

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
FISCAL YEAR 2010  
REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Akiachak Solid Waste Facility**

Priority: **11**

Amount Requested: **\$3,500,000**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**This project will relocate the solid waste landfill to an area that has no possibility of contaminating the existing groundwater source for the Akiachak water system. This also relocates the site away from areas used for local subsistence activities. This is a priority of the Alaska Native Corporation, as contamination of the water supply would result in the need for very costly changes in the water system.**

**The project has two major elements: (1) the construction of the landfill cells/site, and (2) the access road to the site.**

**The soil conditions require the placement of a very large amount of geotextile fabric over the tundra, and the placement of many thousands of cubic yards of fill material to make certain the road remains passable in all weather, for many years to come.**

**The engineering and material requirement for an all-season roadway causes the road construction costs to exceed the cost of the landfill cells.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.  
**Portions of EPA IGAP (\$115,000/yr. for 2 yrs); and EPA Brownsfield Grant. \$132,000 for landfill planning and engineering.**
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **Yes for future phases of the project.**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **City of Akiachak; Akiachak, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**

- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Alaska Public Broadcasting Association—Public Broadcasting**

Priority: **2**

Amount Requested: **\$2,000,000**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**The Grants to Broadcasting Systems Program is administered through the Rural Development Agency of USDA. Applications are submitted to and reviewed by the respective state Rural Development offices. Funding for the program is provided through the Rural Business Enterprise Grant Program. The current authorized funding level for the program is \$5.0 million per fiscal year. Eligibility for the program is limited to four public broadcasting systems: Alaska, Maine, North Dakota and Vermont. Eligibility is defined in the statute as “statewide, private, non-profit public television systems whose coverage is predominantly rural.” The purpose of the program is to demonstrate the effectiveness of providing information on agriculture and other issues of importance to farmers and rural residents. The participating states have produced a number of series on a variety of rural issues including: land use, education, entrepreneurial opportunities and training, rural and agricultural histories, natural resources, job training for rural residents in economic transition, small business development, and child care issues in rural areas.**

**In Alaska, the grants have enabled the production of Alaska history, public affairs and cultural information programs. Recent examples include:**

**Anchorage Edition -- a year-round, weekly studio based round table discussion program focusing on statewide issues in the news.**

**Alaska Weather -- a year-round daily half hour weather series produced in cooperation with the National Weather Service. USDA funds have been used to produce specialized informational and educational segments, many focused on safety.**

**Money Matters Alaska -- four half-hours on financial and investment education and associated public service announcements.**

**College Track -- a one-hour program designed to encourage rural students to pursue college educations, told through the eyes of rural residents. The program aims to close the gap between urban and rural residents and their success in college.**

**History of the Presbyterian Mission in Southeast Alaska -- this program documents the role played by early missionaries to Southeast Alaska, including the establishment of Sheldon Jackson College in Sitka, the influence of the mission on rural villages, and the current relationship of the mission.**

**\$220,000 – Salaries for television producers, directors, editors in Bethel, Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau**

**\$155,000 – Production expenses, including contract services, materials, equipment rental, travel and per diem to remote villages**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

**\$100,000 – Local fundraising from individual contributors**

**\$125,000 – Business and corporate support**

**\$275,000 – In kind contributions of facilities and personnel from PTV stations in Anchorage, Bethel, Fairbanks and Juneau.**

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **YES, this is a yearly request.**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? Alaska Public **Broadcasting Service to be split among 4 stations: KYUK, KAKM/KSKA, KUAC and KTOO in Bethel, Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau.**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Aleknagik Community Graveside Development**

Priority: **13**

Amount Requested: **\$60,000**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**The gravesite project includes cleaning up and restoring the historical mission creek gravesite down near the mouth of the wood river on the north shore of Aleknagik. This project will identify historic gravesites and preserve them as well as clear the surrounding area so that there is access to this site for routine maintenance of clearing the brush and upkeep of the site.**

