go soooo slow people pass it's so frustrating. We've come around slam on brakes as rocks in road. Seen people hit get flat tires (friend got flat from rock). Let's not have a Seward incident and rocks land cars and caused guy all that brain damage. Be proactive.

I'm shocked want this on your shoulders knowing how busy this road is unbelievable.

Again this needs to first and other things lowered on list!! Super sad this how you think of Alaskans and people in general knowing main road in and out Alaska. We know several side to age harder and harder that road is and that was there hope knowing gonna fix it and now not.

Like find out more how fight this. Just disappointed you guys! Our roads and what done is crappy and when temp fixed lazy and works till next rain. My two family members on road from Glennallen to beaver creak and up to delta and back Glennallen doing circles constantly and we go tok all time too amazing how bad roads are even some that are newer!!

But just widening long lake and doing shoulders and all huge help when snows such joke and people still go speed limit or over and shouldn't it's pretty scary and again frustrating always watching roads cuz nervous or rain cuz scared rock slides!! Can when emergency!

Again disgusting and sad this what u think humans please reconsider and get this road back top your list!

Pretty bad know trailer company and even heard strangers bank say Canada roads better fricken joke enter Alaska. And heard then talk (tunnel we call it) long lake hill and all. Wow!! Sad

Thank you

Carie Kober

Sent from my iPhone



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August 20, 2024

Carie Kober <u>cariekober@gmail.com</u>

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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From: <u>Victoria Leshuk</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Victoria Leshuk</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Friday, August 2, 2024 6:53:39 AM

Name: Victoria Leshuk

Email: Tkleshuk@gmail.com

Question/Message: I support maintenance of Glenn highway. Especially long lake area. That stretch through Glacier View is starting to show wear and needs attention. Thank you Victoria Leshuk Land owner in Glacier View,AK

Timestamp: 2024-08-02 06:53:32



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August 20, 2024

Victoria Leshuk Tkleshuk@gmail.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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From: <u>Joe Moore</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Joe Moore</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Sunday, August 4, 2024 5:39:57 PM

Name: Joe Moore

Email: 99josan@gmail.com

Question/Message: I am concerned over the removal of the Glenn Highway MP 66-992 Reconstruct from Amendment 1 of the draft 2024-2027 STIP. I have driven this road segment approximately once a week for the last 30 years, primarily to from Palmer and Glacier View. Road conditions along certain segments of this corridor have deteriorated considerably and now pose major safety hazards to the public. Traveling this corridor on any day is risky due to both the road condition and hazards within and adjacent to the road right-of-way. Segments of major concern include: - East of King River from the new bridge construction to the area reconstructed a few years ago. This narrow portion of road is slipping downslope as evidenced by the continuous cracking and slumping, as well as the downslope movement of adjacent trees. - Further east, the road is constrained for a short distance by the encroaching river and the near vertical rock cliff. Rock debris is regularly present on the road. - Long Lake hill is the biggest hazard. Rock debris is present on the road on a near daily basis, despite efforts by ADOT to keep it clear. Driving this road now requires keeping an eye on traffic, as well as the road itself, and constantly scanning the the hillside for evidence of rocks tumbling. It is a scary and very hazardous section to drive and someone will be seriously injured or killed. - The short section just west of the Purinton Creek bridge is severely broken and heaved. Traveling this section is very hazardous, especially during periods of increased traffic. I strongly urge you to return the MP 66-92 Reconstruct to the STIP. This is a major travel corridor that local residents, travelers, and state commerce are totally dependent on.

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Joe Moore 99josan@gmail.com

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Cc:

From: Rhoda Myers

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: Rhoda Myers

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Monday, July 29, 2024 11:26:28 PM

Name: Rhoda Myers

Email: rhodagmyers@yahoo.com

Question/Message: I was recently informed that the State of Alaska DOT took the Long Lake hill repairs out of the budget. I am literally fuming mad. I don't usually comment on things, but as a resident that literally WILL NOT drive up Long Lake alone because of how incredibly dangerous it is, I have been patiently waiting for the State to do SOMETHING, ANYTHING about the Long Lake hill section of highway! How many people have to go over the edge (that has NO proper guardrail), be hit or knocked off the highway by massive falling boulders, or be terrified driving up it because of these reasons, in addition to how the highway literally SLOPES towards the abrupt cliff edge, full of uneven bumps and lines and covered in ICE in the winter?!? How DARE the State of Alaska continue to ignore the taxpaying residents who live up this stretch of highway? Both the hill with the lookout above the Chickaloon River AND the Long Lake hill stretc h are in DESPERATE need of repair as soon as possible! The entire mountain is going to slough off in these sections and the State will never be able to say they were not warned! Repeatedly by Alaskans! You have workers out in ridiculous areas that do NOT NEED guardrails, and yet you continue to ignore these very dangerous spots!!!!! Will all of you at the DOT continue to ignore the problem until it becomes like the Mat-Su River near and in Sutton, where the highway just started falling in the river?! That's bad enough, but lets go ahead and add hundreds of feet of elevation and a sheer drop into a Lake below! PAY ATTENTION to the places residents KNOW are problem areas. Listen to our voices and know we drive this highway day in and day out and KNOW where the issues are. These two areas are terrible! Especially the Long Lake hill stretch! I urge you to put that stretch of repairs and construction BACK in the budget immediately! Please do something about this stretch before more innoc ent people die! Is that what it is going take to get anyone at DOT to do something about fixing the road?! We pay our taxes and we demand some attention to the road out this way. Two years on the Chickaloon River bridge, and now two years at the Kings River bridge - those could have waited! They were not as desperately needed as the Long Lake hill stretch! All the guardrails installed last summer between Sutton and Palmer? Laughable and unnecessary! Please step up and do something about the DANGEROUS areas!

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Rhoda Myers rhodagmyers@yahoo.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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From: <u>Deborah Nicholas</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Deborah Nicholas</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Wednesday, July 31, 2024 9:43:11 AM

Name: Deborah Nicholas

Email: dlnicholas04@yahoo.com

Question/Message: It's quite simple...don't wait until someone is killed before you decide this project is important enough to complete! I live in Glacier View and make this drive weekly. There have been a number of occasions where I had to swerve to dodge boulders rolling across the highway. We have school buses full of kids that take this route daily during the school year, and you're putting their lives at risk by not completing this project. We don't have an alternate route we can take, so this project IS a priority! It would be a shame if its put on hold and someone loses their life because you thought you had more important projects to work on.

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Deborah Nicholas dlnicholas 04@yahoo.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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From: <u>Cleve I.Noble Jr.</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Cleve I.Noble Jr.</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 8:03:52 AM

Name: Cleve I. Noble Jr.

Email: cnoblejr59@gmail.com

Question/Message: The safety concerns for long lake stretch of road has been discussed for

too long. This stretch of road needs fixed before more people die.

Timestamp: 2024-07-30 08:03:44



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Cleve Noble, Jr. <a href="mailto:cnoblejr59@gmail.com">cnoblejr59@gmail.com</a>

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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From: <u>Dale Olson</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Dale Olson</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Wednesday, July 31, 2024 5:36:20 PM

Name: Dale Olson

Email: daleolson@gmail.com

Question/Message: We travel from Glennallen to get supplies twice a month in Palmer and Anchorage, long Lake area on the Glenn Hwy is very dangerous, with falling rocks and no guardrails, and the road looks like it could crumble into the lake anytime. This needs to be fixed right away before someone is killed.

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Dale Olson daleolson@gmail.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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From: Paul

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: Paul

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Sunday, August 4, 2024 4:53:24 PM

Name: Paul

Email: Jimmycorn2003@yahoo.com

Question/Message: Yes we need to complete the hwy construction on the Glenn for mile 66 to

92 for a safety zone

Timestamp: 2024-08-04 16:53:13



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Mr. Paul Jimmycorn2003@yahoo.com

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From: <u>Bill Queitzsch</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Bill Queitzsch</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 7:55:41 AM

Name: Bill Queitzsch

Email: billqueitzsch@gmail.com

Question/Message: I would like to see the Glenn Highway mile 66 to 92 improvements added into the current work schedule. I live near mile 102 and regularly travel this stretch to town for supplies, doctor visits, etc. Not only is it a very dangerous stretch with sharp turns, few guard rails, and almost no passing zones, but it receives heavy seasonal visitor, hunter, and commercial traffic. The road is visibly failing in multiple locations, particularly in the vicinity of Long Lake. I know of people who have gone off the road and waited many hours to be found. Please prioritize this project. Thank you.

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Bill Queitzsch billqueitzsch@gmail.com

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From: Susan Saltmarsh

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

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**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 12:20:20 PM

Name: Susan Saltmarsh

Email: ssaltmarsh@ymail.com

Question/Message: Reference to Glenn Hwy MP 66-92, STIP ID: 28089. It is most concerning that this section of the Glenn Hwy has been on the back burner for improvements for more than 31 years, since I moved to Alaska. Much of the 2 lane "highway" has no shoulder, is elevated and or curvy, has rock falls, and this season is experiencing multiple erosional issues along the Matanuska River. Unless someone wants to drive out of State via Fairbanks, it is the only route through Canada to the Lower 48. Residents of Sutton, Chickaloon, Glacier View and through to the Copper Basin are impacted by these hazardous conditions on a regular basis. It is the only route to Anchorage for groceries, major supplies and the airport. Commercial truckers supplying food and goods, fuel tankers, and waste disposal units commute daily. Road closures, and particularly accidents, due to the above hazardous conditions affect our families, community, tourists, and also potentially disrupt our economy. Other major Mat-Su road projects completed include the Parks & Glenn Highway Interchange, the Richardson Highway and between Palmer and the Parks Interchange. Please reconsider keeping our project on the 24-27 Draft STRIP. It is our turn.

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Susan Saltmarsh ssaltmarsh@ymail.com

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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From: <u>Melissa Schroeder</u>

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Melissa Schroeder</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Friday, August 2, 2024 10:03:44 PM

Name: Melissa Schroeder

Email: mrschroeder64@gmail.com

Question/Message: I am a resident of Glacier View who is concerned that the project STIP ID: 28089 Reconstruct Glenn Highway between MP 66-92 was removed from the STIP amendment. I can personally attest that this stretch of highway is hazardous. The Long Lake hill area is especially concerning. In September of 2012, the rear passenger door of my Toyota Corolla was destroyed by a basketball sized rock. That rock and a much larger boulder were actively falling. While these are the only large rocks I have encountered actively falling, there are frequently rocks on Long Lake hill to avoid. Another concern is the narrow width of this section of highway, especially in the winter. The Glenn Highway is critical infrastructure utilized by commercial vehicles supplying the state, residents, emergency vehicles, tourists, etc. It is time to prioritize this project.

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Melissa Schroeder mrschroeder64@gmail.com

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From: <u>Sandra Shelley</u>

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: Sandra Shelley

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 3:29:48 AM

Name: Sandra Shelley

Email: sesglacierview@gmail.com

Question/Message: Every time I have to go get groceries, water, visit family and friends or conduct any personal business, I have to drive the Glenn past the Long Lake section. It terrifies me. There are always rocks, some are huge, nearly the size of a small car that fall down in the road. The road is so damaged that there are places that seem as though the outer lane is trying to slough off down the mountain to the lake and in winter, the dips in those areas are treacherous. The state has known that this area of the road is in bad need of immediate help. The state is aware and must do something to try and prevent the inevitable tragic event that is sure to happen. If one of those rocks hit a car the size of mine, it would throw them over the edge and there could be no hope for anyone inside that car. It is preventable. Please direct the finances and priorities towards that area of the road. Our lives, our children and gra ndchildren's lives depend on it. A lot of us seniors are more isolated due to concerns about that section of the road. We have to travel that road every day. It is the main road for trucks, tourists and residents coming to our state. I beg you to please put this project high on the schedule to begin as soon as possible. Please, before someone loses their life or a loved one. It can and must be made a safer route. Human safety must have higher priority than convenience of another lane added somewhere.

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Sandra Shelley sesglacierview@gmail.com

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Cc:

From: <u>Carol Treat</u>

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Sincerely, Daniel and Carol Treat.

**Subject:** Long Lake realignment project on the Glenn Hwy.

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 9:22:28 PM

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I would like to express our concerns and comments regarding the Long Lake realignment project on the Glenn Highway at approximately milepost (mp) 84 to 92.

This section of highway is critical to South Central Alaska and seems to not get the priority it deserves in the budget and consequently is falling into severe disrepair.

If the Glenn Highway from the Kings River to mp 92, especially mp 84 to mp 90, is not repaired or reconstructed in the near future public safety as well as local and state security will become compromised. If Long Lake hill would sluff or have a snow/landslide it would isolate local communities and stop transport trucking of commodities from the lower 48, as well as fuel to communities on the road system. Air transport would have to be utilized at a large cost. Extreme hardships would arise. Because of the current condition of this stretch of road, repairing a closure may be of heightened risk and be deemed unattainable for an indefinite period of time. In such a scenario vehicle transportation would have to be routed to Fairbanks. By removing the Long Lake project from the STIP list the Department of Transportation is essentially allowing valuable assets to become increasingly compromised. Those assets are the public.

From: <u>Carol Treat</u>

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: Carol Treat

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 8:20:48 PM

Name: Carol Treat

Email: carolanddant@gmail.com

Question/Message: Hello, my name is Carol Treat and I live in Glacier View (mp 89 to 119). I would like to comment on the Long Lake hill project. This is a stretch of highway that is used by many Alaskans and those comming to the South Central region. I support the updating of the Long Lake project and urge you to make this a priority on the STIP list. Saftey should be of great concern, and this highway is incredibly unsafe. Please consider putting this project back on the STIP list and completing its construction as soon as possible. Thank you.

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From: <u>Daniel Treat</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Daniel Treat</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 8:01:45 PM

Name: Daniel Treat

Email: carolanddant@gmail.com

Question/Message: I would like to share my concerns about the Long Lake area of the Glenn Highway not being on the STIP list. This section of highway, from approximatley mile 84 to 90 is in dire need of repair, and if possible rerouted. We drive the Glenn Highway regularly to Palmer and have had numerous "close calls" due to this unsafe road witch includes; sluffing roadway, blind corners, rockslides, large transport trucks, numerous tourists unfamiliar with the road, no passing zones, steep grades, few guard rails...to name a few. With every trip we are thankful for our safe return. If anyone thinks that this main artery in to South Central is not in desperate need of immediate attention should drive the road, or better yet sit at the King River construction site and watch the staggering amount of traffic that relies on this highway for safe passage. Please consider keeping the Glenn Highway on the STIP and prioritizing its i mprovements for all of us. Sincerelly, Daniel Treat

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From: <u>Daniel Truett</u>

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

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**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 10:17:45 PM

Name: Daniel Truett

Email: sledhead1991@yahoo.com

Question/Message: I drive the highway often up to Lake Louise. This section of road that has been taken off the books now is dangerous. Has been for years. Narrow, no shoulders, tight corners. It's dangerous in the summer and winter driving conditions. I would hope the state would reconsider this and put it back on the books so it can be fixed.

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From: <u>Jeremy Weld</u>

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>
Subject: COMMENTS ON DOT STIP

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 3:02:44 PM

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#### IMPORTANCE OF PRIORITIES

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From: <u>Jeremy Weld</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Jeremy Weld</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 2:56:13 PM

Name: Jeremy Weld

Email: jeremy.ncountry@gci.net

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Jeremy Weld jeremy.ncountry@gci.net

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From: Brian Wilbert

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

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**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Thursday, August 1, 2024 12:09:52 PM

Name: Brian Wilbert

Email: bmwilbert@hotmail.com

Question/Message: I recommend that the Glenn highway mile 66 to 92 be put into the STIP, it is the roughest stretch of highway on the Glenn. There are parts of the road that have no white line because the road surface is gone. The southside of the road is sinking and sluffing off. The road is narrow and without shoulders causing drivers to crowd the center; especially during the wintertime, many go into the ditch. Long Lake hill has rocks slides that shut down the highway, putting the public in danger and vehicles out of commission; I recommend the realignment. The dips by Puritan Creek are chassis twisters, and the new bridge is too narrow. There are no three lane passing zones to alleviate congestion; hotspots for congestion are the hill at the Chickaloon river bridge and Long Lake hill. Muddy Creek (m94) has mud flows that sometimes shut down the highway and is causing property damage; a permanent solution is needed.

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August 20, 2024

Brian Wilbert <a href="mailto:bmwilbert@hotmail.com">bmwilbert@hotmail.com</a>

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments – Glenn Highway and Long Lake Hill

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We are working to close the Milepost 66.5 to Milepost 92 rehabilitation project referenced as STIP ID 28089, which has been active since 2013. This project has been administered by the Western Federal Lands Division of the Federal Highway Administration. We intend to re-initiate this effort by consulting with local communities, tribes, and other government entities to develop a scope of work before beginning a new project. I have valued participation in recent community meetings in Glacier View, as well as the Copper Valley Rural Planning Organization engagement. The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities is committed to evaluating long-term solutions to address the concerns expressed along this stretch of highway.

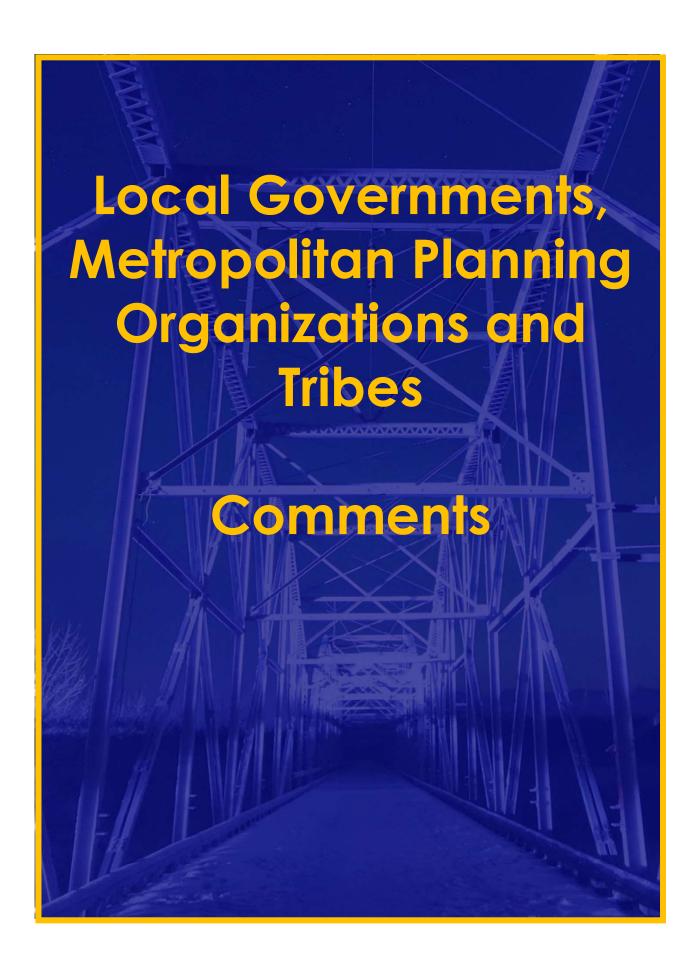
Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E.

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Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF



The City of Whittier has a project, Shotgun Cove Road and Emerald Cover (STIP ID# 34275) which was included in the original STIP as "Not Yet Awarded", and therefore that project does not appear in the Alaska DOT&PF 2024-2027 STIP. However, our project is currently being funded through USDOT - FHWA, WFL. We understand that funding for a project that is intended to go through FHWA to a recipient, must be included in our state's STIP. Thus, even though the State of Alaska is not funding the project, we respectfully request that this project be included in the State of Alaska STIP to reflect the project's funding through USDOT FHWA. The City of Whittier is currently administering \$7,767,430.54 in remaining USDOT FHWA, Western Federal Lands funding for this project, which includes a recent congressionally designated spending grant of \$3 million which is being redirected to USDOT FHWA for the project. The total funding thus far for this project is approximately \$20 million, with more than \$12 million having been spent to-date. Feel free to contact me at 907.362.2390 if you require additional information.

Jul 31, 2024 1:17 pm 🙎 Kristin Erchinger











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August 20, 2024

Kristin Erchinger City of Whittier PO Box 608 Whittier, AK 99693

Subject: August 2, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Ms. Erchinger,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1.

We appreciate your comment. Projects intended to be included the Western Lands Division Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) would not be included in the STIP. We will include the funding allocated through Congressionally Designated Spending and will work with FHWA to better understand how these projects should be incorporated into our respective STIP and Western Federal Lands TIP.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E. Commissioner

Attachments: As Stated

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF



# **CRV** – **RPO** Copper River Valley Regional Planning Organization.

C/O P.O. Box 9, Glennallen, AK 99588 907-822-3071

Alaska Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) 24-27 Amendment 1

Comments by the Copper River Valley Regional Planning Organization Update Organized by Location and STIP ID.

August 5, 2024

## **Overview and Organization of the Document**

- Great work on the new format. It has a lot of potential. The new format is voluminous. This provides a lot of valuable detailed information and at the same time makes it difficult and time-consuming to navigate to priority areas of interest.
  - With such a voluminous format, there needs to be more attention put into indexing, table of contents and an executive summary.
  - There needs to be a summary of changes section. It is difficult to track changes from the previous amendment to this one.
  - We suggest creating a summary reconciliation of previous version of the STIP with projects that are either completed, carried forward, modified, or deleted. This would save the public a lot of hours reconstructing the document instead of focusing on priority areas to comment on.
  - There are projects that have been removed from the STIP such as STIP ID: 28089
    Reconstruct Glenn Highway between MP 66-92. There should be a section that explains elimination of such a significant project that has been on the STIP for decades. It is essential that this important project is added back to the STIP and prioritized. We have detailed our concerns on this project in a separate section below and urge you to take action on this request.
  - The Interactive STIP is a great idea with a lot of potential. There needs to be a tutorial or help button to teach people how to use the system. Maybe there is one, but we did not see it. We also got to a page that required setting up an air table account (which we did not do) and that is intimidating.
  - The Interactive map is a great start.
    - Make the map have basemap selections such as imagery.
    - Make the map zoomable with your mouse wheel.
    - Make the detailed pop-up window so you can drag it around.
    - Make the map expandable to full page or into another window.

#### Missing Projects – Please Add to the Needs List.

- Former STIP ID: 28089 Reconstruct Glenn Highway between MP 66-92.
  - This project was removed from the STIP. This is not acceptable.
  - This project needs to be added back to the STIP and prioritized.
  - This is one of the most important projects for the Copper River Valley.
  - All of Alaska's freight, medical, supplies and other transportation to Anchorage/Mat-Su travel over this route.
  - Many of our family and friends have perished in accidents on the Long Lake Hill,
     Chickaloon Hill, Fish Lake and other hazardous areas.
  - The road is narrow, with no shoulder, winding, dark, slick and has major drop-off cliffs to the Matanuska River and or other hazards resulting in multiple fatalities and severe injury accidents annually.
  - This project area is 26 miles long. We request that at least 2.6 miles of route go out to bid each year. This is affordable and the entire project will be done in 10 years.
  - We are thankful for the Kings River Bridge Replacement project number
     Z559670000 MP 66 to MP 67.2. This is a great start. KEEP GOING TO MP 92.
  - Pick the easiest section that is the most planned to get started.
    - Suggest starting at 67.2 mile at the end of the current Kings River Bridge work and going to 71 Mile.
    - That will tie into the new Kings River bridge work and get rid of the earthquake damaged areas around 68 mile.
    - This is a very hazardous area with many accidents involving residents of the Copper River Valley and many others. It would be a significant improvement to get it done.
    - This would be a high benefit, relatively low-cost place to start and it will get things moving and build momentum on the current Kings River work already started.
  - In following years keep moving on easier areas keep up momentum and to check off scope items. This will allow time to gain experience to focus on the highest priority and most expensive areas.
    - Priority 1. Long Lake Hill to Cascade Hill (MP 84-92)
    - Priority 2. Chickaloon Hill (MP 78-80). Might as well go to MP 78-84 to tie into the long lake work once it has been completed. This is the second worst section.
  - This affects the safety of residents and businesses operating in the Copper River Valley when we travel to Anchorage/Kenai/Mat-Su.
  - Please add this back to the STIP, give it a Need ID and prioritize it in actionable phases.
- Glenn Highway MP 152 to 156 (Mendeltna Creek to top of Mendeltna Hill)
  - This area needs to be reconstructed.
  - That hill is steep from 155 to 154.
  - The curve at the bottom of it at 153.5 is icy, too sharp marked confusingly, not angled good enough and flips a lot of cars and noncommercial truck-trailer combinations.
  - The project area is a high priority for safety.

- Please add reconstruct MP 156 to 152 as a project need.
- Richardson Highway MP 115 to 129.
  - A full shave and pave from 115 to 129 with digging out frost heave areas would be immensely helpful. This section of road surface is degraded and fills with potholes quickly after maintenance efforts.
- Junction Richardson Highway MP 115 and Glenn Highway MP 189 (Glennallen Hub)
  - Turn lanes and traffic warning flashing light needed.
  - Richardson Highway is 55 MPH high speed through traffic creates hazard from turning traffic and busy business intersection.
  - Recent injury accident has occurred at this location.
  - Increased traffic in the future will make this worse. Need to get ahead with safety measures.
- Richardson Highway MP 112 to 113 Erosion Control
  - Erosion on the Tazlina River from West and Copper River from East is threatening to take the highway out.
  - This will cause major disruption to commerce and safety of Alaska due to disruption of the main Richardson highway.
    - Disrupt civilian fuel, food, and supply transport.
    - Disrupt TAPS operations.
    - Disrupt military supply line from Valdez to Fort Greely/Eielson/Ft. Wainwright.
    - Disrupt access to Federal medical facility.
    - Disrupt major commute route between Glennallen business district and residential communities.
  - Erosion control measures and long-term plan for stability of this section of the route needs to be increased in priority.
  - May require rerouting entirely or reconstruction of Simpson Hill.
- Richardson Highway MP 110 to 112 (Tazlina) Turning Lanes
  - We have been told that turning lanes in this area have been added to project NFHWY00834, Resurfacing Richardson Highway MP 106.5 to 114.
  - This is a good start to address Increased local traffic due to housing developments, health care facility expansion and increased business traffic has caused turning hazard directly from high-speed highway with no turning lanes.
  - What is needed to accommodate future growth and traffic is a center turning lane from MP 110 to 112 and passing lanes need to be installed from MP 112 to 114 (Simpson Hill) and 108 to 110 (Tazlina Hill).
  - This would include rebuilding the Tazlina River Bridge to accommodate additional lanes and a pedestrian/bike path.
  - o If you rebuild the Tazlina Bridge, the sharp curve should be realigned to eliminate the high-speed blind spot coming up on a high traffic turning and pedestrian area.
  - Alternatively, at a minimum, turning lanes need to be installed from the Copperville road at the bottom of Simpson hill to the Tazlina Bridge (MP 110.75 to MP 112).
  - The Tazlina Village Council office and community hall, the State rest area on the south side of the current Tazlina River Bridge and the new housing development in the same

area (MP 110.5-.75) are also high-volume turning hazards directly off the high-speed Richardson Highway and need turning lanes.

- Edgerton Highway MP 19 to 33 (Tonsina River to Town Lake Junction) Resurface.
  - Pothole crews and patching crews have done an admirable job of trying to keep it in shape.
  - There is a resurfacing project in construction this season for part of the route. This will be a big help.
  - o A full shave and pave needs to be done on this entire section.
  - This entire section should be reconstructed and brought up to code or at least up to what MP 0 to MP 19 Edgerton is like.
  - There are thousands of salmon fishers and other visitors that use this road that do not always drive carefully.
  - This is the essential route for residents to get kids to school, access medical care and provide access for emergency vehicles.
  - Future growth and the planned McCarthy Road upgrades and increase tourism development in this region require proactive upgrades to this section of road.
  - We recently had a pedestrian fatality near Chitina because there is no shoulder on the road, and it is dark and limited sight distance.

### McCarthy Road upgrades

- McCarthy Road has many places that are closed by landslides and erosion. It needs to be upgraded and re-routed.
- We support the PEL effort on this route, please include the CRV-RPO on the coordination of this effort.
- Please consult the McCarthy Road PEL recommendations when they are published for recommendations on priorities.
- Mentasta Village Road MP 81 Tok Cutoff to Mentasta Village
  - Resurfacing, striping, and lighting. This is a hazardous narrow winding road.
  - Lighting at the Tok Cutoff turn and at the Village is needed.
  - o Improved traffic hazard and safety signage.
  - Please add this to a STIP Need.

#### Local Roads Copper River Valley

- There are many local roads that are needed in the Copper River Valley to reach state and university subdivisions.
- o If the State or the University disposes of land, they should be required to construct access roads to these areas prior to or concurrent with the land disposal. Otherwise, the land is not developable.
- This has been done in many other areas of the state such as Delta Junction and Tok and should be required on any state land disposal.

### Safety

The speed limits in the Gulkana and Gakona Junction area need to be reviewed. There have been accidents at Gulkana village Turn, and the State wayside at the Gulkana River as well as the junction of the Tok Cutoff and Richardson Highways (MP 126 to MP 129 Richardson Highway)

• See Valdez in Marine Highway section below for the need to add Valdez Ferry Terminal functional upgrades.

## **Alaska Marine Highway:**

- STIP ID: General Comment. The Valdez Ferry terminal is critical to our area for port access to ferry service in Prince William Sound. This includes visitor traffic that transits our valley and returns to Whittier via Valdez and seafood shipments and local passenger traffic from Cordova to Valdez. The Valdez Ferry terminal is not designed to operate the way it needs to serve vessels arriving from multiple ports and the ramp is too narrow making loading and unloading time consuming and hazardous to the deck crew. The port of Valdez was upgraded to accommodate fast ferries that are no longer in service and do not meet the needs of the new Alaska Class Ferries.
- STIP ID: General Comment. Upgrade Valdez Ferry Terminal so Stern or side loading can be
  accommodated to ease car deck loading by allowing drive on drive off without backing on all
  departures to either Cordova or Whittier. The Valdez terminal needs to accommodate multiple
  configurations for porting, stern, and side loading.
- It is noted that Valdez Ferry Terminal upgrades are not on the STIP, and this is a priority for our region and this omission is a serious need for our area that needs to be addressed. We recommend that Valdez ferry terminal upgrades be added to the need list and prioritized.
- We support the listed port upgrades in Prince William Sound to upgrade facilities to accommodate Alaska Class Ferries. STIP ID 33888 Chenega AMHS Ferry Terminal Reconstruction, STIP ID 33886 Cordova AMHS Ferry Terminal Rehabilitation, STIP ID 33887 Tatitlek AMHS Ferry Terminal Rehabilitation.
- STIP ID: General Comment. Provide two Prince William Sound Designed Ferries to provide adequate summer schedule and backup vessel during the winter to ensure service is maintained during maintenance and overhaul.

#### Alaska wide:

- STIP ID: 12259. Recreational Trails Program
  - o Insure this allows for winter trail grooming and winter ice roads in the Copper Basin.
  - o Better information to NGOs in unincorporated areas to access this program.
- STIP ID: 31597 PEL Studies. No new projects are being added under this STIP id.
  - This is a good process and has been successful in gathering input on the McCarthy Road for improvements. This process could be used on other important road sections in the Copper River Valley region.
- Community Transportation Program (Formerly STIP ID: 34223)
  - This is an important program and should have more emphasis and opportunities for unincorporated areas such as the Copper River Valley.
  - o ARDORs should be eligible to sponsor these projects in unincorporated areas.
  - No projects in the Copper River Census Area
- STIP ID: 34200 Transportation workforce development and training.
  - This is an important program and should be involved with our local high schools and community colleges STEM, pre-engineering, and vocational training programs.
- STIP ID: Various. Transportation Alternatives.

- These projects should be coordinated with rural RPO.
- Alaska Regional Development Organizations (ARDORs) should be eligible to sponsor projects in unincorporated areas.
- What happened to STIP ID: 34258 Frontier Roads, Trails, and Bridges?
  - This is an important program for our area particularly to improve access to remote areas.
  - There should be a design criterion for ATV roads and trails that can accommodate improved and safer routes to remote areas at a lower cost.
- What happened to STIP ID: 34260 Wayside Program?
  - o This is an important program. Rural areas bear the burden of lack of sanitary facilities.
  - Traffic stopping at waysides without sanitary facilities can often outnumber local population by up to ten-fold.
  - This would never be allowed in urban areas.
  - We need sanitary facilities at waysides.
  - This includes places to walk pets.
  - Permanent year-round waysides/vault toilets or toilets with designed septic and drain fields or tied into local sanitation systems.
  - Seasonal rest areas with sanitary facilities at high volume waysides with pet walking areas.
  - Better signage for pull-offs along the Richardson Highway.
  - Better signage for respectful use of the area by visitors (pack it in, pick it up, pack it out, respect private property)
  - Better Wayfinding plan, consistency, location identification, trail heads, pull-offs, state camping locations, and business districts.
- STIP ID: 34302 Pavement and bridge restoration.
  - This is important and needs to be worked on, especially in interior areas with permafrost.
  - Crack sealing and pothole filling is important. Need upgraded capacity for medium scale repairs and chip sealing larger damaged road areas.

### Gakona

- STIP ID: 2119 Rich Rehab MP 148-173
  - 148-167 Thank you for completing these sections. Nice. This needs to be gone over after a couple of years to make sure frost heaves that return from the new roadbed are addressed.
  - 167-173 needs to be completed support 2025 schedule listed.
- STIP ID: 32022 Tok Cutoff MP 76-91 Rehabilitation
  - Support 2026 schedule.
  - o Is \$900,000 going to be enough to do the project?
- STIP ID: 32020 Tok Cutoff MP 0-8 resurfacing.
  - Road is falling apart on many parts of this stretch.
  - Send good pothole crew next season to keep up with it until scheduled work or move project up to 2025.

• When you do this project, do not just send a patching crew. Do a full shave and pave.

### Glennallen

- STIP ID: 32018 Rehabilitation Glenn Hwy MP 158-172.
  - o This needs to be resurfaced (full shave and pave).
  - A reconstruction project needs to be added for MP 152to 156. See "Missing Needs to be Added" section, Glenn Highway MP 125-156.

#### Mat-Su Borough

- STIP ID: 34467 (Formerly STIP ID: 2320) Glenn Highway Milepost 53-56 Reconstruction and Moose Creek Bridge Replacement.
  - This project is a very high priority that needs to be completed. It has been on the books too long. Please schedule this to bid as soon as possible.
  - o It is good this project is moving forward.
  - The moose creek curve has had numerous fatalities and severe injury accidents.
  - Trucks lose control.
  - People unfamiliar with the road coming out from Anchorage are surprised at the sudden change in design criteria and lose control on the first curve coming off the straight away at MP 54 and go off the road into the woods. Often with fatal results.
  - The road needs to be re-routed and run straight instead of curving down through the valley the way it runs now. They had it figured out 100 years ago. This needs to be a well-designed safe route.
  - Our families need this section of road upgraded.
  - This affects the safety of residents and businesses operating in the Copper River Valley when we travel to Anchorage/Kenai/Mat-Su.

#### **Paxson**

- STIP ID: 33420 Rich MP 214-218 Replace Upper, lower miller creek bridge and Castner Creek Bridge.
  - This is a very treacherous stretch of road and needs reconstruction.
  - Be sure to increase sight distance and shoulder width.
  - o A passing lane would also be a needed improvement in this area.
  - At Castner Creek, PLEASE put a good pullout/rest area on the East side of the road at the Castner Glacier trail head so exhausted inattentive hikers with their kids returning from Castner glacier are not wandering around on the road in the dark.
  - The current makeshift pullouts are on the west side of the road near lower miller creek bridge and hikers must cross the highway as well as transit along the highway to get to the trail.
  - o It is slick, dark and has limited sight distance.
  - o Also, some good safety signage for both motorists and hikers are needed.
  - This affects the safety of residents and businesses operating in the Copper River Valley when we travel to Delta, Salcha or Fairbanks.



# **CRV** – **RPO** Copper River Valley Regional Planning Organization.

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Comments by the Copper River Valley Regional Planning Organization Volume 2.

August 5, 2024

#### **CRV-RPO Comments VOLUME 2.**

### **Additional Need ID Comments:**

#### Nabesna Road

- This road provides an essential route to the eastern Copper River Valley, connecting lodges, homes, businesses, camps, winter trails and airfields.
- This road has numerous repairs and upgrades that need to be done including stream crossings and washouts.
- o An upgrade plan for this route needs to be made.

Additional background information and pictures to support adding STIP ID: 28089 Reconstruct Glenn Highway between MP 66-92 back to the STIP.

The following information is provided to show the long standing and serious need there is to upgrade this section of the Glenn Highway. Our families and friends are the most impacted by these hazards.

#### News Articles

Anchorage Daily NEWS Published November 4, 2011, Updated September 29, 2016

https://www.adn.com/alaska-news/article/mother-2-children-die-suv-flips-pond-near-long-lake/2011/11/04/#:~:text=A%20Valdez%20woman%20and%20her,lake%2C%20Alaska%20State%20Troopers%20said.

Mother, 2 children die as SUV flips into pond near Long Lake

By Casey Grove

A Valdez woman and her two children died Thursday when the SUV she was driving slid off the Glenn Highway north of Palmer and rolled into a pond next to Long Lake, according to a rescuer who was at the scene.

Leah Thompson, 28, died at the lake, Alaska State Troopers said. Cliff Silvers, chief of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough's water rescue team, said passersby reached the vehicle and pulled out Thompson's two children -- Avery McIntosh, 5, and Trinity McIntosh, 7. The children were pronounced dead later at a Wasilla hospital, according to troopers.

