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Section 24: Chilkat Eagle Observatory/Cultural Center

Wording change - to read: "The sum of \$1,500,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for final engineering and construction plans, working drawings, site preparation, environmental assessment, and facility and exhibit construction of the Klukwan Bald Eagle Observatory and Cultural Heritage Center at Klukwan."

Comment: This language change would clarify the scope of the work contemplated by the appropriation.

Section 28: Visual Arts Center of Alaska

Eliminate this section.

Comment: This project was included in the "jobs" bill.

NEW PROJECTS FOR RESOURCES CS

New sections should be added to the bill as described below.

New Section: Yugtarvik Museum/Yup'ik Cultural Center

The sum of \$545,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for the Yugtarvik Museum and Yup'ik Cultural Center in Bethel with allocations of:

- museum design and development \$500,000
- purchase, preservation of artifacts \$ 25,000
- development of wildlife display \$ 20,000

Introduced: 2/1 38
Referred: Resources and
Finance

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Funding Information

General Fund \$9,990,925
Other Funds -0-
\$9,990,925

BY BROWN, ELLIS, RIEGER,
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1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 423

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4

FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act making appropriations for tourism and recre-
7 ation related capital projects, grants, and expenses
8 of state government; and providing for an effective
9 date."

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

11 * Section 1. The sum of \$250,000 is appropriated from the general fund
12 to the Department of Natural Resources for facilities rehabilitation and
13 improvements at the Quartz Lake Recreation Area.

14 * Sec. 2. The sum of \$210,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
15 the Department of Natural Resources for trailheads and a cabin at the Chena
16 Recreation Area.

17 * Sec. 3. The sum of \$50,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
18 the Department of Natural Resources for facilities rehabilitation and
19 improvements at the Chena River Recreation Site.

20 * Sec. 4. The sum of \$50,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
21 the Department of Natural Resources for the completion of the right-of-way
22 of the Chena Hot Springs Trail.

23 * Sec. 5. The sum of \$250,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
24 the Department of Natural Resources for access, facilities rehabilitation,
25 and improvements at the Birch Lake Recreation Site.

26 * Sec. 6. The sum of \$150,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
27 the Department of Natural Resources for facilities rehabilitation and
28 improvements at the Dry Creek Recreation Site.

29 * Sec. 7. The sum of \$200,000 is appropriated from the general fund to

1 the Department of Natural Resources for facilities rehabilitation and
2 improvements at the Buskin River Recreation Site and the Fort Abercrombie
3 State Historic Park.

4 * Sec. 8. The sum of \$200,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
5 the Department of Natural Resources for facilities rehabilitation and
6 improvements at the Finger Lake Recreation Site.

7 * Sec. 9. The sum of \$900,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
8 the Department of Natural Resources for facilities rehabilitation and
9 improvements at the Hatcher Pass Public Use Area and Independence Mine
10 State Historic Park.

11 * Sec. 10. The sum of \$200,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
12 the Department of Natural Resources for feasibility analysis and site
13 selection for the South Denali Project.

14 * Sec. 11. The sum of \$300,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
15 the Department of Natural Resources for facilities rehabilitation and
16 improvements ^{To} at the Eagle River Visitor Center ^{building}

17 * Sec. 12. The sum of \$670,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
18 the Department of Natural Resources for access, facilities rehabilitation,
19 and improvements at the Chugach State Park.

20 ~~* Sec. 13. The sum of \$180,000 is appropriated from the general fund to~~
21 ~~the Department of Natural Resources for access development at Peter's~~
22 ~~Creek.~~

23 * Sec. 14. The sum of \$350,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
24 the Department of Natural Resources for development of interpretive board-
25 walks at the Kenai River.

26 * Sec. 15. The sum of \$1,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund
27 to the Department of Natural Resources for site acquisition and initial
28 development at Whiskey Gulch and for acquisition, rehabilitation, and
29 improvements for sport fishing access to the waters of the Kenai Peninsula.

- 1 * Sec. 16. The sum of ~~\$250,000~~ ^{\$ 200,000} is appropriated from the general fund to
2 the Department of Natural Resources for facilities rehabilitation and
3 improvements at Chilkoot Lake Recreation Area and Chilkat State Park.
- 4 * Sec. 17. The sum of ~~\$210,000~~ ^{\$ 100,000} is appropriated from the general fund to
5 the Department of Natural Resources for improvement of access and inter-
6 pre-tive facilities at the Castle Hill Historic Site.
- 7 * Sec. 18. The sum of \$200,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
8 the Department of Natural Resources for a totem carving program at Totem
9 Bight State Historic Park.
- 10 * Sec. 19. The sum of \$100,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
11 the Department of Natural Resources for grants for historic preservation
12 projects under AS 41.35.040.
- 13 * Sec. 20. The sum of \$25,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
14 the Department of Natural Resources for the development of ~~highway inter-~~
15 pre-tive sign~~ing program~~ ^{program}.
- 16 * Sec. 21. The sum of ~~\$100,000~~ ^{\$ 25,000} is appropriated from the general fund to
17 the Department of Natural Resources for payment as a grant under AS 37.-
18 05.316 to the Fairbanks Historic Preservation Foundation for preservation
19 and rehabilitation of the Riverboat Nenana.
- 20 * Sec. 22. The sum of \$50,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
21 the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for tourism and
22 recreation related highway signs and informational and interpretive mate-
23 rials.
- 24 * Sec. 23. The sum of \$160,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
25 the Department of Education for ~~the waterline project~~ ^{renovation and construction} at the Alaska Avia-
26 tion Heritage Museum.
- 27 * Sec. 24. The sum of \$1,500,000 is appropriated from the general fund
28 to the Department of Education for ~~development of the Chilkat Eagle Obser-~~
29 ~~vatory and Cultural Center (Phase II) at Klukwan.~~

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final engineering and construction plans, working
drawings, site preparation, environmental
assessment and facility and exhibit construction
of the Klukwan Bald Eagle Observatory and Cultural
Heritage Center at Klukwan.

1 * Sec. 25. The sum of \$50,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
2 the Department of Education for a feasibility study of a state maritime
3 museum in Ketchikan.