**The other part of the gravesite project is the actual preparation of the new cemetery that is needed in Aleknagik. Currently, local churches are the sites for graves and these sites are full. Aleknagik has a designated gravesite already in place and we are looking for funding to complete this project and have a new gravesite available for public use in the near future. The next three to four months would be ideal to begin and complete this project due to the fair weather conditions and ability to clear the brush and to create the necessary grade for proper drainage of the site/**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds. **There hasn't been past funding. This is a very small community without the ability to bond or match the amount.**
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **City of Aleknagik; Aleknagik, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **City of Bethel Public Safety Building**

Priority: **4**

Amount Requested: **\$1,296,000**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**Design for the new construction of a new Bethel Public Safety building to include Bethel Fire Department and Bethel Police Department. The new building would be 21,600 square feet. Police Dept. section of building would be 9,600 square feet and Fire Dept. section of building would be 12,000 square feet.**

**Building would be constructed on City land in the center of town with its own street light to allow emergency response vehicles and equipment immediate highway access. New building will have all space needed for both departments, including bays to keep emergency response vehicles warm and dry in winter and ready for deployment.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.  
**State of Alaska: \$1,200,000**  
**City of Bethel: \$200,000**
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **None other than are listed above.**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **Yes. This project is a multi-year construction project that will require funding for up to 4 years.**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **City of Bethel—Bethel, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**

Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Buckland Multi-purpose Building**

Priority: **16**

Amount Requested: **\$2,100,000**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**Build a multipurpose building. This building would provide daycare during the day and a recreational area for the school children in the evenings. The City of Buckland already has a gravel pad site on which to build the multipurpose building.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.  
The City of Buckland is contributing a parcel of land for the building to be built on.
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **No**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? Northwest Arctic Borough; Buckland, Alaska
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Chenega IRA Council Public Safety Community Building**

Priority: **17**

Amount Requested: **\$1, 196,000**

Agency/Account: **RCAP**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**To design a public safety and community building. The building would house emergency vehicles and emergency response equipment, provide office space to facilitate private investment, and a law enforcement holding cell. Tenants may include the U.S. Post Office, Alaska State Troopers, and a tribal court. The community building will provide space for employees of community programs such as the employees hired under Indian Child Welfare Act Program funding, Chenega's Environmental Program, Chenega's Fishing Vessel Administration, Prince William Sound Regional Citizens Advisory Council, Chugach Regional Resources Commission, and Prince William Sound Economic Development District. The Chenega IRA has spoken with these agencies to get commitments for occupancy.**

**If emergency response vehicles and equipment are not properly and securely stored, they could be damaged, stolen or lost. This is particularly important in Alaska's climate.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds. **NONE**
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **YES, the project will need construction funds in the future.**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Chenega IRA Council; Chenega, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **No**

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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Copper River Native Association Multi-Disciplinary Combined Facility (MDCF)**

Priority: **19**

Amount Requested: **\$1,600,000**

Agency/Account: **RCAP**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**Copper River Native Association (CRNA) intends to construct a 20,000 square foot pod-shaped building. Four connected pods will provide:**

- **Tribal services and employment training;**
- **Behavioral health and dental services, and community health aide and contract health services program support;**
- **6 assisted living units for disabled and elderly;**
- **8-10 provider housing units;**
- **Elder's food service 20-30 people/day;**
- **Youth, elder and community cultural center to preserve and sustain the culture.**

**The MDCF will replace the dilapidated Atco trailers in use since the 1970's. The MDCF will allow CRNA to expand to provide new services, such as assisted living, which is currently unavailable in the region, and to expand other services.**

**CRNA expects to reduce reliance on services in Anchorage (more than 200 miles away) and the 10,000 miles a month it provides in ground transportation and related fuel costs.**

**The new facility will rely on bio-mass fuel and common HVAC system to reduce utility costs and make use of local resources and "green" technology.**

