

HB

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Sponsor Statement HB8

“An Act naming the law enforcement training facility in Fairbanks the J. Kevin Lamm Law Enforcement Training Facility.”

This bill will name the new proposed law enforcement training facility, to be located in the Interior, after fallen Fairbanks Police Department Patrol Officer John Kevin Lamm. On January 1, 1998, Officer Lamm lost his life in the line of duty, while performing a welfare check on a suicidal man with two other officers. Officer Lamm lived life well, was highly respected, and left behind a good legacy for his wife, son, family, friends, and co-workers.

Public safety is one of the core functions of government and deserves our utmost support and consideration. Currently, one of the basic training needs of the men and women, whom we hire to protect our lives and property is in danger of being eliminated.

Today, all Interior Alaska law enforcement agencies use the Don Bennett Firing Range, located on Fairbanks International Airport property. This is the only secured “law enforcement only” training facility. Unfortunately, expansion of the Airport facilities, and runway extensions have created a conflict that may soon slate this range for destruction.

The new proposed J. Kevin Lamm Training Facility will be located on an alternative piece of land offered by the Fairbanks International Airport. This will take the range out of the flight-path of the runways. Additionally, the new location is in the remote Southwest corner of the Airport property, and will pose no neighborhood noise. The Alaska Peace Officers Association has already paid for completion of the initial D.O.T. project planning process.

Please help in naming this new facility after an honored police officer, J. Kevin Lamm.

FISCAL NOTE

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Fiscal Note Number: HB8-DPS-AST-2-9-07
 Bill Version: HB 8
 () Publish Date: _____

Revision Date/Time : _____ Dept. Affected: Public Safety
 Title "An Act naming the law enforcement training ..." RDU Alaska State Troopers
 Component AST Detachments
 Sponsor Representative Ramras
 Requester House Transportation Committee Component No. 2325

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
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 (FY2007) cost: 0.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2008 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill names the new law enforcement training facility (shooting range) near the Fairbanks airport the "J. Kevin Lamm Law Enforcement training Facility". J. Kevin Lamm was a Fairbanks Police Officer killed in the line of duty January 1, 1998.

There is no cost associated with this bill. All signage costs will be paid for by the Alaska Police Officers Association.

Prepared by: Lt. Rodney Dial Phone 907-247-4480
 Division Division of Alaska State Troopers Date/Time 2/9/07 1600
 Approved by: Commissioner Walt Monegan Date 2/14/2007
 Agency Department of Public Safety

Randall Ruaro

From: Cliff Stone
Sent: Monday, March 05, 2007 3:27 PM
To: Lauren B. Rice
Cc: mary_siroky@dot.state.ak.us
Subject: RE: Rep. Wilson/Fairbanks Training Ctr-Q's for CO

Hi Lauren ..

Here are a few questions for Commissioner Monegan in regards to the new law enforcement training facility in Fairbanks. Rep. Wilson will appreciate having these answers well before her meeting with the commissioner on March 27th. The more detail the department can provide ..the better. I see where HB 9 is requesting about \$2.145 million for the design and construction that would be appropriated to DOT/PF as a capital project. Will DPS have any requests for funds in regards to this facility for FY08? How about FY09?

Will the training facility in Fairbanks fall under the purview of DPS? If so, please answer the following--

1. How much money has already been allocated towards this facility or any other component that will be part of this facility?
2. What is the anticipated total cost of the facility once fully completed?
3. What is the anticipated completion date?
4. What is the size of the facility?
5. What will take place at this facility?
6. What is the anticipated annual maintenance costs of this building?
7. How many personnel total will it take to operate this facility?
8. Where will the personnel come from to staff this facility?
9. What is the projected annual operating budget for this facility? (Include personnel, travel, supplies, equipment, contractual, land, etc...)

How does this facility compliment other law enforcement training centers around the state, i.e., Sitka, Anchorage?

In addition, don't forget the two other questions below - Any capital projects projected for the PS Academy in Sitka?

Your long-range plans for that facility in Sitka..?

Tks - c

-----Original Message-----

From: Lauren B. Rice [mailto:lauren_rice@dps.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, March 05, 2007 10:17 AM
To: Cliff Stone
Subject: Re: Rep. Wilson/Vox mail-Request:Mtg w/CO

Hi cliff,

We scheduled a meeting with Rep. Wilson on the 27th at 10:30 am. Would you like me to invite Dan?

Thank you!
Lauren

Cliff Stone wrote:

- > Hi Lauren...
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- > I haven't heard anything back from my vox mail so thought I would
- > contact you more formally.
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- > Rep. Wilson wants to meet with Commissioner Monegan the next time he's
- > in town. Pls call ext: 3824 to set up an appointment.