4 * Sec. 26. The sum of \$167,400 is appropriated from the general fund to
5 the Department of Fish and Game for the development of tourist-related
6 facilities at the following state hatcheries and in the amounts listed:

7	Crooked Creek Hatchery	\$22,000
8	Fort Richardson Hatchery	25,000
9	Elmendorf Hatchery	37,200
10	Big Lake Hatchery	25,200
11	Deer Mountain Hatchery	32,000
12	Klawock Hatchery	26,000

13 * Sec. 27. The sum of \$688,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
14 the Department of Commerce and Economic Development for payment as a grant
15 under AS 37.05.316 to the Tok Umbrella Corporation for the purchase, pres-
16 ervation, and relocation of an historic gold dredge to Tok.

17 ~~* Sec. 28. The sum of \$350,000 is appropriated from the general fund to~~
18 ~~the Alaska State Council on the Arts for payment as a grant under AS 37.~~
19 ~~05.316 to the Visual Arts Center of Alaska for renovation of the Visual~~
20 ~~Arts Center building.~~

21 * Sec. 29. The sum of \$490,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
22 the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315
23 to the City and Borough of Juneau for relocation and rehabilitation of the
24 Juneau City Museum.

25 * Sec. 30. The sum of \$100,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
26 the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315
27 to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough for development of road access to the
28 Willow Creek State Recreation Area.

29 * Sec. 31. The sum of \$160,400 is appropriated from the general fund to

1 the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315
2 to the City of Nome for the purposes expressed and in the amounts listed:

3	Airport signs	\$ 7,000
4	Cemetery clean up	45,000
5	Visitor center improvements	2,000
6	Seawall sidewalk/platform	25,000
7	King Island stairways	20,000
8	King Island boat launch	20,000
9	Lindeblom Cabin	41,400

10 * Sec. 32. The sum of \$55,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
11 the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315
12 to the City of Ektaham for the Snake Lake access road.

13 * Sec. 33. The sum of \$54,175 is appropriated from the general fund to
14 the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315
15 to the City of Unalaska for a rotating pictorial display.

16 * Sec. 34. The sum of \$23,500 is appropriated from the general fund to
17 the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315
18 to the City of King Cove for a town center park.

19 * Sec. 35. The sum of \$9,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
20 the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315
21 to the City of Newhalen for historic site renovation.

22 * Sec. 36. The sum of \$48,450 is appropriated from the general fund to
23 the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315
24 to the City of Togiak for a marine tourism center.

25 * Sec. 37. The sum of \$15,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
26 the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315
27 to the Bristol Bay Borough for improvements to the Naknek museum.

28 * Sec. 38. The sum of \$225,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
29 the Department of Natural Resources for the operation of the Youth

1 Conservation Corps program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1989.

2 * Sec. 39. The appropriations made by secs. 1 - 18, 20, and 22 - 26 of
3 this Act are for capital projects and are subject to AS 37.25.020.

4 * Sec. 40. The unexpended and unobligated portion of the appropriations
5 made by secs. 19 and 38 of this Act lapse into the general fund June 30,
6 1989.

7 * Sec. 41. This Act takes effect July 1, 1938.



Alaska State Legislature

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON RESOURCES

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MEMORANDUM

February 23, 1988

TO: Rep. Sam Cotten, Co-Chair
Rep. Adelheid Herrmann, Co-Chair
Resources Committee members

FROM: Ned Farquhar, staff *Ned*

SUBJECT: HB 423 (Tourism projects)

A draft CS of the tourism bill (HB 423) has been prepared and distributed to committee members.

The changes were suggested by Rep. Brown, the sponsor; Rep. Rieger; and Rep. Navarre. This memorandum describes the changes already embodied in the draft CS and some additional proposals.

Changes in the draft CS

Sec. 11: Revised language

Sec. 13: Deletion of Peters Creek project; insertion of new project at Alaska Zoo, proposed by Rep. Rieger (net reduction of \$130,000)

Sec. 16: Reduced appropriation (net reduction of \$50,000)

Sec. 20: Reduced appropriation (net reduction of \$110,000)

Sec. 21: Reduced appropriation (net reduction of \$75,000)

Sec. 23: Revised language

Sec. 24: Revised language

Sec. 28: Deletion of visual arts project; insertion of museum and cultural center at Bethel (net increase of \$195,000)

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Proposed additions not yet included in the CS

Rep. Navarre has proposed refining the language in Sec. 15 of the bill and adding two new sections. His proposal is attached and will be presented to the Committee as a formal amendment when the bill is before the Committee.

Please let me know if you need anything on this bill.

cc: Rep. Brown
Eric Myers
Pat Malone

Amendments to CSHB 423 (Resources) By Navarre

Page 2, line 27:

delete \$1,000,000 - replace with \$522,000.

Page 5, insert the following sections:

* Sec. 38. The sum of \$300,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315 to the City of Soldotna for construction of a Kenai River Boardwalk at Soldotna Creek Park.

* Sec. 39. The sum of \$178,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Administration for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.315 to the City of Homer for design and construction of the Homer Bypass Park/RV Dump Station.

Renumber remaining sections accordingly, and amend current Sec. 40 to reflect this change.

Alaska State Legislature

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House Finance Committee

House of Representatives

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Representative Kay Brown

FROM: Representative Steve Rieger *SR*

DATE: February 24, 1988

RE: Backup Material for Alaska Zoo Appropriation in
HB 423

In Regards to the \$150,000 appropriation to the Department of Commerce for payment as a grant to the Alaska Zoo in Anchorage for improvement of the glacier bear facilities, (Page 2, Lines 20 - 23) The following is a breakdown of how the funds will be utilized.

1. Construction of the bear's den and service area.
Approximately 220 square feet.

Materials	\$22,000
Labor	\$14,000

2. Construction of the enclosure. Approximately 3200 square feet. SOHIO has already donated approximately 50% of the material for the enclosure.

Materials	\$18,500
Labor	\$28,800

3. Construction of the elevated walkway so visitors have an unobstructed view of the bear without looking through the bars of the enclosure. Includes 80 linear feet of elevated viewing area with access ramps on both ends of walkway.

Materials	\$27,500
Labor	\$40,000

TOTAL \$150,800

All materials for the project will be purchased from Alaskan companies and all labor will be local hire. Site selection, planning and design is complete and the project could be completed this summer if funds become available.



CAPITAL PROJECT REQUEST

\$150,000 to construct a Glacier Bear exhibit at the Alaska Zoo.

The Alaska Zoo is the home of a two year old Glacier (blue) Bear that was captured by Fish and Game after it had become an incorrigible garbage bear in Juneau. The Glacier Bear, unique to Southeastern Alaska, is so rare that only one other Zoo in the world has one on exhibit.