Another driver reported the rollover just before 5 p.m. Thursday, troopers said. It was unclear how long the Toyota 4Runner had been in the pond, Silvers said. The pond, about 4 feet deep, sits directly across the highway from a parking area for Long Lake, Silver said.

"Not that big a unit," Silvers said. "One of those little bodies of water you see when you drive by in the summer."

But Thursday night, blowing snow and darkness made it almost impossible to see, Silvers said.

"Driving there last night, you couldn't tell where the shoulder of the road was. And you couldn't tell where the center of the road was either, because you couldn't see the yellow lines," Silvers said.

Troopers said the Toyota was headed south when it slid off the highway, rolled at least once and landed in the water upside down. Silvers said the 4Runner was facing away from the highway about 15 feet off the road surface at the bottom of a hill.

The driver's side window was broken, and Thompson was thrown part way out of the vehicle, Silvers said. "She was actually pinned by the vehicle underwater," he said.

Other drivers waded into the water and felt around in the darkness for the children, who were strapped into their car seats, Silvers said. The rescuers tried to revive the children at the edge of the pond, he said. An ambulance took them to Mat-Su Regional Hospital, where they were declared dead, troopers said.

Rescuers in dive suits did not find Thompson until after a tractor trailer driver hooked up a chain to her vehicle and pulled it right side up, Silvers said. She was pronounced dead at the scene, troopers said.

Divers searched under the pond's cover of ice for anyone else who may have been thrown from the vehicle, finding no one, Silvers said. A trooper called Thompson's next of kin and confirmed it was just her and the children in the vehicle, Silvers said.

The highway was closed for a time as emergency responders and investigators worked at the crash scene, troopers spokeswoman Megan Peters said.

Reach Casey Grove at <a href="mailto:casey.grove@adn.com">casey.grove@adn.com</a> or 257-4589.

By CASEY GROVE

**Anchorage Daily News** 

### Copper River Country Journal and North Country NEWS June 12, 2021

https://www.countryjournal2020.com/2021/06/small-pond-at-bottom-of-long-lake-hill.html

Small Pond At Bottom Of Long Lake Hill Is More Dangerous Than It Looks | Copper River Country Journal And Northcountry News (country journal 2020.com)

## Wooden Handmade Crosses On Trees Mark Deadly Pond At Bottom Of Hill

Valdez Woman & Two Children Died Here

...And This Weekend A Blue Pickup Crashed Into The Pond



Blue pickup in middle of pond at Long Lake Hill, near crosses. (Journal photo)

The poignant sight of three painted wooden crosses nailed to a tree on the other side of a small pond at the bottom of Long Lake Hill has marked a terrible tragedy for the past decade. This weekend, a pickup showed how dangerous that little pond is, when the vehicle ended up in the same water – not 40 feet from the crosses.

On the afternoon of November 4th, 2011, a young 28-year old Valdez mother, Leah Thompson, lost control of her SUV and drove into the shallow pond at the bottom of Long Lake Hill.

It's a small pond – and seems harmless. But Leah and her two children, Avery, 5 and Trinity, 7, all died. Their vehicle had turned upside down and was partially underwater.

For local people who were aware of the disaster, that pond has seemed an incongruous place to perish.

Then, this weekend, Saturday, June 12th, 2021, people driving by the pond noticed a blue pickup there – submerged in the water.

Motorcyclists, truck drivers and others – unable to tell if the incident had been attended to, or if somebody was still inside the pickup – kept calling 911. There were no orange ribbons on the vehicle, to signify that this was an "old" incident. On the phone, Trooper dispatch said it had been taken care of.

Even after that first tragic accident, there were no guardrails or markers installed near the pond.

Long Lake Hill is clearly deadly. Everybody knows about its falling boulders and 400 foot deep drop-offs. But the pond seems innocuous and hardly noticeable. Except for the crosses, standing vigil.

#### Photos



Wamart truck being passed on double yellow on Long Lake Hill. MP 87. Note no shoulders, drop off cliff to the lake, the almost 500-foot drop in elevation in less than 2 miles and hairpin curves on the uphill side after the lake.



Boulders on Long Lake Hill. These land on the road, and sometimes on vehicles and present severe limited visibility hazards until they are pushed to the side of the road.



Boulders on the Long Lake Hill in the highway driving lanes. These create extreme danger at night with already limited visibility from the road curves and steep hill. There is also no maneuvering room. If there is oncoming traffic, there is no shoulder and a steep cliff up or down depending on which side you end up going off.



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Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Mr. Cain,

Thank you for the Cooper River Valley Regional Planning Organization comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1. We appreciate the organizations well thought out and organized comments. In addition to incorporation into the STIP administrative record, we will also be sure to distribute to our project and planning staff to ensure they are widely disseminated.

# Overview and organization of the Document

We continue to strive to develop a document that not only meets Federal requirements, but also is understandable by the public. We will work to develop our tools for indexing, searching, and change management. As technology advances, we are even working on ideas such as chat bots to answer the questions you have brought forward.

# **Missing Projects**

STIP ID 28089 Reconstruct Glenn Highway between MP 66-92: For this section of highway between Kings River Bridge and Cascade, we are funding a project to resurface the existing highway and stabilize the rock slopes. This project is anticipated to be in construction beginning the summer of 2025 Because this is a project that meets the criteria of pavement preservation, it is funded out of STIP ID #34302 Pavement and Bridge Preservation Program, and you do not see it listed as a separate project in the STIP. This project will resolve many immediate safety concerns, and we recognize some of the bigger concerns require a project that can consider more extensive work, such as highway realignment.

We are working to close the realignment project that has been administered by Western Federal Lands Division of the Federal Highway Administration. We would like to re-initiate this effort by consulting with local communities, tribes, and other government entities to develop a scope of work in advance of beginning a new project. I have appreciated involvement in recent community meetings in Glacier View, and specifically want to thank your organization, the Copper Valley Rural Planning Organization for your support in these efforts. DOT&PF is committed to evaluating long term solutions to addressing the concerns expressed along this stretch of highway and appreciate your suggestions to tackle the project in smaller segments.

In addition, along the Glenn Highway in this area we have several activities ongoing that are related to addressing safety. We recently initiated a scaling and slope stabilization project at milepost 86 to address recurring rockfall events. You will see that project begin work this fall. We are actively addressing erosion near milepost 63 and milepost 76. And we are evaluating our options to address debris flow challenges at Muddy Creek, near milepost 94. We are also hoping to address the Moose Creek Canyon area (milepost 53-56) by re-evaluating bridge realignment options.

We do appreciate the background and pictures to support the need for this project included with Volume to of your comments.

Glenn highway Milepost 152 to 156 (Mendeltna Creek to top of the Mendeltna Hill): We have an active project in design to resurface milepost 143 to milepost 154. It hasn't been funded for construction at this time. We will evaluate an additional project extending to milepost 156.

**Richardson Highway Milepost 115to 129:** This is an active design project, currently slated to be ready to deliver in FFY2028.

Junction Richardson Highway MP 115 and Glenn Highway MP 189 (Glennallen Hub): We appreciate the comments. This intersection will be addressed with the Richardson Highway Milepost 115-129 project. Please feel free to reach out to the DOT&PF project manager, Russ Johnson, for further clarifications.

**Richardson Highway MP 112 to 113 Erosion Control:** We are actively monitoring this situation and recognize the concern. We will pass along your comments to our geotechnical asset management team.

**Richardson Highway MP 110 to 112 (Tazlina) Turning Lanes:** We recognize the value of turning lanes and have included in the Richardson Highway project referenced. Currently, we do not have a project to address the larger concerns of Simpson Hill / Tazlina Hill / Copperville turn lanes, and will add to our needs list.

Edgerton Highway MP 19 to 33 (Tonsina River to Town Lake Junction) Resurface: Thank you for this comment, we will add this to our needs list.

**McCarthy Road upgrades:** We will make sure the Copper River Valley RPO is included in the McCarthy PEL coordination.

Mentasta Village Road MP 81 Tok Cutoff to Mentasta Village: Thank you for this comment, we will add this to our needs list.

Local Roads Copper River Valley: Thanks for the comment. This is noted.

**Safety:** We will add reviewing speed limits in the Gulkana and Gakona Junction Area to our review list.

# **Alaska Marine Highway**

Your comments regarding the Valdez Ferry Terminal are noted. We have been prioritizing ferry terminal and dock needs across the state, and as you correctly note, are making improvements in Chenega, Cordova, and Tatitlek. Our goal is to ensure a robust terminal system in Prince William Sound that can accommodate Alaska Class Ferries.

# Alaska Wide

**STIP ID: 12259 Recreational Trails Program:** At this time, the Recreational Trails Program is administered by the Department of Natural Resources. We will pass along your comment. DOT&PF is developing a winter snow road program under STIP ID 33962 Ice Roads, Seasonal Roads, and Winter Trails Program. We will be seeking proposals for the winter of 2024-2025 soon. Please stay tuned.

STIP ID: 31597 PEL Studies. No new projects are being added under this STIP id: At this time we have several on-going PELs and other planning studies that we need to finish prior to starting additional planning studies. Thank you for your comment on these efforts.

Community Transportation Program (Formerly STIP ID: 34223): Thank you for your comments. We will consider how to provide more opportunities for unorganized areas to participate.

STIP ID: 34200 Transportation workforce development and training: This is a new program and we are in the formation stages. Please reach out to Jocelyn Swindel for more information Jocelyn.swindel@alaska.gov

**STIP ID: Various. Transportation Alternatives:** Thanks for speaking up for unorganized areas. We will consider the incorporation of ARDOR's as a sponsor role.

What happened to STIP ID: 34258 Frontier Roads, Trails, and Bridges? Unfortunately, Federal Highway Administration Regulations were interpreted to not allow for a program approach to frontier roads, trails, and bridges. We will be identifying individual projects in the future for the STIP.

What happened to STIP ID: 34260 Wayside Program? Again, Federal Highway Administration Regulations were interpreted to not allow for a program approach to waysides. We will be identifying individual projects in the future for the STIP. We continue to work on a wayside planning effort. The contact for that effort is <a href="mailto:Judy.chapman@alaska.gov">Judy.chapman@alaska.gov</a>

STIP ID: 34302 Pavement and bridge restoration: Thank you for your comments, they are noted.

# **Gakona**

STIP ID: 2119 Rich Rehab MP 148-173: Thank you for your comments. We agree on the importance and the value.

**STIP ID: 32022 Tok Cutoff MP 76-91 Rehabilitation:** The funding scheduled for FFY26' is for design and right of way costs. Construction will be beyond 2027.

STIP ID: 32020 Tok Cutoff MP 0-8 resurfacing: Thanks for the comments. We are excited for construction in 2027.

# Glennallen

STIP ID: 32018 Rehabilitation Glenn Hwy MP 158-172: Comments noted. And we will add the additional need to Glenn Highway milepost 156 as discussed above.

# Mat-Su Borough

STIP ID: 34467 (Formerly STIP ID: 2320) Glenn Highway Milepost 53-56 Reconstruction and Moose Creek Bridge Replacement: We agree this project needs to move forward. Due to challenges

with the current approach, we will be closing the existing project, and starting a new project with a reevaluation of bridge alignments. We will be reaching out to local governments as we work to reestablish this project.

# **Paxson**

STIP ID: 33420 Rich MP 214-218 Replace Upper, lower miller creek bridge and Castner Creek Bridge: Thank you for these comments. We are considering the inclusion of a Castner Trail head and other improvements you are suggesting. If you have more questions, please feel free to reach out to the project manager, Jennifer Wright at Jennifer.wright@alaska.gov

Nabesna Road: Your comment has been noted, and we will add to our needs list.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E.

Commissioner

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF Brett Nelson, Planning Team Leader, Alaska DOT&PF From: <u>Stephanie Ford</u>

**To:** <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

Cc: <u>Stephanie Ford</u>

**Subject:** Comment on the 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

**Date:** Thursday, August 1, 2024 11:50:16 AM

Name: Stephanie Ford

Email: sford@denaliborough.com

Question/Message: The Denali Borough supports the inclusion of project # 34637- Parks Highway Milepost 234-238 Reconstruction and Railroad Realignment in the STIP Amendment #1. The realignment of the railroad and elimination of the highway-railroad crossing at MP 235 was identified as a high priority in the Cantwell to Healy – Parks Highway Milepost 203-259 Planning & Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study. This realignment and reconstruction remains a high priority for the Denali Borough. This project is a key component in enacting the overall vision of the PEL to improve mobility and safety for all Parks Highway users traveling in the corridor while enhancing economic opportunity, multi-modal access, and environmental integrity. The Denali Borough is currently working with stakeholders to advance and secure funding for the railroad realignment. This project being included in the STIP is a key factor that will contribute points to potential federal grant applications and increase the probability of being awarded federal funding.

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Dear Ms. Ford,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1.

We appreciate your support for STIP ID 34637 Parks Highway Milepost 234-238 Rehabilitation. Eliminating all at grade railroad crossings along the Parks Highway is a priority for the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, and this important project will eliminate one of the last two at grade crossings along the Parks Highway.

Also, for your information, we are working closely with the Alaska Railroad to secure a Railroad Crossing Elimination discretionary grant from the Federal Railroad Administration. This grant is focused on eliminating the at grade crossing along the Parks Highway at milepost 169. If we are successful, we will have addressed all at grade railroad crossings on the Parks Highway. A great accomplishment.

Thanks again for your comment

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E.

Commissioner

Attachments: As Stated

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF



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August 20, 2024

Matanuska-Susitna Borough 350 E Dahlia Avenue Palmer, AK 99645

Subject: August 2, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Matanuska-Susitna Borough,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1. We appreciate your well organized and concise comments. We have updated STIP Amendment #1 to reflect the changes as required and attached our response to your comments.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E. Commissioner

Attachments: As Stated

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF Adam Bradway, MPO Coordinator, Alaska DOT&PF Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities response to August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 Matanuska Susitna Borough Comments on the 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, Amendment #1

1. Comments: p. 40 – Section 5307 transit funding for the Mat-Su Area will be coming through the Matanuska-Susitna Borough (MSB) as the Direct Recipient, not MVP (the Mat-Su MPO). The subcategory code should be listed as 5307 MSB Transit (similarly to how Fairbanks Area Transit is coded as 5307 FNSB Transit instead of their MPO, FAST).

**DOT&PF Response:** Thank you for your comments. Noted and changes made.

2. Comment: p. 43 – Small Transit Intensive Cities (STIC) – this section only references the eligibility of Fairbanks to receive this funding. However, as a new urban area, the MSB urban area qualified for STIC funding this year as well. Both the MSB and Fairbanks were allocated \$1,006,772 in STIC funding according to the FFY24 allocation, which also indicates that the funding listed in this section for Fairbanks does not match the FTA apportionment table.

**DOT&PF Response:** Thank you. We have added Mat Su Borough to the narrative language, and reviewed the FTA apportionment tables to ensure the funding amounts are accurate and consistent throughout the document.

3. Comment: p. 45 – the 5307 allocations for the MSB and Fairbanks are swapped in Table 8.

**DOT&PF Response:** Thank you. We have reviewed and adjusted to ensure the funding amounts are accurate and consistent.

4. Comment: p. 57-58 – MPOs are listed as 'Municipal Planning Organization' throughout this section, including the header, and should be changed to 'Metropolitan Planning Organization.'

**DOT&PF Response:** Thank you. Changes made.

5. Comment: p. 89 – Second paragraph from the bottom, above 'Traffic Congestion Measures' the MSB MPO is addressed incorrectly and for clarity should be broken into two sentences. The last half of the paragraph should read: 'A new MPO, Matsu Valley Planning for Transportation (MVP), formed in the Mat-Su Valley in December of 2023. MVP is developing a Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and will address congestion mitigation and air quality in the future.'

**DOT&PF Response:** Thank you. Changes made.

6. Comment: p. 94-96 – the tables on these three pages are cut off on the right side.

**DOT&PF Response:** Thank you. Adjustments made.

7. Comment: p. 113 – Similarly to comment 1, the last item under the 5307 funding should be listed as MSB instead of MVP to align with the Fairbanks code of FNSB as opposed to FAST.

**DOT&PF Response:** Thank you. Changes made.

8. Comment: p. 141 - Same as above (MVP to MSB). Additionally, the Mat-Su and Fairbanks 5307 apportionments are swapped, similarly to Table 8 on p. 45.

DOT&PF Response: Thank you. Changes made.

9. Comment: p. 335 & 337 - 5307 allocations for FAST and MVP are swapped.

**DOT&PF Response:** Thank you. Changes made.



# MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

# Planning and Land Use Department Planning Division

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August 2, 2024

To: Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

Subject: Draft FFY2024-27 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1.

The below comments are submitted on behalf of the Planning Division of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. As a new Direct Recipient of FTA 5307 Transit funding, most of these comments focus on transit-specific issues found in the draft. Other Borough departments will likely submit additional comments as they relate to their projects and priorities.

### Alaska DOT&PF 2024-2027 STIP Narrative:

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# STIP 24-27: Volume 1 PROJECTS and PROGRAMS IN THE 2024-2027 STIP:

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From: Liz Cabrera

To: DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)

Subject: site access

**Date:** Monday, July 8, 2024 9:32:04 AM

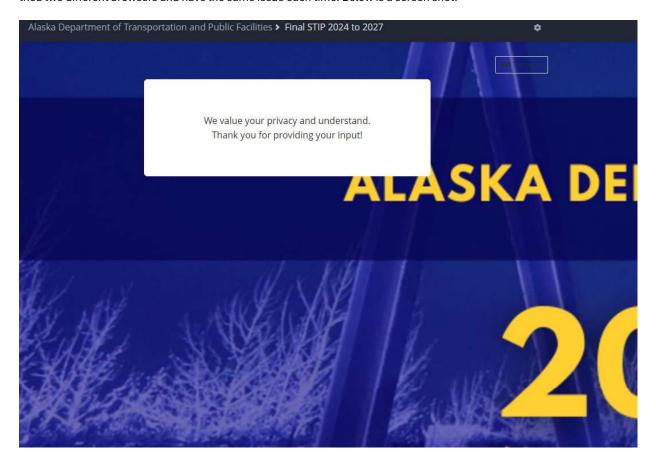
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Hello,

I can't seem to get past the request for comment on the STIP home page to actually see the proposed amendment. I've tried two different browsers and have the same issue each time. Below is a screen shot:



#### Liz Cabrera

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# Correspondence



# RABBIT CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL (RCCC)



A Forum for Respectful Communication & Community Relations

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Ryan Anderson, Commissioner Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOTPF)

August 5, 2024

Dear Commissioner Anderson -

The Rabbit Creek Community Council (RCCC) has reviewed Amendment #1 to the Alaska 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Our RCCC Board has approved submittal of the following comments.

### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

The format in which ADOTPF has posted the draft Amendment #1 (Amend #1) to the STIP <u>discourages public comment</u>. With endless tables and multiple identification numbers, it is very difficult to navigate and locate either specific, regional, or statewide projects. Some tables, such as the STIP 2024-27 Summary View, are not organized numerically nor alphabetically nor with an obvious geographic clarity. Nowhere is the change in funding or scope for individual projects that is intended by Amend #1 easily identified. Consequently, it is extremely difficult to understand and comment on changes Amend #1 has made from the original STIP

This is a proposed Amendment. Therefore, DOTPF should <u>highlight the proposed changes</u> <u>in a concise</u>, <u>organized format that the public can understand</u>. Additionally, we suggest there be a search function for all three of the Amend #1 documents, so one can search for a specific project via name or project number.

The DOTPF public input website makes the following claim, but we found no explanatory discussion:

"Strategic Investments: Understand how different projects align and contribute to the overarching state strategy, offering insights into their collective impact and connectivity."

Thus, it was not possible to see how projects fit into an overarching strategy, especially a fiscally responsible strategy.

#### SPECIFIC COMMENTS

Project 34164 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek STIP ID 12641 (AMATS TIP NHS0007)

We are concerned that the tremendous amount of 'Advanced Construction' funds designated for this project could foreclose options to consider another very expensive multi-year project or many smaller projects for future funding. This gets at the issue of

'strategic investments' mentioned above: where is there a tradeoffs analysis to consider the best mix of transportation projects for the future of Alaska and Alaskans? This project's constraints on future Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS) and ADOTPF budgets are not clear. Designating such large amounts of future funding for this one highway project will significantly preclude future Legislatures and Governors from working with the public to balance and select the suite of projects that is most beneficial and results in the greatest safety for the most users.

Other areas lacking clarity for this project include:

- Comparative worth: If this is foremost a Safety Project, how does the Seward Highway compare to other potential Safety Projects throughout Anchorage, in terms of return on investment?
- External costs: We understand this is a Capital Budget project. However, we are concerned that costs related to future maintenance and future climate change are not accounted for in this project.

RCCC has questions and serious concerns about the mammoth price tag of Project 34164 (in conjunction with Project 34165 which is a different phase of this project). It is critical that the public be able to provide informed input on the trade-offs of committing such a huge sum of transportation funding to any one roadway project. The projected project price tag has almost doubled from the 2023 projection. A source of confusion is that while the project is identified as MP 118-98.5, the STIP describes the project terminus as being south of Potter Valley Road. Further documentation (in the AirTable) includes, "Stage 1 (Milepost 113-116) is within the MPA [Metropolitan Planning Area] will be included on the AMATS TIP and not included in the DOT&PF STIP." As this project does not include associated planned upgrades to Potter Valley Road and Potter Marsh segments of the Seward Highway, we assume that the total price tag is well above \$1.5 billion. This also leaves costs for MP 116-118 unexplained.

RCCC strongly supports safety improvements along this corridor. Specifically, we advocate for a Potter Marsh highway design that maintains the ecological, scenic, and recreational values so appreciated and enjoyed by the entire Anchorage community and visitors.

At a recent Safer Seward Highway Stakeholder Working Group meeting we were pleased to learn of plans to immediately implement safety improvements to the Seward Highway such as improved signage regarding passing lanes and adding milepost markers for pullouts. We hope speedy further attention can be given to other safety measures that can be swiftly implemented at relatively low costs without foreclosing future major construction.

Sincerely,

Ann Rappoport, Co-chair

John Riley, Co-chair

cc: Aaron Jongenelen, AMATS



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August 20, 2024

Ann Rappoport, John Riley, Co-chairs Rabbit Creek Community Council 1057 West Fireweed Lane, Suite 100 Anchorage, AK 99503

Subject: August 5, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Ms. Rappoport and Mr. Riley

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1. We continue to strive to develop a document that not only meets Federal requirements, but also is understandable by the public. We will work to develop our tools for indexing, searching, and change management. As technology advances, we are even working on ideas such as chat bots to answer the questions you have brought forward.

In regard to your general comments, there is a change log at the bottom of each project detail sheet, that summarizes the change in funding for a specific project since the original 2024-2027 STIP. We will continue to work on tools for easier searching and change identification. In regard to strategic investments, we track how much we are investing in Safety, State of Good Repair, Resiliency, Economic Vitality and Sustainability. Those are key investment areas where we focus our efforts in transportation.

We appreciate your comments on the Safer Seward Highway project, STIP ID 34164/3165. The pattern of serious injury and fatal crashes on this highway, and the long delays due to these crashes and other events is a primary concern for DOT&PF. In our Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, we are providing the most up to date estimates for the project, along with logical sequencing scenarios. The total cost of \$1.5 billion does include the entirety of the project. Project concepts will continue to be refined for cost effectiveness, and to ensure we are addressing maintenance and climate change criteria as you reference. We will pass along your comments on the project as well as on your advocacy for the Potters Marsh design criteria to the project team.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E. Commissioner

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF Sean Holland, Director, Alaska DOT&PF Chris Hughes, Safer Seward Highway Team, HDR



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August 26, 2024

Director Sean Holland Chair, AMATS Policy Board 4111 Aviation Drive Anchorage, AK 99502

Subject: July 18, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Chair Holland,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1. We have responded to the individual comments in "Attachment A." We have also provided a record of our MPO, FHWA and other Federal and State agency coordination statewide as "Attachment B." In addition, we request the following discrepancies from the AMATs FFY2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment 2 be addressed in future amendments and modifications:

Table 1. Four Year Program Summary: Several project locations lines reference project costs and total project costs, although the Federal fiscal programming year dollar amounts are Federal fund only, and not representative of total project costs. Also please program projects to the dollar. Please clarify in future modifications and amendments.

Table 2 is titled "Complete Streets" while the Table 1 summary page references Table 2 as "Non-National Highway System." Please clarify on future modifications and amendments. Also note O'Malley Road is a National Highway System Route from the Seward Highway to Lake Otis Parkway.

Tables 2 and 3 have "Carry Forward" listed as a fund code. Please provide a summary table of the funding source of carry forward, identifying the years of carry forward and how they are factored into fiscal constraint.

# All Tables

Please break out state match and local match individually as separate lines. Utilizing naming conventions consistent with the STIP would ensure consistency. In future TIP modifications and amendments, please consider using fund types consistent with the STIP for the fund code column. Also please include obligations to date by project. A current list of Alaska DOT&PF STIP fund sources and fund codes is included as "Attachment C."

# **Operating Agreement**

As we have been reviewing AMATS FFY 2023-2026 TIP Amendment #2, it has been noted that the AMATS Inter-Governmental Operating Agreement for Transportation and Air Quality Planning hasn't had a comprehensive update since 2002. 23 CFR 450.314(b) states that the State and MPO and public transportation providers "should periodically review and update the [operating] agreement, as appropriate, to reflect effective changes." Please initiate a review and update the current agreement to be reflective of the current operations of the organization, and ensure it is in alignment with State statutes and regulations.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E.

Commissioner

Attachments: As Stated

Cc:

Aaron Jongenelen, Executive Director, AMATS Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF James Starzek, AMATS Coordinator, Alaska DOT&PF

### Attachment "A"

Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities response to July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 AMATS Comments on the 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, Amendment #1

1. In the "Adopted by Reference" chapter the AMATS 2040 MTP is included, and it should be removed. DOT&PF does not adopt the MTP. DOT&PF participates in the approval process of the AMATS MTP by having representation on the TAC and PC. The MTP and STIP are two separate types of documents, one is a long-range plan and the other is a funding program and it is not appropriate for the MTP to be included in the STIP. If there is a desire to reference the MTP in the STIP that can be done via text and should reference the most recent version, the 2050 MTP.

**RESPONSE:** We understand the concerns with including the MTP by reference. We will ensure that the MTP is referenced as "informational" within STIP Volume 2: TIPs Incorporated by Reference. This will allow the public to have quick access to the MTP, and not formally incorporate by reference.

2. AMATS Metro and 5303 Planning Funds are shown in the STIP without being in the TIP and should be removed. At the last MPO quarterly meeting, with the MPO staff and DOT&PF, it was agreed upon that all PL funding will not be shown in the STIP and only included in the work programs.

**RESPONSE:** These have been removed.

- 3. There are projects shown in the STIP within the AMATS MPO boundary that are not included in the TIP. This goes against the Tier One corrective action #1 provided to DOT&PF on the original STIP. The projects that are not in the TIP are as follows:
  - Project #33683 Abbott Road Pavement Preservation: New Seward Highway to Lake Otis Pkwy
  - Project #34635 Glenn Highway and Artillery Road Interchange Improvements
  - Project #31846 Glenn Highway and Hiland Road Interchange Preservation and Operational Improvements
  - Project #31839 Glenn Highway Incident Management and Traffic Accommodations
  - Project #31274 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Parent and Final Construction]
  - Project #34170 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Stage 2] Project #34169 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Stage 1]
  - Project #33686 Muldoon Road Pavement Preservation
  - Project #12641 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Parent and Final Construction]
  - Project #34164 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Stage 1]
  - Project #34165 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Stage 2]

**RESPONSE:** Projects listed in STIP Amendment #1 for public review were included for transition purposes. As we transition listing projects that had been in the STIP, to respective MPO TIPs, our Amendment #1 submitted to FHWA and FTA for approval will not include the majority of these projects, and our ledgers will withhold the funds for these projects until which time the projects can be incorporated into the TIP through subsequent amendments. DOT&PF will provide AMATS a list of projects for consideration into the TIP in subsequent weeks.

One exception to this is STIP ID 34165 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Stage 2]. Since this segment and subsequent segments fall completely outside the MPA, our understanding is that we include the project in the STIP, and this specific segment wouldn't be included in the AMATS TIP.

4. The following errors were found on the Ledger page included in Volume 1 for AMATS: • PL funds are shown on this page, and these are not in the TIP. These should be removed. • FY27 is not part of the current 23-26 TIP and funding amounts should be removed from this page or shown as illustrative.

**RESPONSE:** The Department has reconciled the ledger page and AMATS TIP Amendment #2 approved in April 2024. We are showing revenue in 2027, but are not programing funds. We have chosen to show the PL funds in the ledgers to maintain a full accounting of our revenue sources.

- 5. The following errors were found in the "Compiled STIP Fiscal Constraint" document for AMATS:
  - Currently FY27 is not part of the 23-26 TIP. Any FY27 programmed funding shown in this document should be zeroed out as it is not programmed in the TIP.
  - PL funds (AMATS Metro and 5303) are shown in this table and should be removed. Fiscal constraint for these funds is done as part of the approved work program.
  - 5307-ARRC in AMATS for FY24, 25, and 26 programmed amounts do not match up with the Ledger page nor with TIP amendment #2. The amounts are above what is programmed in the TIP.
  - Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Anchorage Area Transit) (ARRC in AMATS Boundary) FY25 and 26 programmed amounts do not match up with the Ledger page nor with TIP amendment #2. The amounts are above what is programmed in the TIP.
  - The CMAQ Flex suballocation amounts for FY24, 25, and 26 are above the amount that AMATS was told as part of the coordination process and nothing was communicated as part of the TIP amendment #2 that the CMAQ funding for AMATS has been increased. Please confirm what the suballocation amount is for AMATS for CMAQ flex.
  - The NHPP FY24, 25, and 26 funding shown does not match up with the Ledger page nor TIP amendment #2. FY27 is outside the fiscal years of the TIP and should be zeroed out for any programed funding.
  - AMATS Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population > 200K for FY24 and FY26 does not match up with the Ledger page nor the TIP amendment #2.
  - AMATS Transportation Alternatives Program: Population >200K for FY24 and FY25 does not match up with the Ledger page nor the TIP amendment #2.
  - Carbon Reduction Program: Population > 200K for AMATS is missing. Thank you for bringing these discrepancies to our attention.

**RESPONSE:** The Department has reviewed the draft STIP Amendment #1 to ensure funding amounts are accurate and consistent throughout the document.

- 6. There are large amounts of Advanced Construction (AC) for projects being shown as part of the STIP amendment #1 without an equivalent amount of Advanced Construction Conversions (ACC) being shown to cover the AC. For example:
  - a. Project #34164 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek, stages 1 and 2, shows NHPP AC total of around \$280M (\$140M in FY25 and \$140M in FY27) with only \$5M shown in ACC on the project pages.
  - b. There appears to be over \$900M in AC for FY24-27 outlined in the "Compiled STIP Fiscal Constraint" document without the associated ACCs being shown. The AC balance shown in the STIP Amendment #1 narrative for FY24 is \$451M with no conversions shown in the Fiscal Constraint

document. This means there could be over \$1B in AC on the books for Alaska by the end of FY27. How the STIP is structured makes it hard to see how projects are being paid for with AC/ACC and how the STIP fiscal constraint is being met.

This amount of AC/ACC severely limits flexibility for funding future projects.

**RESPONSE:** Advance Construction (AC) allows the State of Alaska to begin a project even in the absence of available Federal-aid obligation authority to cover the Federal share of project costs. It is codified in 23 USC 115. Advance construction eliminates the need to set aside full obligational authority before starting projects. The AC shown in the draft STIP is necessary to not only advance projects critical to the State's interests but is also a tool to ensure we can have adequate flexibility to account for project delays due to environmental permitting, right of way acquisitions, or other challenges. Having projects AC'd allows us to convert these funds in years where delays occur.

Advanced Construction Conversions are identified on the Project Details 2024-2027 STIP Funding By Phase block, as an ACC phase. In the fiscal constraint they are incorporated into the respective fund sources and accounted for.

- 7. Providing comments on the STIP via the website is not fully working. When going to: 2024-27 STIP Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (publicinput.com) it provides a list of all projects in the STIP and when you go to use the filter it doesn't fully work. This was recently updated to filter correctly however, the following projects are missing when selecting Anchorage/Mat-Su:
  - Project #31846 Glenn Highway and Hiland Road Interchange Preservation and Operational Improvements
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  - Project #34164 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Stage 1]
  - Project #34165 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Stage 2]

**RESPONSE:** Thank you for bringing these issues to our attention. Since receiving your letter, many of the concerns raised have now been addressed. These projects in particular are being removed from the STIP (with the exception of 34165).

8. There are a number of Tier II corrective actions that needed to be addressed prior to or as part of this STIP amendment. What is the status of those corrective actions? There is no information provided on the STIP website or in the STIP narrative explaining the Tier II correctives actions and how they have been addressed.

**RESPONSE:** On June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Department provided a letter to FHWA/FTA providing a point-by-point response to the Tier II corrective actions. This document, titled "20240620 Letter to FTA and FHWA.pdf", can be found on the 2024-2027 STIP webpage in the Documents section. As of this writing, DOT&PF has not received a response from our federal partners.

9. There is no summary of changes provided as part of this STIP amendment #1. Providing a memo outlining all the changes would help with the review.

**RESPONSE:** The 2024-2027 STIP Narrative section "STIP Revision Process", includes a commitment from DOT&PF to include a description of changes with the amendment approval request submitted to FHWA. DOT&PF will submit a comprehensive summary of changes with the final STIP, and this will be made available to AMATS.

- 10. Some of the transit suballocation and programed amounts are not correct in the "Compiled STIP Fiscal Constraint" document:
  - 5307- MOA, Transit FY24 Suballocation should be \$6,922,708 based on the signed split letter between MOA and ARRC. FY25 and FY26 are estimates and should be based on the FY24 amount.
  - 5307 MOA, Transit FY24, 25, and 26 Programed amounts should be \$4,951,000 based on the approved AMATS TIP Amendment #2.
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**RESPONSE:** Thank you for bringing these discrepancies to our attention. The Department has reviewed the draft STIP Amendment #1 to ensure funding amounts are accurate and consistent throughout the document.

11. The project cost amounts in the project description pages don't add up for all projects. For example, project #12641 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek totals do not add up based on the numbers shown for columns "Total Project Cost and Post 2027". Other projects also need to have their pages checked for accuracy.

**RESPONSE:** Thank you for bringing this discrepancy to our attention. All projects description pages have been thoroughly reviewed and corrected as necessary.