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- > The subjects she would like to discuss is his long-range vision for
- > law enforcement training facilities in this state.
- > He's mentioned this topic in a couple articles in the ADN.
- >
- > In addition to the long term plans as mentioned above, Peggy will want
- > to know about the planned facility in Fairbanks. The total project
- > cost when done, how many personnel will staff the facility, what kind
- > of maintenance \$\$ budget will it have and what kind of training will
- > take place there..? She'll also want to know about any capital
- > projects projected for the PS Academy in Sitka and your long range
- > plans for that facility.
- >
- > Tks ~ cliff

Randall Ruaro

From: Cliff Stone
Sent: Monday, March 05, 2007 3:07 PM
To: Randall Ruaro
Subject: HB8 - comments

Randy...

Here are some of the questions we'll be asking of the commissioner before he gets to town on the 27th of this month.

btw... HB 9 has the appropriation for the \$2.145 million in it.

1. How much money has already been allocated towards this facility?
2. What is the anticipated total cost of the facility once fully completed?
3. What is the anticipated completion date?
4. What is the size of the facility?
5. What will take place at this facility?
6. What is the anticipated annual maintenance costs of this building?
7. How many personnel total will it take to operate this facility?
8. Where will the personnel come from to staff this facility?
9. What is the projected annual operating budget for this facility? (Include personnel, travel, supplies, equipment, contractual, land, etc...)
10. How does this facility compliment other law enforcement training centers around the state, i.e., Sitka, Anchorage?

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- This bill was previously heard in Committee and public testimony was closed.
- I have a few questions about the plan for the law enforcement facility in Fairbanks. Commissioner Monegan was invited to testify. Is he online? If not, how about Lt. Dial?
- Lt. Dial, I would like to ask some questions about the planned law enforcement facility in Fairbanks. If you cannot answer them, please call my office and arrange for a meeting as soon as Commissioner Monegan is available.
 - Why is the department supporting building a new law enforcement facility in Fairbanks?
 - ~~How much money is in this year's capital budget for the project/~~
 - What is the estimated total cost?
 - How much money has been put into the project so far?
 - What is the size of the facility, and what functions will the facility serve?
 - How many personnel will it take to operate this facility?
 - Where will the personnel come from to staff this facility?
 - What are the department's plans for the Public Safety Academy in Sitka
 - Can the Academy in Sitka serve all the training needs?
- I would like to move this bill today. Is there a motion?

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Patrol Officer John Kevin Lamm

**Fairbanks Police Department
Alaska**

End of Watch: Thursday, January 1, 1998

Biographical Info

Age: 26

Tour of Duty: 3 years

Badge Number: 338

Incident Details

Cause of Death: Gunfire

Date of Incident: Thursday, January 1, 1998

Weapon Used: Rifle; AR-15

Suspect Info: Committed suicide



Officer Lamm was shot and killed after responding to check on a suicidal man with two other officers. As they were making entry to the use they were fired upon with an AR-15 rifle which had been converted to 7.62x39. One of the other officers was immediately struck in the head and wounded.

Officer Lamm immediately took cover behind a nearby couch and returned fire, drawing the suspect's attention away from his two partners. He was fatally wounded while giving his two partners a chance to escape the apartment.

After a 90 minute standoff the tactical team entered the residence and found the suspect dead from a self inflicted gunshot wound.

Officer Lamm had served with the agency for 3 years. He is survived by his wife, whom he had married only 12 days prior to his murder, son, parents, and two brothers.

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USER GROUPS – AIRPORT RANGE

Fairbanks International Airport Fire/Police
Fairbanks Police Department
North Pole Police Department
University of Alaska Police Department
Alaska Defense Force
Alaska Environmental Protection Agency
Alaska Fish & Wildlife Conservation
Alaska National Guard
Alaska Railroad Police
Alaska State Parks
Alaska State Troopers
Fairbanks Correctional Center
State and Local Police (SERT) Special Emergency Response Teams
Tanana Valley Community College interior law enforcement academy

Alaska International Defensive Pistol Association
Tanana Valley Sportsman Association
Golden Heart Shootist Association

Doyon/Alyeska Security
Securitas Security Services USA Inc
Loomis Fargo & Company

Bureau of Land Management
Drug Enforcement Administration
Fort Wainwright Military, Federal Police and CID
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Internal Revenue Service
Transportation Security Administration
US Customs & Border Protection
US Fish & Wildlife Service
US Federal Probation
US Geological Survey
US Marshals Service