This unusual animal is presently housed in a temporary exhibit made by dividing an existing black bear exhibit in half. While adequate for the health of the bear, this temporary housing is in the oldest and most unsitely enclosure at the Zoo.

Without a suitable exhibit for this beautiful bear, the Zoo has been reluctant to publicize the fact that it has the bear. It could bring in many tourist dollars if it were promoted.

The site has been selected and plans drawn; if funded, the project could be completed this summer. However, it is not likely that private funding coming from donations, etc. will enable the Zoo to construct this exhibit in the immediate future. Attached is a copy of the 1988 operating budget of the Zoo. No public funding is included. Capital projects of this size are beyond the current capability of the Zoo.

Of the more than 200,000 visitors to the Zoo every season, a very great percentage are tourists. The Zoo is a specialized zoo in that it displays primarily Alaskan birds and animals and many, many tourists come to the Zoo to see the Alaskan wildlife that they have not been able to see elsewhere. In the case of the Glacier Bear, it is highly unlikely they could ever see one in the wild.

The Zoo is open year round, employees 30 people during the busy season and 20 full time.

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: House Resource Committee Members

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February 12, 1988

The Honorable Sam Cotten
Alaska House of Representatives
P.O. Box V
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Dear Sam:

I am writing to you to focus your attention on two very important bills. One is HB 423, the State Parks Job bill, and the other is the Tourism Project bill. Both bills are tremendously important to the health and future of our Alaska Visitors Industry. Please give both your strong support.

As you know we have spent lots of money on promotion during the last ten years and have had great success. I hope we will continue to promote Alaska but diversify by looking for visitors from foreign countries and for our fall, winter, and spring seasons.

In order to be successful and meet visitors' expectations, we will have to consider improvements to our existing facilities and plan for new ones. The developments in the parks of new trailheads, cabins, trails, facility rehabilitation, trail improvements as well as new access roads are absolutely vital for the health of our present and future tourism industry. But as I see it, the best part of both bills is the fact that they will benefit Alaskan residents; first, by providing lots of local jobs; and second, by providing better and more facilities for our use and enjoyment.

Please call if you have questions or if I could provide additional information. My day number is 564-8212 or after 5:30, at home 337-2266. I do greatly support the passage of both bills this year and encourage your strong consideration of them.

Sincerely,

Edith M. Taylor
Director
Travel Industry Management

EMT:smc

A New University for a New World

February 8, 1988

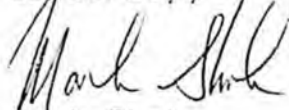
Representative Sam Cotten
Co-Chairman of the House Resources Committee
P.O. Box V
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re: HB 423

Dear Representative Cotten:

The Chugach State Park Citizen's Advisory Board is a 15 member board representing the interests of various park user groups, communities and neighborhoods adjacent to the Park, and citizens of the greater Anchorage area, as they relate to outdoor recreation opportunities and preservation of the Parks values. Members of the Board see HB 423 as critical legislation necessary to remedy many longstanding resource management problems. We request that the bill receive a committee hearing as soon as possible. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Mark Skok
Chairman

attachment



CHUGACH STATE PARK CITIZENS' ADVISORY BOARD

Resolution of the Chugach State Park Citizen's Advisory Board

WHEREAS, one of the purposes for which the board was organized is to promote the conservation and protection of the natural environment and public resources of Chugach State Park, including outdoor recreation opportunities which are compatible with the Park's purposes, values and legislation; and

WHEREAS, in many areas of Chugach State Park recreation opportunities are inhibited by poor access to park land, overgrown and poorly signed trails, heavy used and worn out facilities, and the lack of interpretive information; and

WHEREAS, improvements to park access, interpretive signing, trail and other visitor facilities would greatly enhance the experience of tourists visiting Alaska and our citizens recreating locally;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chugach State Park Citizen's Advisory Board urges your strongest support for HB 423.



Mark Skol, Chairman

2-9-88

Date



CHUGACH STATE PARK CITIZENS' ADVISORY BOARD



Official Business

Alaska State Legislature

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MEMORANDUM

February 9, 1988

TO: Representative Adelheid Herrmann, Co-Chair
Representative Sam Cotten, Co-Chair
House Resources Committee

FROM: Representative Fran Ulmer

SUBJECT: Tourism Bill, HB 423

I have been requested by the Southeast Alaska Tourism Council to meet with them next Wednesday, February 17, to discuss Southeast tourism priorities. They would like to have some input on House Bill 423, and I believe this organization has some excellent ideas to share with us. I would appreciate the ability to submit additional information and suggestions to your committee based on discussions with the Southeast Tourism Council.

cc: Representative Kay Brown

FEBRUARY 10TH 1988

BEFORE THE HOUSE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

8:30 AM ROOM 124 CAPITAL

HOUSE BILL NO. 423

KENAI RIVER VIEWING SYSTEM AND OTHERS.

FULL FUNDING REQUEST \$9,990,925.00

KENAI SHARE OF REQUEST 350,000.00

GOOD MORNING MEMBERS OF THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE.....MY NAME IS JOHN WILLIAMS AND I AM THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF KENAI. IT GIVES ME A GREAT DEAL OF PLEASURE TO BE HERE THIS MORNING TO TESTIFY ON BEHALF OF THIS BILL AS I SEE IT AS A MEASURE THAT WILL DO A GREAT DEAL OF GOOD FOR THE WHOLE STATE. YOU WILL NOTE THAT THE BILL CALLS FOR ENHANCEMENT OF TOURIST FACILITIES THROUGH OUT THE ENTIRE STATE NOT JUST IN ONE AREA. IN PASSING THIS BILL AND FUNDING THE ITEMS WITHIN I SEE THE STATE PUTTING IT'S BEST FOOT FORWARD IN WELCOMING THE MANY THOUSANDS OF VISITORS HERE EACH SUMMER. WE EFFECTIVELY ARE SAYING, " WELCOME TO OUR HOME, STAY AWHILE AND VISIT AND ENJOY THE BEAUTY THAT IS ALASKA. WE HOPE THAT YOU ENJOY THE THINGS WE HAVE PREPARED FOR YOU DURING YOUR STAY." WHAT BETTER WAY TO SAY THOSE WORDS THAN WITH THE OFFERING OF THE AMENITIES NOTED IN THIS BILL, QUARTZ LAKE, CHENA RIVER, CHILKAT, KING COVE, AND THE KENAI, PLAYGROUND OF ALASKA, HOME OF THE KENAI KINGS, THE SNOW GOOSE MIGRATORY PATH, AND

THE 7TH RATED MOST IMPORTANT NATIONAL WET LANDS IN THE NATION. MY HOME, AND TRUE AREA OF MY ATTENTION THIS MORNING.