**CRNA has partnered with Maniilaq Services. Planning and schematic design for the new facility are complete.**

**The region's population of 3100 is extremely rural. Official unemployment statistics are as high as 26%, but the actual rates are closer to 80% since most people who are unemployed are no longer considered part of the work force. The services of the MDCF and the new jobs are essential.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds. **\$500,000 (CRNA has already acquired the land on which the facility will be constructed and will contribute the \$500,000 in in-kind and matching funds.)**
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**

- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Copper River Native Association; The project will located in Tazlina, Alaska and will serve the following Alaska communities: Tazlina Chistochina, Chitina, Copper Center, Copperville, Gakona, Glennallen, Gulkana, Kennicott, Kenny Lake, Lake Louise, McCarthy, Mentasta, Nabesna, Nelchina/Mendeltna/Eureka, Paxson/Summit Lake/Denali Highway, Slana, Tolsona, Tonsina/Tiekel/Tsaina**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **City of Cordova—The Cordova Center**

Priority: **8**

Amount Requested: **\$5,565,000**

Agency/Account: **RCAP**

**The Cordova Center project is a multi-use, energy efficient economic development building.**

**The wintertime economy has suffered in Cordova since the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill. Cordova needs to diversify its economy to include winter tourism such as hosting meetings for small, professional groups. The new building is designed to standards consistent with a gold LEEDs (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) rating. The multi-use concept would allow for continuous use by the city, which would then pay for all of the operating costs, as the old energy-inefficient sheet metal city buildings constructed shortly after the 1964 earthquake would be sold or otherwise disposed of. It is estimated that a minimum of \$300,000 per year of revenue would be generated from winter activities resulting from this project. Wintertime traffic should be sufficient to keep some establishments open year-round.**

**Because the Exxon Valdez Oil spill killed many animals, and the fishery upon which the economy depended still hasn't recovered. The Cordova Center will help to foster a year-round diversified economy in Cordova. The Center may provide space for research and historic materials related to the *Exxon-Valdez*, an event that continues to shape Cordova and communities of Prince William Sound.**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

Site work

Site Preparation	\$ 459,889
Site Improvements	\$ 158,922
Site Structures	\$ 297,319
Site Mechanical	\$ 175,944
Site Electrical	\$ 55,059
<b>Site work total-</b>	<b>\$1,147,133</b>

Substructure

Standard Foundations	\$ 224,524
Slab on Grade	\$ 95,802
Special Foundation	\$1,084,616
<b>Substructure total-</b>	<b>\$1,404,942</b>

Superstructure

Floor Construction	\$ 643,509
Roof Construction	\$1,194,452
Stair Construction	\$ 52,831
<b>Superstructure total-</b>	<b>\$1,890,792</b>

Exterior Closure	
Exterior Walls	\$ 683,265
Exterior Doors and Windows	\$ 290,416
<b>Exterior Closure total-</b>	<b>\$ 973,681</b>

Roof Systems	
Roofing	\$ 217,958
<b>Roof Systems total-</b>	<b>\$ 217,958</b>

Mechanical	
Plumbing	\$ 264,440
HVAC	\$1,235,532
Fire Protection	\$ 275,948
Special Mechanical Systems	\$ 69,574
<b>Mechanical total-</b>	<b>\$1,845,494</b>

**Grand total- \$7.48 million**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

**The City of Cordova has committed to long-term operation and maintenance of the facility and in addition, has purchased the land necessary for the project. A public/private funding strategy has been developed for the capital campaign. Primary funding will come from federal and state appropriations, government agencies, foundations and corporations. Local contributions are also demonstrating project support.**

**Federal:**

<b>EVOSTC :</b>	<b>\$7,000,000</b>
<b>Congressional Appropriations:</b>	<b>\$2,488,100</b>

**State:**

<b>Legislative Appropriation:</b>	<b>\$ 25,000</b>
<b>Governor’s 2009 Capital Budget:</b>	<b>\$1,000,000</b>

**Municipal:**

<b>Land Acquisition:</b>	<b>\$ 140,000</b>
<b>Funding:</b>	<b>\$ 1,500,000</b>
<b>EDA Match:</b>	<b>\$ 85,000</b>