FIA Shooting Range

This is an Opinton of Probable Cost

DATE: 21-Sep-05
 A/E:
 ESTIMATE: DRAFT - based on initial concept drawing
 BY: C. Carroll
 SPECIFICS: 6 acre site for 100 yard shooting range, 1200 sq. ft. Range House w/
 Covered Firing line and horizontal bullet catcher
 This ESTIMATE is based on recent Square Foot Cost of
 individual Divisions assuming a 1200 sq. ft. building

<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>DIVISION TITLE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1	PROJECT OVERHEAD	\$105,475
2	SITE CONSTRUCTION	\$811,350
3	CONCRETE	\$21,600
4	MASONRY	\$1,740
5	METALS	\$4,788
6	WOODS/PLASTICS	\$35,292
7	THERMAL/ MOISTURE PROTECT	\$22,404
8	DOORS & WINDOWS	\$17,004
9	FINISHES	\$33,540
10	SPECIALTIES	\$2,568
11	EQUIPMENT	\$0
12	FURNISHINGS	\$0
13	SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION	\$13,500
14	CONVEYING SYSTEMS	\$0
15	MECHANICAL	\$72,996
16	ELECTRICAL	\$16,552
PROJECT TOTAL Bare Costs		\$1,178,809
	Overhead & Profit 25%	\$294,702
PROJECT SUBTOTAL		\$1,473,511
	State/Local Sales Taxes 0%	\$0
	Bond 2%	\$29,470
	Estimate Contingency 10%	\$147,351
PROJECT TOTAL		\$1,650,333

Specific Items Excluded:

1	This Estimate does not include Design Engineering Cost ~ 15% of Construction	\$247,549.89
2	This Estimate does not include Construction Engineering Cost ~15% project cost	\$284,682.37
3	This Estimate does not include permits.	?
4	ADDITIVE ALTERNATE (additional 100 yards+firing line. w/o engineering)	\$120,000.00

FIA Shooting Range

CSI #	DESCRIPTION	Quantity	UNITS	MATERIAL		LABOR		EQUIPMENT		SUBCONTRACTOR		TOTAL
				Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	
Project Specifics: This Estimate assumes eliminating existing shooting range and re-using contaminated material for new bullet trap. This estimate does not include cost to remediate soils, only sampling, excavating, and transportation of hazardous material, and does not include any EPA, ADEC, or Corp permitting requirements.												
Perimeter = 1400 ft												
Floor Gross Area = 1200 sq. ft.												
DIVISION 1- PROJECT OVERHEAD												
Project Assumed Duration = [Enter Probable Project Duration]												
00890	Permits/Fees	1	Allow	500.00	\$500	1000.00	\$1,000	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$1,500
01310	Project Superintendent	800	Lhours	0.00	\$0	50.00	\$40,000	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$40,000
01310	Project Meetings	1	LS	0.00	\$0	2000.00	\$2,000	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$2,000
01310	Mobilization/ Demobilization	1	Lhours	1000.00	\$1,000	2500.00	\$2,500	1500.00	\$1,500	0.00	\$0	\$5,000
01320	Progress Schedules	1	LS	200.00	\$200	600.00	\$600	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$800
01320	Construction Photographs	1	LS	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$0
01330	Submittals	1	LS	250.00	\$250	750.00	\$750	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$1,000
01450	Testing Lab Services	1	LS	0.00	\$0	250.00	\$250	250.00	\$250	0.00	\$0	\$500
01450	Quality Control	1	Lhours	0.00	\$0	250.00	\$250	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$250
01510	Temporary Power	4	Months	250.00	\$1,000	250.00	\$1,000	1750.00	\$7,000	0.00	\$0	\$9,000
01510	Temporary Telephone/ Fax	4	Months	50.00	\$200	0.00	\$0	200.00	\$800	0.00	\$0	\$1,000
01510	Temporary Lighting	4	Months	0.00	\$0	250.00	\$1,000	500.00	\$2,000	0.00	\$0	\$3,000
01520	Temporary Toilet	4	Months	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	250.00	\$1,000	0.00	\$0	\$1,000
01520	Field Offices	4	Months	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	400.00	\$1,600	0.00	\$0	\$1,600
01560	Site Dust Control	1	LS	0.00	\$0	1500.00	\$1,500	2000.00	\$2,000	0.00	\$0	\$3,500
01560	Site Dumpster	4	Months	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	300.00	\$1,200	0.00	\$0	\$1,200
01570	Erosion Control	1	LS	1000.00	\$1,000	500.00	\$500	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$1,500
01580	Project Signs	1	LS	500.00	\$500	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$500
01610	Transportation/ Material Handling	250	Lhours	0.00	\$0	50.00	\$12,500	10.00	\$2,500	0.00	\$0	\$15,000
01620	Storage and Protection of Materials	1	LS	1000.00	\$1,000	750.00	\$750	1500.00	\$1,500	0.00	\$0	\$3,250
01720	Field Engineering	1	LS	0.00	\$0	2000.00	\$2,000	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$2,000
01720	Survey	1	LS	0.00	\$0	750.00	\$750	500.00	\$500	0.00	\$0	\$1,250
01720	Construction Layout	1	LS	250.00	\$250	750.00	\$750	500.00	\$500	0.00	\$0	\$1,500
01740	Day to Day Clean Up	80	Lhours	0.00	\$0	50.00	\$4,000	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$4,000
01750	Final Cleaning	20	Lhours	0.00	\$0	50.00	\$1,000	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$1,000