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
April 3, 2024	FAST Technical Committee	STIP Project Prioritization Review	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Lauren Little, John Perreault
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Christopher Stepovich
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			KUAC: Dan Bross
			RESPEC: Megan Flory
April 4, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP Amendment 2	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Galen Jones, James Starzec, Mary Hoffman, Steven Rzepka, Mark Eisenman, Sean Baski, Joselyn Biloon, John Linnell, Judy Chapman
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association, Inc.: Karen Pletnikoff
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Mook Puttong, Emily Weiser, Lindsey Hajduk
			Chugach Mtn. Bike Riders: Will Taygan
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			<b>HDR:</b> Laurie Cummings, Amy Burnett, Chris Hughes, Alice Horazdovsky

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brad Coy, Craig Lyon, Steve Ribuffo, Melinda Kohlhaas, Taylor Keegan, Matt Stichick, Jamie Acton, Brandon Telford, Bart Rudolph
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Aves Thompson
April 8, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP recaps and path forward	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith
	leadership		<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney
April 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	Project Prioritization Review, Travel Demand	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
		Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Adam Moser
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Wasilla: Brad Hanson
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Alex Strawn, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham, Maija Disalvo
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Natalie Lyon
			Valley Transit: Jennifer Busch
April 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review, Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Luke Bowland, John Linnell, Ben White, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Kinney Engineering: Josh Cross, Aiza Miguel
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Mat-Su Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
April 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Katherine Keith, Randi Bailey
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			<b>City of North Pole:</b> Michael Welch, Danny Wallace
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Nathan Belz
April 18, 2024	Committee Quali TIP A Lette	TIP Amendment 2 Air Quality Conformity	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds, Adeyemi Alimi
		TIP Amendment 2 Letter of support for DOT&PF PPPP	Letter of support for

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Linnell, Anna Bosin, Kelly Summers, Patrick Swalling, Joselyn Biloon, Mark Eisenman
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Dueber
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Mook Puttong, Lindsey Hajduk, Mark Littlefield
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brandon Telford, Jamie Acton, Bart Rudolph, Zakary Hartman, Taylor Keegan, Russ Oswald
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Meg Zaletel
			Rabbit Creek Community Council: Nancy Pease
			Not affiliated or unknown affiliation: Wolfgang Junge
April 25, 2024	FAST Policy Board Chair Work		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson
	Session		Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
April 26, 2024	FAST Executive Director Work Session		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Randi Bailey, Shane Moller, James Starzec, Adam Bradway
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
April 26, 2024	AMATS Executive Director Work Session	Work session to go over project updates ahead of STIP Amendment 1, and	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: James Starzec, Katherine Keith AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		to share the tools to ensure everyone has access to information	AIVIATS: Adron Jongeneien
April 26, 2024	AMATS Support Discussion	Discussing contract with DOWL for assistance with STIP corrective actions,	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: James Starzec, Katherine Keith, Judy Chapman
		specifically the congestion	AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		management process	<b>DOWL:</b> Renee Whitesell, Jessica Smith

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP after action and Amendment 1 next steps	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Winnie Cichosz, Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone, Andy Mills, Lauren Little
			Federal Highway Administration: Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney, Julie Jenkins, Emily Haynes, Theresa Hutchins, Emily Biondi, Harlan Miller, Kenneth Petty
April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	Meeting on Tier 2 Items	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 1, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory	Interior Transportation	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Brett Nelson, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Sara Lucey, Jennifer Wright, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Michael Bredlie
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			<b>Michael Baker International:</b> Sarah Schacher, Jeff Kupko
			National Renewable Energy Laboratory: Karlin Swearingen
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
May 2, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory Committee	TIP Narrative Update	<b>Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation:</b> Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Anna Bosin, Noah King, Patrick Swalling, Roxanne Risse, Katherine Keith, Sarah Riopelle
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Chuck Homan, Lindsey Hajduk, Nancy Pease
			CRW Engineering: Colin Singleton
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brad Coy, Craig Lyon, Steve Ribuffo, Russ Oswald, Taylor Keegan, Bart Rudolph, Matt Stichick, Zakary Hartman
			Turnagain Community Council: Cathy Gleason
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> William Still, John McLeary, Evan Sharp, Mary Dean, Stephen Stone
May 8, 2024	MVP and DOT&PF	Meeting on STIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Adam Bradyway
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 9, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF:	- &PF:	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherin Keith, Dom Pannone
	Meeting on Tier 2		<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 14, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory	Project Prioritization	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, John Linnell, Luke Bowland
			<b>Alaska Railroad Corporation:</b> Brian Lindamood, Kate Dueber
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			<b>Commuter Rail Committee:</b> Cynthia Wentworth
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles, Jr.
			Matanuska Susitna Borough: Alex Strawn, Tom Adams, Maija DiSalvo, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Natalie Lyon
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
			Trucking Industry Advocate: Lawerence Smith
May 14, 2024	Alaska Railroad Corporation	Amendment 1 Discussion	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Ryan Anderson
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Bill O'Leary, Michelle Maddox, Brian Lindamood
May 15, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP TIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Katherine Keith, Adam Moser, Jennifer Wright
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			<b>City of Fairbanks Assembly:</b> Jerry Cleworth, Scott Crass
			City of North Pole: Michael Welch, Danny Wallace
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman,
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
May 15, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP Amendment 1 Meeting on Discretionary Grant Source Funding &	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherin Keith, Dom Pannone, Lauren Little
		Project Obligations	<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 16, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	TIP Narrative	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Sean Baski, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, John Linnell, Steven Rzepka
			<b>Alaska Railroad Corporation:</b> Kate Dueber, Brian Lindamood
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Mook Puttong
			CRW Engineering: Colin Singleton
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			HDR: Chris Hughes, Morgan Miller
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kent Kohlhase, Brad Coy, Brandon Telford, Zakary Hartman, Bart Rudolph, Craig Lyon, Allison Bolgiano
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Meg Zaletel
			Rabbit Creek Community Council: Nancy Pease
			Turnagain Community Council: Cathy Gleason
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Jason Norris
May 21, 2024	DOT&PF and MPO's	Coordination of Planning Process to ensure 3C or 23 CFR 450.208	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Dom Pannone, Lauren Little, James Starzek, Ben White, Adam Moser
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 21, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Update	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Clint Adler, Luke Bowland, Adam Bradway, Katherine Keith, Ben White
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			Fairbanks Area Surface Transportation: Jackson Fox
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Matanuska Susitna Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Alex Strawn
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			Office of Senator Wilson: Sharon Johnson
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
May 22, 2024	MVP Special Policy Board	Special meeting and work session with the MVP	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Yemi Alimi
	Meeting	Board and Technical Committee to discuss transportation projects for inclusion in STIP Amendment 1	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, Clint Adler, Chris Bentz, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington, Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Mat-Su Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Tom Adams, Crystal Smith
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
			Trucking Advocate: Lawerence Smith
May 29, 2024	MPO Quarterly Meeting (all-day)	STIP and STIP Amendment 1: Cooperative PL Fund Need ID and Travel	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Judy Chapman, Adam Bradway, Scott Vockeroth, Adam Moser, James Starzec
		Demand Model	AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		Tier II findings recap, Issues, timeline, TIPs in	FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
		AirTable MPO Allocations	Federal Highway Administration: Theresa Hutchins, Julie Jenkins
		Presentation at TC/PC? E-STIP applications	Federal Transit Administration: Ned Conroy
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 30, 2024	ARRC	STIP Amendment 1 discussion follow-up	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Michelle Maddox, Christina Isabelle-Glover
June 3, 2024	FHWA Quarterly Meeting	Organizational Updates DOT&PF Division Office S&O Agreement (review	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone, Andy Mills, Lauren Little, Shannon McCarthy
		of draft S&O agreement prior to HQ submission) August Redistribution Data/Information Sharing Project(s) Shakwak, Denali Other Items? STIP Amendment 1 timeframe	Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins, Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney, Emily Haynes

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
June 5, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO coordination during development of the STIP	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Brett Nelson, Randi Bailey, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Sara Lucey, Jennifer Wright, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Don Galligan
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fort Wainwright: John Weinberger
			<b>Michael Baker International:</b> Sarah Schacher, Jeff Kupko
			National Renewable Energy Laboratory: Karlin Swearingen
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
June 6, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO Coordination during development of the STIP	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Adam Bradway, Joselyn Biloon, John Linnell, Katherine Keith, Orion LeCroy, Sean Holland
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Andrew Reynolds, Kate Dueber
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Lindsey Hajduk
			Anchorage Assembly: Mark Littlefield

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			HDR: Morgan Miller
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kim Carpenter, Melinda Kohlhaas, Taylor Keegan, Jamie Acton, Daniel Mckenna-Foster, Bart Rudolph, Brandon Telford, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Stephen Stone
			Northern Solutions: Shawna Nelson
June 11, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO Coordination during	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway
		development of the STIP	<b>Alaska Legislature:</b> Sharon Johnson, Jody Simpson
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood, Kate Dueber
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Richard Martin
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Alex Strawn, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham, Tom Adams, Brad Swortz
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
June 11-13,	Alaska	STIP Amendment 1	Invite List:
2024	Transportation Working Group Federal Land Managers/Alaska TWiG		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, John Eric Taylor, Adam Moser, Brett Nelson, Henry Cole, Judy Chapman, Sara Lucey, Katherine Keith, David Post, Kim Griffith
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			Alaska Municipal League: Nils Andreassen, Erin Reinders, Britta Hamre

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Bureau of Indian Affairs: Donna Pearson
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Christina Mounce, Michael Lukshin, Kevin Doniere, Chris Riley, Miles Brooks,
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			National Park Service: Laura Minski
			<b>US Forest Service:</b> Paul Escamilla, Harvey Hergett
			<b>US Dept. of Agriculture:</b> Griffith Berg, Jason Johnston, Jeff Schramm, Rueben Glaves
			US Army Corps of Engineers: Levi Wood
			Volpe: Larissa Ireland, Kaitlin Justice
			Federal Highway Administration: Samantha Shields, Nicholas Grisham, Kristin Austin, Matthew Hermen, Andrew Rasmussen, Katherine McQuillan
			Western Federal Lands: Seth English-Young
June 18, 2024	MVP Policy Board Committee	Program of Projects DOT&PF 3C Policy & Procedure	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Luke Bowland
			Alaska Legislature: Sharon Johnson
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Maija DiSalvo, Julie Spackman,
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			North Lakes Community Council: Rod Hanson

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Rodney Fodge
June 19, 2024	FAST Policy Board	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Nick Czarnecki
		MPO coordination during development of the STIP - review and recommend	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, Adam Moser, Brett Nelson, Ben White, Judy Chapman, Ivet Hall, Joe Kemp
			City of Fairbanks: Mayor David Pruhs
			<b>City of North Pole:</b> Chandra Clack, Danny Wallace
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Trinity Consultants:</b> Suriya Vallamsunda, Tom Carlson
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Patrice Lee, Molly Farrell, Z. Zanon, Gary Wilken
June 20, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	3C Process memo STIP Update	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Mark Eisenman, James Starzec, Luke Bowland, Ben White, John Linnell, Steven Rzepka, Joselyn Biloon, Adam Moser, Alex Read, Adam Bradway, Anna Bosin, Julius Adolfsson
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Christine Schuette, Lindsey Hajduk

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			<b>Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Mark Littlefield, Allie Hartman
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kent Kohlhase, Daniel Mckenna-Foster, Zakary Hartman, Brandon Telford, Bart Rudolph, Brad Coy
June 27-28, 2024	Planning team work session	June 27, DOT&PF Planning developed a revised draft of the 3C document compiling all the MPO comments into one document with staff recommendations.  June 28, DOT&PF provided all three MPO Executive Directors with a copy of the revised document with MPO comments captured and	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: MPO Planners, Planning Chiefs, Planning Division Ops Manager MPOs: Executive Directors
July 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	an update on the status.  STIP Amendment 1 and comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Clint Adler, Ben White
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Mat-Su Borough: Crystal Smith, Alex Strawn
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			Trucking Industry: Lawerence Smith
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
July 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	MVP STIP Amendment comments Alaska DOT&PF 3C	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Adam Bradway, Ben White, Shannon McCarthy
		Comprehensive,	Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
		Continuing, and	Alaska State Legislature: Sharon Johnson
		Cooperative	Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann, Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			<b>Matanuska Susitna Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Maija DiSalvo, Alex Strawn
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
July 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 and ED comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Brett Nelson, Ben White, Judy Chapman, Al Beck, Adam Moser
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			City of North Pole: Chandra Clack
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Corey DiRutigliano, Olivia Lunsford
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			Federal Highway Administration: Marie Heidemann
			KTVF: Patrick Gilchrist

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			Michael Baker International: Sarah Schacher
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Evee Rynish
July 18, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 and ED Comments	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, Joselyn Biloon, Brett Nelson, Shannon McCarthy, Adam Moser, Judy Chapman, Sarah Riopelle
			Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Jason Olds
		<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Emily Weiser	
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Dueber
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann, Julie Jenkins
			HDR: Morgan Miller
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Mark Littlefield
			Municipality of Anchorage: Daniel Mckenna- Foster, Brandon Telford, Zakary Hartman, Bart Rudolph, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Jamie Acton, Graham Downey
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Melissa Babb
July 23, 2024	Fairbanks Coordination	FAST Planning and Fairbanks North Star	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith
	Meeting	Borough coordination regarding projects and	Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
		programs	FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
July 30, 2024	FAST Special Technical Committee	STIP Amendment 1 draft comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Nick Czarnecki

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, Brett Nelson, John Netardus, Al Beck, Adam Moser, Ivet Hall
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Deuber
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pritash, William Rogers
			City of North Pole: Cody Lougee
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Kellen Spillman, Don Galligan, Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Mary Farrell, Gary Wilken, two unknown call-ins
July 30, 2024	Mat-Su Coordination Meeting	MVP Planning and Mat-Su Borough coordination on STIP Amendment 1	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Andy Mills, Sean Holland
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			MVP: Kim Sollien
July 31, 2024	FAST Special Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
	Meeting		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Al Beck, Ivet Hall, Adam Moser, Kaitlin Williams
			City of North Pole: Chandra Clack
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Deborah Todd

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann
			RESPEC: Megan Flory
			Not affiliated or unknown affiliation: Gary Wilken, Sue Wilken, Mary Farrell, Jenny Campbell, Barbara Schuhmann, Jon Cook, Alexander Gagne-Hawes, Anonymous, one additional call-in
August 1, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP Amendments 2 and 3 VRU's	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities
			AMATS: Technical Commitee
			*Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet

# Attachment "C" Alaska DOT&PF 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Funding Programs, Sources, and Codes

#### **FHWA Formula Funding**

Fund Code Fund Source

Bridge-HIP Highway Improvement Program Bridge Funds
Bridge-INFRA Highway Infrastructure Bridge Replacement

Bridge-OSB Highway Infrastructure Bridge Replacement-Off System Bridge

DBE Disadvantaged Businesses Training

FBF Ferry Boat Funds

HIP-OSB Highway Improvement Program Bridge Funds -Off System Bridge

NEVI National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure

OJT On The Job Training

CMAQ Congestion Mitigation Air Quality

CMAQ Flex Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex

CMAQ Flex AMATS

CMAQ Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex MVP

CMAQ Mandatory

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex MVP

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex MVP

CMAQ Mandatory

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory

CMAQ Mandatory AMATS

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory (AMATS)

CMAQ-M FAST

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory FAST

CRP Carbon Reduction Program

CRP <5k Carbon Reduction Program: Population <5K

CRP >200k AMATS Carbon Reduction Program: Population >200K (AMATS)

CRP 50-200k FAST
CRP 50-200k MVP
CRP 5-50k
Carbon Reduction Program 50-200k MVP
Carbon Reduction Program: Population 5-49,999K

CRP Flex Carbon Reduction Program FLEX

HSIP Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

Illustrative NHPP AMATS Illustrative NHPP Funds Intended for Future TIP Amendments

Metro Metropolitan Planning Program

Metro- AMATS Metropolitan Planning Program (AMATS)
Metro- FAST Metropolitan Planning Program (FAST)
Metro- MVP Metropolitan Planning Program (MVP)

NEVI AMATS National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (AMATS)

NHFP National Highway Freight Program
NHPP National Highway Performance Program

NHPP AMATS
National Highway Performance Program (AMATS)
NHPP Exempt
NHPP FAST
National Highway Performance Program - Exempt
NHPP FAST
National Highway Performance Program (FAST)
PM 2.5
Projects To Reduce PM 2.5 Emissions Set-Aside

PRTC PROTECT Program

PRTC Plng PROTECT Program Planning
RAIL Railway-Highway Crossings Program

RTP Recreational Trails Program and 1% Admin Set-Aside
S&A-Metro Safe And Accessible Trans Options - Metro Planning

S&A-SPR Safe And Accessible Trans Options - Statewide Planning and Research

S154 Section 154 Penalties
S154 NHPP Section 154 Penalties (NHPP)
S154 NHPP AMATS Section 154 Penalties (NHPP) (AMATS)
S154 STBG Section 154 Penalties (STBG)

Section 154 Penalties (STBG)
S164 Section 164 Penalties
S164 NHPP Section 164 Penalties (NHPP)
S164 STBG Section 164 Penalties (STBG)

SA Highway Safety Improvement Program: (SA)

SA Takedown Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA Takedown) SA-AMATS Highway Safety Improvement Program (AMATS) SA-FAST Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA FAST) SPR CMAQ Statewide Planning and Research (CMAQ Set-aside) **SPR HSIP** Statewide Planning and Research (HSIP Set-aside) Statewide Planning and Research (NHFP Set-aside) SPR NHFP SPR NHPP Statewide Planning and Research (NHPP Set-aside) SPR STBG Statewide Planning and Research (STBG Set-aside)

STBG Surface Transportation Block Grant

STBG <5k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population <5K

STBG >200k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population >200K (AMATS)
STBG 50-200 FAST Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 50-200K FAST
STBG 50-200 MVP Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 50-200K MVP
STBG 5-50k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 5-49,999K

STBG Flex Surface Transportation Block Grant: FLEX

STBG OSB Surface Transportation Block Grant: Off System Bridge TAP <5k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population <5K

TAP >200k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population >200K (AMATS)
TAP 50-200k FAST Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K FAST
TAP 50-200k MVP Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K MVP
TAP 5-50k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 5-49,999K

TAP Flex Transportation Alternatives Program: FLEX VRU Vulnerable Road User Safety Special Rule

#### **Other Federal Funds**

#### Fund Code Fund Source

FRA-STC Federal Railroad Administration-Special Transportation Circumstances

Program

MARAD (FY22) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY22 Award)
MARAD (FY23) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY23 Award)
MARAD (FY24) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY24 Award)
OFF CDS Other Federal Funds: Congressionally Delegated Spending
OFF DG AMATS Other Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (AMATS)

OFF DG ARRC Other Federal Funds

OFF DG Community Award
Ofther Federal Funds: (Community Awards)
OFF DG FAST
Ofther Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (FAST)
OFF ER
Other Federal Funds: Emergency Relief

OFF FLAP Other Federal Funds: FLAP

OFF SOA Other Federal Funds

OFF DG FRA Other Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (FRA)

#### **FHWA Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

BIP: Small (FY22)

Bridge Improvement Program: Small (FY22 Award)

BIP: Small (FY23)

Bridge Improvement Program: Small (FY23 Award)

CFI (FY23)

Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (FY23 Award)

Culvert (FY22) National Culvert Removal Replacement and Restoration Grant Program (FY22 Award)
Culvert (FY23) National Culvert Removal Replacement and Restoration Grant Program (FY23 Award)

OFF DG FHWA Other Federal Funds (FHWA)

PROTECT (FY22) Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation Program (FY22 Award)
PROTECT (FY23) Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation Program (FY23 Award)

RCP (FY22) Reconnecting Communities Grant Awards (FY22 Award)
RCP (FY23) Reconnecting Communities Grant Awards (FY23 Award)

RES Research, Develop, And Tech Transfer (RD&T)

SMART (FY23) Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation Grants Program (FY23 Award)

SS4A (FY22) Safe Streets and Roads for All (FY22 Award)
SS4A (FY23) Safe Streets and Roads for All (FY23 Award)
THHP (FY22) Tribal High Priority Projects (FY22 Award)
THHP (FY23) Tribal High Priority Projects (FY23 Award)

TTPSF (FY22) Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund (FY22 Award)
TTPSF (FY23) Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund (FY23 Award)

#### **USDOT Office of the Secretary Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

MPDG-INFRA (FY23) Multimodal Project Discretionary Grants: INFRA (FY23 Award)
MPDG-Rural (FY22) Multimodal Project Discretionary Grants: Rural (FY22 Award)
OFF DG USDOT-OST Other Federal Funds: Office of the Secretary of Transportation
RAISE (FY21) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY21 Award)

RAISE (FY22) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY22 Award)

RAISE (FY23)

Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY23 Award)

RAISE (2024) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY24 Award)

#### **Federal Transit Administration Formula Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

5307

5303 Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning
5303 AMATS Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (AMATS)
5303 FAST Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (FAST)
5303 MVP Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (MVP)
5304 Rural Section 5304 Statewide Planning (Rural)

5307 MOA Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Anchorage Area Transit) 5307 ARRC in AMATS Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in AMATS) 5307 ARRC in FAST Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in FAST) 5307 ARRC in MVP Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in MVP) 5307 ARRC Statewide Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC Statewide) 5307 FNSB Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Fairbanks Area Transit) 5307 MOA Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Anchorage Area Transit) 5307 MSB Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Mat-Su Borough Area Transit)

Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula

5310 AMATS

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (AMATS)

5310 FAST

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (FAST)

5310 MVP

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (MVP)

5310 Flex

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Statewide)

5310 Statewide

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Statewide)

5310 MPO Allocation

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Urban)

5311 Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula

5311 IRF Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Indian Reservation Formula)
5311 RTAP Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Rural Transit Assistance Program)

5311 Flex Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Statewide)
5324 Section 5324 Emergency Relief Program (ARRC Statewide)

5337 Section 5337 State of Good Repair

5337 ARRC in MVP Section 5337 State of Good Repair ((ARRC in MVP Boundary)

5337 ARRC IN AMATS Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Anchorage Area Transit) (ARRC in AMATS Boundary)

5337 ARRC IN FAST

Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ARRC in FAST Boundary)

5337 ARRC Statewide SetAside

Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ARRC Statewide)

5337 MPO Allocation

Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Urban)

5337 Statewide Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Statewide)

5339 Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities

5339 AMATS Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (AMATS)
5339 FAST Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (FAST)

5339(c) LONO Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Low-No Emissions)

5339 MVP Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (MVP)
5339 Flex Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Statewide)
5339 Statewide Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Statewide)
5339 MPO Allocation Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Urban)

### **Federal Transit Administration Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

AoPP (FY23) Areas of Persistent Poverty Program (FY23 Award)

Low/No Ferry (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71102 Electric Low Emitting FTA Grant: Shuttle Ferry (FY22 Award)

Rural Ferry (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant (FY22 Award)
Rural Ferry (FY23) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant (FY23 Award)

Rural Ferry Operations (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant: Operating Support (FY22 Award)
Rural Ferry Operations (FY23) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant: Operating Support (FY23 Award)

OFF DG FTA Other Federal Funds (FTA)

5339(b) Bus (FY22) Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Discretionary Grant (FY24 Award)

STIC Small Transit Intensive Cities (FTA)

#### **Non Federal Funds**

Fund Code Fund Source

UGF Appn General Fund Appropriation
3PF AMATS Local Match (AMATS)
3PF ARRC Local Match (ARRC)

3PF Local Local Match (Community-Driven Projects)
3PF For DG Local Match (Discretionary Grants)
3PF FAST Plng (FM) Local Match (FAST Planning "FM")

3PF FAST Local Match (FAST)

3PF MOA Local Match (Municipality of Anchorage)

3PF MVP Local Match (MVP)

SM SOA State Match

SM AMATS State Match (AMATS)

SM DG State Match (Discretionary Grant)

SM FAST State Match (FAST)

Illustrative Unfunded Projects Shown for Illustrative Purposes





July 18th, 2024

Ryan Anderson, P.E.
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Subject: 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Commissioner Anderson,

The AMATS Policy Committee approved these comments on the draft STIP amendment #1 that was released on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024:

- 1) In the "Adopted by Reference" chapter the AMATS 2040 MTP is included, and it should be removed. DOT&PF does not adopt the MTP. DOT&PF participates in the approval process of the AMATS MTP by having representation on the TAC and PC. The MTP and STIP are two separate types of documents, one is a long-range plan and the other is a funding program and it is not appropriate for the MTP to be included in the STIP. If there is a desire to reference the MTP in the STIP that can be done via text and should reference the most recent version, the 2050 MTP.
- 2) AMATS Metro and 5303 Planning Funds are shown in the STIP without being in the TIP and should be removed. At the last MPO quarterly meeting, with the MPO staff and DOT&PF, it was agreed upon that all PL funding will not be shown in the STIP and only included in the work programs.
- 3) There are projects shown in the STIP within the AMATS MPO boundary that are not included in the TIP. This goes against the Tier One corrective action #1 provided to DOT&PF on the original STIP. The projects that are not in the TIP are as follows:
  - Project #33683 Abbott Road Pavement Preservation: New Seward Highway to Lake Otis Pkwy
  - Project #34635 Glenn Highway and Artillery Road Interchange Improvements
  - Project #31846 Glenn Highway and Hiland Road Interchange Preservation and Operational Improvements
  - Project #31839 Glenn Highway Incident Management and Traffic Accommodations
  - Project #31274 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Parent and Final Construction]
  - Project #34170 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Stage 2]





- Project #34169 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Stage 1]
- Project #33686 Muldoon Road Pavement Preservation
- Project #12641 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Parent and Final Construction]
- Project #34164 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Stage
   1]
- Project #34165 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Stage
   2]
- 4) The following errors were found on the Ledger page included in Volume 1 for AMATS:
  - PL funds are shown on this page and these are not in the TIP. These should be removed.
  - FY27 is not part of the current 23-26 TIP and funding amounts should be removed from this page or shown as illustrative.
- 5) The following errors were found in the "Compiled STIP Fiscal Constraint" document for AMATS:
  - Currently FY27 is not part of the 23-26 TIP. Any FY27 programmed funding shown in this document should be zeroed out as it is not programmed in the TIP.
  - PL funds (AMATS Metro and 5303) are shown in this table and should be removed. Fiscal constraint for these funds is done as part of the approved work program.
  - 5307-ARRC in AMATS for FY24, 25, and 26 programmed amounts do not match up with the Ledger page nor with TIP amendment #2. The amounts are above what is programmed in the TIP.
  - Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Anchorage Area Transit) (ARRC in AMATS Boundary)
     FY25 and 26 programmed amounts do not match up with the Ledger page nor with TIP amendment #2. The amounts are above what is programmed in the TIP.
  - The CMAQ Flex suballocation amounts for FY24, 25, and 26 are above the amount that AMATS was told as part of the coordination process and nothing was communicated as part of the TIP amendment #2 that the CMAQ funding for AMATS has been increased.
     Please confirm what the suballocation amount is for AMATS for CMAQ flex.
  - The NHPP FY24, 25, and 26 funding shown does not match up with the Ledger page nor TIP amendment #2. FY27 is outside the fiscal years of the TIP and should be zeroed out for any programed funding.
  - AMATS Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population >200K for FY24 and FY26 does not match up with the Ledger page nor the TIP amendment #2.
  - AMATS Transportation Alternatives Program: Population >200K for FY24 and FY25 does not match up with the Ledger page nor the TIP amendment #2.
  - Carbon Reduction Program: Population >200K for AMATS is missing.



- 6) There are large amounts of Advanced Construction (AC) for projects being shown as part of the STIP amendment #1 without an equivalent amount of Advanced Construction Conversions (ACC) being shown to cover the AC. For example:
  - a. Project #34164 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek, stages 1 and 2, shows NHPP AC total of around \$280M (\$140M in FY25 and \$140M in FY27) with only \$5M shown in ACC on the project pages.
  - b. There appears to be over \$900M in AC for FY24-27 outlined in the "Compiled STIP Fiscal Constraint" document without the associated ACCs being shown. The AC balance shown in the STIP Amendment #1 narrative for FY24 is \$451M with no conversions shown in the Fiscal Constraint document. This means there could be over \$1B in AC on the books for Alaska by the end of FY27. How the STIP is structured makes it hard to see how projects are being paid for with AC/ACC and how the STIP fiscal constraint is being met.

This amount of AC/ACC severely limits flexibility for funding future projects.

- 7) Providing comments on the STIP via the website is not fully working. When going to: 2024-27 STIP - Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (publicinput.com) it provides a list of all projects in the STIP and when you go to use the filter it doesn't fully work. This was recently updated to filter correctly however, the following projects are missing when selecting Anchorage/Mat-Su:
  - Project #31846 Glenn Highway and Hiland Road Interchange Preservation and Operational Improvements
  - Project #31839 Glenn Highway Incident Management and Traffic Accommodations
  - Project #31274 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Parent and Final Construction]
  - Project #34170 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Stage 2]
  - Project #12641 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Parent and Final Construction]
  - Project #34164 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek
     [Stage 1]
  - Project #34165 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek
     [Stage 2]
- 8) There are a number of Tier II corrective actions that needed to be addressed prior to or as part of this STIP amendment. What is the status of those corrective actions? There is no information provided on the STIP website or in the STIP narrative explaining the Tier II correctives actions and how they have been addressed.



- 9) There is no summary of changes provided as part of this STIP amendment #1. Providing a memo outlining all the changes would help with the review.
- 10) Some of the transit suballocation and programed amounts are not correct in the "Compiled STIP Fiscal Constraint" document:
  - 5307- MOA, Transit FY24 Suballocation should be \$6,922,708 based on the signed split letter between MOA and ARRC. FY25 and FY26 are estimates and should be based on the FY24 amount.
  - 5307 MOA, Transit FY24, 25, and 26 Programed amounts should be \$4,951,000 based on the approved AMATS TIP Amendment #2.
  - 5339 AMATS, Transit FY24 and FY25 Programed amounts should be \$576,000 to reflect the TIP amendment #2.
  - 5339 AMATS, Transit This funding should be called MOA instead of AMATS. This funding does not come to AMATS, but to MOA as a direct recipient.
  - 5310 AMATS, Transit This funding should be called MOA instead of AMATS. This funding does not come to AMATS, but to MOA as a direct recipient.

11) The project cost amounts in the project description pages don't add up for all projects. For example, project #12641 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek totals do not add up based on the numbers shown for columns "Total Project Cost and Post 2027". Other projects also need to have their pages checked for accuracy.

Sincerely,

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AMATS Executive Director/MPO Coordinator

CC:

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Anchorage Assembly



July 31, 2024

To: Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities, Division of Program Development

Subject: Draft FFY2024-27 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1

To whom it may concern:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft FFY2024-27 STIP Amendment. Below are comments from Fairbanks Area Surface Transportation (FAST) Planning, which is the State-designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Fairbanks and North Pole area.

- 1. Summary of Changes FAST Planning requests a summary of changes be provided for the STIP Amendment for our local governments and the general public to review prior to the end of the 30-day comment period. The Amendment is 1,426 pages long and the changes are unmarked and so extensive it appears to be a new STIP rather than an Amendment. This makes it difficult for reviewers to discern what has changed. The summary of changes should also specifically include information highlighting what projects have been added and what projects have been removed. For example, through a word search of the Amendment it can be seen that 36 new projects have been added to the STIP, but there is no information about what projects have been removed to maintain fiscal constraint. This is critical information for our MPO and the public to understand to appropriately comment on the Amendment.
- 2. Fairbanks PM2.5 Non-Attainment Area please remove all references to PM10 in this section of the STIP Amendment narrative. PM10 is not an air pollutant of concern in this area, nor related to the emission sources for PM2.5 in the Non-Attainment Area. This section should also clarify the Conformity Freeze applies to the entire PM2.5 Non-Attainment Area, not just our Metropolitan Planning Area which is smaller than the Non-Attainment Area. All projects in the outer "donut" area are subject to the Conformity Freeze as well, which are subject to the Interagency Consultation (IAC) process for any Amendments to the STIP.
- 3. Maintenance & Operations Needs & Investments this section of the STIP Amendment narrative focuses exclusively on maintenance for lane miles of roadway and is silent on maintenance for sidewalks and paths. The obligation for maintenance of facilities constructed with Federal funds includes maintaining sidewalks and other facilities for use by pedestrians, including persons with disabilities, throughout the year with only isolated or temporary

- interruptions in accessibility [23 USC 116(a) and (b); 28 CFR 35.133(a); FHWA September 12, 2006 Policy Memorandum; City of Fairbanks General Code Section 70-161].
- 4. **STIP Programs** as stated in FAST Planning's September 13, 2023, letter, we again request project lists for the "Pavement & Bridge Preservation Program (34302)" and "Highway Safety Improvement Program (19217)" be included in the STIP. The public deserves the opportunity to view and provide comment on the projects anticipated each year for these Programs, which is a combined investment of over \$250 million annually (one third of Alaska's Federal transportation funding apportionments). The STIP is an important resource for the public and outside agencies and organizations to review and comment on how Alaska's Federal transportation funding apportionments are being spent throughout the state, and showing these project lists would assist in transparency and allow for the public to more easily locate and comment on projects they are interested in.
- 5. Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Funds some of the suballocation and programmed amounts for FAST Planning's TAP funds in the fiscal constraint table are not accurate. Please see TIP Administrative Modification #4 (https://fastplanning.us/tip/) for the correct amounts. These errors are especially concerning for the fiscal constraint table as it shows over \$10 million mistakenly allocated to FAST Planning and subsequently programmed to STIP projects that are not in our TIP or otherwise identified in the Amendment. Where is this funding coming from and where is it actually being spent, or is this just an administrative error?

Suballocation Name	Year	Suballocation	Programmed to STIP IDs	Fiscal Constaint Balance
Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K FAST	FY24	\$10,200,424	\$10,200,434	\$0
Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K FAST	FY25	\$587,213	\$578,700	-\$8,513
Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K FAST	FY26	\$604,830	\$587,300	-\$17,530
Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K FAST	FY27	\$596,152	<del>\$9,</del> 034,234	-\$9,630,386

6. Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Flex (CMAQ-F) Funds — the suballocation amounts for FAST Planning's CMAQ-F funds in the fiscal constraint table appear to have been updated in the Amendment from the original STIP. These amounts are also missing from FAST Planning's ledger table in the Amendment. Provided this is a discretionary allocation to FAST Planning (not a population driven suballocation), we need certainty on the allocation amounts. The first table below shows the amounts in the Amendment, and the second table shows the amounts in the original STIP. The amounts listed in the original STIP were carried forward in TIP Administrative Modifications #2 and #3 without objection by Alaska DOT&PF and these funds have been programmed to projects in the TIP. The funds now, however, appear to have been significantly

reduced in the Amendment without notification to FAST Planning. Please clarify the actual allocation of CMAQ-F funds to FAST Planning.

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Suballocation Name	Year	Suballocation	Programmed to STIP IDs	Fiscal Constaint Balance
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex FAST	FY24	\$727,800	\$0	-\$727,800
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex FAST	FY25	\$749,634	\$0	-\$749,634
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex FAST	FY26	\$772,123	\$0	-\$772,123
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex FAST	FY27	\$795,287	\$0	-\$795,287

#### Original STIP (March 2024)

#### [LEDGER-TIP] Fairbanks Area Surface Transportation (FAST) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

195	Additional Allocations (Not Formula Driven)						
CMAQ-F	\$1,793,276	\$1,275,108	\$2,232,258	\$1,316,793	\$6,617,435		
CMAQ-M			£3		\$0		

7. Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Mandatory (CMAQ-M) Funds — the suballocation of CMAQ-M funds in the fiscal constraint table is new to FAST Planning. This appears to be a new discretionary allocation to FAST Planning as it is not a population driven suballocation (similar to the CMAQ-F funds). We assume these funds are intended for Need ID 18791 (NFHWY00612, NFHWY00902, & NFHWY00911) in our TIP, but we need confirmation from Alaska DOT&PF. The amounts, however, do not cover the full cost of these three projects. Additionally, the funds programmed in our TIP for these projects are missing from FAST Planning's ledger table in the Amendment. These issues need to be rectified in the Amendment.

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Suballocation Name	Year	Suballocation	Programmed to STIP IDs	Fiscal Constaint Balance
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory FAST	FY24	\$2,000,000	\$0	-\$2,000,000
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory FAST	FY25	\$2,060,000	\$0	-\$2,060,000
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory FAST	FY26	\$2,121,800	\$0	-\$2,121,800
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory FAST	FY27	\$2,185,454	\$0	-\$2,185,454
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### Original STIP (March 2024)

#### [LEDGER-TIP] Fairbanks Area Surface Transportation (FAST) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

		Additional Allocations (Not Formula Driven)						
CMAQ-F	\$1,793,276	\$1,275,108	\$2,232,258	\$1,316,793	\$6,617,435			
CMAQ-M					\$0			

8. Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality PM2.5 Area Set-Aside (CMAQ-PM2.5) Funds — the suballocation of CMAQ-PM2.5 funds appear to have been updated in the Amendment from the original STIP. This will trigger an Administrative Modification to the TIP for which we should have been notified during development of the STIP Amendment. In addition, these funds are nearly fully programmed in the TIP to Need ID 29232 (NFHWY00555, NFHWY00612, NFHWY00712, NFHWY00862, & NFHWY00874), but the fiscal constraint table shows none of the funding is programmed. The funds programmed in our TIP for these projects are also missing from FAST Planning's ledger table in the Amendment. Please see TIP Administrative Modification #4 (https://fastplanning.us/tip/) for the programmed amounts.

Suballocation Name	Year	Suballocation	Programmed to STIP IDs	Fiscal Constaint Balance
Projects To Reduce PM 2.5 Emissions Set-Aside	FY24	\$2,176,436	\$0	-\$2,176,436
Projects To Reduce PM 2,5 Emissions Set-Aside	FY25	\$2,241,729	\$0	-\$2,241,729
Projects To Reduce PM 2.5 Emissions Set-Aside	FY26	\$2,308,981	\$0	-\$2,308,981
Projects To Reduce PM 2.5 Emissions Set-Aside	FY27	\$2,378,250	\$0	-\$2,378,250

9. Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Funds — the suballocation amounts for FAST Planning's CRP funds in the fiscal constraint table appear to have been updated in the Amendment from the original STIP. The Amendment shows over \$600k of additional suballocation for this year, and we thank DOT&PF for the additional funds for our large list of nominated projects that help improve air quality. There is not sufficient time, however, to program and obligate these additional funds by August, so we are hopefully DOT&PF will work with us to carry forward the additional funds to FFY2025.

Suballocation Name	Year	Suballocation	Programmed to STIP IDs	Fiscal Constaint Balance
Carbon Reduction Program 50-200k FAST	FY24	\$2,598,168	\$1,929,200	-\$668,968
Carbon Reduction Program 50-200k FAST	FY25	\$1,066,609	\$1,051,100	-\$15,509
Carbon Reduction Program 50-200k FAST	FY26	\$1,098,607	\$1,066,800	-\$31,807
Carbon Reduction Program 50-200k FAST	FY27	<b>\$</b> 1,131,565	\$1,082,800	-\$48,765

10. Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Funds — why does the fiscal constraint table show HSIP project funding for the Anchorage MPO area, but not the Fairbanks MPO area? There are five active HSIP projects within the Fairbanks MPO area as shown in our TIP, as well as two new HSIP projects pending starts. See table on the following page for the list of projects and funding amounts, which should be reflected in the fiscal constraint table. The funds for these projects are also missing from FAST Planning's ledger table in the Amendment. This

raises the question as to whether these funds were not factored into the fiscal constraint demonstration or simply coded to the wrong suballocation fund category?

