Alaska is Different than the lower 48

According to NOAA coastal mapping, there are 95,471 miles of coastline in the U.S. and 33,904 of those miles are in Alaska. There are 47 municipal Ports and harbors in Alaska.

New to our association are the inland Waterways Ports of Emmonak, Kwethiluk, and Nenana



Approved applicants for FY 2024 budget

The ranking and score of the FY2023 Municipal Facility Harbor Grants Program is listed below:

				Grant Amount		2023 ICAP -	Total
Rank Score Tier Project name			rProject name	Approved	Local Match	6.87%	Project Cost
1	187.8	1	City of Wrangell Meyer's Chuck	\$1,092,138.06	\$1,092,138.06	\$150,059.77	\$2,334,335.89
1	117.7	Ш	City of Whittier Boat Harbor	\$4,500,000.00	\$4,500,000.00	\$618,300.00	\$9,618,300.00
2	85.3	П	City & Borough of Sitka Fisherman's F	Float \$2,644,677.00	\$2,644,677.00	\$363,378.62	\$5,652,732.62
			TOTAL	\$8,236,815	\$8,236,815	\$1,131,738	\$17,605,369

Funded FY 2023 Municipal Harbor Grant Projects

Municipal Harbor Facility Grants Program Notice of Grant Awards

Rank	Score	Tier	Project Name (Listed by Tier and Score)	Grant Funds Requested	Project Awarded Yes/No	Grant Funds Approved
1	241.8	I	City of Valdez - Small Boat Harbor Reconstruction	\$5,000,000	Yes	\$5,000,000
2	239.2	I	City of Yakutat - Small Boat Harbor Replacement	\$3,667,302	Yes	\$3,667,302
1	134.2	II	AEB/City of Sand Point - Float A	\$4,125,000	Yes	\$4,125,000
2	119.4	II	City & Borough of Juneau - Aurora Harbor PH3	\$2,000,000	Yes	\$2,000,000
3	106.8	II	City of Homer - Homer Harbor Cathodes	\$366,000	Yes	\$366,000
4	94.2	II	City & Borough of Sitka - Fisherman's Working Float	\$2,077,775	No	\$0
5	89.6	II	Muni. of Anch., Port of AK - Ship Creek Boat Launch	\$2,783,112	No	\$0
Total of selected projects Governor's Veto, SFY2023 Budget Governors Enacted Budget, SFY2023 - Approved Funds				\$20,019,189		
				\$3,586,994		
				\$16,432,195		

As we all know recent federal legislation provides a once in a generation opportunity to build and improve infrastructure.

DOT has the STIP to formally advance and rank transportation projects across the state, however, ports are not included.

Some very low interest Federal loans require inclusion on the STIP and it is an easy way to establish required matching funds are available.

The DOT needs to quickly include ports as part of the STIP// process or provide another formal way to rank and advance port projects.











The Port of Homer

59° 36′ 25° N 151° 25′ 40″ W Kachemak Bay

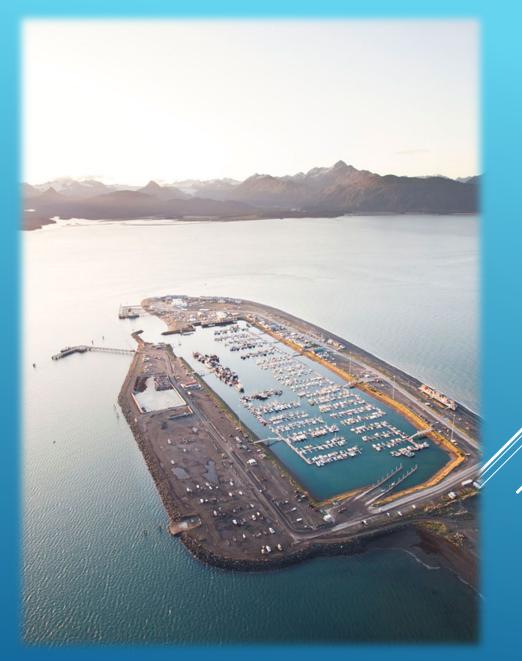


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