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CSI #	DESCRIPTION	Quantity	UNITS	MATERIAL		LABOR		EQUIPMENT		SUBCONTRACTOR		TOTAL
				Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	
01770	Punch list	1	LS	0.00	\$0	2500.00	\$2,500	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$2,500
01780	Record Drawings	1	LS	150.00	\$150	600.00	\$600	375.00	\$375	0.00	\$0	\$1,125
01810	Testing, Adjusting, Balancing Systems	1	LS	0.00	\$0	300.00	\$300	200.00	\$200	0.00	\$0	\$500
TOTAL DIVISION 1					\$6,050		\$76,500		\$22,925		\$0	\$105,475
DIVISION 2 - SITE CONSTRUCTION												
02105	Chemical Sampling and Analysis	1	CY	25000.00	\$25,000	25000.00	\$25,000	10000.00	\$10,000	0.00	\$0	\$60,000
02110	Excavation, Removal Hazardous Mat'l	500	CY	5.00	\$2,500	125.00	\$2,500	450.00	\$225,000	0.00	\$0	\$290,000
02230	Site Clearing	6	Acre	0.00	\$0	1000.00	\$6,000	3000.00	\$18,000	0.00	\$0	\$24,000
02310	Grading	6	Acre	0.00	\$0	400.00	\$2,400	700.00	\$4,200	0.00	\$0	\$6,600
02315	Excavation	1	LS	0.00	\$0	20000.00	\$20,000	20000.00	\$20,000	0.00	\$0	\$40,000
02315	Backfill	3,500	CY	10.00	\$35,000	5.00	\$17,500	5.00	\$17,500	0.00	\$0	\$70,000
02315	Compaction	1	LS	0.00	\$0	10000.00	\$10,000	7500.00	\$7,500	0.00	\$0	\$17,500
02510	Water Distribution (well)	1	each	3500.00	\$3,500	4500.00	\$4,500	1500.00	\$1,500	0.00	\$0	\$9,500
02530	Sanitary Sewerage	200	SF	10.00	\$2,000	10.00	\$2,000	10.00	\$2,000	0.00	\$0	\$6,000
02540	Septic Tank Systems	1	CY	1000.00	\$1,000	1000.00	\$1,000	250.00	\$250	0.00	\$0	\$2,250
02580	Site Electrical	1	VLF	25000.00	\$25,000	25000.00	\$25,000	25000.00	\$25,000	0.00	\$0	\$75,000
02610	Pipe Culverts	2	VLF	200.00	\$400	200.00	\$400	350.00	\$700	0.00	\$0	\$1,500
02820	Fences and Gates	2,500	LF	14.00	\$35,000	3.00	\$7,500	3.00	\$7,500	0.00	\$0	\$50,000
02830	Retaining Walls (BERM CONST)	1	LS	20000.00	\$20,000	35000.00	\$35,000	75000.00	\$75,000	0.00	\$0	\$130,000
02840	Walk, Road and Parking Appurtenances	1	LF	8000.00	\$8,000	10000.00	\$10,000	6500.00	\$6,500	0.00	\$0	\$24,500
02870	Site Furnishings	1	LS	2500.00	\$2,500	1500.00	\$1,500	500.00	\$500	0.00	\$0	\$4,500
02920	Lawns and Grasses	1	LF	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$0
TOTAL DIVISION 2					\$159,900		\$230,300		\$421,150		\$0	\$811,350
DIVISION 3 - CONCRETE												
03050	Basic Concrete Materials	1,206	SF	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	18.00	\$21,600	\$21,600

