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Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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Juneau, Alaska, 99811  
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February 10, 1981

The Honorable Don Bennett  
Senator  
Pouch V  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

RE: Steese Highway - Central to Circle

Dear Senator Bennett:

Per your request this date, following is the project description and need statement data for the subject project.

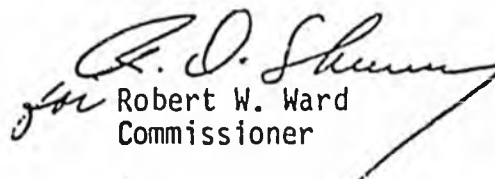
1. Project Description:

This project is for spot repairs along the 33.7 mile section of the Steese Highway between Central and Circle City. The rehabilitation of this route was originally requested as priority 81-21 in the 1981 Capital Budget, but was not funded.

2. Project Need Statement

This road is the highway access between Fairbanks and Circle City on the Yukon River. It is extensively used for recreational and mining access. Freight is hauled on this road for trans-shipment on the river system. The existing facility is substandard in width and alignment. In addition, the road base has seriously deteriorated becoming muddy and slick during wet weather and breakup. The road was last improved in 1953. The average daily traffic is 120 vehicles.

Sincerely,

 2/10/81  
for Robert W. Ward  
Commissioner

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No. SB150

Title Special Appropriation to DUI/PF for Improvement to the Steese Highway.

Requested by SEN. BENNETT

Date February 9, 1981

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

Program Category Affected Design and Construction

BRU, Program, or Subprogram(s) Affected Highway Design and Construction

(Note: If more than one budget component is affected, separate line-item amounts and funding for each component in the analysis section.)

EXPENDITURES (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 80	FY 81	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85
100 PERSONAL SERVICES		185				
200 TRAVEL		5				
300 CONTRACTUAL		1,610	-			
400 COMMODITIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.						
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,800</b>				

FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND		1,800				
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Fund Source)						

POSITIONS

FULL TIME						
PART TIME						
TEMPORARY						

III. ANALYSIS (See Fiscal Note Preparation Instructions, Section III)

This project is for spot repairs along the 33.7 mile section of the Steese Highway between Central and Circle City.

IV. DATE February 13, 1981

PREPARED BY John C. Bates JB

AGENCY Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

PHONE 364-2121, ext. 231

Original: Legislative Finance

cc: Budget and Management

Prime Sponsor (First Legislator Named)

Project Title Steese Highway - Central to Circle		Location(s) Central to Circle City		Election Districts Served 19		Start Date 7/1/81		Revision Date 1/82	
AGENCY REQUEST			Operational Cost & No. Personnel Increase -- (Decrease)		First Operating Year	Ultimate Annual Year	GOVERNOR'S REQUEST		
							Approved	Deferred	Disapproved
								13	
02	Federal Receipts		Funding Source	Federal Receipts			1002	Federal Receipts	
03	G/F Match			General Fund			1003	G/F Match	
04	General Fund	1,870.0					1004	General Fund	1,870.0
05	I/A Receipts						1005	I/A Receipts	
	G.O. Bonds							G.O. Bonds	
			Total Annual Operational Cost						
			Position (FTE)						
			Previous Year Priority		Agency Priority	Governor's Priority			
					82-6	83-1			
Total			1,870.0					Total	1,870.0

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5a PROJECT DESCRIPTION -  
PROPOSED CAPITAL  
PROJECT

CATEGORY Transportation  
AGENCY DOT/PF  
PROGRAM Interior - Highways

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Capital Project Expenditures (Cash Flow)	Total	Budget Year	Budget Year Plus 1	Budget Year Plus 2	Budget Year Plus 3	Budget Year Plus 4	Remaining Cost
Planning and Engineering							
Land							
Construction	1,870.0	1,870.0					
Equipment							
Administration and Other							
Total Annual Expenditure (Capital Cost)	1,870.0	1,870.0					

Project Justification

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Documentation of Estimated Capital Cost

Cost estimates were done by the Division of Highway Design and Construction based on previous experience with similar projects.

Analysis of Estimated Impact on Operational Expense

This project will not substantially reduce maintenance required but will result in a more serviceable facility.

Identification of Alternatives Considered

Delay - until facility can be reconstructed to highway standards. This was rejected in favor of providing a more serviceable interim facility.

Project Type

- Building Construction (C)
- Other Improvement (I)
- Equipment (E)
- Land (L)
- Professional Services (P)
- Other (O)

Project Characteristics

- Totally New Facility
- Addition to Existing Facility
- Renovation of Existing Facility
- Major Maintenance or Repair
- Supplement Previously Authorized
- Funds to Enable Completion
- One of Several Phases
- Major External Funding Source
- Other

Site Features

NO YES

- Site Currently Owned?
- All Utilities Available?
- Access Already Available?

PROJECT TITLE Stearns Highway

CATEGORY Transportation

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

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