Suballocation Name	Year	Year Suballocation Programmed to STIP IDs		s Fiscal Constaint Balance	
Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA AMATS)	FY24	\$8,064,000	\$8,064,000	\$0	
Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA AMATS)	FY25	\$33,305,000	\$33,305,000	\$0	
Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA AMATS)	FY26	\$9,243,000	\$9,243,000	\$0	
Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA AMATS)	FY27	\$0	\$0	so	
Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA FAST)	FY24	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA FAST)	FY25	\$0	\$0	so	
Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA FAST)	FY26	\$0 \$0		\$0	
Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA FAST)	FY27	\$0	\$0	so	
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HSIP Projects – FAST Area	FFY2024	FFY2025	FFY2026	FFY2027
NFHWY00531 NR Systematic	\$2,801,000	\$7,500,000		
Signal Upgrades	\$2,601,000	\$7,500,000		
NFHWY00097 Rich Hwy MP351	\$15,000,000			
Interchange	\$15,000,000			
NFHWY00592 CoF Systematic	\$3,200,000	\$5,500,000		
Signal Upgrades	\$3,200,000	\$5,500,000		
NFHWY00699 Chena Pump/		\$5,000,000		
Small Tracts Roundabout		\$5,000,000		
NFHWY00898 Parks Hwy/Sheep	\$420,000	\$330,000	\$3,012,000	
Creek Traffic Signal	\$420,000	\$330,000	\$3,012,000	
NFHWY-pend Nordale/Peede	\$659,400		\$582,600	\$3,609,000
Roundabout	\$037,400		\$382,000	\$3,007,000
NFHWY-pend Rich Hwy MP341-	\$400,000	\$500,000	\$5,400,000	
362 Variable Speed Limit	3400,000	\$300,000	\$5,400,000	
Total	\$22,480,400	\$18,830,000	\$8,994,600	\$3,609,000

- 11. **National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) Funds** why does the fiscal constraint table show NHPP project funding for the Anchorage MPO area, but not the Fairbanks MPO area? There are four active NHPP projects within the Fairbanks MPO area as shown in our TIP:
  - Z607340000 Richardson Highway MP359 Railroad Grade Separated Facility
  - Z607320000 Steese Expressway/Johansen Expressway Interchange
  - NFHWY00698 Steese Expressway MP2-5 Rehabilitation
  - Z632130000 University Avenue Widening (Advanced Construction Conversion)

The programmed funding amounts for these projects should be reflected in the fiscal constraint table. The funds for these projects are also missing from FAST Planning's ledger table in the Amendment. As with the HSIP projects, this raises the question as to whether or not these funds were factored into the fiscal constraint demonstration.

Suballocation Name	Year	Suballocation Programmed to STIP IDs		Fiscal Constaint Balance	
National Highway Performance Program-AMATS	FY24	\$1,455,520	\$1,455,520	\$0	
National Highway Performance Program-AMATS	FY25	\$44,568,125	\$44,568,125	\$0	
National Highway Performance Program-AMATS	FY26	\$37,897,139	\$37,897,139	so	
National Highway Performance Program-AMATS	FY27	\$109,868,803	\$109,868,803	\$0	
National Highway Performance Program-FAST	FY24	\$0	\$0	so	
National Highway Performance Program-FAST	FY25	5 \$0 \$0		\$0	
National Highway Performance Program-FAST	FY26	\$0 \$0		so	
National Highway Performance Program-FAST	FY27	\$0	\$0	\$0	

- 12. Advance Construction Conversion (ACC) Funds the STIP Amendment narrative states "Federal regulations stipulate that AC must be recorded in the year incurred and the conversion of AC, which is the process of converting AC to the obligation of actual federal funds, must be documented annually." and "Refer to: Appendix E: Fiscal Constraint Demonstration by Fund Type for details on current DOT&PF Advance Construction balanced and forecasted Advance Construct Conversions." However, no Advance Construction Conversion (ACC) is shown in the fiscal constraint table. The STIP narrative also indicates the Alaska DOT&PF has an AC balance of \$452 million as of November 2023, and the STIP Amendment shows over \$900 million in additional AC planned over the next four years of the STIP (FFY2024-27). Without showing the ACC payback how can the STIP actually be fiscally constrained? Also, specific to our area, the ACC payback is not shown in the fiscal constraint table or FAST Planning's ledger for the following projects shown in our TIP:
  - NFHWY00124 Aurora Drive/Noyes Slough Bridge (\$7.8M)
  - Z632130000 University Avenue Widening (\$6.5M)
- 13. Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ANC/ARRC) there are discrepancies between the Apportionment, Allocation, and Suballocation fiscal constraint tables for Section 5337 funds. For example, the Apportionment table shows \$220,871,470 in apportionment with carryover, the Allocation table shows \$217,649,850, and the Suballocation table shows \$243,698,342. Which is the correct amount, and why are the amounts not consistent with each other between

tables? Also, this fund category is clearly shown as being overprogrammed by over \$36 million, which does not meet fiscal constraint. Please clarify these discrepancies and Alaska DOT&PF's plan to meet fiscal constraint.

14. Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC Statewide) — there are discrepancies between the Apportionment, Allocation, and Suballocation fiscal constraint tables for Section 5307 funds. For example, the Apportionment and Allocation tables show \$142,714,425 in apportionment with carryover. However, the Suballocation shows \$230,230,719 in apportionment with carryover. Which is the correct amount, and why are the amounts not consistent with each other between tables? Also, why is there over \$121 million in Section 5307 ARRC Statewide funds that are not programmed for FFY2024-26? This is very concerning, especially for the FFY2024 funds, that if they are not programmed and obligated by August they could potentially lapse. It appears there may be a lack of coordination with ARRC to ensure these apportioned funds are fully utilized. Please clarify these discrepancies and programming and obligation plan for these unprogrammed funds.

Suballocation Name	Year	Suballocation	Programmed to STIP IDs	Fiscal Constaint Balance
Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC Statewide)	FY24	\$34,777,555	\$16,489,079	-\$18,288,476
Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC Statewide)	FY25	\$23,270,500	-\$50,286,700	-\$73,557,200
Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC Statewide)	FY26	\$22,138,805	-\$7,451,195	-\$29,590,000
Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC Statewide)	FY27	\$21,951,589	\$21,951,589	\$0

15. National Highway Freight Program (NHFP) Funds — the fiscal constraint table shows there is approximately \$36 million in NHFP funds not programmed for FFY2024-27. Searching through the STIP project tables, however, it shows over \$71 million in NHFP funds not programmed for FFY2024-27. It is very concerning that these funds have not been fully programmed despite the completion of an Alaska Statewide Freight Investment Plan in December 2022 that has an adopted project list for use of these funds from FFY2022 to FFY2027. Please clarify the programming and obligation plan for these unprogrammed funds so they do not lapse.

Suballocation Name	Year	Suballocation	Programmed to STIP IDs	Fiscal Constaint Balance
National Highway Freight Program	FY24	\$17,730,014	\$10,184,072	-\$7,545,942
National Highway Freight Program	FY25	\$18,261,914	\$9,130,957	-\$9,130,957
National Highway Freight Program	FY26	\$18,809,772	\$9,404,886	-\$9,404,886
National Highway Freight Program	FY27	\$19,374,065	\$9,687,033	-\$9,687,033

STIP Projects w/ NHFP Funds	FFY2024	FFY2025	FFY2026	FFY2027
State Rail Plan (34449)	\$1,100,00			
Truck Parking Study (34450)	\$350,000			
Research & Technology Program (6451)	\$148,000	\$410,000	\$172,000	\$185,000
AASHTO Technical Programs (25836)	\$250,000		\$250,000	\$250,000
Total	\$1,848,000	\$410,000	\$422,000	\$435,000

#### 16. Highway Infrastructure/Improvement Programs Off-System Bridge (OSB) Funds —

States are required to set aside 15 percent of their Bridge Formula Program funding to address off-system bridge needs. Per FHWA guidance published in January 2022, the focus of this funding is to improve bridges in "poor" and "fair" condition. Review of the STIP project tables shows 100% of this funding over FFY2024-27 will be spent on two new bridges that currently do not exist. Although construction of a new bridge on a new alignment is an eligible project under the Bridge Formula Program, FHWA encourages States to first focus on in-service bridges classified in "poor" or "fair" condition. Over the past 10+ years FMATS/FAST Planning has continued to request funding for replacement of the Minnie Street bridge. This Off-System, State-owned bridge (#0295) is the only bridge within the MPO's boundary still classified in "poor" condition. The bridge is structurally deficient and functionally obsolete and listed as a high priority in FAST Planning's MTP. FAST Planning is currently funding the design and construction of the Minnie Street Upgrade project (31389) at a cost of \$14.7 million. Provided the construction phase for this project far exceeds our MPO's annual allocation of Federal highway funding, the bridge component could not be afforded. With the Minnie Street Upgrade project currently in design and planned for construction within the timeline of the STIP, however, this would be the ideal time to include the bridge in the design and construction effort for cost efficiency of bundling these two projects together. We again respectfully request Alaska DOT&PF consider funding this needed bridge replacement project in the STIP using Off-System Bridge funds. It is our opinion that use of these funds to repair/rehabilitate/replace bridges in "poor" condition outweighs using the funding to build new bridges that do not currently exist.

17. Richardson Highway MP346 Northbound Chena Bridge Replacement (34130) — the STIP Amendment project table shows a planned obligation of \$96 million in FFY2024 for construction, which is not reasonable to expect to occur in FFY2024. As we understand, the design is not yet complete, nor have the Floodplain and USACE Section 408 permits been secured. The timeline for approval of the STIP Amendment will also not likely occur until the end of September which will be past the deadline for FHWA to approve a new obligation. We recommend moving this project in the STIP Amendment to FFY2025, but also understand this could result in a ripple effect to many other unrelated projects to free up \$96 million for this project and maintain fiscal constraint at the same time. Please clarify the programming and obligation plan for this project.

- 18. Other Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (FAST Planning) in FAST Planning's ledger, \$89,540 is programmed in FFY2024 for Discretionary Grants. This must be an error as we do not recognize what this is for, nor can we find reference to it anywhere else in the STIP.
- 19. **TIP Incorporation by Reference** in Volume 2 of the STIP Amendment our 2045 MTP and TIP Administrative Modification #2 are incorporated by reference. Please remove our MTP as this is not required to be incorporated by reference in the STIP. Also, please replace TIP Administrative Modification #2 with TIP Administrative Modification #4, which was approved on July 31, 2024, and is attached to this letter.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the Draft FFY2024-27 STIP Amendment, and we look forward to your responses to these comments. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact me at jackson.fox@fastplanning.us or (907) 590-1618.

Sincerely,

Jackson C. Fox

Executive Director, FAST Planning

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August 26, 2024

Mayor Bryce Ward Chair, FAST Planning Policy Board 100 Cushman Street, Suite 205 Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

Subject: July 31, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Mayor Ward,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1. Deputy Commissioner Keith and I appreciated meeting with yourself, Executive Director Jackson Fox, and Fairbanks North Star Borough representatives Kellen Spillman and Donald Galligan on July 23<sup>rd</sup> and discussing FAST Planning and Fairbanks North Star Borough coordination regarding projects and programs. I hope the letter we sent as a follow up to this meeting on July 26, 2024 helped to answer the questions you had.

As we move forward with STIP Amendment #1, we appreciate FAST Planning's efforts to correct compliance issues with the FAST Planning TIP through TIP Modification #4. It's clear that both DOT&PF and FAST Planning will have to work closer together as we adjust our practices to meet FHWA and FTA's directives.

We have responded to FAST Planning's individual comments as "Attachment A." We have also provided a record of our MPO, FHWA, and other Federal and State agency STIP coordination statewide as "Attachment B." In addition, we request the following discrepancies from the FAST Planning TIP Modification #4 be addressed in future amendments or modifications to ensure compliance:

The estimated total cost for each project must be clearly provided in the FAST FFY 2023-2027 TIP, including obligations to date. This total project cost must account for the year of expenditure estimate. Ensure each project listed includes remaining funds if required in the beyond 2027 column.

Identify the type of work, termini and length for each project as per 23 CFR 450.326 (g)(1).

Please do not use the illustrative fund code if obligating funding during the four year TIP window. Reference Alaska 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Planning Findings and corrective actions associated with 23 CFR 450.336(b).

All new projects proposed for Federal funding within the Fairbanks North Star non-attainment/maintenance area that were not considered during the last compliant conformity review, must now be considered through the Interagency Consultation process to ensure projects meet the requirements for exemption for AQ conformity prior to including these projects in the MPO TIP or for projects outside the MPO planning area, prior to putting the projects into the TIP. Please ensure all projects included in the TIP meet this requirement. Reference Alaska 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Planning Findings and corrective actions associated with 23 CFR 450.220 and 23 CFR 450.220(a)(7)

Please program projects by fund source sub-allocation. For example, HSIP is a program not a funding sub allocation. A list of funding sources and sub allocations is included for reference as "Attachment C."

Project scopes should not list projects as informational, detail financial challenges, or include ancillary statements. Please refer to 23 CFR 450.326 (g)(1) for guidance on what is included for each project.

Please work with the MPO Coordinators to update project STIP ID numbers to ensure consistency.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E.

Commissioner

Attachments: As Stated

Cc:

Jackson Fox, Executive Director, FAST Planning Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF Randi Baily, MPO Coordinator, Alaska DOT&PF

# Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities response to July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 FAST Planning Comments on the 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, Amendment #1

- 1. **Summary of Changes Response:** Working through the FHWA Planning Findings for this STIP Amendment has required changes in how we have approached both programs and projects. A change table is included in the Project Details Sheet for each STIP ID. We are hopeful that the next STIP Amendment will be much simpler, and we are also building new tools to manage change. A change summary will be included in the final STIP Amendment #1 submitted to FHWA for approval.
- 2. **Fairbanks PM 2.5 Non-Attainment Area Response:** Thank you for those clarifications. The changes have been made.
- 3. **Maintenance and Operations Needs and Investments Response:** We have included a statement regarding the maintenance of sidewalks and paths.
- 4. **STIP Programs Response:** We agree that it is important for projects included in the Pavement and Bridge Program, as well as the Highway Safety Improvement Program are identified and available for public review. We are working on tools independent of the STIP for this purpose, to maintain the flexibility and efficiency that a program allows DOT&PF to adjust due to priorities or project delivery schedules.
- 5. Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Funds Response: Thanks for outlining your concerns. We have reviewed and made changes as necessary.
- 6. Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Flex (CMAQ-F) Funds Response: Thanks for outlining your concerns. We have reviewed and made changes as necessary.
- 7. Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Mandatory (CMAQ-M) Funds Response: Thanks for outlining your concerns. We have reviewed and made changes as necessary.
- 8. Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality PM2.5 Area Set-Aside (CMAQ-PM2.5) Funds Response: Thanks for outlining your concerns. We have reviewed and made changes as necessary.
- 9. **Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Funds Response**: Thanks for outlining your concerns. We have reviewed and made changes as necessary.
- **10. Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Funds Response:** We provided FAST Planning the HSIP projects attached to our July 26 Letter as requested. We have reviewed the tables and made changes as necessary.
- **11. National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) Funds Response:** We provided FAST Planning the NHPP projects attached to our July 26 Letter as requested. We have reviewed the tables and made changes as necessary.

12. Advance Construction Conversion (ACC) Funds Response: Advance Construction (AC) allows the State of Alaska to begin a project even in the absence of available Federal-aid obligation authority to cover the Federal share of project costs. It is codified in 23 USC 115. Advance construction eliminates the need to set aside full obligational authority before starting projects. The AC shown in the draft STIP is necessary to not only advance projects critical to the State's interests but is also a tool to ensure we can have adequate flexibility to account for project delays due to environmental permitting, right of way acquisitions, or other challenges. Having projects AC'd allows us to convert these funds in years where delays occur.

Advanced Construction Conversions are identified on the Project Details 2024-2027 STIP Funding By Phase block, as an ACC phase. In the fiscal constraint they are incorporated into the respective fund sources and accounted for.

- 13. Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ANC/ARRC) Response: Thanks for outlining your concerns. We have reviewed and made changes as necessary.
- **14. Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC Statewide) Response:** Thanks for outlining your concerns. We have reviewed and made changes as necessary.
- 15. National Highway Freight Program (NHFP) Funds Response: Thanks for outlining your concerns. There are a limited number of projects that are not Illustrative in the freight program. We will be updating the freight plan to ensure illustrative projects can be funded in future amendments of the STIP.
- **16.** Highway Infrastructure/Improvement Programs Off-System Bridge (OSB) Funds Response: Thank you for your request. We will review with the project staff familiar with the project and ensure it is adequately documented in our needs list. We will also discuss the projects ability to obtain an air quality exemption.
- 17. Richardson Highway MP346 Northbound Chena Bridge Replacement (34130) Response: Project delivery schedules are dynamic and constantly changing. We will be adjusting to ensure this important bridge project can move forward expeditiously.
- **18. Other Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (FAST Planning) Response:** Thanks for outlining your concerns. We have reviewed and made changes as necessary.
- **19. TIP Incorporation by Reference Response:** We have identified the 2045 MTP as "informational" in the volume. We have reviewed your other suggestions and adjusted as required.

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
April 3, 2024	April 3, 2024 FAST Technical Committee	STIP Project Prioritization	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
		Review	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Lauren Little, John Perreault
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Christopher Stepovich
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			KUAC: Dan Bross
			RESPEC: Megan Flory
April 4, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP Amendment 2	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Galen Jones, James Starzec, Mary Hoffman, Steven Rzepka, Mark Eisenman, Sean Baski, Joselyn Biloon, John Linnell, Judy Chapman
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association, Inc.: Karen Pletnikoff
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Mook Puttong, Emily Weiser, Lindsey Hajduk
			Chugach Mtn. Bike Riders: Will Taygan
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			<b>HDR:</b> Laurie Cummings, Amy Burnett, Chris Hughes, Alice Horazdovsky

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			Municipality of Anchorage: Brad Coy, Craig Lyon, Steve Ribuffo, Melinda Kohlhaas, Taylor Keegan, Matt Stichick, Jamie Acton, Brandon Telford, Bart Rudolph
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Aves Thompson
April 8, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP recaps and path forward	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith
	leadership		<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney
April 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	Project Prioritization Review, Travel Demand	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
		Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Adam Moser
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Wasilla: Brad Hanson
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Alex Strawn, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham, Maija Disalvo
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Natalie Lyon
			Valley Transit: Jennifer Busch
April 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review, Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Luke Bowland, John Linnell, Ben White, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees	
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade	
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington	
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal	
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins	
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino	
			Kinney Engineering: Josh Cross, Aiza Miguel	
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles	
			Mat-Su Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown	
			MVP: Kim Sollien	
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory	
April 17, 2024	April 17, 2024 FAST Policy Board	2024 FAST Policy Board STIP Project Prioritization Review	Project Prioritization	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Katherine Keith, Randi Bailey
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs	
			<b>City of North Pole:</b> Michael Welch, Danny Wallace	
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman	
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth	
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell	
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass	
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd	
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins	
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker	
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Nathan Belz	
April 18, 2024	AMATS Policy Committee	TIP Amendment 2 Air Quality Conformity	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds, Adeyemi Alimi	
	Le	TIP Amendment 2 Letter of support for DOT&PF PPPP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Sarah Riopelle, Luke Bowland, Ben White, James Starzec, John	

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Linnell, Anna Bosin, Kelly Summers, Patrick Swalling, Joselyn Biloon, Mark Eisenman
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Dueber
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Mook Puttong, Lindsey Hajduk, Mark Littlefield
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brandon Telford, Jamie Acton, Bart Rudolph, Zakary Hartman, Taylor Keegan, Russ Oswald
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Meg Zaletel
			Rabbit Creek Community Council: Nancy Pease
			Not affiliated or unknown affiliation: Wolfgang Junge
April 25, 2024	FAST Policy Board Chair Work		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson
	Session		Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
April 26, 2024	FAST Executive Director Work Session		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Randi Bailey, Shane Moller, James Starzec, Adam Bradway
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
April 26, 2024	AMATS Executive Director Work Session	Work session to go over project updates ahead of STIP Amendment 1, and	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: James Starzec, Katherine Keith AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		to share the tools to ensure everyone has access to information	AIVIATS: Adron Jongeneien
April 26, 2024	AMATS Support Discussion	Discussing contract with DOWL for assistance with STIP corrective actions,	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: James Starzec, Katherine Keith, Judy Chapman
		specifically the congestion	AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		management process	<b>DOWL:</b> Renee Whitesell, Jessica Smith

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April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP after action and Amendment 1 next steps	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Winnie Cichosz, Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone, Andy Mills, Lauren Little
			Federal Highway Administration: Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney, Julie Jenkins, Emily Haynes, Theresa Hutchins, Emily Biondi, Harlan Miller, Kenneth Petty
April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	Meeting on Tier 2 Items	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 1, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory	Updates on STIP Interior Transportation	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
	Committee	Plan TIP Admin Modification	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Brett Nelson, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Sara Lucey, Jennifer Wright, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Michael Bredlie
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			<b>Michael Baker International:</b> Sarah Schacher, Jeff Kupko
			National Renewable Energy Laboratory: Karlin Swearingen
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich

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May 2, 2024	24 AMATS Technical Advisory	ory	<b>Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation:</b> Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Anna Bosin, Noah King, Patrick Swalling, Roxanne Risse, Katherine Keith, Sarah Riopelle
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Chuck Homan, Lindsey Hajduk, Nancy Pease
			CRW Engineering: Colin Singleton
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brad Coy, Craig Lyon, Steve Ribuffo, Russ Oswald, Taylor Keegan, Bart Rudolph, Matt Stichick, Zakary Hartman
			Turnagain Community Council: Cathy Gleason
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> William Still, John McLeary, Evan Sharp, Mary Dean, Stephen Stone
May 8, 2024	MVP and DOT&PF	Meeting on STIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Adam Bradyway
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 9, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF:	Meeting on Tier 2 Items	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherin Keith, Dom Pannone
	Meeting on Tier 2		<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 14, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory	STIP Project Prioritization	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee	Review Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, John Linnell, Luke Bowland
			<b>Alaska Railroad Corporation:</b> Brian Lindamood, Kate Dueber
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer

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			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			<b>Commuter Rail Committee:</b> Cynthia Wentworth
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles, Jr.
			Matanuska Susitna Borough: Alex Strawn, Tom Adams, Maija DiSalvo, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Natalie Lyon
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
			Trucking Industry Advocate: Lawerence Smith
May 14, 2024	Alaska Railroad Corporation	Amendment 1 Discussion	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Ryan Anderson
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Bill O'Leary, Michelle Maddox, Brian Lindamood
May 15, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP TIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Katherine Keith, Adam Moser, Jennifer Wright
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			<b>City of Fairbanks Assembly:</b> Jerry Cleworth, Scott Crass
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			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman,
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees	
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins	
May 15, 2024	Tay 15, 2024 FHWA and DOT&PF	DOT&PF Meeting on Discretionary	Meeting on Discretionary Grant Source Funding &	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherin Keith, Dom Pannone, Lauren Little
		Project Obligations	<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins	
May 16, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	TIP Narrative	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds	
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Sean Baski, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, John Linnell, Steven Rzepka	
			<b>Alaska Railroad Corporation:</b> Kate Dueber, Brian Lindamood	
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Mook Puttong	
			CRW Engineering: Colin Singleton	
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins	
			HDR: Chris Hughes, Morgan Miller	
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kent Kohlhase, Brad Coy, Brandon Telford, Zakary Hartman, Bart Rudolph, Craig Lyon, Allison Bolgiano	
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Meg Zaletel	
			Rabbit Creek Community Council: Nancy Pease	
			Turnagain Community Council: Cathy Gleason	
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Jason Norris	
May 21, 2024	DOT&PF and MPO's	Coordination of Planning Process to ensure 3C or 23 CFR 450.208	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Dom Pannone, Lauren Little, James Starzek, Ben White, Adam Moser	
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen	
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox	

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 21, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Update	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Clint Adler, Luke Bowland, Adam Bradway, Katherine Keith, Ben White
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			Fairbanks Area Surface Transportation: Jackson Fox
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Matanuska Susitna Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Alex Strawn
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			Office of Senator Wilson: Sharon Johnson
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
May 22, 2024	MVP Special Policy Board	Special meeting and work session with the MVP	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Yemi Alimi
Meeting	Meeting	Board and Technical Committee to discuss transportation projects for inclusion in STIP Amendment 1	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, Clint Adler, Chris Bentz, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington, Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Mat-Su Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Tom Adams, Crystal Smith
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
			Trucking Advocate: Lawerence Smith
May 29, 2024	MPO Quarterly Meeting (all-day)	STIP and STIP Amendment 1: Cooperative PL Fund Need ID and Travel	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Judy Chapman, Adam Bradway, Scott Vockeroth, Adam Moser, James Starzec
		Demand Model	AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		Tier II findings recap, Issues, timeline, TIPs in AirTable MPO Allocations Presentation at TC/PC? E-STIP applications	FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Theresa Hutchins, Julie Jenkins
			Federal Transit Administration: Ned Conroy
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 30, 2024	ARRC	STIP Amendment 1 discussion follow-up	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Michelle Maddox, Christina Isabelle-Glover
June 3, 2024	FHWA Quarterly Meeting	Organizational Updates DOT&PF Division Office S&O Agreement (review of draft S&O agreement prior to HQ submission) August Redistribution Data/Information Sharing Project(s) Shakwak, Denali Other Items? STIP Amendment 1 timeframe	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone, Andy Mills, Lauren Little, Shannon McCarthy
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins, Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney, Emily Haynes

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
June 5, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO coordination during development of the STIP	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Don Galligan
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fort Wainwright: John Weinberger
			<b>Michael Baker International:</b> Sarah Schacher, Jeff Kupko
			National Renewable Energy Laboratory: Karlin Swearingen
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
June 6, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory	Policy & Procedure on MPO Coordination during development of the STIP  Alaska D Facilities Starzec, Joselyn E Orion Le Alaska R Reynolds AMATS:	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Adam Bradway, Joselyn Biloon, John Linnell, Katherine Keith, Orion LeCroy, Sean Holland
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Andrew Reynolds, Kate Dueber
			Anchorage Assembly: Mark Littlefield

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			HDR: Morgan Miller
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kim Carpenter, Melinda Kohlhaas, Taylor Keegan, Jamie Acton, Daniel Mckenna-Foster, Bart Rudolph, Brandon Telford, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Stephen Stone
			Northern Solutions: Shawna Nelson
June 11, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO Coordination during	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway
		development of the STIP	Alaska Legislature: Sharon Johnson, Jody Simpson
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood, Kate Dueber
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Richard Martin
			Mat-Su Borough: Alex Strawn, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham, Tom Adams, Brad Swortz
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
June 11-13,	Alaska	STIP Amendment 1	Invite List:
2024	Transportation Working Group Federal Land Managers/Alaska TWiG	a	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, John Eric Taylor, Adam Moser, Brett Nelson, Henry Cole, Judy Chapman, Sara Lucey, Katherine Keith, David Post, Kim Griffith
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			<b>Alaska Municipal League:</b> Nils Andreassen, Erin Reinders, Britta Hamre

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees	
			Bureau of Indian Affairs: Donna Pearson	
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox	
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Christina Mounce, Michael Lukshin, Kevin Doniere, Chris Riley, Miles Brooks,	
			MVP: Kim Sollien	
			National Park Service: Laura Minski	
			<b>US Forest Service:</b> Paul Escamilla, Harvey Hergett	
			<b>US Dept. of Agriculture:</b> Griffith Berg, Jason Johnston, Jeff Schramm, Rueben Glaves	
			US Army Corps of Engineers: Levi Wood	
			Volpe: Larissa Ireland, Kaitlin Justice	
			Federal Highway Administration: Samantha Shields, Nicholas Grisham, Kristin Austin, Matthew Hermen, Andrew Rasmussen, Katherine McQuillan	
			Western Federal Lands: Seth English-Young	
June 18, 2024	MVP Policy Board Committee	Program of Projects DOT&PF 3C Policy & Procedure	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Luke Bowland	
			Alaska Legislature: Sharon Johnson	
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer	
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington	
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal	
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox	
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino	
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles	
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Maija DiSalvo, Julie Spackman,	
			MVP: Kim Sollien	
			North Lakes Community Council: Rod Hanson	

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Rodney Fodge
June 19, 2024	FAST Policy Board Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on		Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Nick Czarnecki
		MPO coordination during development of the STIP - review and recommend	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, Adam Moser, Brett Nelson, Ben White, Judy Chapman, Ivet Hall, Joe Kemp
			City of Fairbanks: Mayor David Pruhs
			<b>City of North Pole:</b> Chandra Clack, Danny Wallace
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Trinity Consultants:</b> Suriya Vallamsunda, Tom Carlson
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Patrice Lee, Molly Farrell, Z. Zanon, Gary Wilken
June 20, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	3C Process memo STIP Update	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Mark Eisenman, James Starzec, Luke Bowland, Ben White, John Linnell, Steven Rzepka, Joselyn Biloon, Adam Moser, Alex Read, Adam Bradway, Anna Bosin, Julius Adolfsson
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Christine Schuette, Lindsey Hajduk

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			<b>Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Mark Littlefield, Allie Hartman
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kent Kohlhase, Daniel Mckenna-Foster, Zakary Hartman, Brandon Telford, Bart Rudolph, Brad Coy
June 27-28, 2024	Planning team work session	June 27, DOT&PF Planning developed a revised draft of the 3C document compiling all the MPO comments into one document with staff recommendations.  June 28, DOT&PF provided all three MPO Executive Directors with a copy of the revised document with MPO comments captured and	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: MPO Planners, Planning Chiefs, Planning Division Ops Manager MPOs: Executive Directors
July 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	an update on the status.  STIP Amendment 1 and comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Clint Adler, Ben White
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Mat-Su Borough: Crystal Smith, Alex Strawn
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			Trucking Industry: Lawerence Smith
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
July 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	MVP STIP Amendment comments Alaska DOT&PF 3C	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Adam Bradway, Ben White, Shannon McCarthy
		Comprehensive,	Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
		Continuing, and Cooperative	Alaska State Legislature: Sharon Johnson
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann, Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			<b>Matanuska Susitna Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Maija DiSalvo, Alex Strawn
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
July 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	,	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Brett Nelson, Ben White, Judy Chapman, Al Beck, Adam Moser
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			City of North Pole: Chandra Clack
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Corey DiRutigliano, Olivia Lunsford
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			Federal Highway Administration: Marie Heidemann
			KTVF: Patrick Gilchrist

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			MVP: Kim Sollien  Michael Baker International: Sarah Schacher  RESPEC: Elise Blocker  Not affiliated or unknown affiliation: Evee Rynish  Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, Joselyn Biloon, Brett Nelson, Shannon McCarthy, Adam Moser, Judy Chapman, Sarah Riopelle
			Michael Baker International: Sarah Schacher
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker
July 18, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 and ED Comments	<b>Facilities:</b> Sean Holland, Ben White, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, Joselyn Biloon, Brett Nelson, Shannon McCarthy, Adam
			Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Jason Olds
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Emily Weiser
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Dueber
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann, Julie Jenkins
			HDR: Morgan Miller
			Municipality of Anchorage Assembly: Daniel Volland, Mark Littlefield
			Municipality of Anchorage: Daniel Mckenna- Foster, Brandon Telford, Zakary Hartman, Bart Rudolph, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Jamie Acton, Graham Downey
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Melissa Babb
July 23, 2024	Fairbanks Coordination	oordination Fairbanks North Star	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith
	Meeting		Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
July 30, 2024	FAST Special Technical Committee	STIP Amendment 1 draft comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Nick Czarnecki

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, Brett Nelson, John Netardus, Al Beck, Adam Moser, Ivet Hall
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Deuber
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pritash, William Rogers
			City of North Pole: Cody Lougee
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Kellen Spillman, Don Galligan, Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Mary Farrell, Gary Wilken, two unknown call-ins
July 30, 2024	Mat-Su Coordination Meeting	MVP Planning and Mat-Su Borough coordination on STIP Amendment 1	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Andy Mills, Sean Holland
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			MVP: Kim Sollien
July 31, 2024	FAST Special Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
	Meeting		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Al Beck, Ivet Hall, Adam Moser, Kaitlin Williams
			City of North Pole: Chandra Clack
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Deborah Todd

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees	
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth	
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman	
		Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass		
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann	
			RESPEC: Megan Flory	
			Not affiliated or unknown affiliation: Gary Wilken, Sue Wilken, Mary Farrell, Jenny Campbell, Barbara Schuhmann, Jon Cook, Alexander Gagne-Hawes, Anonymous, one additional call-in	
August 1, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP Amendments 2 and 3 VRU's	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities	
			AMATS: Technical Commitee	
			*Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet	

## Attachment "C" Alaska DOT&PF 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Funding Programs, Sources, and Codes

#### **FHWA Formula Funding**

Fund Code Fund Source

Bridge-HIP Highway Improvement Program Bridge Funds
Bridge-INFRA Highway Infrastructure Bridge Replacement

Bridge-OSB Highway Infrastructure Bridge Replacement-Off System Bridge

DBE Disadvantaged Businesses Training

FBF Ferry Boat Funds

HIP-OSB Highway Improvement Program Bridge Funds -Off System Bridge

NEVI National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure

OJT On The Job Training

CMAQ Congestion Mitigation Air Quality

CMAQ Flex Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex

CMAQ Flex AMATS

CMAQ Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex MVP

CMAQ Mandatory

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex MVP

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex MVP

CMAQ Mandatory

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory

CMAQ Mandatory AMATS

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory (AMATS)

CMAQ-M FAST

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory FAST

CRP Carbon Reduction Program

CRP <5k Carbon Reduction Program: Population <5K

CRP >200k AMATS Carbon Reduction Program: Population >200K (AMATS)

CRP 50-200k FAST
CRP 50-200k MVP
CRP 5-50k
Carbon Reduction Program 50-200k MVP
Carbon Reduction Program: Population 5-49,999K

CRP Flex Carbon Reduction Program FLEX

HSIP Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

Illustrative NHPP AMATS Illustrative NHPP Funds Intended for Future TIP Amendments

Metro Metropolitan Planning Program

Metro- AMATS Metropolitan Planning Program (AMATS)
Metro- FAST Metropolitan Planning Program (FAST)
Metro- MVP Metropolitan Planning Program (MVP)

NEVI AMATS National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (AMATS)

NHFP National Highway Freight Program
NHPP National Highway Performance Program

NHPP AMATS
National Highway Performance Program (AMATS)
NHPP Exempt
NHPP FAST
National Highway Performance Program - Exempt
NHPP FAST
National Highway Performance Program (FAST)
PM 2.5
Projects To Reduce PM 2.5 Emissions Set-Aside

PRTC PROTECT Program

PRTC Plng PROTECT Program Planning
RAIL Railway-Highway Crossings Program

RTP Recreational Trails Program and 1% Admin Set-Aside
S&A-Metro Safe And Accessible Trans Options - Metro Planning

S&A-SPR Safe And Accessible Trans Options - Statewide Planning and Research

S154 Section 154 Penalties
S154 NHPP Section 154 Penalties (NHPP)
S154 NHPP AMATS Section 154 Penalties (NHPP) (AMATS)
S154 STBG Section 154 Penalties (STBG)

Section 154 Penalties (STBG)
S164 Section 164 Penalties
S164 NHPP Section 164 Penalties (NHPP)
S164 STBG Section 164 Penalties (STBG)

SA Highway Safety Improvement Program: (SA)

SA Takedown Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA Takedown) SA-AMATS Highway Safety Improvement Program (AMATS) SA-FAST Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA FAST) SPR CMAQ Statewide Planning and Research (CMAQ Set-aside) **SPR HSIP** Statewide Planning and Research (HSIP Set-aside) Statewide Planning and Research (NHFP Set-aside) SPR NHFP SPR NHPP Statewide Planning and Research (NHPP Set-aside) SPR STBG Statewide Planning and Research (STBG Set-aside)

STBG Surface Transportation Block Grant

STBG <5k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population <5K

STBG >200k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population >200K (AMATS)
STBG 50-200 FAST Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 50-200K FAST
STBG 50-200 MVP Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 50-200K MVP
STBG 5-50k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 5-49,999K

STBG Flex Surface Transportation Block Grant: FLEX

STBG OSB Surface Transportation Block Grant: Off System Bridge TAP <5k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population <5K

TAP >200k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population >200K (AMATS)
TAP 50-200k FAST Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K FAST
TAP 50-200k MVP Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K MVP
TAP 5-50k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 5-49,999K

TAP Flex Transportation Alternatives Program: FLEX VRU Vulnerable Road User Safety Special Rule

#### **Other Federal Funds**

#### Fund Code Fund Source

FRA-STC Federal Railroad Administration-Special Transportation Circumstances

Program

MARAD (FY22) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY22 Award)
MARAD (FY23) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY23 Award)
MARAD (FY24) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY24 Award)
OFF CDS Other Federal Funds: Congressionally Delegated Spending
OFF DG AMATS Other Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (AMATS)

OFF DG ARRC Other Federal Funds

OFF DG Community Award
Ofther Federal Funds: (Community Awards)
OFF DG FAST
Ofther Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (FAST)
OFF ER
Other Federal Funds: Emergency Relief

OFF FLAP Other Federal Funds: FLAP

OFF SOA Other Federal Funds

OFF DG FRA Other Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (FRA)

#### **FHWA Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

BIP: Small (FY22)

Bridge Improvement Program: Small (FY22 Award)

BIP: Small (FY23)

Bridge Improvement Program: Small (FY23 Award)

CFI (FY23)

Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (FY23 Award)

Culvert (FY22) National Culvert Removal Replacement and Restoration Grant Program (FY22 Award)
Culvert (FY23) National Culvert Removal Replacement and Restoration Grant Program (FY23 Award)

OFF DG FHWA Other Federal Funds (FHWA)

PROTECT (FY22) Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation Program (FY22 Award)
PROTECT (FY23) Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation Program (FY23 Award)

RCP (FY22) Reconnecting Communities Grant Awards (FY22 Award)
RCP (FY23) Reconnecting Communities Grant Awards (FY23 Award)

RES Research, Develop, And Tech Transfer (RD&T)

SMART (FY23) Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation Grants Program (FY23 Award)

SS4A (FY22) Safe Streets and Roads for All (FY22 Award)
SS4A (FY23) Safe Streets and Roads for All (FY23 Award)
THHP (FY22) Tribal High Priority Projects (FY22 Award)
THHP (FY23) Tribal High Priority Projects (FY23 Award)

TTPSF (FY22) Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund (FY22 Award)
TTPSF (FY23) Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund (FY23 Award)

#### **USDOT Office of the Secretary Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

MPDG-INFRA (FY23) Multimodal Project Discretionary Grants: INFRA (FY23 Award)
MPDG-Rural (FY22) Multimodal Project Discretionary Grants: Rural (FY22 Award)
OFF DG USDOT-OST Other Federal Funds: Office of the Secretary of Transportation
RAISE (FY21) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY21 Award)

RAISE (FY22) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY22 Award)

RAISE (FY23)

Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY23 Award)

RAISE (2024) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY24 Award)

#### **Federal Transit Administration Formula Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

5307

5303 Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning
5303 AMATS Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (AMATS)
5303 FAST Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (FAST)
5303 MVP Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (MVP)
5304 Rural Section 5304 Statewide Planning (Rural)

5307 MOA Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Anchorage Area Transit) 5307 ARRC in AMATS Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in AMATS) 5307 ARRC in FAST Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in FAST) 5307 ARRC in MVP Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in MVP) 5307 ARRC Statewide Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC Statewide) 5307 FNSB Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Fairbanks Area Transit) 5307 MOA Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Anchorage Area Transit) 5307 MSB Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Mat-Su Borough Area Transit)

Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula

5310 AMATS

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (AMATS)

5310 FAST

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (FAST)

5310 MVP

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (MVP)

5310 Flex

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Statewide)

5310 Statewide

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Statewide)

5310 MPO Allocation

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Urban)

5311 Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula

5311 IRF Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Indian Reservation Formula)
5311 RTAP Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Rural Transit Assistance Program)

5311 Flex Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Statewide)
5324 Section 5324 Emergency Relief Program (ARRC Statewide)

5337 Section 5337 State of Good Repair

5337 ARRC in MVP Section 5337 State of Good Repair ((ARRC in MVP Boundary)

5337 ARRC IN AMATS Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Anchorage Area Transit) (ARRC in AMATS Boundary)

5337 ARRC IN FAST

Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ARRC in FAST Boundary)

5337 ARRC Statewide SetAside

Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ARRC Statewide)

5337 MPO Allocation

Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Urban)

5337 Statewide Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Statewide)

5339 Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities

5339 AMATS Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (AMATS)
5339 FAST Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (FAST)

5339(c) LONO Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Low-No Emissions)

5339 MVP Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (MVP)
5339 Flex Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Statewide)
5339 Statewide Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Statewide)
5339 MPO Allocation Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Urban)

#### **Federal Transit Administration Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

AoPP (FY23) Areas of Persistent Poverty Program (FY23 Award)

Low/No Ferry (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71102 Electric Low Emitting FTA Grant: Shuttle Ferry (FY22 Award)

Rural Ferry (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant (FY22 Award)
Rural Ferry (FY23) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant (FY23 Award)

Rural Ferry Operations (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant: Operating Support (FY22 Award)
Rural Ferry Operations (FY23) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant: Operating Support (FY23 Award)

OFF DG FTA Other Federal Funds (FTA)

5339(b) Bus (FY22) Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Discretionary Grant (FY24 Award)

STIC Small Transit Intensive Cities (FTA)

#### **Non Federal Funds**

Fund Code Fund Source

UGF Appn General Fund Appropriation
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3PF ARRC Local Match (ARRC)

3PF Local Local Match (Community-Driven Projects)
3PF For DG Local Match (Discretionary Grants)
3PF FAST Plng (FM) Local Match (FAST Planning "FM")

3PF FAST Local Match (FAST)

3PF MOA Local Match (Municipality of Anchorage)

3PF MVP Local Match (MVP)

SM SOA State Match

SM AMATS State Match (AMATS)

SM DG State Match (Discretionary Grant)

SM FAST State Match (FAST)

Illustrative Unfunded Projects Shown for Illustrative Purposes



MatSu Valley Planning (MVP) for Transportation Metropolitan Planning Organization

July 18, 2024

Ryan Anderson, P.E.
Commissioner
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities
P.O. Box 112500
3132 Channel Drive
Juneau, Ak 99811-2500

Subject: 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1 Comments released on July 3rd

Dear Commissioner Anderson,

The MVP project team conducted a review of Draft STIP Amendment #1, with particular emphasis on MVP's Program of Projects (PoP) approved by the MVP Policy Board on June 18<sup>th</sup> and the suballocations Ledger MVP received from ADOT&PF on May 29th, during the MPO quarterly meeting. Significant errors were identified. Had MVP been given the opportunity to review the draft STIP Amendment prior to its release for public comment, many of the errors could have been corrected.