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				Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	
	TOTAL DIVISION 3				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$21,600	\$21,600
DIVISION 4 - MASONRY												
04090	Masonry Accessories	1,200	SF	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	1.45	\$1,740	\$1,740
	TOTAL DIVISION 4				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$1,740	\$1,740
DIVISION 5 - METALS												
05120	Structural Steel	1,200	SF	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	3.99	\$4,788	\$4,788
	TOTAL DIVISION 5				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$4,788	\$4,788
DIVISION 6 - WOOD AND PLASTICS												
0, 90	Wood Framing	1,200	LS	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	29.41	\$35,292	\$35,292
	TOTAL DIVISION 6				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$35,292	\$35,292
DIVISION 7- THERMAL & MOISTURE PROTECTION												
07110	Building Insulation systems	1,200	SF	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	18.67	\$22,404	\$22,404
	TOTAL DIVISION 7				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$22,404	\$22,404
DIVISION 8- DOORS/WINDOWS												
08110	Doors/Windows & Frames	1,200	EA	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	14.17	\$17,004	\$17,004

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				Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	
	TOTAL DIVISION 8				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$17,004	\$17,004
DIVISION 9 - FINISHES												
09110	Finishes	1,200	SF	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	27.95	\$33,540	\$33,540
	TOTAL DIVISION 9				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$33,540	\$33,540
DIVISION 10 - SPECIALTIES												
10110	Fire Line	1,200	EA	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	2.14	\$2,568	\$2,568
	TOTAL DIVISION 10				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$2,568	\$2,568
DIVISION 11 - EQUIPMENT												
11010	None in this estimate	1	EA	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$0
	TOTAL DIVISION 11				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0	\$0
DIVISION 12 - FURNISHINGS												
12050	None in this estimate	1	EA	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$0
	TOTAL DIVISION 12				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0	\$0
DIVISION 13 - SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION												

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				Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	Unit Cost	EXTEND	
13020	Bullet Trap	1	SF	4500.00	\$4,500	6500.00	\$6,500	2500.00	\$2,500	0.00	\$0	\$13,500
	TOTAL DIVISION 13				\$4,500		\$6,500		\$2,500		\$0	\$13,500
DIVISION 14 - CONVEYING SYSTEMS												
14100	None in this Estimate	1	EA	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$0
	TOTAL DIVISION 14				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0	\$0
DIVISION 15 - MECHANICAL												
15050	Basic Mechanical Materials & Methods	1,200	sf	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	60.83	\$72,996	\$72,996
	TOTAL DIVISION 15				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$72,996	\$72,996
DIVISION 16 - ELECTRICAL												
16050	Basic Electrical Materials & Methods	1,200	sf	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	0.00	\$0	30.46	\$36,552	\$36,552
	TOTAL DIV. 16				\$0		\$0		\$0		\$36,552	\$36,552
PROJECT TOTALS Bare Costs					\$170,450		\$313,300		\$446,575		\$248,484	\$1,178,809

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January 18, 2007

The Honorable Sarah Palin, Governor
State of Alaska
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Dear Governor Palin,

As we convene the Twenty-Fifth Legislature and begin to prioritize the capital and infrastructure needs of Alaska, we are continuously reminded by our constituents that the core functions of government – public safety, in particular – deserve our utmost support and consideration.

Currently, the basic training needs of the men and women whom we hire to protect our lives and property are either not being met, or are in danger of being eliminated. Local, State, and Federal law enforcement personnel who reside in the Anchorage area do not have a dedicated outdoor shooting range in which to train. And in Fairbanks, the single outdoor law enforcement range which services over twenty-five departments, agencies, and user-groups is threatened with elimination due to Fairbanks International Airport expansion. Unlike Southeast Alaska, where a new outdoor shooting range was constructed in 2002 at the Department Public Safety training facility in Sitka, law enforcement officers in South Central and Interior Alaska do not have appropriate shooting facilities to conduct critically necessary training.

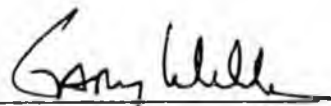
Both Anchorage and Fairbanks must have quality, controlled-access shooting range facilities for police qualification and training. We, the undersigned members of Alaska's Interior legislative delegation, strongly urge your support for these much-

Honorable Governor Palin
January 18, 2007
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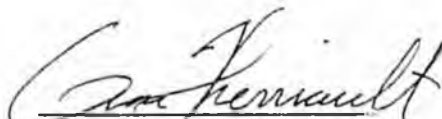
needed facilities and respectfully request that funding be included in your upcoming capital budget.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

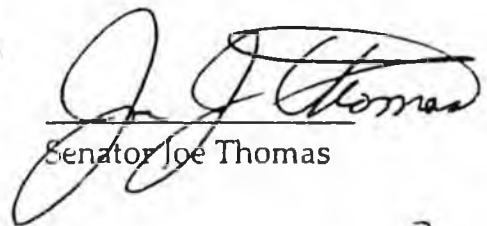
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Senator Gary Wilken