**Local:**

<b>Fundraising:</b>	<b>\$ 23,112</b>
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- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **The City of Cordova—Cordova, Alaska**

- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact:  
**Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **City of Cordova Gas Utility**

Priority: **3**

Amount Requested: **\$5,000,000**

Agency/Account **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**Support the installation of utility gas service in the City of Cordova, provide a gas inventory for the utility, and feasibility and preliminary engineering funds for the development of biogas generation, a renewable energy resource, from fish waste and other organic sources in Cordova. The installation of gas utility service in City of Cordova will benefit the approximate 2,400 residents and will significantly lower the cost of energy to these residents. It will eliminate the burning of a carcinogenic fuel in homes and businesses in the community, and improve local air quality and human health. Development of biogas will further reduce energy costs, provide additional employment in the community, and reduce marine pollution in the region.**

**Final Engineering, right of way and surveying \$700,000  
Permitting \$50,000  
RCA rate case \$75,000  
Accounting/marketing \$60,000  
Legal fees \$140,000  
Storage facility \$1,800,000  
Send out facility \$1,000,000  
Pipeline distribution system to homes \$1,175,000**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds. **20% can be raised in private equity, property and in-kind contributions; 80% debt can be raised with federal loan guarantees or grants; grants will reduce the cost of service to residents, government and businesses in each community.**
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **YES, possible funding in the next 2 years.**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **City of Cordova; Cordova, Alaska**

- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **No**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **City of Delta Junction Senior Center**

Priority: **24**

Amount Requested: **\$2,500,000**

Agency/Account: **RCAP**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**A multi-bed senior/assisted living home would be constructed on land owned by the City of Delta Junction. It would be centrally located near parks and community infra structure. Plans call for designated common areas such as, social hall, library, dining, etc. The interior and exterior courtyard would provide gardening hobbies for residents as well as volunteers. Efforts to implement Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) will be administered. The number of seniors in Alaska is projected to increase 117% by the year 2030. The nearest facility of this kind is 100 miles north-west.**

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- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.  
**Land will be donated by the city of Delta Junction**
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **City of Delta Junction; Delta Junction, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**Project Name: **City of Houston, Alaska Public Safety Building**Priority: **6**Amount Requested: **\$1,270,000**Agency/Account: **US/RD**

Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**The funding would provide for Phase 1: Making the existing 46,000 gallon tank operation and building and site prep work and road upgrades.**

**Construction of a new Public Safety Building would increase essential fire suppression services and may improve the City of Houston's ISO rating, allowing for lower insurance costs to residents and homeowners. The primary service area is rated by Insurance Services Office, Inc (ISO) as a class 8b within five miles of the fire station and a class 10 outside that perimeter. The construction of the requested Public Safety Building would permit the City of Houston to open a second fire station approximately ten miles away allowing the improved ISO rating to twice the area, and potentially twice the population. This building would be of sufficient space and design to accommodate a tender/tanker, engine, and rescue truck decreasing response times along a corridor of the George Parks Highway known as the most dangerous section in Alaska, instead of waiting for additional assistance from neighboring departments taking up to an additional twenty to thirty minutes to arrive on scene. This unacceptable delay can pose a threat to the loss of structures, wild lands, vehicles and the loss of life.**

**PHASE I** to be completed FY 2010

Making the existing 46,000 gallon tank operational \$ 70,000.00

Building site prep work and road upgrades \$ 1,200,000.00

**TOTAL Phase I** \$ 1,270,000.00**PHASE II** to be completed FY 2011

Building Construction \$ 5,670,000.00

**TOTAL Phase II** \$ 5,670,000.00**PHASE III** to be completed FY 2012

Equipment purchase/Training facility construction \$ 4,312,000.00

**TOTAL Phase III** \$ 4,312,000.00

**PHASE IV** to be completed FY 2013

Lighting and landscaping	\$ <u>1,200,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL Phase II</b>	\$ <u>1,200,000.00</u>
 <b>TOTAL PROJECT COSTS</b>	 \$ <u>12,452,000.00</u>