Submitting individual comments through the comment portal is not practical for the Policy Board. Below are the compiled comments approved by the Policy Board on July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, regular meeting.

1) In the STIP 24-27: Volume 2 Adopted by Reference document <a href="STIP 24-27">STIP 24-27</a>: Volume 2

ADOPTED BY REFERENCE (alaska.gov), MVP's Program of Projects is included but it is a draft and not the document approved by the Policy Board on June 18th. This is a significant oversight. The approved MVP program of Projects document was transmitted to ADOT&PF via the Central Region MVP Planning Coordinator for inclusion in the STIP amendment, but it was not included in the amendment.

This error also caused frustration for MVP's members. As written, it appears that the MSB would be receiving all of the Improvement Program funding for their projects. MVP has an approved policy for how projects will be selected outside of the STIP documentation.

MVP's PoP also includes a cover narrative. This narrative was not included with the STIP Amendment #1. This cover narrative describes all of the assumptions and information MVP used to create the PoP. When ADOT&PF corrects MVP's PoP in the STIP Volume 2 ADOPTED



BY REFERENCE document, MVP's cover memo should be included with the MVP Policy Board Approved PoP.

- 2) MVP was told that the STIP Amendment was going to be released next week (sometime in May), then June 1, then June 15 and it was finally released on July 3 although MVP did not have access to it until July 8<sup>th</sup> due to significant issues with the project STIP website. Due to the delay in releasing the Amendment, MVP believes it is no longer possible to program any projects in FFY24. A revised Program of Projects was approved on July 16, by the Policy Board due to the delay in the release of the STIP amendment. This is the Program of Projects that should be incorporated by reference and MVP expects all its FFY24 sub-allocations to be carried over to FFY25. For this reason, please modify the following:
  - a. STIP ID 34655 Streetlight and Intersection Management seems fine but shows the funds in FY24. Please move this project to FFY25.
  - b. STIP ID 34654 Sign Management seems fine but shows the funds in FY24. Please move this project to FFY25.
  - c. STIP ID 34532 Improvement program \$1,000,000 title indicated the funding is for <a href="FFY25">FFY25</a>. The funds should be allocated to FFY25. Also, the project description is inaccurate; it should read: Perform gravel or asphalt surface maintenance and preservation activities on roads, sidewalks, and pathways. Work may also include new or upgraded illumination, signing, stripping, storm drains, and intersection improvements including nonmotorized crossings, as well as ADA upgrades to sidewalks and curb ramps. State pays the design match and local governments pay construction match, per agreement.
- 3) The MVP LEDGER-TIP for the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding and Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) has inaccuracies based on the sub-allocations document given to MVP at the Quarterly meeting on May 29th.
  - MVP STBG FFY24 is \$7,208,849 not \$5,389,409.
  - MVP STBG FFY25 is \$7,425,115 not \$2,032,656.
  - MVP STBG FFY26 is \$7,647,868 not \$5,676,093.
  - MVP TAP in FFY24 is \$426,760 not \$7,635,609.
  - MVP TAP in FFY25 is \$866,323 not \$7,764,678.
- 4) MVP Policy Board approved a memo on June 18th as a response to the draft 3C policy ADOT&PF has been working on. The MVP Policy Board outlined their request for consultation on funding allocations, the formulas used, and the timeframe needed to review STIP changes and amendments. This memo was sent to ADOT&PF on June 19th. Notification in writing of our sub-allocations in a timely manner, without modification, but with formulas



presented, is just one of the necessary consultation steps that MVP expects. We are currently reviewing the latest draft memo and will provide comments. It is important to note that the manner in which we have been provided access to the information outlined in the STIP amendment is not acceptable as there are many errors. We were not given the opportunity to review the information ahead of the release of the amendment. We could have assisted the state in a review prior to release so many of the errors could be avoided. *Coordination needs to be timely to be effective.* 

5) The fiscal constraint document allocations for MVP are inconsistent with the MVP LEDGER-TIP MVP for STBG 50-200k.

FFY24 and FFY25 are listed with same amount \$7,208,849 FFY25 should be \$7,425,115.

- 6) It does not appear that any of the MVP STBG funds are listed in Need id 34302 Pavement and Bridge Rehabilitation, so it does not appear that Wasilla-Fishhook Road: E Seldon to Tex-Al Drive is included in the Amendment as outlined in the Program of Projects. It is critical that this project is included in FFY25.
- 7) In the comment Portal, STIP ID 34406 Urban Transit MVP Planning Funds funding amount is incorrect. It should be \$377,710 for all four years not \$441,892. The amount for 5303 funding seems correct on the TIP ledger page.
- 8) STIP ID 34531 Advanced Project Definition project description narrative is incorrect and should read: This project will provide funding for the development of SSEs for projects nominated to the MVP for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). SSEs are completed by the Alaska DOT&PF staff at the request of MVP. Funding needs to be allocated to FFY25.
  - Also, in MVP's approved Program of Projects it is documented that the State would pay the match for this project. This correction needs to be made.
- 9) STIP ID: 34342 Bogard Road Safety and Capacity Improvements. The Amendment indicates that additional STBG will be coming from MVP STBP 50,000-200,000 in FFY 26. This needs to be changed to STBG Flex as MVP did not commit to funding this in FFY26 as specifically stated in the narrative of the Program of Projects.
- 10) STIP ID: 34251 Inner and Outer Springer Loop Separated Pathway [TAP Award 2023]: does not identify that it is within the MPA boundary. It also does not look like MVPs TAP allocation for FFY25 is being used. The funding amount and funding source for FFY25 is



different than what is in the Program of Projects: The Program of Projects shows \$187,744 in MVP TAP funds and the Amendment shows \$363,860 of TAP Flex funds.

- 11) STIP ID: 6234 Fishhook Pathway Trunk to Edgerton funding amount in FFY25 is not the same as the MVP's Program of Projects PoP. Which one is correct? Also, the Amendment indicates that additional TAP will be coming from TAP 50,000-200,000 in FFY 26. MVP did not commit to funding this in FFY26 as stated in the narrative of the Program of Projects. This needs to be changed to TAP Flex.
- 12) STIP ID 34243 Seldon Road Reconstruction: Wasilla-Fishhook Road to Lucille Street [Parent] [CTP Award 2023]. The Amendment indicates that additional STBG will be coming from MVP's STBP 50,000-200,000 in FFY 26. This needs to be changed to STBG Flex as MVP did not commit to funding this project in FFY26 as stated in the narrative of the Program of Projects.
- 13) STIP ID 34595 MVP Pavement Management Plan needs to be added to the Amendment as a project in FFY25 as outlined in MVP's Program of Projects. FFY 2025 in \$200,000.
  - Project Narrative: The plan would include automated collection of pavement condition (smoothness, rutting, and cracking) within the MPA using Road Surface Profiling (RSP) equipment consisting of distance measuring instruments, accelerometers and a Laser Crack Measurement System (LCMS) to provide high-definition 3D profiles and 2D images of the road surface. Data collected will be documented in GIS format and in a written report that will prioritize improvement projects.
- 14) STIP ID 34404 for the MVP Planning Office needs to be added to the Amendment as outlined in the MVP's Program of Projects in FFY25 \$200,000.
  - Project Narrative Funding for the MVP Planning Office which supports delivery of the MVP's Unified Planning Work Program.
- 15) We are trying to understand Fiscal Constraint and while the DOT&PF is using the Advance Construction innovative financing technique, we do not see where the Advance Construction is converted (paid back) in some of the projects.
- 16) We can see what projects were added to the STIP via the Amendment, but we would like see a list of projects that were removed from the STIP. It would also be helpful, as a new MPO, if the ADOT&PF would draft a changes summary to accompany the Amendment so that we could see at a glance all the changes included in the Amendment.
- 17) The Transit funding for 5307, 5337, and 5339 differs from the May 29th Ledger MVP received



from ADOT&PF with what is being shown in the Fiscal Constraint document from the STIP Amendment #1. It is unclear which numbers are correct.

M	ay 29th Ledger	STIP	Amendment #1 Fiscal Constraint		FTA Apportionment*
FFY24 5307	\$2,121,898	or	\$2,121,898	or	\$1,845,938
FFY25 5307	\$1,282,162	or	\$2,185,555		
FFY24 5310	\$128,945	or	\$52,559		
FFY24 5339	\$70,242	or	\$70,432		

<sup>\*</sup>The 5307 formula funding from the Federal Transit Authority apportionment table for FY2024, for the MVP urban area, is \$1,845,938. The ADOT&PF number for FFY24 is \$2,121,898. The ADOT&PF number should match the FTA numbers.

- 18) In the memo MVP submitted to ADOT&PF as a response to the draft 3C policy document on June 19<sup>th</sup> MVP requested ADOT&PF send a formal memo to the Policy Board, outlining MVP's suballocations on an annual basis before June 1<sup>st</sup>. Many of the comments listed in this document are a result of not receiving accurate suballocation numbers.
- 19) Due to the MVP Policy Board Packet release deadline for the July 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, the MVP team has not had time to review all the projects in the STIP that are within the Mat-Su Borough that would be considered projects of regional significance. Additional comments from MVP may be presented to ADOT&PF in a follow up comment memo.

Sincerely, Kim Sollien MVP Coordinator

CC:

**MVP Policy Board** 



## **MatSu Valley Planning** *for* **Transportation** Metropolitan Planning Organization

Date: July 16, 2024

To: MVP Policy Board

RE: Program of Projects

Attached is MVP's Program of Projects that was developed in consultation with the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities' MVP Transportation Planner and with advisement of the Technical Committee on July 9, 2024.

The following are the assumptions that were made during the development of the Program of Projects:

- 1. Due to the delay in the STIP Amendment approval, MVP will not be able to obligate its sub-allocations for FFY24 and expects these sub-allocations to be transferred to FFY25.
- 2. The MVP sub-allocations are as follows:
- 3. Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG)
  - a. FFY24 \$7,208,849 Carryover from FFY24 to FFY25: \$7,208,849 FFY25 \$7,425,115
- 4. Transportation Alternative Program (TAP)
  - a. FFY24 \$426,760 Carryover from FFY24 to FFY25: \$426,760
  - b. FFY25 \$439,563
- 5. Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)
  - a. FFY 24 \$775,163: Transferred to STBG and carried over to FFY25
  - b. FFY25 \$798,418: Transferred to STBG and carried over to FFY25
- 6. Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program (CMAQ)
  - a. FFY24 \$727,800: Transferred to STBG and carried over to FFY25
  - b. FFY25 \$749,364: Transferred to STBG and carried over to FFY25
- 7. To expedite the obligation of the FFY 25 27 MVP Improvement Program, the State will pay the non-federal share for the design phase only.
- 8. The State will fund the non-federal share of the Advance Project Definition project.
- 9. MVP plans to carryover\$ 2,798,070 to FFY26 or modify this program under a future STIP amendment.
- 10. Transit funding breakdown between Valley Transit and ARRC is currently unknown; awaiting split letter from the state.
- 11. Commitment to fund additional phases of any of the capital projects is solely dependent on the development of the TIP and the priorities established by the Policy Board. Nothing in this program commits the Policy Board to future funding on the projects included herein in FFY26 or FFY27.

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34532		FFY25 - 27 MVP Improvement Program	STBG			\$ 909,700.00			
		Perform gravel or asphalt surface maintenance and preservation activities on roads, sidewalks, and pathways. Work may also	SM	Design		\$ 90,300.00			
		include new or upgraded illumination, signing, striping, storm	SM						
		drains, and intersection improvements including normotorized crossings, as well as ADA upgrades to sidewalks and curb ramps.	STBG	Construction					
		State pays the design match and local govemments pay construction match, per agreement.	3PF	Collegiacion					
		Project Total			- \$	1,000,000.00	\$	- \$	
6234		Palmer-Fishhook Separated Pathway: Trunk Road to Edgertonb Parks Road (TAP Award	STBG	Design		\$			
		Construct a pedestrian/bike pathway along Palmer-Fishhook Road	3PF			\$ 312,970.00			
		selected in the 2023 DOT&PF Transportation Alternatives Program	TAP			\$ 595,438.00			
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34243		Seldon Road Reconstruction: Wasilla-Fishhook Road to Snowgoose Drive (Parent) (CTP Award 2023)	STBG	Design		\$ 2,871,000.00			
		This project will upgrade Seldon Road, between Wasilla-Fishhook	3PF			\$ 319,000.00			
		and Lucille Street, to an arterial nighway with a separate parrway to address geometry, safety and capacity issues. This project was	STBG	-					
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		combined into a parent/child grouping to better coordinate design and construction (34243 and 34242).	STBG	acitor rated of					
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34595		MVP Pavement Management Plan	STBG			\$ 181,940.00			
		The plan would include automated collection of pavement condition (smoothness, ruting, and cracking) on within the MPA using Road Surface Profiling (RSP) equipment consisting of distance measuring instruments, accelerometers and a Laser Crack Measurement System (LCMS) to provide high definition 3D profiles and 2D images of the road surface. Data collected will be documented in GIS format and in a written report that will prioritize improvement projects.	3PF	Planning		\$ 18,060.00			
						\$ 200,000.00	\$	- \$	-
34404		MVP Planning Office	STBG			\$ 181,940.00			
		Funding for the MVP Planning Office which supports delivery of the MVP's Unified Planning Work Program.	3PF	Planning		\$ 18,060.00			
		Project Total				\$ 200,000.00	\$	- \$	<del>\$</del>

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MVP Streetlight Intersection Management Plan   STBG   Planning   STBG			maintained and replaced as needed to improve visibility and							
WVP Streetlight Intersection Management Plan   STBG   Planning   STBC   Planning   Planning   STBC   Planning   STBC   Planning   STBC   Planning   Planning   STBC   Planning   STBC   Planning   STBC   Planning			increase road safety. Use the sign assessment to track sign data and to maintain a minimum retroreflectivity level of all signs to increase their visibility at night.							
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			Funding	Funding (Revenue) Summary					
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		FTA	Projects with	in MSB MPO F	FTA Projects within MSB MPO Planning Boundary				
Need ID		Project Description	Fund Code	Fund Type	FFY24	FFY25	FFY26	FFY27	Beyond
	Urbanized Area	Jrbanized Area Formula Grant - Valley Transit	FTA	5307	\$ 1,845,938.00	\$ 1,282,162.00			
	Transit operating assistance	ssistance	Match		\$ 1,845,938.00	\$ 1,282,162.00			
		Project Total			\$ 3,691,876.00	\$ 2,564,324.00	•	- \$	
	Urbanized Area	Urbanized Area Formula - ARRC	FTA	5307		· ·	· *	- \$	
	State of Good Repa	State of Good Repair rehabilitation and replacement activities	Match	ARRC	- \$	9	- \$	- \$	
		Project Total				- \$	•	- \$	
	Enhanced Mobi	Enhanced Mobility for Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities	FTA	5310	\$ 128,944.99	\$ 54,136.00			
			Match		\$ 128,944.99	\$ 54,136.00			
		Project Total			\$ 257,889.99	\$ 108,272.00	- \$	- \$	
	State of Good Repair	Repair	FTA	5337	\$ 1,325,232.00	\$ 245,589.00			
	Provides capital ass projects of high-inter agencies maintain a Management Plans.	Provides capital assistance for maintenance, replacement and rehabilitation projects of high-intensity fixed guideway and motorbus systems to help transit agencies maintain assets in a state of good repair. Eligibile for Transit Asset Management Plans.	Match		\$ 1,325,232.00	\$ 245,589.00			
		Project Total	-		\$ 2,650,464.00	\$ 491,178.00	- \$	. \$	
	Bus and Bus Facilities	acilities	FTA	5339	\$ 70,423.73	\$ 40,502.00			
	Provides funding to s replace, rehabilitate bus-related facilities.	Provides funding to states and transit agencies through a statuatory formula to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities.	Match		\$ 70,423.73	\$ 40,502.00			
		Project Total			\$ 140,847.46	\$ 81,004.00	•	- \$	



# Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER Ryan Anderson, P.E., Commissioner

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August 26, 2024

Mayor Glenda Ledford Chair, MVP Policy Board 290 E. Herning Avenue Wasilla, AK 99654-7091

Subject: July 18, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Mayor Ledford,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1, and for your participation in a follow up meeting on July 30<sup>th</sup> with myself, Deputy Commissioner Keith, MVP Coordinator Kim Sollien, and your contractor, Donna Gardino.

We have many great projects scheduled for your area over the coming four years. Deputy Commissioner Keith has transmitted the list of projects we discussed to MVP. I'm excited to work collaboratively with the Policy Board to ensure we transition projects with minimal disruptions to our existing delivery schedules.

Attachment "A" to this letter is the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) response to the Mat Su Valley Planning for Transportation (MVP) Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) comments. Attachment "B" to this letter is DOT&PF's efforts to engage with Alaska's MPOs, FHWA, and other State and Federal agencies regarding the STIP since the planning findings were issued. Attachment "C" is a table of Alaska DOT&PF's funding sources and suballocation tables for your use.

Sincerely.

Ryan Anderson, P.E.

Commissioner

Attachments: As Stated

Cc:

Kim Sollien, MVP Coordinator Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF Adam Bradway, MPO Coordinator, Alaska DOT&PF

Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities response to July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 FAST Planning Comments on the 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, Amendment #1

### **Comment #1 Response**

We appreciate MVP providing the Department with the July 16, 2024 approved Policy Board approved Program of Projects. This program of projects is a way for us to communicate MVP's priorities, while the MPO develops the Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Since it is not a formal Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), we will incorporate into the STIP as "informational" in STIP Volume 2 TIPs Incorporated by Reference.

### **Comment #2 Response**

We have made the changes to 34654, 34655, and 34532. Please note that we cannot guarantee funding sub-allocations from one year to the next, but we strive to ensure shovel ready projects line up with funding source fiscal constraint requirements. Please work closely with DOT&PF Director and Policy Board member Sean Holland on project delivery dates and obligation schedules.

#### **Comment #3 Response**

As discussed in our July 30<sup>th</sup> meeting, we have reviewed and updated STBG and TAP funding in our ledgers to ensure funding amounts are accurate and consistent throughout the document.

# **Comment #4 Response**

Ben White, DOT&PF Transportation Planner, has been working with MPO staff on our 3C document. As requested, MVP will have opportunities to review the final draft document with comments from all three MPO's in the State of Alaska addressed.

#### **Comment #5 Response**

As discussed in our July 30<sup>th</sup> meeting, we have reviewed STBG 50-200k to ensure funding amounts are accurate and consistent throughout the document.

#### **Comment #6 Response**

Wasilla-Fishhook Road: E Seldon to Tex-AL Drive is scheduled for delivery for the 2025 construction year using funds programmed in STIP ID 34302.

#### Comment #7 Response

STIP ID 34406 Urban Transit MCP Planning Fund has been reviewed to ensure funding amounts are accurate and consistent throughout the document.

#### **Comment #8 Response**

Thank you for this comment. We have made the changes to STIP ID 34531 Advanced Project Definition.

#### **Comment #9 Response:**

The requested changes to STIP ID 34342 Bogard Road Safety and Capacity Improvements will be made. It is important to note that during the transition, we have flexibility in how we utilize our funding

allocations. This is important to ensure that projects that are scheduled for delivery in the transition can move forward without delays.

#### **Comment #10 Response:**

The requested changes to STIP ID 34251 Inner and Outer Springer Loop Separated Pathway [TAP Award 2023] have been made.

# Comment #11 Response

We have reviewed STIP ID 6234 Fishhook Pathway Trunk to Edgerton and made changes to resolve comments. It is important to note that during the transition, we have flexibility in how we utilize our funding allocations. This is important to ensure that projects that are scheduled for delivery in the transition can move forward without delays.

# Comment #12 Response

We have reviewed STIP ID 23243 Seldon Road Reconstruction: Wasilla Fishhook Road to Lucille Street and made changes to resolve the comment. It is important to note that during the transition, we have flexibility in how we utilize our funding allocations. This is important to ensure that projects that are scheduled for delivery in the transition can move forward without delays.

### **Comment #13 Response**

The request to add STIP ID 34595 MVP Pavement Management Plan to the amendment has been granted.

#### Comment #14

The request to add STIP ID 34404 MVP Planning Office has been granted.

### Comment #15

We are happy to have further discussion on fiscal constraint and the use of advanced construction. Please work with our DOT&PF MPO coordinator to schedule a presentation for the Technical Committee and/or Policy Board.

#### Comment #16

A summary of changes will be included with STIP Amendment #1 submitted for FHWA approval and posted on our website.

#### Comment #17

Thank you for this comment. Transit funding has been reviewed to ensure funding amounts are accurate and consistent throughout the document.

#### Comment #18

Thank you for this comment. We will work to ensure our MPO coordinators transmit these requests appropriately for processing in the future.

# Comment #19

Please let us know as soon as possible if there are projects in the STIP that MVP does not believe are priorities or should be funded. Many projects in the STIP have long histories or have gone through a public solicitation and scoring process. If there is a request to remove projects, please note that the State of Alaska may be subject to non-participation costs associated with work completed to date paid for with Federal funds.

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees		
April 3, 2024	FAST Technical Committee	STIP Project Prioritization	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki		
		Review	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Lauren Little, John Perreault		
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood		
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers		
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene		
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich		
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Christopher Stepovich		
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd		
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins		
			KUAC: Dan Bross		
			RESPEC: Megan Flory		
April 4, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP Amendment 2	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi		
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Galen Jones, James Starzec, Mary Hoffman, Steven Rzepka, Mark Eisenman, Sean Baski, Joselyn Biloon, John Linnell, Judy Chapman		
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood		
			Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association, Inc.: Karen Pletnikoff		
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Mook Puttong, Emily Weiser, Lindsey Hajduk		
			Chugach Mtn. Bike Riders: Will Taygan		
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins		
			<b>HDR:</b> Laurie Cummings, Amy Burnett, Chris Hughes, Alice Horazdovsky		

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			Municipality of Anchorage: Brad Coy, Craig Lyon, Steve Ribuffo, Melinda Kohlhaas, Taylor Keegan, Matt Stichick, Jamie Acton, Brandon Telford, Bart Rudolph
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Aves Thompson
April 8, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP recaps and path forward	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith
	leadership		<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney
April 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	Project Prioritization Review, Travel Demand	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
		Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Adam Moser
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Wasilla: Brad Hanson
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Alex Strawn, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham, Maija Disalvo
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Natalie Lyon
			Valley Transit: Jennifer Busch
April 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review, Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Luke Bowland, John Linnell, Ben White, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Kinney Engineering: Josh Cross, Aiza Miguel
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Mat-Su Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
April 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Katherine Keith, Randi Bailey
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			<b>City of North Pole:</b> Michael Welch, Danny Wallace
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Nathan Belz
April 18, 2024	AMATS Policy Committee	TIP Amendment 2 Air Quality Conformity	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds, Adeyemi Alimi
		TIP Amendment 2 Letter of support for DOT&PF PPPP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Sarah Riopelle, Luke Bowland, Ben White, James Starzec, John

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Linnell, Anna Bosin, Kelly Summers, Patrick Swalling, Joselyn Biloon, Mark Eisenman
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Dueber
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Mook Puttong, Lindsey Hajduk, Mark Littlefield
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brandon Telford, Jamie Acton, Bart Rudolph, Zakary Hartman, Taylor Keegan, Russ Oswald
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Meg Zaletel
			Rabbit Creek Community Council: Nancy Pease
			Not affiliated or unknown affiliation: Wolfgang Junge
April 25, 2024	FAST Policy Board Chair Work		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson
	Session		Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
April 26, 2024	FAST Executive Director Work Session		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Randi Bailey, Shane Moller, James Starzec, Adam Bradway
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
April 26, 2024	AMATS Executive Director Work Session	Work session to go over project updates ahead of STIP Amendment 1, and	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: James Starzec, Katherine Keith AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		to share the tools to ensure everyone has access to information	AIVIATS: Adron Jongeneien
April 26, 2024	AMATS Support Discussion	Discussing contract with DOWL for assistance with STIP corrective actions,	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: James Starzec, Katherine Keith, Judy Chapman
		specifically the congestion	AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		management process	<b>DOWL:</b> Renee Whitesell, Jessica Smith

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP after action and Amendment 1 next steps	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Winnie Cichosz, Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone, Andy Mills, Lauren Little
			Federal Highway Administration: Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney, Julie Jenkins, Emily Haynes, Theresa Hutchins, Emily Biondi, Harlan Miller, Kenneth Petty
April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	Meeting on Tier 2 Items	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 1, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory	Updates on STIP Interior Transportation	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
	Committee	Plan TIP Admin Modification	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Brett Nelson, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Sara Lucey, Jennifer Wright, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Michael Bredlie
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			<b>Michael Baker International:</b> Sarah Schacher, Jeff Kupko
			National Renewable Energy Laboratory: Karlin Swearingen
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich

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May 2, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory	TIP Narrative Update	<b>Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation:</b> Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Anna Bosin, Noah King, Patrick Swalling, Roxanne Risse, Katherine Keith, Sarah Riopelle
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Chuck Homan, Lindsey Hajduk, Nancy Pease
			CRW Engineering: Colin Singleton
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brad Coy, Craig Lyon, Steve Ribuffo, Russ Oswald, Taylor Keegan, Bart Rudolph, Matt Stichick, Zakary Hartman
			Turnagain Community Council: Cathy Gleason
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> William Still, John McLeary, Evan Sharp, Mary Dean, Stephen Stone
May 8, 2024	MVP and DOT&PF	Meeting on STIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Adam Bradyway
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 9, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF:	Meeting on Tier 2 Items	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherin Keith, Dom Pannone
	Meeting on Tier 2		<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 14, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory	STIP Project Prioritization	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee	Review Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, John Linnell, Luke Bowland
			<b>Alaska Railroad Corporation:</b> Brian Lindamood, Kate Dueber
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			<b>Commuter Rail Committee:</b> Cynthia Wentworth
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles, Jr.
			Matanuska Susitna Borough: Alex Strawn, Tom Adams, Maija DiSalvo, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Natalie Lyon
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
			Trucking Industry Advocate: Lawerence Smith
May 14, 2024	Alaska Railroad Corporation	Amendment 1 Discussion	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Ryan Anderson
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Bill O'Leary, Michelle Maddox, Brian Lindamood
May 15, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP TIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Katherine Keith, Adam Moser, Jennifer Wright
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			<b>City of Fairbanks Assembly:</b> Jerry Cleworth, Scott Crass
			City of North Pole: Michael Welch, Danny Wallace
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman,
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
May 15, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP Amendment 1 Meeting on Discretionary Grant Source Funding &	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherin Keith, Dom Pannone, Lauren Little
		Project Obligations	<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 16, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	TIP Narrative	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Sean Baski, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, John Linnell, Steven Rzepka
			<b>Alaska Railroad Corporation:</b> Kate Dueber, Brian Lindamood
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Mook Puttong
			CRW Engineering: Colin Singleton
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			HDR: Chris Hughes, Morgan Miller
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kent Kohlhase, Brad Coy, Brandon Telford, Zakary Hartman, Bart Rudolph, Craig Lyon, Allison Bolgiano
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Meg Zaletel
			Rabbit Creek Community Council: Nancy Pease
			Turnagain Community Council: Cathy Gleason
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Jason Norris
May 21, 2024	DOT&PF and MPO's	Coordination of Planning Process to ensure 3C or 23 CFR 450.208	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Dom Pannone, Lauren Little, James Starzek, Ben White, Adam Moser
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox

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			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 21, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Update	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Clint Adler, Luke Bowland, Adam Bradway, Katherine Keith, Ben White
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			Fairbanks Area Surface Transportation: Jackson Fox
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Matanuska Susitna Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Alex Strawn
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			Office of Senator Wilson: Sharon Johnson
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
May 22, 2024	MVP Special Policy Board	Special meeting and work session with the MVP	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Yemi Alimi
	Meeting	Board and Technical Committee to discuss transportation projects for inclusion in STIP Amendment 1	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, Clint Adler, Chris Bentz, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington, Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Mat-Su Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Tom Adams, Crystal Smith
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
			Trucking Advocate: Lawerence Smith
May 29, 2024	MPO Quarterly Meeting (all-day)	STIP and STIP Amendment 1: Cooperative PL Fund Need ID and Travel	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Judy Chapman, Adam Bradway, Scott Vockeroth, Adam Moser, James Starzec
		Demand Model	AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		Tier II findings recap, Issues, timeline, TIPs in	FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
		AirTable MPO Allocations	Federal Highway Administration: Theresa Hutchins, Julie Jenkins
		Presentation at TC/PC? E-STIP applications	Federal Transit Administration: Ned Conroy
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 30, 2024	ARRC	STIP Amendment 1 discussion follow-up	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Michelle Maddox, Christina Isabelle-Glover
June 3, 2024	FHWA Quarterly Meeting	Organizational Updates DOT&PF Division Office S&O Agreement (review	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone, Andy Mills, Lauren Little, Shannon McCarthy
		of draft S&O agreement prior to HQ submission) August Redistribution Data/Information Sharing Project(s) Shakwak, Denali Other Items? STIP Amendment 1 timeframe	Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins, Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney, Emily Haynes

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June 5, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO coordination during development of the STIP	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Brett Nelson, Randi Bailey, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Sara Lucey, Jennifer Wright, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Don Galligan
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fort Wainwright: John Weinberger
			<b>Michael Baker International:</b> Sarah Schacher, Jeff Kupko
			National Renewable Energy Laboratory: Karlin Swearingen
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
June 6, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee	MPO Coordination during development of the STIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Adam Bradway, Joselyn Biloon, John Linnell, Katherine Keith, Orion LeCroy, Sean Holland
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Andrew Reynolds, Kate Dueber
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Lindsey Hajduk
			Anchorage Assembly: Mark Littlefield

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			HDR: Morgan Miller
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kim Carpenter, Melinda Kohlhaas, Taylor Keegan, Jamie Acton, Daniel Mckenna-Foster, Bart Rudolph, Brandon Telford, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Stephen Stone
			Northern Solutions: Shawna Nelson
June 11, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO Coordination during	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway
		development of the STIP	<b>Alaska Legislature:</b> Sharon Johnson, Jody Simpson
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood, Kate Dueber
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Richard Martin
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Alex Strawn, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham, Tom Adams, Brad Swortz
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
June 11-13,	Alaska	STIP Amendment 1	Invite List:
2024	Transportation Working Group Federal Land Managers/Alaska TWiG		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, John Eric Taylor, Adam Moser, Brett Nelson, Henry Cole, Judy Chapman, Sara Lucey, Katherine Keith, David Post, Kim Griffith
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			Alaska Municipal League: Nils Andreassen, Erin Reinders, Britta Hamre

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Bureau of Indian Affairs: Donna Pearson
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Christina Mounce, Michael Lukshin, Kevin Doniere, Chris Riley, Miles Brooks,
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			National Park Service: Laura Minski
			<b>US Forest Service:</b> Paul Escamilla, Harvey Hergett
			<b>US Dept. of Agriculture:</b> Griffith Berg, Jason Johnston, Jeff Schramm, Rueben Glaves
			US Army Corps of Engineers: Levi Wood
			Volpe: Larissa Ireland, Kaitlin Justice
			Federal Highway Administration: Samantha Shields, Nicholas Grisham, Kristin Austin, Matthew Hermen, Andrew Rasmussen, Katherine McQuillan
			Western Federal Lands: Seth English-Young
June 18, 2024	MVP Policy Board Committee	Program of Projects DOT&PF 3C Policy & Procedure	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Luke Bowland
			Alaska Legislature: Sharon Johnson
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Maija DiSalvo, Julie Spackman,
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			North Lakes Community Council: Rod Hanson

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Rodney Fodge
June 19, 2024	FAST Policy Board	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Nick Czarnecki
		MPO coordination during development of the STIP - review and recommend	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, Adam Moser, Brett Nelson, Ben White, Judy Chapman, Ivet Hall, Joe Kemp
			City of Fairbanks: Mayor David Pruhs
			<b>City of North Pole:</b> Chandra Clack, Danny Wallace
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Trinity Consultants:</b> Suriya Vallamsunda, Tom Carlson
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Patrice Lee, Molly Farrell, Z. Zanon, Gary Wilken
June 20, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	3C Process memo STIP Update	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Mark Eisenman, James Starzec, Luke Bowland, Ben White, John Linnell, Steven Rzepka, Joselyn Biloon, Adam Moser, Alex Read, Adam Bradway, Anna Bosin, Julius Adolfsson
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Christine Schuette, Lindsey Hajduk

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			<b>Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Mark Littlefield, Allie Hartman
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kent Kohlhase, Daniel Mckenna-Foster, Zakary Hartman, Brandon Telford, Bart Rudolph, Brad Coy
June 27-28, 2024	Planning team work session	June 27, DOT&PF Planning developed a revised draft of the 3C document compiling all the MPO comments into one document with staff recommendations.  June 28, DOT&PF provided all three MPO Executive Directors with a copy of the revised document with MPO comments captured and	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: MPO Planners, Planning Chiefs, Planning Division Ops Manager MPOs: Executive Directors
July 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	an update on the status.  STIP Amendment 1 and comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Clint Adler, Ben White
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Mat-Su Borough: Crystal Smith, Alex Strawn
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			Trucking Industry: Lawerence Smith
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
July 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	MVP STIP Amendment comments Alaska DOT&PF 3C	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Adam Bradway, Ben White, Shannon McCarthy
		Comprehensive,	Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood