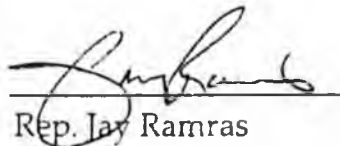
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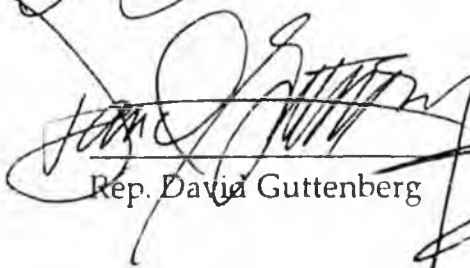
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Cc: Mr. Walt Monegan, Commissioner, Alaska Department of Public Safety
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Senator Gary Wilken
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January 2, 2007

Dear Senator Wilken:

Thank you very much for taking the time to meet with me last week to discuss the current status of our Interior law enforcement shooting/training range proposal. As we discussed, Representative Ramras has already pre-filed two bills for consideration in the upcoming legislative session; a "naming bill" (to name the range facility after J. Kevin Lamm, a Fairbanks Police Officer who was killed in the line-of-duty) and an appropriation bill.

As you requested, I've attached a draft "letter of support" for the Interior Delegation for your review. I have also written and sent a separate letter to Commissioner of Public Safety Walt Monegan, urging that he fully support this critically necessary project. Lastly, I have included a packet of summary information regarding this project, to include:

- Copy of 5/12/05 letter to Interior Delegation members from AK Peace Officers Association
- Copy of 12/16/05 letter to Interior Delegation members from City of Fairbanks
- Copy of the D.O.T. project-cost estimate
- Aerial photo showing present and new (proposed) site on Fairbanks Airport property
- Copy of the comprehensive user-group list.

The current construction estimate for our proposed facility is approximately \$2.2 million, which includes all design, engineering, and construction costs. As we discussed, the five-acre parcel of land is being provided as an "in-kind" donation, and A.P.O.A. has already paid the initial \$5,000.00 that was required for the initial project assessment by D.O.T.

As we also discussed, I'm deeply concerned that Anchorage-area agencies are currently pursuing funding for a multi-million dollar "Arctic Public Safety Training Institute," comprised of a series of campuses in the Anchorage/Mat-Su area that will include shooting ranges, driving tracks, classroom facilities, etc. I suspect that this Anchorage proposal may quickly swallow up any discretionary capital dollars- particularly those targeted towards public safety- and I believe that we will have to work in earnest to ensure that our Fairbanks range is included as part of an overall public-safety appropriation, rather than being perceived simply as a "Fairbanks area project."

Please let me know if I can do anything else to assist you with this project; I have cc'd a copy of this correspondence and attached materials to Representatives Ramras and Kelly, so that they may remain apprised of the situation.

Thanks again for all your help!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel P. Hoffman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Daniel P. Hoffman, Chief
Fairbanks Police Department

cc Jim Janke, President, Farthest North Chapter Alaska Peace Officers Association
Representative Jay Ramras
Representative Mike Kelly

The Honorable Interior Legislative Delegation:

- Senator Gary Wilken - Representative John Coghill, jr.
- Senator Ralph Seekins - Representative Jim Holm
- Senator Gene Therriault - Representative Mike Kelly
- Representative Jay Ramras
- Representative Dave Guttenberg

December 16th, 2005

Dear Senators and Representatives:

The City of Fairbanks would like to draw your attention to a significant problem, and to urge your support of Alaska's Department of Public Safety Commissioner Bill Tandeske as he prepares to address a solution.

As you may or may not know, all Interior Alaska law enforcement agencies (including the Fairbanks, North Pole, University, and Airport Police Departments, as well as Alaska State Troopers and a host of Federal agencies) have enjoyed the use of the Don Bennett Firing Range for many years. This secured, "law enforcement only" training facility is located on Fairbanks International Airport property. The expansion of Airport facilities and extension of runways have placed this range facility in peril, and it will most likely soon be slated for destruction.

It is imperative that our local law enforcement agencies have a secured range facility where we can regularly train and shoot for qualification. Given the tactical nature of training and associated security concerns, as well as the training-volume generated by all participating agencies, it is simply not possible to try and "share use" at a public facility. A new training-range is desperately needed for our area's law enforcement personnel.

Thankfully, the Airport has graciously offered us the use of an alternative parcel of land on their property which would allow us to relocate our range, taking it out of the flight-paths of their runways. Additionally, the location offered is on the remote Southwest corner of Airport property, and will pose no neighborhood/noise issues. At this time, the Alaska Police Officer's Association has already paid for completion of the initial D.O.T. project-planning process. These plans have been forwarded to Commissioner Tandeske, who recognizes this critical need and is fully supportive of this project.