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.  
**City of Houston**  
**46,000 Gallon Water Tank**  
**40 Acres of Land**  
**Total Value:                 \$725,000**
  
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
  
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **Yes the project will take 3-5 years to complete.**
  
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **City of Houston—Houston, Alaska**
  
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
  
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
  
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **City of Houston Road Maintenance Equipment**

Priority: **12**

Amount Requested: **\$500,000**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**Currently, the City of Houston contracts its entire medium to large road construction projects to private contractors. This has a major impact on the funds budgeted for road maintenance. These grant funds would enable the City to purchase its own maintenance equipment, and therefore be able to do a major part of its own road maintenance and repair on municipal roads. City roads will be much safer, and in a timelier manner, since the City will not be required to invest time and energy in soliciting bids to get the work done.**

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:**

- The primary services area is the 23 square mile City of Houston incorporated municipal boundaries.
- The City currently maintains 43 miles of road both summer and winter.
- The current population of Houston is 1588 since the last Census.
- Houston is 24% of the total population of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

**MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION**

The City of Houston will be responsible for the maintenance and operation costs of all equipment.

**COST ESTIMATE**

1. GRADER 150/HP	\$205,000
2. TWO DUMP TRUCKS 10 TO 12 YD	\$147,000
3. TWO EQUIPMENT TRAILERS	\$44,000
4. LOADER FOUR/YD	\$195,000
5. DOZER	\$98,000
6. COMPACTOR	\$70,000
7. WATER TRUCK	\$89,000
8. JOHN DEER BACKHOE	\$35,000
9. EXCAVATOR WITH/THUMB	\$115,000
10. MINI EXCAVATOR	\$55,000
<b>TOTAL FOR ALL EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$1,053,000</b>

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

**The City of Houston will provide trained operators, maintain equipment to run safely, and provide all safety training for each piece of equipment.**

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **City of Houston; Houston, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
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Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Intermodal Marine Facility Mitigation**

Priority: **5**

Amount Requested: **\$6,000,000**

Agency/Account: **NRCS**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**The U.S. Maritime Administration (MARAD) and the Port of Anchorage understand that compensatory mitigation will be required for the unavoidable losses of tidelands and wetlands in the construction of the Port of Anchorage. MARAD and the Port of Anchorage are committed to providing appropriate compensatory mitigation, which would be phased over the construction life of the project. US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Alaska District will assign debits for impacted waters of the U.S. and make a final determination of the overall value needed for mitigation efforts.**

**The \$6,000,000 would complete the following projects: Improve Water Quality, rehabilitate stream banks, purchase land for preservation, provide public education/awareness of watershed conservation, demolish and/reclaim impacted sites, provide creek side access through controlled trails, public access and parking.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.  
**State of Alaska and Port of Anchorage revenue have both contributed to the funding of this project. To date, the non-federal share of funding is 40%.**

**In addition, the project has received previous appropriations totaling \$133 million.**

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Municipality of Anchorage/Port of Anchorage; Anchorage, Alaska.**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**

- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
FISCAL YEAR 2010  
REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Jilkaat Kwaan Cultural Heritage Center and Bald Eagle Observatory, Phase 3—Heritage Center Facility**

Priority: 14

Amount Requested: **\$6,983,000**

Agency/Account: **RCAP**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**The Jilkaat Kwaan Cultural Heritage Center (JKCHC) is in the Chilkat Indian Village of Klukwan. The JKCHC includes a Traditional Knowledge Camp, a Hospitality House, and this request will finish the Heritage Center—a 16,000 square foot museum quality structure where the village’s most valuable possessions will be displayed and stored for visitors and locals to learn about the Chilkat Tlingit culture. The museum will house totems and artifacts returned under the Native American Graves and Repatriation Act.**

**The \$6, 983,000 will construct the facility and design and install the exhibits.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

<b>Rasmuson Foundation</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>
<b>Murdock Charitable Trust</b>	<b>\$525,000</b>