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		Continuing, and Cooperative	Alaska State Legislature: Sharon Johnson
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann, Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			<b>Matanuska Susitna Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Maija DiSalvo, Alex Strawn
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
July 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 and ED comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Brett Nelson, Ben White, Judy Chapman, Al Beck, Adam Moser
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			City of North Pole: Chandra Clack
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Corey DiRutigliano, Olivia Lunsford
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			Federal Highway Administration: Marie Heidemann
			KTVF: Patrick Gilchrist

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			Michael Baker International: Sarah Schacher
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Evee Rynish
July 18, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 and ED Comments	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, Joselyn Biloon, Brett Nelson, Shannon McCarthy, Adam Moser, Judy Chapman, Sarah Riopelle
			Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Jason Olds
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Emily Weiser
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Dueber
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann, Julie Jenkins
			HDR: Morgan Miller
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Mark Littlefield
			Municipality of Anchorage: Daniel Mckenna- Foster, Brandon Telford, Zakary Hartman, Bart Rudolph, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Jamie Acton, Graham Downey
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Melissa Babb
July 23, 2024	Fairbanks Coordination	FAST Planning and Fairbanks North Star	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith
	Meeting	Borough coordination regarding projects and programs	Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
July 30, 2024	FAST Special Technical Committee	STIP Amendment 1 draft comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Nick Czarnecki

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, Brett Nelson, John Netardus, Al Beck, Adam Moser, Ivet Hall
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Deuber
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pritash, William Rogers
			City of North Pole: Cody Lougee
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Kellen Spillman, Don Galligan, Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Mary Farrell, Gary Wilken, two unknown call-ins
July 30, 2024	Mat-Su Coordination Meeting	MVP Planning and Mat-Su Borough coordination on STIP Amendment 1	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Andy Mills, Sean Holland
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			MVP: Kim Sollien
July 31, 2024	FAST Special Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
	Meeting		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Al Beck, Ivet Hall, Adam Moser, Kaitlin Williams
			City of North Pole: Chandra Clack
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Deborah Todd

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann
			RESPEC: Megan Flory
			Not affiliated or unknown affiliation: Gary Wilken, Sue Wilken, Mary Farrell, Jenny Campbell, Barbara Schuhmann, Jon Cook, Alexander Gagne-Hawes, Anonymous, one additional call-in
August 1, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP Amendments 2 and 3 VRU's	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities
			AMATS: Technical Commitee
			*Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet

# Attachment "C" Alaska DOT&PF 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Funding Programs, Sources, and Codes

#### **FHWA Formula Funding**

Fund Code Fund Source

Bridge-HIP Highway Improvement Program Bridge Funds
Bridge-INFRA Highway Infrastructure Bridge Replacement

Bridge-OSB Highway Infrastructure Bridge Replacement-Off System Bridge

DBE Disadvantaged Businesses Training

FBF Ferry Boat Funds

HIP-OSB Highway Improvement Program Bridge Funds -Off System Bridge

NEVI National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure

OJT On The Job Training

CMAQ Congestion Mitigation Air Quality

CMAQ Flex Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex

CMAQ Flex AMATS

CMAQ Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex MVP

CMAQ Mandatory

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex MVP

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex MVP

CMAQ Mandatory

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory

CMAQ Mandatory AMATS

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory (AMATS)

CMAQ-M FAST

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory FAST

CRP Carbon Reduction Program

CRP <5k Carbon Reduction Program: Population <5K

CRP >200k AMATS Carbon Reduction Program: Population >200K (AMATS)

CRP 50-200k FAST
CRP 50-200k MVP
CRP 5-50k
Carbon Reduction Program 50-200k MVP
Carbon Reduction Program: Population 5-49,999K

CRP Flex Carbon Reduction Program FLEX

HSIP Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

Illustrative NHPP AMATS Illustrative NHPP Funds Intended for Future TIP Amendments

Metro Metropolitan Planning Program

Metro- AMATS Metropolitan Planning Program (AMATS)
Metro- FAST Metropolitan Planning Program (FAST)
Metro- MVP Metropolitan Planning Program (MVP)

NEVI AMATS National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (AMATS)

NHFP National Highway Freight Program
NHPP National Highway Performance Program

NHPP AMATS
National Highway Performance Program (AMATS)
NHPP Exempt
NHPP FAST
National Highway Performance Program - Exempt
NHPP FAST
National Highway Performance Program (FAST)
PM 2.5
Projects To Reduce PM 2.5 Emissions Set-Aside

PRTC PROTECT Program

PRTC Plng PROTECT Program Planning
RAIL Railway-Highway Crossings Program

RTP Recreational Trails Program and 1% Admin Set-Aside
S&A-Metro Safe And Accessible Trans Options - Metro Planning

S&A-SPR Safe And Accessible Trans Options - Statewide Planning and Research

S154 Section 154 Penalties
S154 NHPP Section 154 Penalties (NHPP)
S154 NHPP AMATS Section 154 Penalties (NHPP) (AMATS)
S154 STBG Section 154 Penalties (STBG)

Section 154 Penalties (STBG)
S164 Section 164 Penalties
S164 NHPP Section 164 Penalties (NHPP)
S164 STBG Section 164 Penalties (STBG)

SA Highway Safety Improvement Program: (SA)

SA Takedown Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA Takedown) SA-AMATS Highway Safety Improvement Program (AMATS) SA-FAST Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA FAST) SPR CMAQ Statewide Planning and Research (CMAQ Set-aside) **SPR HSIP** Statewide Planning and Research (HSIP Set-aside) Statewide Planning and Research (NHFP Set-aside) SPR NHFP SPR NHPP Statewide Planning and Research (NHPP Set-aside) SPR STBG Statewide Planning and Research (STBG Set-aside)

STBG Surface Transportation Block Grant

STBG <5k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population <5K

STBG >200k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population >200K (AMATS)
STBG 50-200 FAST Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 50-200K FAST
STBG 50-200 MVP Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 50-200K MVP
STBG 5-50k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 5-49,999K

STBG Flex Surface Transportation Block Grant: FLEX

STBG OSB Surface Transportation Block Grant: Off System Bridge TAP <5k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population <5K

TAP >200k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population >200K (AMATS)
TAP 50-200k FAST Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K FAST
TAP 50-200k MVP Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K MVP
TAP 5-50k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 5-49,999K

TAP Flex Transportation Alternatives Program: FLEX VRU Vulnerable Road User Safety Special Rule

#### **Other Federal Funds**

#### Fund Code Fund Source

FRA-STC Federal Railroad Administration-Special Transportation Circumstances

Program

MARAD (FY22) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY22 Award)
MARAD (FY23) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY23 Award)
MARAD (FY24) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY24 Award)
OFF CDS Other Federal Funds: Congressionally Delegated Spending
OFF DG AMATS Other Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (AMATS)

OFF DG ARRC Other Federal Funds

OFF DG Community Award
Ofther Federal Funds: (Community Awards)
OFF DG FAST
Ofther Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (FAST)
OFF ER
Other Federal Funds: Emergency Relief

OFF FLAP Other Federal Funds: FLAP

OFF SOA Other Federal Funds

OFF DG FRA Other Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (FRA)

#### **FHWA Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

BIP: Small (FY22)

Bridge Improvement Program: Small (FY22 Award)

BIP: Small (FY23)

Bridge Improvement Program: Small (FY23 Award)

CFI (FY23)

Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (FY23 Award)

Culvert (FY22) National Culvert Removal Replacement and Restoration Grant Program (FY22 Award)
Culvert (FY23) National Culvert Removal Replacement and Restoration Grant Program (FY23 Award)

OFF DG FHWA Other Federal Funds (FHWA)

PROTECT (FY22) Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation Program (FY22 Award)
PROTECT (FY23) Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation Program (FY23 Award)

RCP (FY22) Reconnecting Communities Grant Awards (FY22 Award)
RCP (FY23) Reconnecting Communities Grant Awards (FY23 Award)

RES Research, Develop, And Tech Transfer (RD&T)

SMART (FY23) Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation Grants Program (FY23 Award)

SS4A (FY22) Safe Streets and Roads for All (FY22 Award)
SS4A (FY23) Safe Streets and Roads for All (FY23 Award)
THHP (FY22) Tribal High Priority Projects (FY22 Award)
THHP (FY23) Tribal High Priority Projects (FY23 Award)

TTPSF (FY22) Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund (FY22 Award)
TTPSF (FY23) Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund (FY23 Award)

#### **USDOT Office of the Secretary Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

MPDG-INFRA (FY23) Multimodal Project Discretionary Grants: INFRA (FY23 Award)
MPDG-Rural (FY22) Multimodal Project Discretionary Grants: Rural (FY22 Award)
OFF DG USDOT-OST Other Federal Funds: Office of the Secretary of Transportation
RAISE (FY21) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY21 Award)

RAISE (FY22) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY22 Award)

RAISE (FY23)

Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY23 Award)

RAISE (2024) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY24 Award)

#### **Federal Transit Administration Formula Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

5307

5303 Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning
5303 AMATS Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (AMATS)
5303 FAST Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (FAST)
5303 MVP Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (MVP)
5304 Rural Section 5304 Statewide Planning (Rural)

5307 MOA Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Anchorage Area Transit) 5307 ARRC in AMATS Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in AMATS) 5307 ARRC in FAST Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in FAST) 5307 ARRC in MVP Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in MVP) 5307 ARRC Statewide Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC Statewide) 5307 FNSB Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Fairbanks Area Transit) 5307 MOA Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Anchorage Area Transit) 5307 MSB Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Mat-Su Borough Area Transit)

Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula

5310 AMATS

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (AMATS)

5310 FAST

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (FAST)

5310 MVP

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (MVP)

5310 Flex

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Statewide)

5310 Statewide

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Statewide)

5310 MPO Allocation

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Urban)

5311 Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula

5311 IRF Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Indian Reservation Formula)
5311 RTAP Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Rural Transit Assistance Program)

5311 Flex Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Statewide)
5324 Section 5324 Emergency Relief Program (ARRC Statewide)

5337 Section 5337 State of Good Repair

5337 ARRC in MVP Section 5337 State of Good Repair ((ARRC in MVP Boundary)

5337 ARRC IN AMATS Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Anchorage Area Transit) (ARRC in AMATS Boundary)

5337 ARRC IN FAST

5337 ARRC Statewide SetAside

5337 MPO Allocation

Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ARRC in FAST Boundary)

5337 MPO Allocation

Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Urban)

5337 Statewide Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Statewide)

5339 Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities

5339 AMATS Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (AMATS)
5339 FAST Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (FAST)

5339(c) LONO Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Low-No Emissions)

5339 MVP Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (MVP)
5339 Flex Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Statewide)
5339 Statewide Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Statewide)
5339 MPO Allocation Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Urban)

# **Federal Transit Administration Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

AoPP (FY23) Areas of Persistent Poverty Program (FY23 Award)

Low/No Ferry (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71102 Electric Low Emitting FTA Grant: Shuttle Ferry (FY22 Award)

Rural Ferry (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant (FY22 Award)
Rural Ferry (FY23) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant (FY23 Award)

Rural Ferry Operations (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant: Operating Support (FY22 Award)
Rural Ferry Operations (FY23) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant: Operating Support (FY23 Award)

OFF DG FTA Other Federal Funds (FTA)

5339(b) Bus (FY22) Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Discretionary Grant (FY24 Award)

STIC Small Transit Intensive Cities (FTA)

#### **Non Federal Funds**

Fund Code Fund Source

UGF Appn General Fund Appropriation
3PF AMATS Local Match (AMATS)
3PF ARRC Local Match (ARRC)

3PF Local Local Match (Community-Driven Projects)
3PF For DG Local Match (Discretionary Grants)
3PF FAST Plng (FM) Local Match (FAST Planning "FM")

3PF FAST Local Match (FAST)

3PF MOA Local Match (Municipality of Anchorage)

3PF MVP Local Match (MVP)

SM SOA State Match

SM AMATS State Match (AMATS)

SM DG State Match (Discretionary Grant)

SM FAST State Match (FAST)

Illustrative Unfunded Projects Shown for Illustrative Purposes



# ASSOCIATION OF VILLAGE COUNCIL PRESIDENTS P.O. BOX 219 BETHEL, ALASKA 99559

# ASSOCIATION OF VILLAGE COUNCIL PRESIDENTS EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### **RESOLUTION 24-05-03**

- TITLE: Yukon-Kuskokwim Freight and Energy Corridor
- WHEREAS The Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP) is a tribal consortium and the non-profit Alaska Native regional corporation for the fifty-six (56) Member Tribes of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta region in Western Alaska; and
- WHEREAS AVCP fully supports its Member Tribes in all aspects of their self-determination, health, economic development, and well-being; and
- WHEREAS The development of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Freight and Energy Corridor (the Corridor), located approximately 350 miles west of Anchorage and approximately 65 miles northwest of Bethel is designed to improve and enhance commerce between the Interior/Railbelt and the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta region, lower transportation costs, and prepare the AVCP region villages for the future; and
- WHEREAS The area where the Corridor is planned has traditionally served as the shortest practical overland link between the Yukon River and the Kuskokwim River; and
- WHEREAS Over the last 60 years, agencies responsible for road development in Alaska, including the State of Alaska, the Denali Commission, and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) have conducted research, explored and furthered a long-term project in this area as the next generation of transportation development; and
- WHEREAS AVCP's Transportation Program took the lead in the Corridor development at the request of an impacted Tribe to ensure that future development reflects the impacted regional Tribes' goals, values, and preferences; and
- WHEREAS AVCP received \$460,000.00 in FY12 in funds to review, confirm, and update past engineering, land use and geotechnical data in the Corridor; AVCP developed an updated project Purpose and Needs Statement; and
- WHEREAS AVCP received \$3,000,000.00 in FY13 and successfully completed the Yukon-Kuskokwim Corridor Plan (YK Corridor Plan), an FHWA-model Transportation Corridor Plan, which is the intermediate step in major project development between reconnaissance engineering and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/Final Design; and
- WHEREAS The YK Corridor Plan successfully confirmed and refined the Corridor project goals, as well as identify cost-effective, environmentally-sound port locations on Paimiut Slough and the Kuskokwim River and roadway/utilities route alternatives between the port. The plan also identified adequate material sources to support construction and operations of a transport corridor that would enhance fuel and

- freight transport in the region and provide future economic development opportunities at the local, regional, and statewide levels; and
- WHEREAS The YK Corridor Plan, finalized in May 2015, reviewed, and evaluated 5 route alternatives, ultimately recommending one route, Corridor C, as the overall best method to meet project goals. Corridor C begins on the south bank of the Yukon River in Paimute Slough and ends on the North bank of the Kuskokwim River in Upper Kalskag; and
- WHEREAS AVCP received \$600,000 in FY14 for three follow-up YK Corridor Plan tasks identified in YK Corridor Plan public review. These tasks would improve project baseline information including information on how final corridor routing can be identified in local LRTP, Native Corporation long range planning, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, and Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities planning efforts. They also add cultural/subsistence resource studies to improve project area resource use understanding, and possible updates to barge landing improvements that could improve operations in the near term while preparing the overall system for efficient operations in the future, along with continuing ongoing public outreach; and
- WHEREAS The FY14 YK Corridor Plan tasks were successfully completed in May 2019, both confirming the value of the YK Corridor Plan process as a pre-NEPA planning tool for gathering information and sharing it with the region, and learning through this phase of public involvement the significant value of completing subsistence/cultural resource mapping. AVCP also engaged state and federal agencies during this phase to ensure that project planning met the highest standards before entering the NEPA/Final design stage, which will happen when economic conditions and regional consensus support the development; and
- WHEREAS The results of AVCP's work were documented in the April 16, 2020, Yukon-Kuskokwim Freight & Energy Corridor Project Briefing; and
- WHEREAS The Project Briefing recommends that until conditions are right to enter the NEPA/Final design stage additional work should be done to update the regional fuel shipment and barge operations, including identifying opportunities for shoreside improvements; and
- WHEREAS When local, regional, and statewide economic conditions are right, and regional consensus is in place, AVCP is prepared to efficiently complete the mapping, engineering/environmental baseline and agency coordination tasks that will complete the planning phase, where upon the record of project decisions would be available to AVCP to enter the EIS/Final Design phase. Until that time, having identified the corridor route and its environmental commitments will secure its place in agency and corporate planning such that the traditional overland route will be available and not preempted by some other use of land designation; and
- WHEREAS AVCP became aware on May 1, 2024, of the existence of the Yukon Kuskokwim Frontier Road project proposal from a federal government partner. AVCP was not consulted about the development of the Yukon Kuskokwim Frontier Road project

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD RESOLUTION 24-05-03**

proposal, nor were any of the impacted Tribes. The Yukon Kuskokwim Freight and Energy Corridor has no connection with the Yukon Kuskokwim Frontier Road project. The Yukon Kuskokwim Frontier Road project does not follow the carefully studied Corridor C route, which was established through tribal consultation sessions in Phase I and II of the YK Corridor Plan. No information has been shared about the development of the YK Frontier Road proposal, the economic drivers of this new project, the environmental impact, nor any information about what entity is taking the lead on the project development, design, and build.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Association of Village Council Presidents Executive Board continues to support the proposed Corridor C route identified in the 2015 YK Corridor Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Association of Village Council Presidents Executive Board directs AVCP to proceed as planned in accordance with the April 16, 2020, Yukon-Kuskokwim Freight & Energy Corridor Project Briefing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Association of Village Council Presidents Executive Board requests that the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (AK DOT/PF) conduct meaningful tribal consultations within the region regarding the Yukon Kuskokwim Frontier Road Proposal STIP Project ID 34432 before any further action is taken. Further, that request extends to any projects that the State of Alaska is proposing that impact the Yukon Kuskokwim Region.

ADOPTED by the Association of Village Council Presidents during its regular Executive Board Meeting held at Bethel, Alaska, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2024 with a duly constituted quorum of members.

CERTIFIED:

Thaddeus Tikiun, Chairman

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# Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER Ryan Anderson, P.E., Commissioner

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August 20, 2024

Coralett D. Waite Association of Village Council Presidents P.O. Box 219 Bethel, AK 99559

Email: cwaite@avcp.org

Subject: STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Ms. Waite.

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1 and referring us to Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP) Executive Board of Directors Resolution 24-05-03 regarding the proposed project Yukon-Kuskokwim Frontier Road Construction, STIP ID 34432.

Thank you for outlining all the work that has been accomplished in the development of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Freight and Energy Corridor. Having an opportunity to work together on such an important corridor will be integral to success in infrastructure development, considering the focuses of our respective organizations.

The Yukon Kuskokwim Frontier Road project is in its very early stages of development, and we are committed to engaging in meaningful tribal consultations as a first step. We will pass your resolution on to our planning and project teams and have them reach out to AVCP with a proposed engagement plan.

We appreciate you passing along this resolution and look forward to working with you soon.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E. Commissioner

Attachments: As Stated

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF From: Royal T. Hill

To: <u>DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)</u>

**Subject:** Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska response to STIP

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 4:51:25 PM

Attachments: CCTHITA resonse to State of Alaska STIP Ammendment 1.docx

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#### Good afternoon,

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the State of Alaska STIP. I did review the STIP and did not put notes on every line item. I feel just a general response is needed after my review. I was recently appointed to the position of Transportation Manager of Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska and would like to be included more on a planning level in Southeast Alaska related transportation issues. I have included my contact information for any of your staff to reach out to me for input and meetings.

Thank you.

Royal T. Hill Jr.

**Tribal Transportation Department** 

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Southeast Alaska is known for its vast, rugged landscapes and remote communities. With such a diverse and expansive geography divided by bodies of water, the allocation of funds for infrastructure development and maintenance becomes a crucial issue for our Southeast communities. One of the primary sources of funding for transportation projects in Alaska is the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This program allocates funds for transportation projects across the state, with the goal of improving infrastructure and connectivity for residents and visitors alike.

In recent years, there has been a noticeable disparity in the amount of STIP funding allocated to the Matanuska-Susitna (Mat-Su) and Glenn Highway regions compared to Southeast Alaska. The Mat-Su and Glenn Highway areas, which include the city of Wasilla and stretches of highway connecting Anchorage to Fairbanks, have received a significantly higher amount of STIP funding per capita compared to Southeast Alaska, which includes communities like Juneau, Ketchikan, and Sitka in total roughly 35 communities.

In contrast, Southeast Alaska has a lower population density and less traffic volume compared to the Mat-Su and Glenn Highway regions. The region is also characterized by its unique geography, with many communities accessible only by ferry or air travel. This makes infrastructure development and maintenance more challenging and costly in Southeast Alaska, as projects often require specialized construction techniques and face logistical constraints.

Despite these challenges, Southeast Alaska plays a crucial role in the state's economy and transportation network. The region is a major hub for tourism, fishing, and other industries, and serves as a gateway to the rest of the state for many travelers. Investing in transportation projects in Southeast Alaska is essential for supporting economic growth, connecting communities, and preserving the region's natural beauty.

In conclusion, while the Mat-Su and Glenn Highway regions have received a greater share of STIP funding per capita compared to Southeast Alaska in recent years, it is important for the state government to consider the unique needs and challenges of each region when allocating transportation funds. Both regions play vital roles in Alaska's economy and infrastructure network, and it is essential to ensure that all communities have access to safe, efficient transportation options. By taking a balanced and strategic approach to STIP funding allocation, the state can continue to improve connectivity, enhance safety, and support economic development across Alaska.



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August 20, 2024

Royal T. Hill Jr. Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska 5750 Concrete Way Juneau, AK 99801

Subject: August 2, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Mr. Hill,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1.

Ensuring that all Alaskans benefit from transportation investments is important to the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF). We agree that Southeast Alaska is crucial to the State's economy and transportation network. Within our four-year funding plan, you will find strong investment within Southeast Alaska.

For the Alaska Marine Highway System, we are investing in terminals and docks throughout Southeast Alaska. Auke Bay, Pelican, Angoon, Kake, Ketchikan, Skagway and Yakutat all have major rehabilitation projects to ensure those facilities will service the people of Alaska far into the future. Over the next three years, we will be investing more than \$80 million dollars into vessel improvements on our ferry system. This is in addition to the funding allocated to construct the Tustumena Replacement Vessel.

For roads and highways in Southeast Alaska, we have major projects in Juneau, Sitka, Ketchikan, Skagway, and Haines. For a full listing of projects in Southeast Alaska, feel free to review our capital projects dashboard at this link: <a href="https://stip-akdot.hub.arcgis.com/">https://stip-akdot.hub.arcgis.com/</a> This tool allows you to identify the geographic location of projects, by region, borough, city or community, and see what project are planned.

Thank you again for providing your comments, I have shared them with DOT&PF's team leaders and I hope to continue to strengthen the ties between our organizations in the months and years to come.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E.

Commissioner

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF Adison Spafford, Tribal Liaison, Alaska DOT&PF From: McCarthy, Shannon K (DOT)
To: DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)

Subject: FW: STIP

**Date:** Friday, August 2, 2024 11:33:31 AM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

Karin, Adam--Forwarding this to ensure we have a paper trail for this comment.

-Shannon

**Sent:** Friday, August 2, 2024 9:12 AM

**To:** McCarthy, Shannon K (DOT) <shannon.mccarthy@alaska.gov>

**Cc:** Chapman, Judy (DOT) <judy.chapman@alaska.gov>; Spafford, Adison S (DOT)

<adison.spafford@alaska.gov>

Subject: FW: STIP

Hello Shannon,

Forwarding an email reply to the Native Village of Chitina regarding a STIP comment/question. Let me know if you need anything else.

Thanks, Brett

From: Nelson, Brett D (DOT)

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 11:02 AM

To: fdahl@chitina.org
Subject: FW: STIP

Hello Mr. Dahl,

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From: McCarthy, Shannon K (DOT)
To: DOT STIP (DOT sponsored)

Subject: FW: STIP

**Date:** Friday, August 2, 2024 11:33:31 AM

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Karin, Adam--Forwarding this to ensure we have a paper trail for this comment.

-Shannon

**Sent:** Friday, August 2, 2024 9:12 AM

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**Cc:** Chapman, Judy (DOT) <judy.chapman@alaska.gov>; Spafford, Adison S (DOT)

<adison.spafford@alaska.gov>

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From: Nelson, Brett D (DOT)

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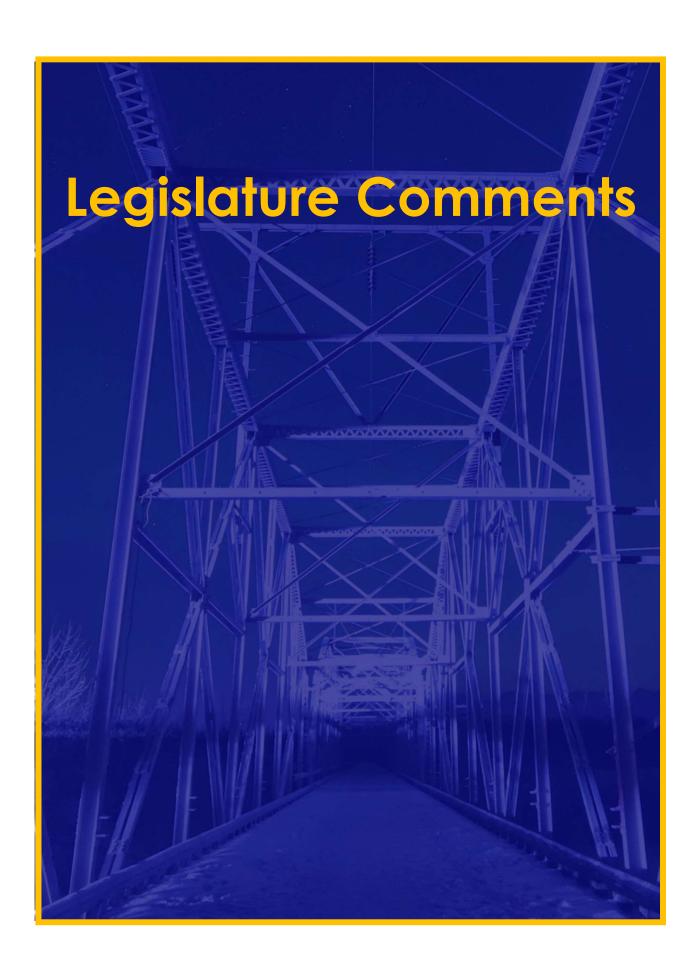
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# **ALASKA**



# STATE LEGISLATURE

August 5th, 2024

State of Alaska Commissioner of Transportation P.O. Box 112500 3132 Channel Drive Juneau, Ak 99811-2500

Dear Commissioner Anderson,

We are writing to urge you to remove the proposed Amendment 1 to the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), based on the risk it poses to next year's construction season and to funds administered by Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Fairbanks, Mat-Su, and Anchorage.

As participants discussed in this month's Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS) Policy Committee meeting, proposed STIP amendments take funds from dozens of projects from around the state, produce delays that endanger next year's construction season, and propose an unprecedented amount of "Advance Construction" spending that obligates future federal match now. This proposal risks Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOTPF) raiding local MPOs' funds in the future while simultaneously robbing Alaskans of capital projects to solve safety needs of existing infrastructure.

With the Governor's recent vetoes to DOT&PF's highway maintenance needs, there is no clear path to uphold Alaska's commitment to USDOT's Stewardship and Oversight Agreement regarding maintenance of existing infrastructure investments, let alone new infrastructure projects that add maintenance and operational burdens to the system.

Instead of pursuing these STIP amendments that are risky for industry and the public safety of surface transportation users, we urge you to withdraw the proposed amendment and focus on correcting identified deficiencies in the STIP FHWA has already approved with projects supported through MPO Transportation Improvement Plans already adopted through public and transparent review.

Thank you for your consideration of this amendment

Respectfully,



# Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER Ryan Anderson, P.E., Commissioner

PO Box 112500 Juneau, Alaska 99811-2500 Main: 907.465.3900 dot.alaska.gov

August 20, 2024

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Representative Cliff Groh
Representative Rebecca Himschoot
Representative Andy Josephson
Representative Calvin Schrage
Representative Andi Story

Subject: August 5, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Senators and Representatives,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1 as expressed in your letter dated August 5, 2024.

As outlined on our website, the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) has received directives from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to address corrective actions outlined in the Partial Approval Findings dated March 27, 2024. These corrective actions must be resolved through a STIP Amendment within six months of the letter issuance.

This amendment is a necessary step to align our operations with federal requirements and to avoid potential penalties or funding restrictions. Withdrawing the STIP amendment at this stage would not only jeopardize our compliance with these federal obligations but also force project delays across the State.

Your letter does bring to light concerns FHWA and FTA identified in our Federal Planning Findings with the Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Since then, DOT&PF and AMATS staff have worked diligently to address these deficiencies and ensure alignment between the respective TIP and the STIP. We continue to work on our processes and procedures for coordination, and we are committed to an update of the AMATS Operating Agreement, to ensure we are in compliance with our State statutes and regulations. I have attached

documentation of our collaborative efforts with Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), FHWA, and other agencies which demonstrates our commitment to these partnerships.

The following is our response to statements in the letter:

# "Taking funds from dozens of projects around the State"

This statement is somewhat ambiguous, making it challenging to address specific concerns. The amendment process is inherently about balancing project and program funding with the practical realities on the ground. This process, undertaken by DOT&PF in consultation with partners and the public, is designed to advance projects that are ready to proceed.

In the STIP Amendment #1 Volume 1, Project Details, a summary of changes from the Original STIP to the amendment is provided at the bottom of each project page. The modifications in STIP Amendment #1 were carefully made to ensure the efficient delivery of projects. They reflect adjustments in project scopes, schedules, and estimates, which were informed by input from our engineering managers and planning staff. These changes ensure construction projects can move forwarded unimpeded.

## "Delay's that endanger next year's construction season"

The specific concerns raised in the general statement are not entirely clear. The projects scheduled in STIP Amendment #1 have been carefully aligned with the various project delivery schedules. These projects have undergone rigorous vetting to avoid foreseeable disruptions. We have worked hard with the MPO's to balance available funding with the advancement of projects that are shovel ready.

We are committed to maintaining this balance and will continue to work closely with the MPOs to ensure that projects progress as planned. Withdrawing STIP Amendment #1 would inevitably delay the advancement of multiple projects, which we believe is not the intended outcome.

# "Unprecedented amount of Advance Construction spending that obligates future federal match now"

It is accurate that STIP Amendment #1 reflects an increase in our use of advance construction (AC) as a financing tool. Given our fiscal constraint requirements, we no longer possess the flexibility to overprogram the STIP to account for projects that may face delays due to environmental permitting, right-of-way acquisition, or other challenges. The expanded use of AC enables us to program projects and make decisions based on their delivery schedules, particularly important with Alaska's short construction seasons.

It is important to note that our ability to advance construct projects is limited by authorized legislative authority, match funds, and the requirement to have the project listed in the STIP. A listing in the STIP is how we show our plan. We are restricted from moving forward without capital budget approvals.

#### "Governor's Vetos"

We strongly disagree with the conclusion that the Governor's recent vetoes diminish our commitment to stewardship and oversight.

For the FY 2025 budget, the Governor proposed, and the legislature approved, significant increases in funding for Highways and Aviation, totaling over \$25 million. This funding includes unprecedented pay increases for our equipment operators, mechanics, and other trades, as well as necessary adjustments for commodities due to inflation. Increases were also made for contracting during severe weather events and to support traffic signals and the Whittier Tunnel.

Again, thank you for your letter. While we are not aware of individual requests for briefings from the signers of this letter during the STIP Amendment #1 public comment period, our team remains prepared to provide additional information on these complex issues at your request.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E. Commissioner

Attachments: As Stated

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF Andy Mills, Legislative Liaison, Alaska DOT&PF Laura Stidolph, Legislative Director, Alaska Governor's Office

# Summary of Alaska DOT&PF, Metropolitan Planning Organization, FHWA, Federal and State Agency STIP Coordination since Federal Planning Findings through August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Notes
April 3, 2024	FAST Technical Committee	STIP Project Prioritization Review	Michael Bredlie, FNSB Nick Czarnecki, ADEC Steven Hoke, FNSB Transportation Alexa Greene, EAFB Kevin McKinley, FNSB Randi Bailey, DOT&PF John Netardus, DOT&PF Robert Pristash, City of Fairbanks William Rogers, City of Fairbanks William Rogers, City of Fairbanks Kellen Spillman, FNSB RJ Stumpf, Fbks. Int'l Airport Jakob Theurich, UAF Lauren Little, DOT&PF Christopher Stepovich, FNSB Megan Flory, RESPEC John Perreault, DOT&PF Julie Jenkins, FHWA Dan Bross, KUAC Brian Lindamood, ARRC Jackson Fox, FAST Olivia Lunsford, FAST Corey DiRutigliano, FAST Deborah Todd, FAST
April 4, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP AMD 2 STIP	Brad Coy MOA/Traffic Brian Lindamood ARRC Ben White DOT&PF Galen Jones DOT&PF Craig Lyon MOA/Planning Steve Ribuffo MOA/Port of Alaska Melinda Kohlhaas MOA/PM&E Taylor Keegan MOA/Parks & Rec Adeyemi Alimi ADEC Matt Stichick MOA Health Jamie Acton MOA/PTD Aaron Jongenelen AMATS Jon Cecil AMATS Mook Puttong AMATS James Starzec DOT&PF Laurie Cummings HDR Mary Hoffman DOT&PF Amy Burnett HDR Steven Rzepka DOT&PF

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April 8, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF leadership	STIP recaps and path forward	Sandra Garcia-Aline (FHWA) Gerald Varney (FHWA) Katherine Keith (DOT&PF) Ryan Anderson (DOT&PF)
April 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	Project Prioritization Review Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	MVP Technical Committee Adam Bradway (DOT&PF) Sean Holland (DOT&PF) Luke Bowland (DOT&PF) John Linnell (DOT&PF) Kirk Warren (DOT&PF) Adam Moser (DOT&PF) Judy Chapman (DOT&PF) Katherine Keith (DOT&PF)
April 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	MVP Policy Board Kim Sollien, ED MVP Ben White (DOT&PF) Katherine Keith (DOT&PF) Adam Bradway (DOT&PF) Sean Holland (DOT&PF)
April 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review	FAST Policy Board Bryce Ward, Mayor FNSB Jerry Cleworth, Fbks. City Council Scott Crass, FNSB Assembly Joe Kemp DOT&PF Mayor David Pruhs, City of Fbks. Michael Welch, Mayor City of NP Katherine Keith, DOT&PF Jackson Fox, FAST Olivia Lunsford, FAST

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			Corey DiRutigliano, FAST Deborah Todd, FAST Randi Bailey DOT&PF Don Galligan FNSB Planning Kellen Spillman, FNSB Planning Danny Wallace, City of North Pole Jack Barnwell, FDNM Julie Jenkin, FHWA Nathan Belz, UAF Elise Blocker, Public
April 18, 2024	AMATS Policy Committee	TIP AMD 2 Air Quality Conformity TIP AMD 2 Letter of support for DOT&PF PPPP	Sean Holland (DOT&PF) Kent Kohlhase MOA Mayor's Office Jason Olds (ADEC), Air Quality Daniel Volland MOA. Assembly Zaletel MOA, Assembly Aaron Jongenelen AMATS Jon Cecil AMATS Chelsea Ward-Waller AMATS Mook Puttong AMATS Kate Dueber ARRC Sarah Riopelle DOT&PF Luke Bowland DOT&PF Ben White DOT&PF Wolfgang Junge James Starzec DOT&PF Brandon Telford MOA PM&E Lindsey Hajduk BPAC Adeyemi Alimi ADEC John Linnell DOT&PF Anna Bosin DOT&PF Kelly Summers DOT&PF Patrick Swalling DOT&PF Nancy Pease, RCCC Julie Jenkins, FHWA Jamie Acton MOA, PTD Bart Rudolph PTD Zakary Hartman MOA, Traffic Taylor Keegan, MOA Parks & Rec Russ Oswald MOA, PM&E Joselyn Biloon, DOT&PF Mark Eisenman, DOT&PF Mark Eisenman, DOT&PF Mark Littlefield, AMATS
April 25, 2024	FAST Policy Board Chair Work Session	STIP	Mayor Bryce Ward, FNSB Jackson Fox, FAST Planning DOT&PF Commissioner Anderson Deputy Commissioner Keith

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April 26, 2024	FAST Executive Director Work Session		FAST ED DOT&PF
April 26, 2024	AMATS Executive Director Work Session	Work session to go over project updates ahead of STIP Amendment #1, and to share the tools to ensure everyone has access to information.	James Starzec, DOT&PF Aaron Jongenelen, DOT&PF Katherine Keith
April 26, 2024	AMATS Support Discussion	Discussing contract with DOWL for assistance with STIP corrective actions, specifically the congestion management process	James Starzec, DOT&PF Aaron Jongenelen, DOT&PF Judy Chapman, DOT&PF Renee Whitsell, DOWL Jessica Smith DC Katherine Keith, DOT&PF
April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP after action and AMD 1 next steps	Cichosz, Winnie S (DOT) Anderson, Ryan (DOT) Keith, Katherine M (DOT) Garcia-Aline, Sandra (FHWA) Varney, Gerald (FHWA) Jenkins, Julie (FHWA) Haynes, Emily (FHWA) Hutchins, Theresa (FHWA) Biondi, Emily (FHWA) Miller, Harlan (FHWA) Petty, Kenneth (FHWA) Dom Pannone (DOT) Andy Mills (DOT) Lauren Little (DOT)
April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF:	Meeting on STIP Tier 2 Items	Keith, Katherine M (DOT&PF) Jenkins, Julie (FHWA) Hutchins, Theresa (FHWA) Dom Pannone (DOT&PF)
May 1, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory Committee	Updates on STIP Interior Transportation Plan TIP Admin Modification	Nick Czarnecki, ADEC Steven Hoke, FNSB Brian Lindamood, ARRC Alexa Greene, Eielson AFB Kevin McKinley, FNSB Brett Nelson, DOT&PF John Netardus, DOT&PF Robert Pristash, City of Fbks. William Rogers, City of Fbks. Kellen Spillman, FNSB RJ Stumpf, FAI