WITHIN THE BILL UNDER SECTION 14, PAGE 2, LINE 23-25 IS A SECTION DEALING WITH INTERPRETIVE BOARD WALKS AT THE KENAI RIVER. THE BILL WOULD FUND A PROJECT THAT HAS BEEN IN THE PLANNING STAGES FOR A LONG TIME AND IS NOW READY FOR CONSTRUCTION WITH ENGINEERING ON OUR PART COMPLETE. THE PLAN CONSISTS OF PHASED DEVELOPMENT OF THREE MAJOR VIEWING AREAS WHERE ONE WILL BE ABLE TO VIEW WATER FOWL, BELUGA WHALES, AND CARIBOU, AND IN ADDITION, BECOME ACQUAINTED WITH THE HISTORICAL ASPECTS OF THE AREA THROUGH ARCHEOLOGICAL DIGS AND INTERPRETATION OF HISTORICAL CAMPING AND LIVING AREAS OF ANCESTRAL NATIVE GROUP'S. THE ENTIRE FACILITY WILL BE A CREDIT TO THE AREA, A BENEFIT TO SPRING AND SUMMER TOURISM, AND AN OUTDOOR ECOLOGICAL STUDY AREA FOR OUR STUDENTS FROM THE LOCAL SCHOOLS AND COLLEGE. TALK ABOUT BANG FOR THE BUCK, WE COULDN'T ASK FOR MORE.

AND SPEAKING ABOUT BUCKS, LET ME TAKE JUST A MOMENT TO EXPLAIN THE FINANCING BEHIND THIS PROJECT. WE ANTICIPATE FUNDING FROM 4 MAJOR SOURCES. 1ST THE CITY OF KENAI HAS APPLIED FOR A FEDERAL LAND AND WATER RESOURCE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$129,000.00.....SECONDLY THE CITY HAS AGREED TO ENTER INTO LAND MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND OUT DOOR RECREATION WHICH WILL ENTAIL DEDICATING CITY LANDS TO THE PROJECT, THIRD THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF KENAI ARE PUTTING FOURTH EFFORTS THAT ARE BEING COORDINATED WITH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN A WELL ORCHESTRATED PROGRAM TO RAISE MATCHING CASH, DONATED BUILDING MATERIALS, AND LABOR TO CONSTRUCT PORTIONS OF THE FACILITIES, AND FOURTH WE ARE ASKING THE STATE TO

JOIN US IN THIS MOST WORTH WHILE PROJECT THAT WILL HELP US SAY HELLO TO SOME OF THE MANY VISITORS THAT WILL COME TO THE KENAI FOR DECADES TO COME.

THIS PROJECT TRULY DEMONSTRATES THE CAMARADERIE AND COOPERATION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS IN HELPING TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION OF NEEDED AND WORTHWHILE PROJECTS WITHIN OUR STATE

MEMBERS OF THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND I URGE YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL AREAS OF OUR GREAT STATE TO GIVE THIS BILL YOUR UTMOST CONSIDERATION AND RECOMMEND A DO PASS ON THIS MATTER

ONCE AGAIN THANK YOU AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING ALL OF YOU VISIT US WHEN THE PROJECT IS COMPLETE. THANK YOU.....

House Bill 423

STATE PARK TOURISM IMPROVEMENTS



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House Bill 423

STATE PARK TOURISM IMPROVEMENTS



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Project #1: QUARTZ LAKE STATE RECREATION AREA

Location: 86 miles east of Fairbanks (3 miles north of Big Delta)

Senate District: J

House District: i7

Amount: \$250,000

Description: The Alaska Department of Fish and Game has existing Federal and State funding for rehabilitation and expansion of the fishing access parking lot, construction of an additional boat launch ramp, and other facilities directly related to recreational boating and sport fishing uses at Quartz Lake SRA. The Alaska State Parks project at Quartz Lake SRA consists of rehabilitation of existing facilities to include improvement of the existing two miles of access road, upgrade of the existing campground, construction of a fish cleaning station and a float plane dock and construction of additional camping and related facilities at selected locations within the recreation area.

Justification: Quartz Lake State Recreation Area has become an extremely popular camping and fishing destination spot in the Interior. It is commonly filled to well over twice its present capacity. Users presently experience tremendous congestion and confusion at the one boat launch site and boat rental area. The use needs to be dispersed. The funds identified herein are needed to rehabilitate and expand the site in conjunction with the ADF&G project.

Project #2: CHENA RIVER STATE RECREATION AREA

Location: 30 miles east of Fairbanks

Senate District: J

House District: 17

Amount: \$210,000

Description: Construct trailhead parking improvements in three areas, including parking sites, loading ramp, toilet, well and information boards; install interpretive station, directional and informational signing; construct three trail shelters on the Granite Tors and Chena Dome trails, and one public use cabin on the river; construct a group use picnic shelter at 39-mile Campground; and, expand the shooting range at 36-mile, including new picnic sites, road improvements, and an archery range.

Justification: This area, located just 30 miles from Fairbanks, is popular with residents and tourists alike. The Chena River is one of the best road-accessible grayling fisheries in the state.

Recreational activities are currently concentrated along the road-river corridor. These funds would provide necessary facilities to divert activities off the Chena Hot Springs Road thoroughfare and provide additional access points to the river and backcountry.

Improvements would provide access to popular ATV, snowmachine, dogmushing, hiking and horse trails on Colorado Creek, Four-mile Ridge, the South Fork and Angel Rocks.

The area is popular with the entire spectrum of users: boaters, hunters, trappers, fishermen, hikers, ATV riders, horse riders, campers, etc. The Division is attempting to satisfy the diverse recreational needs with orderly developments that do not overly favor any particular user groups.

Developments are planned to minimize impact on the scenic and resource values, yet maximize recreational opportunities for the 130,000 annual visitors (1987 figure).

Project #3: CHENA RIVER STATE RECREATION SITE

Location: within downtown Fairbanks

Senate District: J, K (A-B)

House District: 18-21

Amount: \$50,000

Description: Upgrade the circulation roads for better drainage and dust control; improve the access and drainage around the toilets and dump station; rehabilitate and landscape the group picnic area; upgrade the riverside nature trail for handicap access; establish five new campsites; replace deteriorated tables, benches and barbeques.