It is *extremely* important that members of our State Legislature realize that this is a project that is being led by the Alaska Peace Officers Association and an associated task-force, comprised of local police chiefs and representatives from all local law enforcement user-groups. The City of Fairbanks has been involved in the planning of this project from the outset, and is writing this "letter of support" to reflect in the strongest terms possible the need for this training facility.

I sincerely hope that our Interior Delegation will offer unanimous support as this project moves forward; I will always be available to answer any questions regarding the Fairbanks Police Department's extensive use/history of the Don Bennett Range, as well as our critical need to have such a facility available in the future.

Sincerely,

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May 12, 2005

The Honorable Interior Legislative Delegation

Senator Ralph Seekins	Representative John Coghill, Jr.	Representative Jim Holm
Senator Gene Therriault	Representative Dave Guttenberg	Representative Mike Kelly
Senator Gary Wilken	Representative Jay Ramras	

Dear Senators and Representatives:

The Don Bennett Police Shooting Range was constructed for law enforcement officers and for organized shooting events (such as matches or firearms educational activities with trained range officers) in the Fairbanks area through the efforts of the late Senator Don Bennett. It is located on the east ramp of Fairbanks International Airport. Currently 30 individual groups as shown on the attached list utilize this range. Adjacent to the range is the fire training burn pit used by Airport Fire/Police for fire fighting practice.

About two years ago the general aviation runway 1R/19L on the East Ramp was upgraded and extended. This has brought landing and departing aircraft much closer to the police shooting range. The FAA has future plans to install an improved approach lighting system for instrument approaches during inclement weather on that runway. The fixtures holding the lights will be placed down the center of what is now the shooting range and fire fighting burn pit. This increase in nearby air traffic creates a safety issue with the continued usage of the range and burn pit. In addition, the current range is being utilized over maximum capacity due to the number of qualifications required by agencies, tactics required to be practiced and mastered, uses of the facility in the same day, and weapons now included in the law enforcement arsenal.

The Department of Transportation has offered the use of an alternative parcel of land on a remote corner of airport property away from aircraft approach/departure paths to reconstruct a shooting range and fire pit. Their Programs, Plans and Projects division has provided us with a cost estimate of approximately one million dollars to reconstruct the range. The Farthest North Chapter of the Alaska Peace Officers Association has contributed \$5,000 for the development of a plan to scope and estimate the relocation of a multi-agency firearms range and fire pit at Fairbanks International Airport. Our chapter is also exploring additional avenues for funding of this project through local, private, and federal agencies.

The Farthest North Chapter would appreciate your support with the continuation of ongoing training accomplished through the use of the shooting range by introducing a budget item to assist in rebuilding the range. Your assistance in obtaining funding for relocation of the shooting range used by our members is greatly needed.

For a first-hand view of problems facing continued use of the range, you are invited to our annual Farthest North Chapter APOA Pat Tobin Memorial Shoot and Picnic. The 2005 Shoot/Picnic will be held on Saturday, August 13.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Warren M. Tanner, President
Alaska Peace Officers Association
Farthest North Chapter

Enclosure

cc: Commissioner of Public Safety Bill Tandeske
Fairbanks Mayor Steve Thompson
Fairbanks North Star Borough Mayor Jim Whitaker



Daily News - Miner

Shooting range near airport may be moved

By Amanda Bohman
Published January 11, 2007

As Fairbanks International Airport grows, it's coming up against a potential problem: a law enforcement shooting range now just a few hundred yards beyond the runway used by small airplanes.

"You don't want a firing range underneath an approach corridor for airplanes," said Ric Barnett, airport operations manager.

Airport and law enforcement officials are hoping to build a new shooting range at a different location on airport property. Rep. Jay Ramras, R-Fairbanks, has sponsored House Bills 8 and 9 calling for the new shooting range. He hopes to use money from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to pay for the \$2.1 million facility.

"Having police officers who can train and shoot straight is important to the safety of our Fairbanks community and to the men and women who put on a uniform," Ramras said.

The facility would include a 100-yard range, a backstop and a building where peace officers could go inside and clean their weapons, said Dan Hoffman, Fairbanks Police chief and vice president of The Farthest North Chapter of the Alaska Peace Officers Association, which provided \$5,000 in seed money for the project.

Law enforcement agencies would sign up with airport police to use the facility, which would be kept locked.

The facility would be open to anyone working in law enforcement, whether local, state or federal, as well as to private security companies and the Tanana Valley Campus Law Enforcement Academy, Hoffman said.

He listed almost 30 agencies and companies that use the current facility.