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May 2, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory Committee	TIP Narrative Update STIP Updates	Brad Coy (Chair) MOA/Traffic Brian Lindamood ARRC Ben White DOT&PF Luke Bowland DOT&PF Craig Lyon MOA/Planning Steve Ribuffo MOA/Port of Alaska Russ Oswald MOA/PM&E) Taylor Keegan MOA/Parks & Rec Bart Rudolph MOA/PTD Adeyemi Alimi ADEC Matt Stichick MOA/Health Aaron Jongenelen AMATS Jon Cecil AMATS Christine Schuette AMATS Mook Puttong AMATS Chelsea Ward-Waller AMATS James Starzec DOT&PF Colin Singleton CRW Engineering Chuck Homan AMATS CAC Zakary Hartman MOA/Traffic Anna Bosin DOT&PF William Still John McLeary Evan Sharp Cathy Gleason Turnagain CC Mary Dean Noah King DOT&PF Lindsey Hajduk AMATS BPAC Stephen Stone Nancy Pease AMATS CAC Patrick Swalling DOT&PF Roxanne Risse DOT&PF Roxanne Risse DOT&PF

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May 9, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF: Meeting on Tier 2	Meeting on STIP Tier 2 Items	Keith, Katherine M (DOT&PF) Jenkins, Julie (FHWA) Hutchins, Theresa (FHWA) Dom Pannone (DOT&PF)
May 14, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory Committee	STIP Project Prioritization Review Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	MVP Technical Committee Adam Bradway (DOT&PF) Adam Moser (DOT&PF)
May 14, 2024	ARRC	STIP AMD 1 Discussion	ARRC Staff DOT&PF
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May 15, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP AMD 1 Meeting on Discretionary Grant Source Funding & Project Obligations	Keith, Katherine M (DOT&PF) Jenkins, Julie (FHWA) Hutchins, Theresa (FHWA) Dom Pannone (DOT&PF) Lauren Little (DOT&PF)
May 16, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	TIP Narrative STIP Updates	Sean Holland, DOT&PF Kent Kohlhase Municipal Manager Jason Olds ADEC, Air Quality Daniel Volland MOA/Assembly

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May 21, 2024	DOT&PF and MPO's	Coordination of Planning Process to ensure 3C or 23 CFR 450.208	Kim Sollien, ED MVP Aaron Jongenelen, ED AMATS Jackson Fox, ED FAST Dom Pannone, DOT&PF Lauren Little DOT&PF James Starzek, DOT&PF Ben White, DOT&PF Adam Moser, DOT&PF Theresa Hutchins, FHWA Julie Jenkins, FHWA Donna Gardino, MVP Contractor
May 21, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Update	MVP Policy Board Katherine Keith, (DOT&PF) Adam Bradway, (DOT&PF) Ben White, (DOT&PF)
May 22, 2024	MVP Special Policy Board Meeting	Special meeting and work session with the MVP Board and Technical Committee to	MVP Policy Board Edna DeVries, MSB Glenda Ledford, City of Wasilla Brian Winnestaffer, Chickaloon

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		discuss transportation projects for inclusion in STIP Amendment #1.	Mike Brown, MSB Sean Holland, DOT&PF Steve Carrington, City of Palmer Stuart Leidner, Mobility Advocate Tom Adams, MSB Ben White, DOT&PF Brian Winnestaffer, Chickaloon NV Lawerence Smith, Trucking Advocate Brian Lindamood, ARRC Crystal Smith, MSBSD Yemi Alimi, ADEC Dan Tucker, RSA Representative Erich Schaal, City of Wasilla Jude Bilafer, City of Palmer Clint Adler, DOT&PF Kim Sollien, MVP Coordinator Chris Bentz, DOT&PF Katherine Keith, DOT&P
May 29, 2024	MPO Quarterly Meeting (all-day)	STIP and STIP Amendment: Cooperative PL Fund Need ID and Travel Demand Model Tier II findings recap, Issues, timeline, TIPs in AirTable MPO Allocations Presentation at TC/PC? E-STIP applications	Jackson Fox (ED FAST Planning) Aaron Jongenelen (ED AMATS) Kim Sollien (ED MVP Planning) Katherine Keith (DOT&PF) Judy Chapman (DOT&PF) Adam Bradway (DOT&PF) Scott Vockeroth (DOT&PF) Adam Moser (DOT&PF) James Starzec (DOT&PF) Theresa Hutchins (FHWA) Julie Jenkins (FHWA) Ned Conroy (FTA)
May 30, 2024	ARRC	STIP AMD 1 discussion follow-up	Katherine Keith, DC DOT&PF Michelle Maddox ARRC Christina Isabelle-Glover, ARRC
June 3, 2024	FHWA Quarterly Meeting	Organizational Updates DOT&PF Division Office S&O Agreement (review of draft S&O agreement prior to HQ submission) August Redistribution Data/Information Sharing Project(s) Shakwak Denali Commissioner Transfers STIP Amendment #1	Anderson, Ryan (DOT&PF); Keith, Katherine M (DOT&PF) Garcia-Aline, Sandra (FHWA); Varney, Gerald (FHWA); Jenkins, Julie (FHWA); Haynes, Emily (FHWA); Dom Pannone (DOT&PF) Andy Mills (DOT&PF) Lauren Little (DOT&PF) Shannon McCarthy (DOT&PF)

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June 5, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Process & Procedure on MPO Coordination during development of the STIP	Michael Bredlie Justin Burgess (absent) Nick Czarnecki Steven Hoke for Michelle Denton ** Brian Lindamood for Kate Dueber Alexa Greene, Eielson AFB Kevin McKinley, FNSB Brett Nelson, DOT&PF John Netardus, DOT&PF Robert Pristash, City of Fairbanks William Rogers, City of Fairbanks William Rogers, City of Fairbanks Kellen Spillman, FNSB RJ Stumpf, FAI Jakob Theurich, UAF John Weinberger, Ft. Wainwright Don Galligan, FNSB Randi Bailey, DOT&PF Sara Lucey, DOT&PF Jennifer Wright, DOT&PF Jennifer Wright, DOT&PF Sarah Schacher, MBI Jeff Kupko Jack Barnwell, FDNM James Marks, AML Karlin Swearingen Jackson Fox, FAST Olivia Lunsford, FAST Corey DiRutigliano, FAST Deborah Todd, FAST
June 6, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Process & Procedure on MPO Coordination during development of the STIP	Ben White ADOT&PF Kim Carpenter MOA/Traffic Andrew Reynolds ARRC Luke Bowland DOT&PF Melinda Kohlhaas MOA/PM&E Taylor Keegan MOA/Parks & Rec Jamie Acton MOA/PTD Adeyemi Alimi ADEC Aaron Jongenelen AMATS Jon Cecil AMATS Christine Schuette AMATS Mook Puttong AMATS Daniel Mckenna-Foster MOA James Starzec DOT&PF Shawna Nelson Mark Eisenman DOT&PF Adam Bradway DOT&PF Joselyn Biloon DOT&PF

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June 11, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Process & Procedure on MPO Coordination during development of the STIP	Brian Lindamood, ARRC Stuart Leidner, Mobility Advocate Richard Martin, Knik Tribe Ben White, Alaska DOT&PF Alex Strawn, MSB Brian Winnestaffer, Chickaloon NV Crystal Smith, MSBSD Dan Tucker, RSA Representative Erich Schaal, City of Wasilla Jude Bilafer, City of Palmer Clint Adler, Alaska DOT&PF Randy Durham, MSB TAB Tom Adams, MSB Elise Blocker, RESPEC Donna Gardino, Gardino Consulting Kim Sollien, MPO Coordinator Sharon Johnson, Alaska Legislature Adam Bradway, Alaska DOT&PF Jody Simpson, Alaska Senate Kate Dueber, ARRC Megan Flory, RESPEC Brad Swortz, MSB
June 11-13, 2024	AK Transportation Working Group Federal Land Managers/Alaska TWiG	STIP, AMD 1	Invite List: John Eric Taylor, DOT&PF Adam Moser, DOT&PF Ben White, DOT&PF Brett Nelson, DOT&PF Henry Cole, DOT&PF Judy Chapman, DOT&PF Sara Lucey, DOT&PF Katherine Keith, DOT&PF Caylor Post, DOT&PF Kim Griffith, DOT&PF Aaron Jongenelen, AMATS

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June 18, 2024	MVP Policy Board Committee	Program of Projects DOT&PF 3C Process & Procedure	Bob Charles, Knik Tribe Edna DeVries, MSB Glenda Ledford, City of Wasilla Brian Winnestaffer, Chickaloon Mike Brown, MSB Sean Holland, DOT&PF Steve Carrington, City of Palmer Rod Hanson, North Lakes CC Kim Sollien, MVP Coordinator Donna Gardino, Gardino Consulting Elise Blocker, RESPEC Megan Flory, RESPEC Jackson Fox, FAST Planning Maija DiSalvo, MSB Julie Spackman, MSB Sharon Johnson, Senator Wilson Clint Adler, DOT&PF Adam Bradway, DOT&PF

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June 19, 2024	FAST Policy Board	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Process & Procedure on MPO Coordination during Development of the STIP - review and recommend.	FAST Policy Board Alaska DOT&PF *Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet
June 20, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	3C Process memo STIP Update	Sean Holland DOT&PF Kent Kohlhase Municipal Manager Adeyemi Alimi ADEC Daniel Volland MOA/Assembly Mark Littlefield MOA/Assembly Aaron Jongenelen AMATS Christine Schuette AMATS Daniel Mckenna-Foster MOA Mark Eisenman DOT&PF James Starzec DOT&PF Zakary Hartman MOA/Traffic Luke Bowland DOT&PF Ben White DOT&PF Brandon Telford MOA/PM&E John Linnell DOT&PF Bart Rudolph MOA Steven Rzepka DOT&PF Allie Hartman MOA/Assembly Joselyn Biloon DOT&PF Adam Moser DOT&PF Adam Moser DOT&PF Adam Bradway DOT&PF Adam Bradway DOT&PF Lindsey Hajduk AMATS BPAC Brad Coy MOA/Traffic Julius Adolfsson DOT&PF
June 27-28, 2024	Planning team work session	June 27, DOT&PF Planning developed a revised draft of the 3C document compiling all the MPO comments into one document with staff recommendations.  June 28, DOT&PF provided all three MPO Executive Directors with a copy of the revised document with MPO	DOT&PF MPO Planners DOT&PF Planning Chiefs DOT&PF Planning Division Ops Manager MPO Executive Directors

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July 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	STIP AMD1 and comments	Brian Lindamood, ARRC Lawerence Smith, Trucking Industry Brian Winnestaffer, Chickaloon NV Crystal Smith, MSBSD Clint Adler, Alaska DOT&PF Alex Strawn, MSB Jude Bilafer, City of Palmer Dan Tucker, RSA Representative Stuart Leidner, Mobility Advocate Erich Schaal, City of Wasilla Ben White, Alaska DOT&PF Adeyemi Alimi, ADEC
July 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	MVP STIP Amendment Comments Alaska DOT&PF 3C Comprehensive, Continuing, and Cooperative	MVP Policy Board DOT&PF *Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet
July 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP AMD1 and ED Comments	FAST Policy Board DOT&PF *Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet
July 18, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	STIP AMD1 and ED Comments	AMATS Policy Board DOT&PF *Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet
July 23, 2024	Fairbanks Coordination Meeting	FAST Planning and Fairbanks North Star Borough coordination regarding projects and programs and the STIP	Mayor Bryce Ward, FNSB Jackson Fox, FAST ED Kellen Spielman, FNSB Comms Donald Galligan, FNSB Transportation Commissioner Ryan Anderson Dep. Comm Katherine Keith
July 30, 2024	FAST Technical Committee	STIP AMD1 draft comments	FAST Technical Committee DOT&PF *Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet
July 30, 2024	Mat-Su Coordination Meeting	MVP Planning and Mat-Su Borough coordination on STIP AMD1	DOT&PF Comm Ryan Anderson DOT&PF Dep. Comm Katherine Keith Kim Sollien, MVP coordinator Donna Gardino, contractor Mayor Glenda Ledford, Wasilla

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			Andy Mills, DOT&PF Sean Holland, DOT&PF
July 31, 2024	FAST Special Policy Board Meeting	STIP AMD1 comments	FAST Policy Board DOT&PF *Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet
August 1, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP AMD 2 and 3 VRU's STIP Updates	AMATS Technical Commitee DOT&PF *Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet



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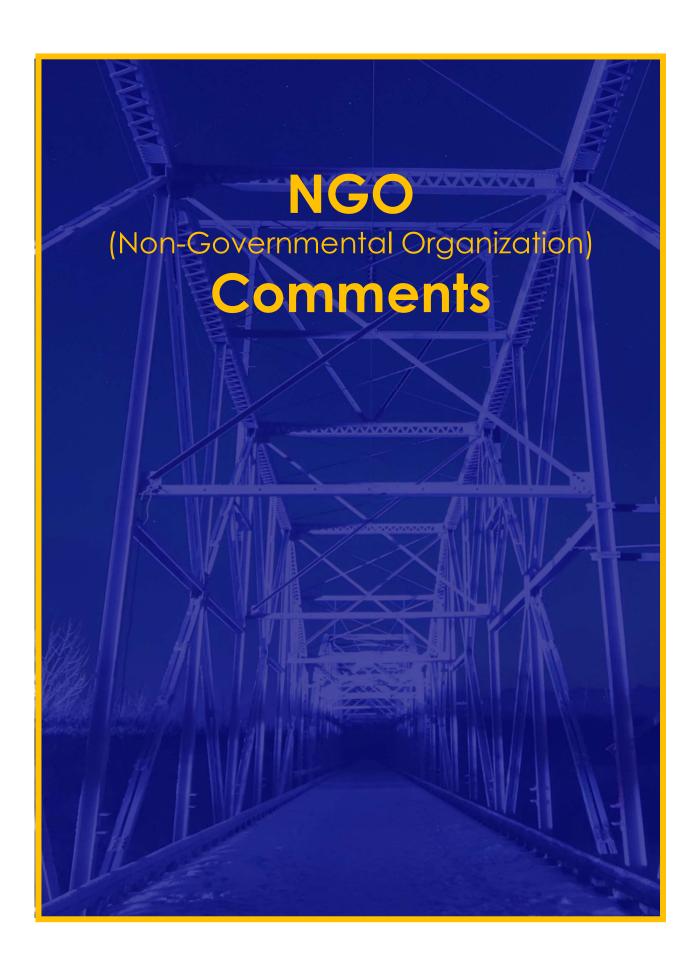
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From: <u>Jon Bolling</u>

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Subject: Comments re: STIP Amendment #1

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Southeast Conference offers the following comments regarding Alaska STIP Amenment #1.

- 1. SEC recognizes the effort put forth by AKDOT staff to address Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Federal Planning Findings that led to approval of the 2024-2027 STIP, and intended to secure approval of STIP Amendment #1.
- 2. STIP Project No. 33976 Mainline Replacement Vessel. The amendment includes no funding identified for FY 25, 26, & 27, and has \$350,000,000 in an outlier year beyond FY 27. Is the \$10,739,520 identified in year 2024 for this project intended to carry the effort through FY27? Does the STIP contain funding for this project in a different Project ID number?
- 3. SEC supports the other AMHS projects in the STIP that show active funding for 2024-2027.
- 4. STIP Project No. 30729 Interisland Ferry Authority. SEC supports this project, and encourages the state to augment the amount should bids for the work exceed the identified funds. The work identified is critical to sustain IFA's service level, which in recent years totaled some 50,000 passengers and 17,600 vehicles. This appropriation supports continuation of the important link to AMHS passenger and vehicle traffic, and further enhances the cooperative relationship between IFA and AMHS, which includes IFA vessels filling in on the Annette Bay/Ketchikan run when the MV Lituya is undergoing maintenance.
- 5. SEC supports STIP Project Numbers 33886 and 33888 funding terminal improvements in Prince Willian Sound. The conference also sees merit in interest from communities along the Richardson Highway within the Copper River Valley RPO regarding improvements needed at the Valdez AMHS terminal, and sufficient vessel capacity in PWS to meet summer traffic and provide backup service during the winter overhaul schedule for PWS AMHS vessels.

Thank you for considering our comments.



# Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

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August 20, 2024

Jon Bolling Southeast Conference 9360 Glacier Way, Ste 201 Juneau, AK 99801

Subject: August 5, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Mr. Bolling,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1. We appreciate your well organized and concise comments. Please see attached the response to your comments.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E.

Commissioner

Attachments: As Stated

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF Sarah Cripe, Waterways Planner, DOT&PF

# Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Response to Comments on STIP Amendment #1 – Southeast Conference

Comment 1: SEC recognizes the effort put forth by AKDOT staff to address Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Federal Planning Findings that led to approval of the 2024-2027 STIP, and intended to secure approval of STIP Amendment #1.

**DOT&PF Response:** Thank you for your comments.

Comment 2: STIP Project No. 33976 – Mainline Replacement Vessel. The amendment includes no funding identified for FY 25, 26, & 27, and has \$350,000,000 in an outlier year beyond FY 27. Is the \$10,739,520 identified in year 2024 for this project intended to carry the effort through FY27? Does the STIP contain funding for this project in a different Project ID number?

**DOT&PF Response:** At this time, DOT&PF has secured an award from the rural ferry program for the amount shown in the STIP Amendment for FY24 as design funding. The amount reflected in the additional project details reflects a total project cost, and not secured funding. At this time, we will begin work on the design of a Mainliner Replacement Vessel using the funding secured, and will be seeking out additional funds to continue this work in the future.

Comment 3: SEC supports the other AMHS projects in the STIP that show active funding for 2024-2027.

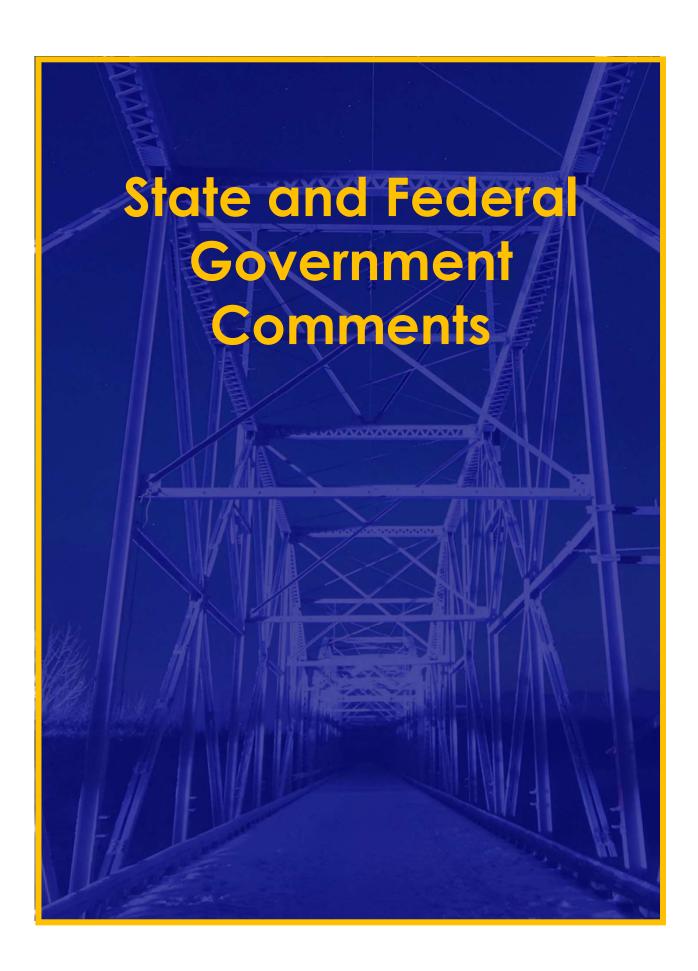
**DOT&PF Response:** Thank you for your comments.

Comment 4. STIP Project No. 30729 – Interisland Ferry Authority. SEC supports this project, and encourages the state to augment the amount should bids for the work exceed the identified funds. The work identified is critical to sustain IFA's service level, which in recent years totaled some 50,000 passengers and 17,600 vehicles. This appropriation supports continuation of the important link to AMHS passenger and vehicle traffic, and further enhances the cooperative relationship between IFA and AMHS, which includes IFA vessels filling in on the Annette Bay/Ketchikan run when the MV Lituya is undergoing maintenance.

**DOT&PF Response**: Thank you for your comments. We support the important work of the Interisland Ferry Authority and value our partnership.

Comment 5. SEC supports STIP Project Numbers 33886 and 33888 funding terminal improvements in Prince William Sound. The conference also sees merit in interest from communities along the Richardson Highway within the Copper River Valley RPO regarding improvements needed at the Valdez AMHS terminal, and sufficient vessel capacity in PWS to meet summer traffic and provide backup service during the winter overhaul schedule for PWS AMHS vessels.

**DOT&PF Response**: Thank you for your comments. We have noted the recommendations of the Copper Valley RPO and are evaluating the needs at the Valdez terminal.





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July 31, 2024

Mr. Ryan Anderson, P.E., Commissioner Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities P.O. Box 112500 3132 Channel Drive Juneau, AK 99811

Subject: 2024 – 2027 Draft Alaska State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1

Dear Mr. Anderson:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have jointly reviewed the Draft 2024 – 2027 Alaska State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1, made available for public review on July 5, 2024. As part of the Draft STIP Amendment review, the FHWA and FTA assessed the extent to which the transportation planning processes through which statewide transportation plans and programs are developed are consistent with 23 USC 134 and 135 (FHWA) and 49 U.S.C 5303 – 5304 (FTA).

Attached are FHWA and FTA joint comments on the Alaska Draft STIP Amendment #1. Our expectation is that FHWA and FTA comments will be addressed for the formal submittal of the STIP Amendment #1.

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Jenkins (FHWA: Julie.Jenkins@dot.gov) or Ned Conroy (FTA: Ned.Conroy@dot.gov).

Sincerely,

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## Attachment:

FHWA FTA Comments Alaska Draft 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1

Electronically cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Program Management and Administration, DOT&PF Ned Conroy, FTA

# FHWA/FTA Comments for Alaska DRAFT STIP Amendment #1 July 31, 2024

- 1. Projects programmed in MPO areas must be included in the MPO TIPs. Any project in an MPA must be removed from the STIP. (Tier 1- 1.a.) The following projects must be removed from STIP Amendment #1 prior to submittal to FHWA/FTA for approval:
  - 33683 Abbott Road Pavement Preservation: New Seward Highway to Lake Otis Pkwy
  - 34635 Glenn Highway and Artillery Road Interchange Improvements
  - 33686 Muldoon Road Pavement Preservation [SOGR Award 2022]
  - 31846 Glenn Highway and Hiland Road Interchange Preservation and Operational Improvements
  - 31839 Glenn Highway Incident Management and Traffic Accommodations [Parent and Final Construction]
  - 34171 Glenn Highway Incident Management and Traffic Accommodations [Stage 1]
  - 34636 Glenn Highway Incident Management and Traffic Accommodations [Stage 2]
  - 31274 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Parent and Final Construction]
  - 34170 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Stage 2]
  - 34169 Glenn Highway Milepost 1-34 Rehabilitation: Glenn Highway Airport Heights to Parks Highway [Stage 1]
  - 12641 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Parent and Final Construction]
  - 34164 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Stage 1]
  - 34165 Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek [Stage 2]
- 2. All projects included in the STIP must be eligible for the funding sources identified and eligible for the phases identified. (Tier 1) E.g., the following list of projects do not appear to be eligible for inclusion into the STIP as currently identified and must be corrected or removed for STIP Amendment #1 prior to submittal to FHWA/FTA for approval:
  - 34427 Kachemak Bay Drive Milepost 0-3.5 Reconstruction: STBG as the match for PROTECT funds creating a fully Federal 100% funded project. PROTECT requires a 20% match. STBG does not allow a Federal/Federal match.
  - 30830, 30831, 30834 Gravina Projects: Ketchikan Gateway Borough's FBF funds are significantly less than the amount of funds programmed to these projects. Ketchikan Airport Ferry Terminal cannot use Ferry Boat Funds allocated to the Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS).
     Additionally, the federal share for FBF is limited to 80%.
  - 34317 Alaska Highway Yukon Territory Permafrost Repairs: Should be listed as a project, not a ledger. Cannot use AC because funding is expected to be transferred to FHWA. FY2024 Construction funding is not reasonable.
  - Some AMHS Ferry projects have discrepancies between project descriptions and fund tables, and potentially ineligible fund sources. The project descriptions identify the FTA Ferry Service for Rural Communities and Toll Credits, while the fund tables identify Other Federal Funds (Community Awards) and Ferry Boat Funds. The following projects must specify federal fund source(s) and local match:
    - o 29709 Auke Bay Ferry Terminal East Berth Mooring Rehabilitation
    - o 33883 Angoon AMHS Ferry Terminal Rehabilitation
    - o 34193 Kake Ferry Terminal Rehabilitation
    - 34229 Low No Emission Shuttle Ferry

- 34212 M/V Columbia Controllable Pitch Propeller
- o 34211 M/V Kennicott Emissions and Exhaust
- 33976 M/V Mainliner Replacement Vessel
- o 34209 M/V Matanuska Safety Improvement Project
- 33978 M/V Tazlina Crew Quarters
- 30189 M/V Tustumena Replacement Vessel
- o 33885 Pelican Ferry Terminal Reconstruction
- o 34192 Yakutat Ferry Terminal Reconstruction
- 30729 Inter-Island Ferry Authority Ferry Refurbishments: Inter-Island Ferry Authority is not eligible for AMHS FBF funds.
- Cannot clearly follow use of Bridge Funding. For example, NID 33241 indicates use of Highway
  Improvement Program Bridge Funds -Off System Bridge and this fund type is not listed on the
  Fiscal Constraint table. Fund table indicates three types of bridge funding and nomenclature is
  not clearly connected to fund apportionments. Because of this confusion cannot determine if
  funds are eligible for work types listed (ie. New bridge, preservation, etc.)
- 34245 Portage Curve Multi-Modal and Trail of Blue Ice Connector [TAP Award 2023]: Project lists both <5k and 5k-49,999 sub-allocations.
- 32478 ADA Implementation and Compliance: Project description does not support Design and Construct funding.
- 34021 ARRC Railroad Avalanche Control. OFF-DGS is identified as the funding source but it is unclear whether it is FTA or FHWA funds. FTA cannot identify a corresponding discretionary congressional source that would support this project. Please clarify.
- 3. FHWA and FTA received several comments from MPOs in Alaska regarding coordination and communication about the DRAFT STIP Amendment #1. These comments focused on a lack of communication overall and consistency with MPO TIP amendment processes. Some of these concerns appear evident in the inconsistent reporting of "Ledger", and through the number of projects programmed in the STIP that are located within the MPAs. The DOT&PF must work with the MPOs to develop the STIP and any STIP amendment and produce a document that demonstrates coordination with all MPOs. (Tier 2 1.a.)
- 4. Fiscal constraint is not adequately documented. Federal and local match are not clearly defined and there are numerous inconsistencies between the fiscal constraint tables and the detailed project listings. Specific concerns include:
  - For programs such as innovative finance or discretionary grants, there must be some
    understanding of what is reasonably expected to be available, and some documented analysis of
    those expectation based on historical trends or other reasonable assumptions. (Tier 1 e.)
  - Fiscal constraint must be demonstrated for all sources of funds including State funds available for programming. The STIP must demonstrate that the State funds programmed for match plus the amount of state funds programmed for AC by year is reasonably expected to be available based on the amount of state funds available each program year. (Tier 1 f.)
  - Fiscal constraint must be demonstrated by source and by year. Meaning you must show the amount of funds available vs. the amount of funds programmed in the STIP by year. The many tables provided are inconsistent with the project pages where funds are programmed, and they are inconsistent across the various demonstration tables. In addition, the funding source categories and sub-categories identified are used inconsistently across all tables and project pages E.g., OFF. This makes it impossible to verify fiscal constraint and is challenging for the public to understand. (Tier 1 –f.)

- All costs and revenues must be shown by "Year of Expenditure" inflation. There is no documentation that this has been done. (Tier 2 4.f.)
- Total project cost is not included or appears to be inaccurate for many projects. Examples include:
  - Prior obligation funding does not match current FMIS obligations. (E.g., 2152, 26330, 28890)
  - Total project cost appears inaccurate. (E.g., 33445, 33399)
  - Out year funding is not consistent with full costs anticipated (E.g., 34146, 31270)
  - Total project cost is missing (E.g., 31899)
- The term "Ledger" is well defined, but not consistently used in the STIP Amendment #1 document. For example, only MPO funds are identified as "ledger", however the definition would imply that any funding source for which there is a transaction would be demonstrated through a ledger. These inconsistencies are confusing and create the impression that not all funding is demonstrated consistently.
- The "Ledger" amounts shown in the STIP Amendment #1 for FAST and MVP and the amounts of these same sources programed in the FAST TIP and MVP's Program of Projects are not consistent. The amount of funds allocated to the MPO and the amount programmed in the TIP and/or Program of Projects adopted by the MPO must be consistently demonstrated for fiscal constraint.
- 5. Several project descriptions/scopes conflict with the descriptions/scopes in the current approved STIP e.g. in the current STIP some projects are identified as closed or completed and in the Draft STIP Amendment #1 these same projects are under construction or now include new phases; and funds for projects in the current STIP were reduced or increased without clear understanding of why the funds are changing so dramatically in some cases; this is especially concerning for those where the scope did not change. FHWA/FTA would like to understand why so many projects changed so dramatically while other projects that were ready to go to Construction were removed from the STIP. Examples include:
  - 33178 Trout Creek Culvert Replacement and Aquatic Organism Passage Improvements
  - 33696 Petersville Road Milepost 7 Moose Creek Bridge Reconstruction [SOGR Award 2022]
  - 6447 Bridge and Tunnel Inventory, Inspection, Monitoring, Preservation, and Rehabilitation Program.
  - 34126 Alaska Highway Milepost 1348 Robertson River Bridge Replacement.
  - 2620 Seward Highway Milepost 25.5-37 Rehabilitation.
- 6. STIP Amendment #1 includes inconsistencies in the how project phases are reflected which could impact obligation or authorization approvals. Examples include:
  - Phase definitions must be clarified and used consistently. (E.g., P2a, P2b, P8 and P9)
  - Each phase must be demonstrated fully in the year anticipated for obligation and cannot be split over multiple years. (E.g., 21114, 31798, 32024)
- 7. STIP Amendment #1 public process began on July 3, 2024, but the STIP Amendment #1 documents were not made available to the public until July 5, 2024, with interrupted availability later in July. The public comment log was made available initially and it is now unavailable. In addition, the non-metropolitan consultation requirement appears to be identified in the STIP as guidance. It's unclear whether the public participation plan is being followed for this DRAFT STIP Amendment #1 review process. The final STIP Amendment #1 must document that the Public Participation process was fully followed.



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August 26, 2024

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Susan Fletcher Regional Administrator Federal Transit Administration

Subject: July 31, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Ms. Garcia-Aline and Ms. Fletcher,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1 made available for public review on July 5, 2024. We hope the additional information provided in our June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 letter clarified our approach to this amendment, and in addressing the 2024-2027 STIP Partial Approval.

Several of the comments allude to the amount of changes occurring between the original 2024-2027 STIP, and STIP Amendment #1. We strive to provide both the FHWA and FTA the best information available, and in a dynamic project delivery environment, changes occur regularly. We appreciate your willingness to be agile as we work to deliver information that accurately reflects changes that occur as we work through timeframes required.

There are three attachments included with this letter. Attachment "A" summarizes our response to your comments. Attachment "B" summarizes our engagement through August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 with the Metropolitan Planning Organizations, FHWA, and other State and Federal Agencies since the Federal Planning Findings were issued. This has been updated since our June 20<sup>th</sup> letter. We hope the summary of engagement demonstrates our team's hard work to meet the intent of the regulations, as well as how many people have been involved in these important efforts. We have every intent to continue these efforts and have begun the process to bring consistency amongst Alaska's Metropolitan Planning Organizations in how they develop their Transportation Improvement Plans.

Many FHWA and FTA comments refer to how we are identifying funding sources and fund codes as related to fiscal constraint. We felt it would be prudent to also provide a listing of our fund sources and codes, which is included as Attachment "C." Considering the complexities added with discretionary grants, additional funding sources, and our need to ensure we are able to address fiscal constraint while transitioning funding from projects and programs within MPA's to the respective Metropolitan Planning

Organizations Transportation Improvement Programs, we have had to expand our system of coding extensively.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E.

Commissioner

Attachments: As Stated

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF

Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF

# Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) response to July 31, 2024 FHWA/FTA Comments on 2024-2027 STIP Amendment #1 for public review.

1. (Summarized) Projects programmed in MPO areas must be included in the MPO TIPs. Any project in an MPA must be removed from the STIP.

### **Comment 1 Response:**

DOT&PF made a decision to include these projects in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) amendment for purposes of transparency and communication with the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and the public. Removing all projects within the Metropolitan Planning Areas (MPAs) from the State's STIP is a new practice, and while we transition National Highway System and other projects within the MPA's to respective MPO Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs), there will be a lag in the respective TIPS catching up to what is reflected in our fiscal constraint. Our STIP amendment includes funds reserved for these projects, while these projects are not yet reflected in the Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS) TIP. Including the projects for public review assists in the transition. These projects have been removed in the final submission to FHWA. DOT&PF agrees that the scopes could have included a statement on where to find project details moving forward.

One clarification: The Seward Highway Milepost 98.5 to 118 Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek project is a project of significance that will be staged through multiple years. The AMATS MPA boundary begins at approximately MP 113 on the Seward Highway. The regulations do not address projects where the scope of work falls within and outside of an MPA. We have included the project stages and respective funding that falls completely outside of the MPA in our STIP. That ensures fiscal constraint is appropriately distributed. Project stages that are within the MPA will be represented in the TIP.

2. (Summarized) All projects included in the STIP must be eligible for the funding sources identified and eligible for the phases identified.

### **Comment 2 Response:**

**34427:** Our understanding of 23 U.S.C. 176(c)(3)(D)(ii) is that we are permitted to use STBG funds to fulfill the 20% match requirement for PROTECT funded projects. That is our intent for 34427. "(ii) Non-federal share.-A State may use Federal funds other than Federal funds apportioned to the State under section 104(b)(8) to meet the non-Federal cost share requirement for a project under this subsection."

**30830**, **30831**, **30834**: Regarding the Gravina projects and the allocation of Ferry Boat Program (FBP) funds, DOT&PF has made the following changes: for 30830, Ferry Boat funds have been replaced with STBG Flex, for 30831, Ferry Boat funds have been replaced with STBG Flex, for 30834, the match rates have been adjusted. These formula funds were added to address cost increases and ensure the project is funded through completion.

**34317:** The Advance Construction (AC) designation will be removed from the project. After further discussions with the Yukon, we have removed the funding from FY24, and have added more clarity to the scope to reflect the potential to utilize both RAISE grant funding, as well as State of Alaska apportionments to fully fund the project

**AMHS Ferry Projects:** We have clarified funding sources as "Ferry Service for Rural Communities" with Ferry Boat funds being utilized to meet our toll credit requirements. We have removed 30729 from the STIP.

**Bridge Funding:** We have updated fiscal constraint tables, and fund source/fund code tables to improve clarity.

**34245:** Funding sources have been corrected

**32478:** Construction improvements have been added to the scope.

**34021:** This project has been removed from the STIP.

3. (Summarized) FHWA and FTA received several comments from MPOs in Alaska regarding coordination and communication about the DRAFT STIP Amendment #1.

### **Comment 3 Response:**

We would appreciate specifics for comments such as this. Attachment "B" summarizes our engagement through August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 with the Metropolitan Planning Organizations, FHWA, and other State and Federal Agencies since the Federal Planning Findings were issued. DOT&PF has made significant engagement efforts with Alaska's MPOs. Comments from the letters from FAST, AMATS, and MVP have been addressed in writing as well as in person with board chairs. In past discussions we have agreed that the Policy Boards speak for the respective MPOs, which occurs at formal Policy Board meetings, and in formal correspondence.

4. (Summarized) Fiscal constraint is not adequately documented. Federal and local match are not clearly defined and there are numerous inconsistencies between the fiscal constraint tables and the detailed project listings.

### **Comment 4 Responses:**

Discretionary grants are listed to utilize funds that have been awarded. If funds haven't been awarded, the grants are not listed.

The State's ability to support AC is outlined in the Narrative section titled: State's Ability to Support Advance Construction.

We will revise our fiscal constraint tables once again to ensure clarity for the public.

Costs and revenues are shown by year of expenditure with inflation factored in as required by our Preconstruction Manual. This action was stated in our June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 letter to FHWA and FTA. If further documentation is required, please let us know what type of documentation is requested.

We continue to receive updated estimates and project delivery schedules for projects and programs. We incorporate this information into the STIP as quickly as possible, to ensure we have the best information available. We have made progress and have addressed the projects identified.

Ledgers have been updated to address comments.

5. (Summarized) Several project descriptions/scopes conflict with the descriptions/scopes in the current approved STIP.

#### **Comment 5 Response:**

As part of updating the STIP in Amendment #1, project scopes, schedules and estimates were reviewed by the appropriate project teams, and that information was transmitted to the STIP team systematically through our project delivery plan system. Many projects have seen changes in scope as significant cost estimate increases based on the past several years inflationary environment are requiring us to review projects from a fiscal constraint perspective. We would be happy to set up a working session with the appropriate teams to go through the requested information in comment 5.