Justification: This site is probably the most popular summer recreation destination site in Fairbanks with 80,000 visits in 1987. Nearly every tourist that camps in Fairbanks stays in Chena River SRS because of its close proximity to downtown, the university and shopping areas. It is also popular for residents' weekend and river-oriented activities. These funds will give deteriorating areas a facelift.

Project #4: CHENA HOT SPRINGS WINTER TRAIL

Location: 30 miles east of Fairbanks

Senate District: J, K (A-B)

House District: 18-21

Amount: \$50,000

Description: Continue work initiated with \$50.0 grant which explored the feasibility of developing this historic sled road as a public recreational corridor between Fairbanks and Chena Hot Springs. Continue field surveys, platting, easement negotiations with private and government properties crossed by the trail; adjudication/assertion of RS 2477 status initiated as necessary. Public meetings on the progress and feasibility of the project will be conducted, and trail markings and improvements (brushing, widening, rerouting) will be initiated on "accepted" portions of the trail.

Justification: The Chena Hot Springs Winter Trail (historic sled road) is very important for winter tourism and recreational use in the Fairbanks area. Portions of the route are used by: sled dog racers such as the Yukon Quest, Angel Creek 125, Two Rivers Classic; various snowmachine and ski events; numerous individual mushers, skiers, horse riders, and snowmachiners. The trail needs to be established and recognized as an entire public recreation corridor and its future development planned.

Project #5: BIRCH LAKE STATE RECREATION SITE

Location: 61 miles east of Fairbanks (28 miles north of Big Delta)

Senate District: J, K (A-B)

House District: 18-21

Amount: \$250,000

Description: This new development will upgrade the site access road from the Richardson Highway; upgrade the boat launch and parking area; develop 15-20 campsites and a new circulation road; provide three picnic sites, a well, toilets, furnishings and directional signing.

Justification: Since the Division acquired this undeveloped DF6 fishing access site in 1983, only minor road repairs, a single toilet, and intermittent janitorial servicing and trash collection have been performed. Besides the DOT/PF pull-off across the lake, this site provides the only public access to Birch Lake.

Very few good accessible lake fishing opportunities exist in the Interior. These improvements would relieve some of the pressure at Quartz Lake by providing improved access for boating, fishing, swimming and other recreational uses closer to Fairbanks. The unpublicized site is already popular with Fairbanks residents, sometimes accommodating 60 vehicles in an area barely suitable for 10. The poor drainage, erosion, fire hazards, and deterioration impact caused by unstructured camping and vehicle use can be alleviated with this development project.

Such a development and signing would provide tourists with better access to another productive Interior fishery.

Project #6: DRY CREEK STATE RECREATION SITE

Location: 5 miles northeast of Glennallen

Senate District: J

House District: 17

Amount: \$150,000

Description: Rehabilitate the existing campground by redesigning the site and road system in order to improve the standing water and drainage problems, upgrade the campsites, latrines, park furniture, signs and improve the access and campground roads by resurfacing all roads, parking and camping sites with crushed D-1 surfacing material.

Justification: This project is designed to improve the existing 58-unit campground that is currently spoiled by old and discarded U.S. Army debris and foundation structures which they used in the fifties and sixties.

The poor design of the existing campground facilities has created severe drainage problems which has led to a menacing mosquito population. This campground is situated in a strategic location and provides a valuable service to the local community and to the traveling public passing through the Copper Basin to and from the Canadian border, Fairbanks, Valdez and Anchorage. Many of Alaska's visitors, via the Alcan, stay at this campground during their visit to the state.

This site has tremendous potential for providing a much needed visitor service and for generating revenue to help pay for the maintenance and operation costs.

Project #7: BUSKIN RIVER and FORT ABERCROMBIE STATE HISTORICAL PARK

Location: City of Kodiak area

Senate District: N

House District: 27

Amount: \$200,000

Description: Construct shoulders and pave the roads, parking lots and individual vehicle campsites in the Buskin River State Recreation Site. Prepare a development plan for the WWII History Museum in the Miller Point Bunker at Fort Abercrombie State Historical Park. Begin the first phase development of the museum. The first stage development will include electrical and mechanical systems, installation of the large bunker doors, safety lights and minor site improvements. Develop a historical interpretive trail and brochure to guide visitors through the fort.

Justification: Buskin River State Recreation Site is located on Kodiak Island. The wet climate makes maintenance of the existing gravel access road very costly. The roads and parking area become rutted and potholed from the traffic and rain climate. The rough condition of the road surface and the narrow shoulders combine to present a serious public safety problem and generate a large number of complaints from visitors. This is a highly used camping facility close to Kodiak. Weather conditions dictate that this facility be paved to stop the erosion of the road surfaces. The complete restoration and adaptive reuse of the Miller's Point Bunker would serve as a commemorative museum interpreting the significance of the Aleutian defense during WWII, not only for the Kodiak area but for all of southwest Alaska.

Relationship to Work in Jobs Bill: The proposed Jobs Bill includes a proposed appropriation of \$50.0 to resurface the Buskin River road with D-1. This work will improve maintenance of the road and improve public safety. HB 423 will add to this work by increasing road shoulders and paving of the road. These two projects are complimentary.

Project #8: FINGER LAKE STATE RECREATION SITE

Location: 6 miles west of Palmer, 7 miles east of Wasilla

Senate District: E (A-B)

House District: 16 (A-B)

Amount: \$200,000

Description: Rehabilitate the existing 41-unit campground by improving and expanding the campsites, replacing park furniture, access and campground roads, day-use picnic sites, trails/boardwalk, fishing and boating facilities. If funds allow, an RV sewage dump station will be designed and constructed.

Justification: Finger Lake provides an attractive setting for campers, picnickers and offers access to motorized boat users and provides for accessible water-based recreation. This site consistently receives use of over 200% of its capacity during the summer months and also provides excellent winter recreation opportunities. When improved, this site will generate fees which will help defray the maintenance and operation costs.

Relationship to Work in Jobs Bill: The proposed Jobs Bill includes \$50.0 for this site to replace toilets and drill a new water well. These facilities are not in compliance with DEC regulations.