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Chilkat Indian Village; Klukwan, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
FISCAL YEAR 2010  
REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Marshall Community Center Completion**

Priority: **15**

Amount Requested: **\$1,896,973**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**This project completion will address old and deteriorating existing facilities as they are imposing the city with high operations and maintenance costs. Also address the lack of space available to conduct local activities. This project will develop infrastructure that is in need in the community to improve the economic development as the new Community Center will be self sustaining and have lesser operations and maintenance costs compared to the existing facilities.**

**Completing the center will utilize the underemployed work force in the community.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

<b>Denali Commission remaining construction funds:</b>	<b>\$ 57,768</b>
<b>USDA Rural Development remaining construction funds:</b>	<b>\$358,272</b>
<b>City of Marshall, In Kind equipment use:</b>	<b>\$ 4,800</b>
<b>Ohogamiute Traditional Council, Match</b>	<b>\$ 897</b>
<b>Total matching dollars</b>	<b>\$421,737</b>

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **City of Marshall; Marshall, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**FISCAL YEAR 2010  
REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Matanuska-Susitna Borough Agricultural Food Processing and Product Development Center**

Priority: **1**

Amount Requested: **\$2,500,000**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**This request is to design and engineer for construction an Agricultural Processing and Product Development Center. The proposed processing center will freeze-process, blanch-process and bottle (juice) locally grown fruits, berries, and vegetables into high quality, low pesticide residue, consumer friendly products. A feasibility study indicated that a processing center could produce year round marketable products sufficient to provide operating expenses and a profit. It also identified multiple markets for these products.**

**The produce industry has a long and stable growth curve in Alaska and providing value-added processing is recognized as one of the few ways to capture a larger part of the in-state market. In order to expand the current Farmers Markets season from ten weeks to twelve months, freeze processing must occur. Several organizations have expressed interest in purchasing product, including: Department of Corrections, Military food buyers, a national food vendor, and a statewide grocery chain.**

<b>Permitting</b>	<b>\$ 500,000</b>
<b>Engineering and Design</b>	<b>\$ 2,000,000</b>
<b>Construction</b>	<b>\$12,500,000</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,000,000</b>

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

<b>Mat Su Borough Bond Match</b>	<b>\$12,000,000</b>
<b>Mat Su Borough Studies</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>
<b>State of Alaska</b>	<b>\$290,000</b>
<b>Federal Grants</b>	<b>\$480,000</b>

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Matanuska-Susitna Borough; Palmer, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**

- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
FISCAL YEAR 2010  
REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: Mentasta Community Hall

Priority: **20**

Amount Requested: \$205,800

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

The appropriation will pay for design of a Mentasta Traditional Council energy efficient Community Hall that will accommodate basic government functions, serve as a community hall, cultural center, learning center and gathering center for cultural activities and an Elder Care program.

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.  
Legislative Requests to the State of Alaska: \$500,000  
Indian Community Development Block Grant: \$600,000
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Mentasta Traditional Council; Mentasta, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
FISCAL YEAR 2010  
REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: Chistochina Multi-Use Facility

Priority: **18**

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**Mt Sanford Tribal Consortium (MSTC) is a regional service provider that provides a variety of health and social services for residents of the upper Copper River area. MSTC is seeking funds to build a 6,000 sqf multi-use facility in the community of Chistochina that will house all of the critical programs, services and administrative offices in one central location. The facility will include alternative energy systems as part of the construction design, and will house a state of the art health clinic, office space for programs and services, and administrative offices for MSTC. The new clinic will consolidate all health services and programs and allow MSTC to expand its medical services and dental services to all residents in the service area.**

**Clinic cost:\$2,156,592**

**Multi-Use cost: \$2,045,652**

**Clinic Design Cost: \$181,533**

**Multi-Use Design Cost: \$179,725**

**Estimated Total Project Cost: \$4,563,502**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

**Denali Commission: \$2,200,000 (conditionally approved as of Feb 1, 2009)**

**State CIP Request: \$350,000**

**Rasmuson and Murdock Foundations, \$250,000**

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium; Gakona, Alaska

- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
FISCAL YEAR 2010  
REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Native Village of Unalakleet Sub Regional Elder Assisted Living**