6. (Summarized) STIP Amendment #1 includes inconsistencies in the how project phases are reflected which could impact obligation or authorization approvals.

### **Comment 6 Response:**

Thank you for this comment. We have reviewed all project phases and updated accordingly.

Regarding the noted inconsistencies in project descriptions and phase reporting, DOT&PF acknowledges that changes do occur. This STIP is advanced and based on projects within each STIP. For programs with several projects, the total needed for each phase is rolled up and then listed in the STIP document. This approach is based on the actual Year of Expenditure (YOE) estimates rolled up to the program level.

Previous STIPs provided a more general listing of phases to allow for flexibility as projects evolved. Recognizing FHWA's new practice of requiring precision over offering project level flexibilith to external changes, DOT&PF has recreated our STIP pages to reflect updated phase reporting accurately. This amendment corrects and overrides the previously

7. (Summarized) STIP Amendment #1 public process began on July 3, 2024, but the STIP Amendment #1 documents were not made available to the public until July 5, 2024, with interrupted availability later in July. The public comment log was made available initially and it is now unavailable. In addition, the nonmetropolitan consultation requirement appears to be identified in the STIP as guidance. It's unclear whether the public participation plan is being followed for this DRAFT STIP Amendment #1 review process. The final STIP Amendment #1 must document that the Public Participation process was fully followed.

### **Comment 7 Response:**

Thank you for sharing the concern about the public's ability to access the STIP AMD 1 documents. We too were concerned about the ability of the public to comment based on the outages and added on another three days to the public comment period as a result.

We should clarify that the STIP documents were available on the website on the evening on July 3, not on July 5. In fact, we received our first comment the morning of July 4. There have been no changes to the public comment log as it was established for this commenting period, and the

full list of comments received, through our online tools, emails, and consultations will be provided in our Amendment #1 submission.

The two outages, one on the afternoon of Sunday, July 7, and the second on the morning of Wednesday, July 17, were resolved quickly, and additional steps were taken to both safeguard the site, and to create a contingency for any further outages.

Alaska DOT&PF staff created a duplicate page during the worldwide Crowdstrike outage, and as a result, the STIP documents and information were only inaccessible for about 30 minutes.

The cumulative impacts of the two outages and the Crowdstrike incident resulted in an estimated 24 to 36-hour disruption. As a result, the extension of the public comment period to Monday, August 5, 2024, is more than adequate to meet the 30-day public involvement and comment period. That being said, Alaska DOT&PF has committed to a continuous public comment on the STIP and will keep our public comment portal open. Any comments that are submitted after the public commenting period ends will be rolled into the next STIP public comment period for consideration.

DOT&PF has gone to great lengths to enhance public engagement and ensure accessibility. Our efforts include:

- **PublicInput Site**: A comprehensive platform for ongoing public engagement, allowing the public to view and comment on projects. This site has proven instrumental in collecting feedback and maintaining transparency. More details can be found <a href="here">here</a> (PublicInput).
- **ESRI Capital Projects Module**: This module details project extents where available, providing clear, interactive maps and project information to the public.
- Airtable Interactive Database: A dynamic tool that allows the public to filter and access detailed project information, making the data accessible and easy to navigate. More information can be accessed <a href="here">here</a> (PublicInput).
- Online Public Notices System: Ensures that public notices are widely available and easily accessible
  to all stakeholders. Details about our STIP amendment processes and public notices are posted <a href="here">here</a>
  (Alaska State Website).
- **PDF Documents**: Available for easy download and printing to ensure that stakeholders can access and review the materials conveniently.

These tools have led to a record-breaking number of comments and site visits, demonstrating our commitment to transparency and ongoing public involvement. DOT&PF will maintain this high level of successful engagement and has already established redundant systems to prevent similar disruptions in the future. This ensures continuous access to our flexible engagement platforms, even in the event of unforeseen technical issues.

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
April 3, 2024	FAST Technical Committee	STIP Project Prioritization Review	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Lauren Little, John Perreault
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Christopher Stepovich
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			KUAC: Dan Bross
			RESPEC: Megan Flory
April 4, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP Amendment 2	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Galen Jones, James Starzec, Mary Hoffman, Steven Rzepka, Mark Eisenman, Sean Baski, Joselyn Biloon, John Linnell, Judy Chapman
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association, Inc.: Karen Pletnikoff
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Mook Puttong, Emily Weiser, Lindsey Hajduk
			Chugach Mtn. Bike Riders: Will Taygan
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			<b>HDR:</b> Laurie Cummings, Amy Burnett, Chris Hughes, Alice Horazdovsky

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			Municipality of Anchorage: Brad Coy, Craig Lyon, Steve Ribuffo, Melinda Kohlhaas, Taylor Keegan, Matt Stichick, Jamie Acton, Brandon Telford, Bart Rudolph
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Aves Thompson
April 8, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP recaps and path forward	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith
	leadership		<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney
April 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	Project Prioritization Review, Travel Demand	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
		Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Adam Moser
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Wasilla: Brad Hanson
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Alex Strawn, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham, Maija Disalvo
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Natalie Lyon
			Valley Transit: Jennifer Busch
April 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review, Travel Demand Model & Household Survey	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Luke Bowland, John Linnell, Ben White, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood

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			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Kinney Engineering: Josh Cross, Aiza Miguel
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Mat-Su Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
April 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP Project Prioritization Review	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Katherine Keith, Randi Bailey
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			<b>City of North Pole:</b> Michael Welch, Danny Wallace
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Nathan Belz
April 18, 2024	Committee Quali TIP A Lette	TIP Amendment 2 Air Quality Conformity	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds, Adeyemi Alimi
		TIP Amendment 2 Letter of support for DOT&PF PPPP	Letter of support for

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			Linnell, Anna Bosin, Kelly Summers, Patrick Swalling, Joselyn Biloon, Mark Eisenman
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Dueber
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Mook Puttong, Lindsey Hajduk, Mark Littlefield
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brandon Telford, Jamie Acton, Bart Rudolph, Zakary Hartman, Taylor Keegan, Russ Oswald
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Meg Zaletel
			Rabbit Creek Community Council: Nancy Pease
			Not affiliated or unknown affiliation: Wolfgang Junge
April 25, 2024	FAST Policy Board Chair Work		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson
	Session		Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
April 26, 2024	FAST Executive Director Work Session		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Randi Bailey, Shane Moller, James Starzec, Adam Bradway
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
April 26, 2024	AMATS Executive Director Work Session	Work session to go over project updates ahead of STIP Amendment 1, and	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: James Starzec, Katherine Keith AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		to share the tools to ensure everyone has access to information	AIVIATS: Adron Jongeneien
April 26, 2024	AMATS Support Discussion	Discussing contract with DOWL for assistance with STIP corrective actions,	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: James Starzec, Katherine Keith, Judy Chapman
		specifically the congestion	AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		management process	<b>DOWL:</b> Renee Whitesell, Jessica Smith

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April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP after action and Amendment 1 next steps	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Winnie Cichosz, Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone, Andy Mills, Lauren Little
			Federal Highway Administration: Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney, Julie Jenkins, Emily Haynes, Theresa Hutchins, Emily Biondi, Harlan Miller, Kenneth Petty
April 30, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	Meeting on Tier 2 Items	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 1, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory	Interior Transportation	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Brett Nelson, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Sara Lucey, Jennifer Wright, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Michael Bredlie
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			<b>Michael Baker International:</b> Sarah Schacher, Jeff Kupko
			National Renewable Energy Laboratory: Karlin Swearingen
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich

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May 2, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory Committee	TIP Narrative Update	<b>Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation:</b> Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Anna Bosin, Noah King, Patrick Swalling, Roxanne Risse, Katherine Keith, Sarah Riopelle
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Chuck Homan, Lindsey Hajduk, Nancy Pease
			CRW Engineering: Colin Singleton
			Municipality of Anchorage: Brad Coy, Craig Lyon, Steve Ribuffo, Russ Oswald, Taylor Keegan, Bart Rudolph, Matt Stichick, Zakary Hartman
			Turnagain Community Council: Cathy Gleason
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> William Still, John McLeary, Evan Sharp, Mary Dean, Stephen Stone
May 8, 2024	MVP and DOT&PF	Meeting on STIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Adam Bradyway
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 9, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF:	- &PF:	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherin Keith, Dom Pannone
	Meeting on Tier 2		<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 14, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory	Project Prioritization	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, John Linnell, Luke Bowland
			<b>Alaska Railroad Corporation:</b> Brian Lindamood, Kate Dueber
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer

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			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			<b>Commuter Rail Committee:</b> Cynthia Wentworth
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles, Jr.
			Matanuska Susitna Borough: Alex Strawn, Tom Adams, Maija DiSalvo, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Natalie Lyon
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
			Trucking Industry Advocate: Lawerence Smith
May 14, 2024	Alaska Railroad Corporation	Amendment 1 Discussion	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Ryan Anderson
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Bill O'Leary, Michelle Maddox, Brian Lindamood
May 15, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP TIP	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Katherine Keith, Adam Moser, Jennifer Wright
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			City of Fairbanks Assembly: Jerry Cleworth, Scott Crass
			City of North Pole: Michael Welch, Danny Wallace
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman,
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano

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			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
May 15, 2024	FHWA and DOT&PF	STIP Amendment 1 Meeting on Discretionary Grant Source Funding &	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherin Keith, Dom Pannone, Lauren Little
		Project Obligations	<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
May 16, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	TIP Narrative	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Sean Baski, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, John Linnell, Steven Rzepka
			<b>Alaska Railroad Corporation:</b> Kate Dueber, Brian Lindamood
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Mook Puttong
			CRW Engineering: Colin Singleton
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			HDR: Chris Hughes, Morgan Miller
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kent Kohlhase, Brad Coy, Brandon Telford, Zakary Hartman, Bart Rudolph, Craig Lyon, Allison Bolgiano
			<b>Municipality of Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Meg Zaletel
			Rabbit Creek Community Council: Nancy Pease
			Turnagain Community Council: Cathy Gleason
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Jason Norris
May 21, 2024	DOT&PF and MPO's	Coordination of Planning Process to ensure 3C or 23 CFR 450.208	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Dom Pannone, Lauren Little, James Starzek, Ben White, Adam Moser
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox

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			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Julie Jenkins, Theresa Hutchins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 21, 2024	MVP Policy Board	STIP Update	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Clint Adler, Luke Bowland, Adam Bradway, Katherine Keith, Ben White
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>Chickaloon Native Village:</b> Brian Winnestaffer, Kaylan Wade
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			Fairbanks Area Surface Transportation: Jackson Fox
			Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Matanuska Susitna Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Alex Strawn
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			Office of Senator Wilson: Sharon Johnson
			<b>RESPEC:</b> Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
May 22, 2024	MVP Special Policy Board	Special meeting and work session with the MVP	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Yemi Alimi
	Meeting	Board and Technical Committee to discuss transportation projects for inclusion in STIP Amendment 1	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, Clint Adler, Chris Bentz, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington, Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			Mat-Su Borough: Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Tom Adams, Crystal Smith
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
			Trucking Advocate: Lawerence Smith
May 29, 2024	MPO Quarterly Meeting (all-day)	STIP and STIP Amendment 1: Cooperative PL Fund Need ID and Travel	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith, Judy Chapman, Adam Bradway, Scott Vockeroth, Adam Moser, James Starzec
		Demand Model	AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
		Tier II findings recap, Issues, timeline, TIPs in	FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
		AirTable MPO Allocations	Federal Highway Administration: Theresa Hutchins, Julie Jenkins
		Presentation at TC/PC? E-STIP applications	Federal Transit Administration: Ned Conroy
			MVP: Kim Sollien
May 30, 2024	ARRC	STIP Amendment 1 discussion follow-up	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Katherine Keith
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Michelle Maddox, Christina Isabelle-Glover
June 3, 2024	FHWA Quarterly Meeting	Organizational Updates DOT&PF Division Office S&O Agreement (review	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Dom Pannone, Andy Mills, Lauren Little, Shannon McCarthy
		of draft S&O agreement prior to HQ submission) August Redistribution Data/Information Sharing Project(s) Shakwak, Denali Other Items? STIP Amendment 1 timeframe	Federal Highway Administration: Julie Jenkins, Sandra Garcia-Aline, Gerald Varney, Emily Haynes

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
June 5, 2024	FAST Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO coordination during development of the STIP	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Nick Czarnecki
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Brett Nelson, Randi Bailey, John Netardus, RJ Stumpf, Sara Lucey, Jennifer Wright, Katherine Keith
			Alaska Municipal League: James Marks
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pristash, William Rogers
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke, Kevin McKinley, Kellen Spillman, Don Galligan
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fort Wainwright: John Weinberger
			<b>Michael Baker International:</b> Sarah Schacher, Jeff Kupko
			National Renewable Energy Laboratory: Karlin Swearingen
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
June 6, 2024	AMATS Technical Advisory	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO Coordination during development of the STIP	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Adeyemi Alimi
	Committee		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Luke Bowland, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Adam Bradway, Joselyn Biloon, John Linnell, Katherine Keith, Orion LeCroy, Sean Holland
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Andrew Reynolds, Kate Dueber
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Jon Cecil, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Lindsey Hajduk
			Anchorage Assembly: Mark Littlefield

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			HDR: Morgan Miller
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kim Carpenter, Melinda Kohlhaas, Taylor Keegan, Jamie Acton, Daniel Mckenna-Foster, Bart Rudolph, Brandon Telford, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Stephen Stone
			Northern Solutions: Shawna Nelson
June 11, 2024	MVP Technical Advisory Committee	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on MPO Coordination during	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway
		development of the STIP	<b>Alaska Legislature:</b> Sharon Johnson, Jody Simpson
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood, Kate Dueber
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Richard Martin
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Alex Strawn, Crystal Smith, Randy Durham, Tom Adams, Brad Swortz
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
June 11-13,	Alaska	STIP Amendment 1	Invite List:
2024	Transportation Working Group Federal Land Managers/Alaska TWiG		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ben White, John Eric Taylor, Adam Moser, Brett Nelson, Henry Cole, Judy Chapman, Sara Lucey, Katherine Keith, David Post, Kim Griffith
			AMATS: Aaron Jongenelen
			Alaska Municipal League: Nils Andreassen, Erin Reinders, Britta Hamre

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			Bureau of Indian Affairs: Donna Pearson
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Christina Mounce, Michael Lukshin, Kevin Doniere, Chris Riley, Miles Brooks,
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			National Park Service: Laura Minski
			<b>US Forest Service:</b> Paul Escamilla, Harvey Hergett
			<b>US Dept. of Agriculture:</b> Griffith Berg, Jason Johnston, Jeff Schramm, Rueben Glaves
			US Army Corps of Engineers: Levi Wood
			Volpe: Larissa Ireland, Kaitlin Justice
			Federal Highway Administration: Samantha Shields, Nicholas Grisham, Kristin Austin, Matthew Hermen, Andrew Rasmussen, Katherine McQuillan
			Western Federal Lands: Seth English-Young
June 18, 2024	MVP Policy Board Committee	Program of Projects DOT&PF 3C Policy & Procedure	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, Clint Adler, Adam Bradway, Luke Bowland
			Alaska Legislature: Sharon Johnson
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford, Erich Schaal
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			<b>Mat-Su Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Maija DiSalvo, Julie Spackman,
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			North Lakes Community Council: Rod Hanson

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			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Rodney Fodge
June 19, 2024	FAST Policy Board	Draft Alaska DOT&PF Policy & Procedure on	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Nick Czarnecki
		MPO coordination during development of the STIP - review and recommend	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, Adam Moser, Brett Nelson, Ben White, Judy Chapman, Ivet Hall, Joe Kemp
			City of Fairbanks: Mayor David Pruhs
			<b>City of North Pole:</b> Chandra Clack, Danny Wallace
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Trinity Consultants:</b> Suriya Vallamsunda, Tom Carlson
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Patrice Lee, Molly Farrell, Z. Zanon, Gary Wilken
June 20, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	3C Process memo STIP Update	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Mark Eisenman, James Starzec, Luke Bowland, Ben White, John Linnell, Steven Rzepka, Joselyn Biloon, Adam Moser, Alex Read, Adam Bradway, Anna Bosin, Julius Adolfsson
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Christine Schuette, Lindsey Hajduk

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			<b>Anchorage Assembly:</b> Daniel Volland, Mark Littlefield, Allie Hartman
			Municipality of Anchorage: Kent Kohlhase, Daniel Mckenna-Foster, Zakary Hartman, Brandon Telford, Bart Rudolph, Brad Coy
June 27-28, 2024	Planning team work session	June 27, DOT&PF Planning developed a revised draft of the 3C document compiling all the MPO comments into one document with staff recommendations.  June 28, DOT&PF provided all three MPO Executive Directors with a copy of the revised document with MPO comments captured and	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: MPO Planners, Planning Chiefs, Planning Division Ops Manager MPOs: Executive Directors
July 9, 2024	MVP Technical Committee	an update on the status.  STIP Amendment 1 and comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Adeyemi Alimi
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Clint Adler, Ben White
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood
			Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Jude Bilafer
			City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal
			Mat-Su Borough: Crystal Smith, Alex Strawn
			Mobility Advocate: Stuart Leidner
			Trucking Industry: Lawerence Smith
			RSA Representative: Dan Tucker
July 16, 2024	MVP Policy Board	MVP STIP Amendment comments Alaska DOT&PF 3C	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Adam Bradway, Ben White, Shannon McCarthy
		Comprehensive,	Alaska Railroad Corporation: Brian Lindamood

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		Continuing, and	Alaska State Legislature: Sharon Johnson
		Cooperative	Chickaloon Native Village: Brian Winnestaffer
			City of Palmer: Steve Carrington
		City of Wasilla: Erich Schaal	
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann, Julie Jenkins
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			Knik Tribe: Bob Charles
			<b>Matanuska Susitna Borough:</b> Edna DeVries, Mike Brown, Maija DiSalvo, Alex Strawn
			MVP: Kim Sollien
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker, Megan Flory
July 17, 2024	FAST Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 and ED comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Brett Nelson, Ben White, Judy Chapman, Al Beck, Adam Moser
			City of Fairbanks: David Pruhs
			City of North Pole: Chandra Clack
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Corey DiRutigliano, Olivia Lunsford
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks Daily News Miner: Jack Barnwell
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			Federal Highway Administration: Marie Heidemann
			KTVF: Patrick Gilchrist

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			MVP: Kim Sollien
			Michael Baker International: Sarah Schacher
			RESPEC: Elise Blocker
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Evee Rynish
July 18, 2024	AMATS Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 and ED Comments	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Sean Holland, Ben White, James Starzec, Mark Eisenman, Anna Bosin, Joselyn Biloon, Brett Nelson, Shannon McCarthy, Adam Moser, Judy Chapman, Sarah Riopelle
			Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Jason Olds
			<b>AMATS:</b> Aaron Jongenelen, Christine Schuette, Mook Puttong, Emily Weiser
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Dueber
			FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann, Julie Jenkins
			HDR: Morgan Miller
			Municipality of Anchorage Assembly: Daniel Volland, Mark Littlefield
			Municipality of Anchorage: Daniel Mckenna- Foster, Brandon Telford, Zakary Hartman, Bart Rudolph, Chelsea Ward-Waller, Jamie Acton, Graham Downey
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Melissa Babb
July 23, 2024	Fairbanks Coordination	FAST Planning and Fairbanks North Star Borough coordination regarding projects and	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith
	Meeting		Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
		programs	FAST Planning: Jackson Fox
July 30, 2024	FAST Special Technical Committee	STIP Amendment 1 draft comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Air Quality: Nick Czarnecki

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Randi Bailey, Brett Nelson, John Netardus, Al Beck, Adam Moser, Ivet Hall
			Alaska Railroad Corporation: Kate Deuber
			<b>City of Fairbanks:</b> Robert Pritash, William Rogers
			City of North Pole: Cody Lougee
			Eielson Air Force Base: Alexa Greene
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Corey DiRutigliano, Deborah Todd
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Kellen Spillman, Don Galligan, Michael Bredlie, Steven Hoke
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann
			University of Alaska Fairbanks: Jakob Theurich
			<b>Not affiliated or unknown affiliation:</b> Mary Farrell, Gary Wilken, two unknown call-ins
July 30, 2024	Mat-Su Coordination Meeting	MVP Planning and Mat-Su Borough coordination on STIP Amendment 1	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Ryan Anderson, Katherine Keith, Andy Mills, Sean Holland
			City of Wasilla: Glenda Ledford
			Gardino Consulting Services: Donna Gardino
			MVP: Kim Sollien
July 31, 2024	FAST Special Policy Board	STIP Amendment 1 comments	Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Jason Olds
	Meeting		Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities: Joe Kemp, Randi Bailey, Al Beck, Ivet Hall, Adam Moser, Kaitlin Williams
			City of North Pole: Chandra Clack
			<b>FAST Planning:</b> Jackson Fox, Olivia Lunsford, Deborah Todd

Meeting Date	Organization	Agenda Item	Attendees
			Fairbanks City Council: Jerry Cleworth
			Fairbanks North Star Borough: Bryce Ward, Don Galligan, Kellen Spillman
			Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly: Scott Crass
			<b>Federal Highway Administration:</b> Marie Heidemann
			RESPEC: Megan Flory
			Not affiliated or unknown affiliation: Gary Wilken, Sue Wilken, Mary Farrell, Jenny Campbell, Barbara Schuhmann, Jon Cook, Alexander Gagne-Hawes, Anonymous, one additional call-in
August 1, 2024	AMATS Technical Committee	TIP Amendments 2 and 3 VRU's	Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities
			AMATS: Technical Commitee
			*Minutes not available at time of updating this spreadsheet

# Attachment "C" Alaska DOT&PF 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Funding Programs, Sources, and Codes

#### **FHWA Formula Funding**

Fund Code Fund Source

Bridge-HIP Highway Improvement Program Bridge Funds
Bridge-INFRA Highway Infrastructure Bridge Replacement

Bridge-OSB Highway Infrastructure Bridge Replacement-Off System Bridge

DBE Disadvantaged Businesses Training

FBF Ferry Boat Funds

HIP-OSB Highway Improvement Program Bridge Funds -Off System Bridge

NEVI National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure

OJT On The Job Training

CMAQ Congestion Mitigation Air Quality

CMAQ Flex Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex

CMAQ Flex AMATS

CMAQ Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex MVP

CMAQ Mandatory

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex FAST

CMAQ Flex MVP

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Flex MVP

CMAQ Mandatory

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory

CMAQ Mandatory AMATS

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory (AMATS)

CMAQ-M FAST

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Mandatory FAST

CRP Carbon Reduction Program

CRP <5k Carbon Reduction Program: Population <5K

CRP >200k AMATS Carbon Reduction Program: Population >200K (AMATS)

CRP 50-200k FAST
CRP 50-200k MVP
CRP 5-50k
Carbon Reduction Program 50-200k MVP
Carbon Reduction Program: Population 5-49,999K

CRP Flex Carbon Reduction Program FLEX

HSIP Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

Illustrative NHPP AMATS Illustrative NHPP Funds Intended for Future TIP Amendments

Metro Metropolitan Planning Program

Metro- AMATS Metropolitan Planning Program (AMATS)
Metro- FAST Metropolitan Planning Program (FAST)
Metro- MVP Metropolitan Planning Program (MVP)

NEVI AMATS National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (AMATS)

NHFP National Highway Freight Program
NHPP National Highway Performance Program

NHPP AMATS
National Highway Performance Program (AMATS)
NHPP Exempt
NHPP FAST
National Highway Performance Program - Exempt
NHPP FAST
National Highway Performance Program (FAST)
PM 2.5
Projects To Reduce PM 2.5 Emissions Set-Aside

PRTC PROTECT Program

PRTC Plng PROTECT Program Planning
RAIL Railway-Highway Crossings Program

RTP Recreational Trails Program and 1% Admin Set-Aside
S&A-Metro Safe And Accessible Trans Options - Metro Planning

S&A-SPR Safe And Accessible Trans Options - Statewide Planning and Research

S154 Section 154 Penalties
S154 NHPP Section 154 Penalties (NHPP)
S154 NHPP AMATS Section 154 Penalties (NHPP) (AMATS)
S154 STBG Section 154 Penalties (STBG)

Section 154 Penalties (STBG)
S164 Section 164 Penalties
S164 NHPP Section 164 Penalties (NHPP)
S164 STBG Section 164 Penalties (STBG)

SA Highway Safety Improvement Program: (SA)

SA Takedown Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA Takedown) SA-AMATS Highway Safety Improvement Program (AMATS) SA-FAST Highway Safety Improvement Program (SA FAST) SPR CMAQ Statewide Planning and Research (CMAQ Set-aside) **SPR HSIP** Statewide Planning and Research (HSIP Set-aside) Statewide Planning and Research (NHFP Set-aside) SPR NHFP SPR NHPP Statewide Planning and Research (NHPP Set-aside) SPR STBG Statewide Planning and Research (STBG Set-aside)

STBG Surface Transportation Block Grant

STBG <5k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population <5K

STBG >200k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population >200K (AMATS)
STBG 50-200 FAST Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 50-200K FAST
STBG 50-200 MVP Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 50-200K MVP
STBG 5-50k Surface Transportation Block Grant: Population 5-49,999K

STBG Flex Surface Transportation Block Grant: FLEX

STBG OSB Surface Transportation Block Grant: Off System Bridge TAP <5k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population <5K

TAP >200k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population >200K (AMATS)
TAP 50-200k FAST Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K FAST
TAP 50-200k MVP Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 50-200K MVP
TAP 5-50k Transportation Alternatives Program: Population 5-49,999K

TAP Flex Transportation Alternatives Program: FLEX VRU Vulnerable Road User Safety Special Rule

#### **Other Federal Funds**

#### Fund Code Fund Source

FRA-STC Federal Railroad Administration-Special Transportation Circumstances

Program

MARAD (FY22) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY22 Award)
MARAD (FY23) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY23 Award)
MARAD (FY24) Port Infrastructure Development Program (FY24 Award)
OFF CDS Other Federal Funds: Congressionally Delegated Spending
OFF DG AMATS Other Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (AMATS)

OFF DG ARRC Other Federal Funds

OFF DG Community Award
Ofther Federal Funds: (Community Awards)
OFF DG FAST
Ofther Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (FAST)
OFF ER
Other Federal Funds: Emergency Relief

OFF FLAP Other Federal Funds: FLAP

OFF SOA Other Federal Funds

OFF DG FRA Other Federal Funds: Discretionary Grants (FRA)

#### **FHWA Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

BIP: Small (FY22)

Bridge Improvement Program: Small (FY22 Award)

BIP: Small (FY23)

Bridge Improvement Program: Small (FY23 Award)

CFI (FY23)

Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (FY23 Award)

Culvert (FY22) National Culvert Removal Replacement and Restoration Grant Program (FY22 Award)
Culvert (FY23) National Culvert Removal Replacement and Restoration Grant Program (FY23 Award)

OFF DG FHWA Other Federal Funds (FHWA)

PROTECT (FY22) Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation Program (FY22 Award)
PROTECT (FY23) Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation Program (FY23 Award)

RCP (FY22) Reconnecting Communities Grant Awards (FY22 Award)
RCP (FY23) Reconnecting Communities Grant Awards (FY23 Award)

RES Research, Develop, And Tech Transfer (RD&T)

SMART (FY23) Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation Grants Program (FY23 Award)

SS4A (FY22) Safe Streets and Roads for All (FY22 Award)
SS4A (FY23) Safe Streets and Roads for All (FY23 Award)
THHP (FY22) Tribal High Priority Projects (FY22 Award)
THHP (FY23) Tribal High Priority Projects (FY23 Award)

TTPSF (FY22) Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund (FY22 Award)
TTPSF (FY23) Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund (FY23 Award)

#### **USDOT Office of the Secretary Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

MPDG-INFRA (FY23) Multimodal Project Discretionary Grants: INFRA (FY23 Award)
MPDG-Rural (FY22) Multimodal Project Discretionary Grants: Rural (FY22 Award)
OFF DG USDOT-OST Other Federal Funds: Office of the Secretary of Transportation
RAISE (FY21) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY21 Award)

RAISE (FY22) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY22 Award)

RAISE (FY23)

Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY23 Award)

RAISE (2024) Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

(FY24 Award)

#### **Federal Transit Administration Formula Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

5307

5303 Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning
5303 AMATS Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (AMATS)
5303 FAST Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (FAST)
5303 MVP Section 5303 Metropolitan Planning (MVP)
5304 Rural Section 5304 Statewide Planning (Rural)

5307 MOA Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Anchorage Area Transit) 5307 ARRC in AMATS Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in AMATS) 5307 ARRC in FAST Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in FAST) 5307 ARRC in MVP Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC in MVP) 5307 ARRC Statewide Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (ARRC Statewide) 5307 FNSB Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Fairbanks Area Transit) 5307 MOA Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Anchorage Area Transit) 5307 MSB Transit Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula (Mat-Su Borough Area Transit)

Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula

5310 AMATS

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (AMATS)

5310 FAST

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (FAST)

5310 MVP

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (MVP)

5310 Flex

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Statewide)

5310 Statewide

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Statewide)

5310 MPO Allocation

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults & People w/ Disabilities (Urban)

5311 Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula

5311 IRF Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Indian Reservation Formula)
5311 RTAP Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Rural Transit Assistance Program)

5311 Flex Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula (Statewide)
5324 Section 5324 Emergency Relief Program (ARRC Statewide)

5337 Section 5337 State of Good Repair

5337 ARRC in MVP Section 5337 State of Good Repair ((ARRC in MVP Boundary)

5337 ARRC IN AMATS Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Anchorage Area Transit) (ARRC in AMATS Boundary)

5337 ARRC IN FAST

Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ARRC in FAST Boundary)

5337 ARRC Statewide SetAside

Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ARRC Statewide)

5337 MPO Allocation

Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Urban)

5337 Statewide Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Statewide)

5339 Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities

5339 AMATS Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (AMATS)
5339 FAST Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (FAST)

5339(c) LONO Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Low-No Emissions)

5339 MVP Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (MVP)
5339 Flex Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Statewide)
5339 Statewide Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Statewide)
5339 MPO Allocation Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Urban)

### **Federal Transit Administration Discretionary Grant Programs**

Fund Code Fund Source

AoPP (FY23) Areas of Persistent Poverty Program (FY23 Award)

Low/No Ferry (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71102 Electric Low Emitting FTA Grant: Shuttle Ferry (FY22 Award)

Rural Ferry (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant (FY22 Award)
Rural Ferry (FY23) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant (FY23 Award)

Rural Ferry Operations (FY22) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant: Operating Support (FY22 Award)
Rural Ferry Operations (FY23) IIJA Sec. 71103 Rural Ferry Program FTA Grant: Operating Support (FY23 Award)

OFF DG FTA Other Federal Funds (FTA)

5339(b) Bus (FY22) Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Discretionary Grant (FY24 Award)

STIC Small Transit Intensive Cities (FTA)

#### **Non Federal Funds**

Fund Code Fund Source

UGF Appn General Fund Appropriation
3PF AMATS Local Match (AMATS)
3PF ARRC Local Match (ARRC)

3PF Local Local Match (Community-Driven Projects)
3PF For DG Local Match (Discretionary Grants)
3PF FAST Plng (FM) Local Match (FAST Planning "FM")

3PF FAST Local Match (FAST)

3PF MOA Local Match (Municipality of Anchorage)

3PF MVP Local Match (MVP)

SM SOA State Match

SM AMATS State Match (AMATS)

SM DG State Match (Discretionary Grant)

SM FAST State Match (FAST)

Illustrative Unfunded Projects Shown for Illustrative Purposes



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2024-2027 STIP Draft Amendment #1 Re:

**ARRC Comments** 

Dear Ms. Keith:

The Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) provides the following comments on the STIP Draft Amendment #1 that was released on July 3, 2024:

1. 2024-2027 STIP Draft Amendment #1 Narrative (page 41): Please replace the highlighted text below with "(ARRC Statewide)."

Subcategory Code	Subcategory Name
5337	Section 5337 State of Good Repair
5337 ARRC IN AMATS	Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Anchorage Area Transit) (ARRC in AMATS Boundary)
5337 ARRC IN FAST	Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ARRC in FAST Boundary)
5337 ARRC in MVP	Section 5337 State of Good Repair ((ARRC in MVP Boundary)
5337 ARRC Statewide SetAside	Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Alaska Railroad (ANC 68%/ARRC 32%)
5337 MPO Allocation	Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Urban)
5337 Statewide	Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Statewide)

2024-2027 STIP Draft Amendment #1 Volume 1 Projects; 2024-2027 STIP Funding by Source" tables: Update the descriptions for the following Need ID#s by deleting "Section 5337 State of Good Repair (Alaska Railroad (ANC 68%/ARRC 32%)" wherever it appears and replacing it with "Section 5337 State of Good Repair (ARRC Statewide)":

> NEED ID #19634 NEED ID #19635 NEED ID #19658 NEED ID #19664 NEED ID #20854 NEED ID #31089 NEED ID #31090 NEED ID #31091

NEED ID #33243 NEED ID #33244 NEED ID #33245 NEED ID #34263

# 2. 2024-2027 STIP Draft Amendment #1 Volume 1 Projects: Request description and work type amendments:

- o NEED ID #19635:
  - Request to remove "rail belt wide" from the NEED ID description that appears under the NEED ID header.
- o NEED ID #31657:
  - Request NEED ID description that appears under the NEED ID header be updated from "The CP LED Signal Upgrade project involves replacing existing signal lights at control points with energy-efficient LED signals to improve visibility and reliability. The project includes the assessment of current signals, installation of LED units, and testing to ensure compliance with safety and operational standards" to "Upgrade and/or replace train control point signals."
  - Request work type be changed from "Pass Through & Accounting" to "Public Transit Enhancement."

# 3. 2024-2027 STIP Draft Amendment #1 Volume 1 Projects: Request Need ID# 32658 Seward Freight Dock Expansion and Airport Connector Road amounts to be updated:

- o FY24 Local Match (ARRC), Listed \$5,249,605, update to \$188,878
- o FY24 Other Federal Funds, Listed \$20,998,420, update to \$679,129
- o FY25 Local Match (ARRC), Listed \$173,601, update to \$312,039
- o FY25 Other Federal Funds, Listed \$694,406, update to \$1,121,964
- o FY26 Local Match (ARRC), Listed \$286,801, update to \$3,880,678
- o FY26 Other Federal Funds, Listed \$1,147,202, update to \$13,953,322
- o FY27 Local Match (ARRC), Listed \$3,566,800, update to \$1,329,975
- o FY27 Other Federal Funds, Listed \$14,267,200, update to \$4,782,041

#### 4. 2024-2027 STIP Draft Amendment #1 Volume 1 Projects: Request Need ID# to be removed:

- o NEED ID #34021, request to be removed
- 5. 2024-2027 STIP Draft Amendment #1 Volume 1 Projects: ARRC has confirmed the amounts represented in the AMATS TIP ledger matches our amendment #2 request with AMATS.
- 2024-2027 STIP Draft Amendment #1 Volume 1 Projects: Request to update ARRC amounts reported for FAST TIP ledger to match FAST Planning FFY2023-2027 TIP Administrative Modification #3 - Approved 05.15.2024:
  - o FY24 5307 Listed \$5,552,800, update to \$5,452,800

- FY24 5337 Listed \$16,562,800 (total includes FRA & DOT grant awards), update to \$8,416,800
- o FY24 Local Match (ARRC) Not listed, update to \$3,555,500
- o FY25 5307 Listed \$335,000, update to \$5,315,040
- o FY25 5337 Listed \$6,398,883, update to \$3,280,400
- o FY25 Local Match (ARRC) Not listed, update to \$2,118,920
- o FY26 5307 Listed \$500,000, update to \$5,730,000
- o FY26 5337 Listed \$3,818,325, update to \$3,280,400
- o FY26 Local Match (ARRC) Not listed, update to \$2,247,600
- o FY27 5307 Listed \$340,000, update to \$14,760,000
- o FY27 5337 Listed \$6,350,063, update to \$3,182,000
- o FY27 Local Match (ARRC) Not listed, update to \$3,978,000

## 2024-2027 STIP Draft Amendment #1 Volume 1 Projects: Request to update ARRC amounts reported for MVP TIP ledger to match unapproved MPV TIP submitted 04.25.2024:

- o FY24 5307 Listed \$0, update to \$663,800
- o FY24 5337 Listed \$0, update to \$2,406,800
- o FY24 Local Match (ARRC) Not listed, update to \$767,400
- o FY25 5307 Listed \$335,000, update to \$460,000
- o FY25 5337 Listed \$6,398,883, update to \$2,265,000
- o FY25 Local Match (ARRC) Not listed, update to \$677,000
- o FY26 5307 Listed \$500,000, update to \$591,000
- o FY26 5337 Listed \$3,818,325, update to \$7,138,400
- o FY26 Local Match (ARRC) Not listed, update to \$1,927,600
- o FY27 5307 Listed \$340,000, update to \$576,000
- o FY27 5337 Listed \$6,350,063, update to \$431,400
- o FY27 Local Match (ARRC) Not listed, update to \$220,600

Very truly yours,

Michelle Maddox

Chief Financial Officer

Michelle Maddox



# Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

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August 20, 2024

Michelle Maddox Chief Financial Officer, Alaska Railroad 327 West Ship Creek Avenue Anchorage, AK 99510-7500

Subject: August 2, 2024 STIP Amendment #1 Comments

Dear Ms. Maddox,

Thank you for your comments on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #1. We appreciate your well organized and concise comments. We have updated STIP Amendment #1 to ensure funding amounts are accurate and consistent throughout the document and address your letter.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson, P.E.

Commissioner

Cc:

Katherine Keith, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF Dom Pannone, Director, Alaska DOT&PF