Project #9: HATCHER PASS PUBLIC USE AREA AND INDEPENDENCE MINE STATE
HISTORICAL PARK

Location: 20 miles northwest of Palmer on Fishhook Road

Senate District: E (A-B)

House District: 16 (A-B)

Amount: \$900,000

Description: In the park, several historical buildings have had building foundation restoration completed. These buildings now need follow-up funding in order to complete the restoration and rehabilitation project by providing electricity, plumbing, heating and interior restoration. These buildings can then be contracted out to a private concessionaire to provide such services as overnight lodging, food services, retreat facilities and historical tours. Recently the U.S. Olympic cross-country ski team has proposed to establish a three month/year training camp at the historical park by readapting the use of the top floor (of three floors) of the old bunkhouse into their training and living quarters. When they are not using the facility, the Olympic floor and the rest of the building will be used as a public facility.

Justification: It is estimated that more than 100,000 people have visited the year-round area during the past 12 months, and with additional proposed projects, such as road upgrades, parking lots and an increased number of visitor facilities to provide for the already existing demand, this figure may double within the next few years. This project will provide greater opportunities to the tour bus companies, overnight lodging, food services, guides/outfitters, the ski-snowmachine and sledding industry and many other spin-off support functions. A major Southcentral ski resort development project is proposed by the Government Peak area and will have a major beneficial effect on this area for economic development.

Relationship to Work in Jobs Bill: The Jobs Bill includes proposed appropriations to DOT/PF of \$80.0 for upgrading of the Hatcher Pass Road and \$230.0 to DNR/DPOR for improvements to parking lots in the historical park and for parking lots on the Fern Mine Road. These funds will also be used by DNR/DPOR to improve the Gold Chord and Fern Mine Roads to improve public access to these important recreation and tourism resources. These projects are complimentary.

Project #10: SOUTH DENALI PROJECT, DENALI STATE PARK

Location: 50 miles north of Talkeetna

Senate District: E (A-B)

House District: 16 (A-B)

Amount: \$200,000

Description: This appropriation will lead to private venture capital invested in the area north of Talkeetna and south of Denali National Park to create a visitor complex to view Mt. McKinley. Public capital would be invested to create the infrastructure necessary to attract continued private investment in the site. We envision a joint federal-state visitor center, lodge, gift shops and possibly a tram or rail connection as the result.

The National Park Service has indicated strong interest in the project. Recent decisions in Denali National Park to limit north-end visitation make economic projections for the facility's success extremely favorable. Interest from the private sector is expected to be very high.

The \$200,000 in state venture capital will be used to conduct site specific studies to establish design standards, architectural concepts, operating costs, marketing and economic modeling, and allow the state to enter into more detailed environmental studies to determine site suitability and capability. The work would lead to the development of a contract award document for a public-private sector enterprise.

Justification: Current economic projections look very favorable due to the availability of investment capital in tourism markets for Alaska. Tourism expenditures in Alaska have enjoyed a steady yearly increase. Cruise ship lines and foreign investors are looking to initiate major expansion of their services in Alaska. The area is easily accessible from Anchorage, within a state and national park environment, has high visitor appeal and recognition, offers opportunity for an extended visitor season, and would fill a major void in the supply of facilities and visitor services on the south side of Denali.

Project #11: EAGLE RIVER VISITOR CENTER UPGRADE

Location: 25 miles north of Anchorage on Eagle River Road

Senate District: E-1

House District: 7-15

Amount: \$300,000

Description: The visitor center is in need of major foundation restoration. The logs of the building rest on the ground, the floors inside are warped and there is no basement. The existing structure will be raised to replace the sill logs, remove the shallow footings and to construct a full basement. The main floor will be reconstructed to provide for structural integrity and the worn carpet replaced. The existing interpretive displays would be improved to include an Iditarod Trail display.

Justification: The improvements would greatly enhance the ability of the facility to meet visitor needs by adding needed storage area, space for volunteers to work and areas where interpretive exhibits can be planned and developed. The Eagle River Visitor Center continues to be one of Anchorage's major tourist attractions. Over the last three years, the visitor center has received 48,363 visitors per year. The center is operated by park volunteers which minimized the impact of its operation on the state's operating budget while providing a highly visitable and high quality visitor attraction in the Anchorage area.

Relationship to Work in the Jobs Bill: The following projects are included in the proposed Jobs Bill and do not duplicate work proposed here:

\$55.0 Turnagain Arm Scenic Corridor: Access improvements for tour buses at Potter Section House SHS; repair Bird-Indian Bike Path, add benches and scenic overlooks.

\$100.0 Old Johnson Trail: Improve Old Johnson Trail (bridges, handicapped access and Potter Maintenance Facilities Improvements).

\$95.0 Eagle River Visitor Center Parking Lot: This project will regrade, expand and pave the parking lot at the visitor center under the Jobs Bill. Under Project #12, Chugach State Park, HB 423, \$187,000 is proposed to develop a bypass road around the visitor center parking lot for traffic from the nearby residential subdivision. These projects are complimentary.

\$100.0 Chugach State Park (Trails): Construction of trails on the hillside and the northern portion of the park per the approved trail plan.

\$55.0 T-Bird: Finish parking lots, landscaping and erosion control along the trail.

\$50.0 Eklutna: Make improvements to the visitor contact station, construct toilets and picnic shelter in group camping facility.

Project #12: CHUGACH STATE PARK

Location: Southcentral Alaska, area just northeast of Anchorage

Senate District: E-1

House District: 7-15

Amount: \$670,000

Description: Provide facilities, special facilities, and upgrade trail standards to enhance the value of Chugach State Park for visitors arriving in Anchorage through Anchorage International Airport and via the Alcan Highway.

Specifically:

Provide interpretive signing and facilities along the Turnagain Arm Scenic Corridor (\$40,000).

Provide access to the recently acquired Eagle River Greenbelt (\$175,000).

Provide interpretive facilities and improve park signing on the Hillside portion of the park (\$40,000).

Parkwide trail upgrades (\$198,000).

Eagle River Visitor Center Bypass Road (\$187,000).

Eklutna Lake interpretive facilities and signing (\$30,000).

Justification: Chugach State Park is located in Anchorage which is the state's gateway for visitors arriving in Alaska. The Eagle River Visitor Center, Turnagain Arm Scenic Corridor, Eklutna Lake, the Eagle River Greenbelt, Glenn Alps scenic viewing platform overlooking Anchorage/Upper Cook Inlet/Mt. Susitna and the park trail system all provide tourists with excellent opportunities for experiencing Alaska. The above projects will improve the state's ability to offer a quality experience for visitors while also meeting their basic health/safety/transportation needs.