Priority: **23**

Amount Requested: **\$260,000**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

The Native Village of Unalakleet (Unalakleet IRA) as the lead partner in a sub regional project, is requesting Pre-Development funding of \$260,000 for the construction of a Sub Regional Elder Assisted Living facility which would provide residential care and other services that can be delivered from a completed facility, in a culturally appropriate manner to Unalakleet, and its partner Villages of Stebbins, St Michael, Shaktoolik and Koyuk, all of which are less than 75 miles away.

The support requested would bring this project, part of a sub-regional plan since 2002, to a shovel ready state, and shorten the project's completion by approximately 1 ½ - years.

The Elder population of the Sub-Region is great, currently at 345. And there are NO assisted living facilities, NOR any village/home based residential programs in the entire Bering Strait Region. The only facility is the 15 bed Quyanna Care Skilled Nursing facility, located in Nome, and so stressed to serve a growing ageing population, that it receives requests for skilled nursing from Kotzebue. Nome currently has no formal plans to develop assisted living as its focus is now on the new hospital and other social needs that must be met. Furthermore Nome is quite far from the sub-region. The costs of flights have doubled in the past year to \$400 + RT, and Nome is not a preferred location for our sub regional Elders as it is culturally very different from our Villages and alcohol is readily available.

Needs assessments for design development	20,000
Planning, Legal, Administrative, Expenses	45,000
Site Review, appraisal	10,000
Architectural & Engineering	210,000
Contingencies	15,000

**TOTAL 300,000: Federal Funds/request 260,000--- Other 40,000**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

**Tribal Budget \$10,000,**

**AK Mental Health Trust Authority      \$30,000.**

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Native Village of Unalakleet; Unalakleet, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
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REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Nome Regional Public Safety Building-Phase II**

Priority: 9

Amount Requested: **\$2,500,000**

Agency/Account **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**The City of Nome requests capital funding for the construction of Phase II of the Nome Public Safety Building. Phase II consists of a new 5,000 SF, 4-bay, Fire Hall with appropriate storage for search & rescue equipment and specialized training facilities. The concept cost estimate for this facility is \$2,500,000. Phase I, the main building, is currently under construction and will house Nome Police, Volunteer Ambulance Department and an Emergency Operations Center.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

**State of Alaska and City of Nome funding: \$9,475,000**

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **City of Nome; Nome, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
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REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name : **Nuniwarmiut Multifunction Office and Cultural Center**

Priority: **21**

Amount Requested: **\$192, 570**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**The funds are for design and planning of the Nuniwarmiut Multifunction Office and Cultural Center. This project will bring together all of the major government, business, social service and cultural organizations in our remote Bering Sea village to create a planning document that addresses a chronic lack of office space and failing office infrastructure in our village. Representatives of community and faith-based organizations will form a partnership to determine the space requirements, building site and special considerations for, and initiate the planning and design of, a multipurpose community center and office complex.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.  
**Applied for a grant from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans (ANA), Social and Economic Development Strategies for Native Americans (SEDS), Funding Opportunity Number HHS-2006-ACF-ANA-NA-0003**
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Nuniwarmiut Piciryarata Tamaryalkuti, Inc.; Mekoryuk, Alaska.**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
FISCAL YEAR 2010  
REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Palmer Senior Center**

Priority: **22**

Amount Requested: **\$2,800,000**

Agency/Account: **RCAP**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**Alaska now has the fastest growing senior population in the United States. The Matanuska-Susitna has the fastest growing population and senior population in the state of Alaska. The current facility is unsafe and inadequate to provide the additional services needed to keep the exploding senior population in the Matanuska-Susitna Borough out of expensive nursing homes. Additionally, this project is a shovel-ready infrastructure project that will provide jobs to construct the Facility and enable the Palmer Senior Citizens Center, Inc. to expand their workforce to ensure quality Services will be available into the future for the veterans and seniors in our area. The Palmer Senior Citizens Center, Inc. currently provides services to veterans living in the Alaska Veterans and Pioneer Home.**

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- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.
 

