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Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: _____
Title Reconstruction & Paving of AK Hwy BRU _____
Sponsor Senate Transportation Committee Component _____
Requester Senate Transportation Committee Component No. _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0
Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2003 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Prepared by: SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE Phone 465-3879
Division _____ Date/Time _____
Approved by: /s/ Senator Cowdery, Chair Date 3/3/02
Agency _____



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FAXED
02-02-14

February 14, 2002

Senator Randy Phillips,
State Capitol, Room 103
Juneau, Ak.
99801-1182
USA

Dear Senator Phillips,

Re: Shakwak Project

Your support for the Shakwak Project over the years has been very helpful in securing the funding necessary to advance the reconstruction work.

The reconstruction of the highway to a bituminous surface standard is finally approaching completion. We anticipate that all but 18 miles along Kluane Lake will be completed with the current TEA-21 appropriation. We are hopeful that Congress will approve funding to complete this section and to replace four major bridges on the route in the successor legislation to TEA-21, which is due in October 2003. The cost of the remaining roadwork and the bridge replacement is estimated at \$45 million.

During the deliberations prior to TEA-21 the Alaska State Legislature passed Resolution SJR 12am in support of completing the project. A similar resolution would be of great assistance at this time to demonstrate to congressional decision-makers that Alaska continues to support the project. As your help was instrumental in obtaining passage of Resolution SJR 12am, anything that you could do to facilitate a similar resolution during the current legislative session would be very much appreciated. I have asked my staff to update the factual information in the 1997 resolution which I hope will be of assistance to you.



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CENTENNIAL

Completion of the Shakwak Project has many benefits to Alaska both in commerce and tourism and I hope that it will be possible for the State Legislature to demonstrate its continued support.

Once again thank you very much for anything that you can do to assist.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Kent". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Scott Kent
Minister of Infrastructure

STATE OF ALASKA
THE LEGISLATURE

1997

Source
SJR 12 am

Legislative
Resolve No.
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Relating to reconstruction and paving of the Alaska Highway.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS the United States and Canada entered into an agreement to reconstruct and pave the Alaska Highway from the Alaska-Canada border to Haines Junction, Yukon Territory, Canada, and the Haines Cutoff Highway from Haines Junction, Yukon Territory, Canada, to the Alaska-Canada border near Haines, Alaska, known as the Shakwak project, as authorized in the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973; and

WHEREAS the Congress authorized \$59,000,000 in 1973 for the project and has appropriated \$47,000,000 to the Federal Highway Administration for actual construction by Canada; and

WHEREAS the Congress further authorized \$20,000,000 a year for fiscal years 1993 - 1996 under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, which has been fully appropriated; and

WHEREAS, in the last 16 years, the state has provided \$37,000,000 of state federal-aid highway apportionments to assist in meeting the obligations of the agreement; and

WHEREAS the estimated amount necessary to complete the entire project was in the order of \$260,000,000 in United States dollars;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the United States government and the Canadian government to honor their agreement and provide the additional funds necessary through direct federal appropriations, independent of the federal funds apportioned to Alaska by the Federal Highway Administration, to complete the remaining portions of the Shakwak project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the United States Congress is respectfully requested to immediately appropriate an additional \$94,000,000 to allow work on additional project segments to proceed to a bituminous surface treatment standard.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Right Honourable Jean Chretien, Prime Minister of Canada; the Honourable Diane Marleau, Minister of Public Works and Government Services, Canada; the Honourable Audrey McLaughlin, Member of Parliament, House of Commons, Canada; the Honourable Piers McDonald, Government Leader, Yukon Territory, Canada; the Honourable Robert Bruce, Speaker, Legislative Assembly, Yukon Territory, Canada; the Honourable Dave Keenan, Minister of Community and Transportation Services, Yukon Territory, Canada; the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the United States; the Honorable Al Gore, Jr., Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable Rodney E. Slater, Secretary-designee of the U.S. Department of Transportation; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Vick Kohring, Chair
House Committee on Transportation

Cc: Senator John Cowdery
Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: Senator Randy Phillips

SUBJECT: SJR 41 Reconstruction and paving of the Alaska Highway

DATE: 4/18/02

I respectfully request a hearing in the House Transportation Committee as soon as possible for SJR 41 – relating to the reconstruction and paving of the Alaska Highway.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

SENATOR
JOHN COWDERY

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SJR 41 – Reconstruction and paving of the Alaska Highway

Sponsor Statement

SJR 41, "Relating to reconstruction and paving of the Alaska Highway" respectfully request that the United States and Canadian governments provide \$45 million to reconstruct the remaining 18 miles of the Alaska Highway under the Shakwak Project.

The Shakwak Project is a result of an agreement between the United States and Canadian governments to reconstruct and pave the Alaska Highway from the Alaska-Canada border to the Alaska-Canada border near Haines.

The requested \$45 million would also provide funding for the replacement of four bridges in order to meet serviceability requirements.