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\$55.0 T-Bird: Finish parking lots, landscaping and erosion control along the trail.

\$50.0 Eklutna: Make improvements to the visitor contact station, construct toilets and picnic shelter in group camping facility.

Project #14: KENAI RIVER FLATS INTERPRETIVE BOARDWALKS

Location: 3 miles west of Soldotna

Senate District: D

House District: 5 (A-B)

Amount: \$350,000

Description: Construction of boardwalks, parking areas, viewing stations, sanitary facilities and interpretive displays.

Justification: The Kenai River Flats are inundated every Spring with thousands of migrating snow geese, sandhill cranes, various species of ducks and other waterbirds. The lowland caribou herd spends the summer grazing along the Kenai River Flats and are often found next to the bridge access road which bisects the site. Development of the parking areas and boardwalks will provide an area where viewers can leave a vehicle and access the flats safely. The traffic jams along bridge access road would be alleviated and disturbance to the waterfowl and caribou would be minimal. A boardwalk will be built to a prehistoric house site which will be reconstructed to provide the public with an appreciation and understanding of the Kenaitze Indian ancestors' lives. These facilities will be a focal point for tourism activities in the Kenai area.

Project #15: WHISKEY GULCH SRS/KENAI PENINSULA SPORT FISHING ACCESS

Location: 4 miles north of Anchor Point

Senate District: D (A-B)

House District: 5 (A-B)

Amount: \$1,000,000

Description: Acquisition of upland and beach properties, construction of access road, parking area and sanitary facilities.

Justification: Acquisition and development of an access to the southern beaches of the Kenai River and waters of Cook Inlet is a high visitor/sport fishing enhancement priority. Development of facilities in this area would relieve the severe crowding experienced at Anchor River SRA (Anchor Point) as well as the recreational trespass that occurs on the private lands at the mouth of Anchor River. The Whiskey Gulch area is heavily used by local residents and tourists during the Spring and Summer months. The beaches provide excellent clamming and outstanding halibut and salmon fishing are available in the inlet waters adjacent to Whiskey Gulch.

Project #16: CHILKOOT LAKE AND CHILKAT STATE PARKS REHABILITATION

Location: Haines area

Senate District: B

House District: 2

Amount: \$200,000

Description: Capital funds would be used to improve two park units in the Haines vicinity - Chilkoot Lake and Chilkat State Park. At Chilkoot Lake State Recreation Area the existing 32-unit campground, boat ramp and parking for boat trailers would be upgraded to meet acceptable standards. This park unit has received no capital improvements in well over 12 years due to an uncertainty in the outcome of Native claims which are now resolved. At Chilkat State Park the access road is in need of improvements. A spring has caused a soft road condition in a section of the road and is a safety concern. All ditches along the three mile road are in need of regrading and cleaning to enhance drainage. Campground facilities need to be improved to be more acceptable as a fee area. Highway directional signing to guide tourists to park units throughout Haines needs to be installed.

Justification: Haines receives heavy tourist visitation. Highway travellers using the ferry system almost all pass through Haines. Chilkoot Lake is in a very picturesque location and is popular both for tourists and residents. Revenue will be generated through collecting camping fees. But, because the facilities are in poor condition, tourists will not be satisfied with them. Improved camping sites, boat launch, trails, picnic sites, and tables and firepits would make this one of our state's best tourist destination sites. Public safety is our highest management concern and priority. The soft spot in the Chilkat access road is potentially dangerous and should be corrected as soon as possible to lessen any chance of injury. Campsite fees will be charged at Chilkat State Park. Upgrading of camping sites, to include furniture items, would result in greater visitor satisfaction and would help to promote tourism.

Relationship to Work in the Jobs Bill: The proposed Jobs Bill includes \$50.0 for work at Chilkoot Lake State Recreation Site. This work includes the replacement of two old toilets with two DEC-approved vaulted toilets at Chilkat State Park and the replacement of 35 firepits at Chilkoot State Recreation Site.

Project #17: CASTLE HILL HISTORIC SITE

Location: City of Sitka

Senate District: B

House District: 3

Amount: \$100,000

Description: Upgrade existing overflow parking area (pave/curb/gutter/sidewalks). Construct an interpretive shelter to provide for out-of-the-rain programs for small groups. The thrust of the interpretation would be the Russian occupation period of Alaska's history with artwork or replica models of Baranof's Castle.

Justification: Lighting for the flags would preclude the necessity of raising and lowering the flags daily. It would save the state money and volunteers who are counted on to handle the task could do other jobs. The site should be accessible to wheelchairs and handicapped folks. Interpretation is inadequate for a site of such historical significance and potential visitation. Artwork and a model of the castle would help tell the story behind the site.

Relationship to Work in Jobs Bill: Work proposed in the Jobs Bill includes \$30.0 to install security and safety lighting on the stairs and ramp, and to install handrails for handicapped access. Existing funds are being used to build the access ramp halfway up the hill. An additional \$90.0 in the Jobs Bill is proposed to finish the upper half of the ramp, add rest stops along the trail with benches. These funds will also be used to landscape the hillsides, place signs, and produce six interpretive displays for the interpretive kiosk at the base of the hill near the entrance to the site.

Project #18: TOTEM BIGHT STATE HISTORICAL PARK

Location: City of Ketchikan

Senate District: A

House District: 1

Amount: \$200,000

Description: Begin replacement of deteriorating totem poles. Carving would be done on-site and would become a tourist attraction of its own, providing demonstration of carving techniques. Replace foundation of tribal house and repair house and poles. Landscape parking area and install benches. Develop a pad for parking a small travel trailer for a park host.

Justification: Several of the poles are in poor condition and need to be replaced. Others need to be repaired. The site is a major tourist attraction and currently does not present a good image. The foundation of the tribal house is rotten in places and must be replaced or it may endanger the entire building and public safety. Benches are needed as most visitors are elderly. The camp host pad is needed as camp hosts reduce vandalism and inappropriate behavior thus cutting costs of maintenance and patrols.

Project #19: HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANTS

Location: Statewide (Anchorage office)

Senate District: E-1 (Anchorage)

House District: Anchorage (7-15)

Amount: \$100,000

Description: Grants funds will be used for maintenance, restoration and rehabilitation of historic sites. There are a great many historic properties in need of repair and maintenance if they are to be saved from deterioration and preserved. Rehabilitation work is labor intensive and creates local jobs. Materials used in rehabilitation work are available and purchased in the local community. The grants will be distributed throughout the state.