State of Alaska	\$4,200,000
Mat-Su Health Foundation	\$1,000,000
City of Palmer	\$50,000
Fundraising	\$9,000
Land from Palmer Senior Center Inc.	\$200,000
- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Palmer Senior Center, Inc.; Palmer, Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
FISCAL YEAR 2010  
REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich—Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Port Graham Development—Dolce Fuels Project**

Priority: **7**

Amount Requested: **\$192,000**

Agency/Account: **CSREES**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these *funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.*

**This project has privately demonstrated sugar beets cultivate well in Alaska producing accepted levels of sucrose for commercial conversion to refined sugars and liquid transportation fuels. Post industrial waste includes high-energy livestock feed valued by the local dairy industry but unavailable locally. Multiple layers of new industrial enterprises are anticipated in association with the cultivation of sugar beets in rural Alaska. This endeavor benefits all Alaskans and in particularly rural Alaskans through the creation of jobs, Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and clean locally grown energy which reduces carbon emissions and decreases domestic dependence upon foreign oil. A project of this magnitude requires some initial support from both the state and federal government. It is anticipated GDP derived from a mature sugar beet processing industry will far exceed \$3 Billion per year and employ hundreds of rural Alaskans.**

**At the end of the first growing season the initial field trials will have been completed and will become the basis for the economic feasibility and impact analysis to be accomplished by Northern Economics this fall/winter. This would be the foundation upon which we hope to establish a sugar beet industry in Alaska and attract Virent Energy Systems Inc. to build their pre commercial refining facility in Alaska. Currently Virent has plans to expand their refining capabilities to 10 million gallons of bio-fuel (DMF) per year in two to three years. You can learn more about Virent at [www.virent.com](http://www.virent.com). Because sucrose is the feedstock required to make DMF bio-fuel a sustainable sugar beet crop is necessary. Previously we have proven sugar beets can be successfully cultivated in Alaska on a small scale.**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

**NONE**

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**

- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **YES—another appropriation in 2011**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Port Graham Development Company—Southcentral Alaska. PDC is an Alaska Native Corporation.**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**
- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**

**AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS  
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REQUEST FORM**

Member: **Senator Mark Begich--Alaska**

Staff Contact: **Leslie Ridle**

Project Name: **Rural Community Action Program, Inc. (RURALCAP)—Green Upgrades**

Priority: **10**

Amount Requested: **\$1,500,000**

Agency/Account: **US/RD**

- Please give a full justification/explanation for this request. Include how these funds will be used, ie salaries, buildings, capital investment, etc.

**This project will continue a project to upgrade buildings in the RURALCAP agency. It will leverage their extensive expertise in weatherization and building science, coupled with state-of-the-art low-waste, green materials, and energy-conservation technologies.**

**There is a need to do some big projects in some homes where changes such as stove upgrades will have a huge impact. This will lead to a better result, but a more expensive program. At the same time they will do major work on the community facilities, including but not exclusive to the Head Start centers. The work will be in 8-10 communities and with a significant portion of the funding on residential.**

**Program Costs: \$1.44M  
(Labor, Building Supplies and Shipping/Transportation)  
Project Administration (15%): \$260,000  
Training and Technical Assistance: \$50,000**

- Provide the funding history for this project. Include all private and public funds.

**RURALCAP      Matching funds \$250,000**

- Does this project receive matching funds? If so, please give a detailed description. **NO**
- Will this project require future funding beyond FY10? If so, please describe. **NO**
- Who is the final recipient of these funds? Where are they located? **Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Inc.; Anchorage Alaska**
- Are funds being requested through another appropriations subcommittee or is another subcommittee funding this project? If so, which subcommittee and how much? **NO**
- Requested Bill Language (if any): **NO**

- Requested Report Language (if any): **NO**