"We are just trying to put in place a very basic facility that meets the needs for the law enforcement community," Hoffman said. "It's simply not practical for us to try and do law enforcement training at a public range."

Agencies' policies vary, but most require officers to regularly practice using their weapons.

The 45 or so sworn officers at Fairbanks police must qualify on their .45 caliber automatic handguns a minimum of three times a year, according to the chief.

"It's a tremendous liability issue," Hoffman said.

The new facility would be called the Kevin Lamm Law Enforcement Training Facility. It would replace the Don Bennett Police Shooting Range.

Lamm is Fairbanks Police officer who was killed in the line of duty nine years ago. Bennett is a retired U.S. Army lieutenant colonel who represented Fairbanks in the Alaska Senate until his death in 1987.

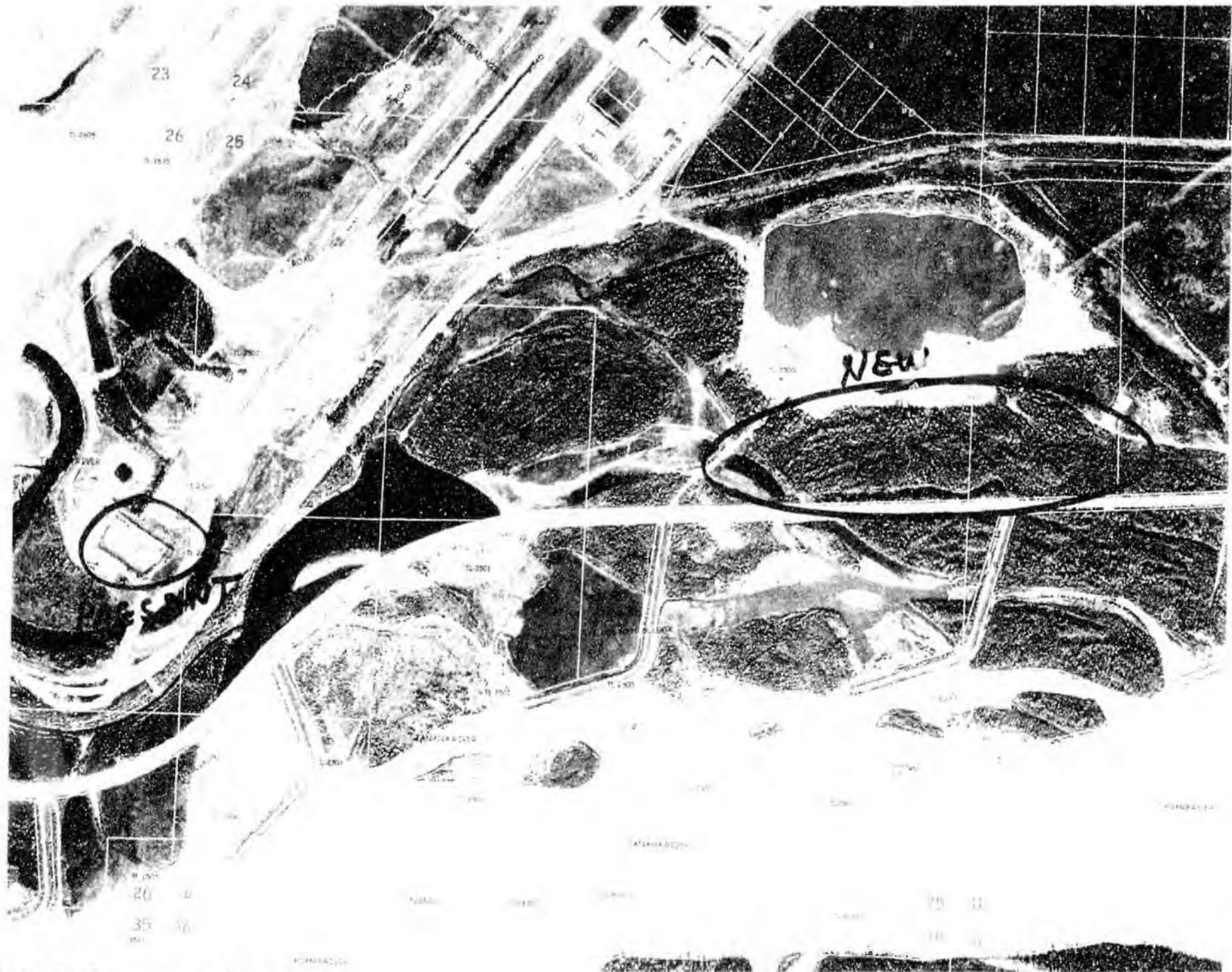
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