Justification: Historic properties are an important part of local communities and the state. As part of the tourism industry, they are visitor destinations. Revitalized downtowns and older neighborhoods and adaptive reuse of historic properties can provide new business opportunities and increase property values. They are part of our heritage that needs to be preserved. There are hundreds of historic sites in Alaska eligible for these funds. The grants will be administered by the Department of Natural Resources under AS 41.35.040. A grants program is already in place so the funds can be distributed quickly.

Project #20: HIGHWAY INTERPRETIVE SIGN PROGRAM

Location: Statewide (Anchorage area)

Senate District: E-1 (Anchorage)

House District: 7-15 (Anchorage)

Amount: \$25,000

Description: The highway interpretive sign program would inventory opportunities for interpreting roadside natural and cultural features along the state's highway system. The product would identify interpretive values of specific sites and estimate of the costs for various levels of implementation.

Justification: The highway system throughout Alaska travels through many regions of natural history, unusual natural beauty and historic significance. The Department of Highways' waysides of 20 years ago have all but disappeared. The opportunity for enrichment of the travellers' visiting experience can be greatly enhanced through a planned system of highway interpretation.

Project #21: RIVERBOAT NENANA GRANT

Location: City of Fairbanks

Senate District: J, K (A-B)

House District: 18-21

Amount: \$ 25,000

Description: Grant funds for the restoration and preservation of the Riverboat Nenana will enable work to continue on one of the major visitor attractions in Fairbanks. The restoration work will follow the restoration plans prepared by a maritime engineering company. The work will be labor intensive. Materials will be purchased locally. The funds will be appropriated to the Department of Natural Resources for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.316 to the Fairbanks Historic Preservation Foundation.

Justification: The Riverboat Nenana, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is the last steamboat to offer passenger service in Alaska. It is the major attraction at Alaskaland, an important visitor destination in Fairbanks. For many years the community of Fairbanks has been active with the restoration of the Riverboat through volunteer support and donations. In the past, federal and local funds have been used to stabilize and begin restoration on the steamboat. This grant will allow the long-term restoration work to continue.

Project #38: ALASKA CONSERVATION CORPS

Location: 36 miles east of Fairbanks

Senate District: K

House District: 19

Amount: \$225,000 (\$175,000 operations)

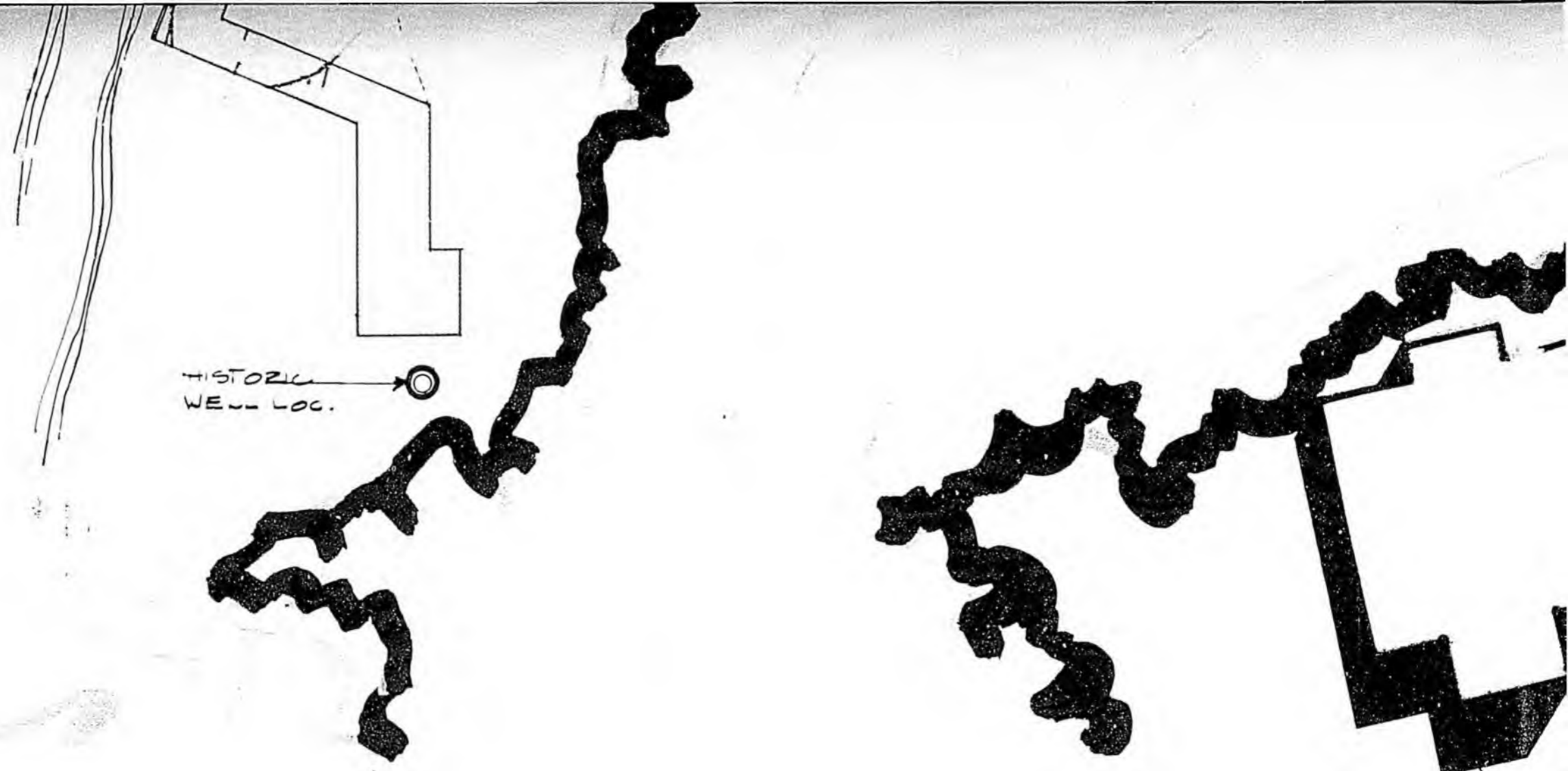
Description: This funding would reestablish the Alaska Conservation Corps (ACC) "Twin Bears" residential camp in the Chena River State Recreation Area near Fairbanks eliminated by FY'86-87 budget reduction. It would provide for staffing and operational expenses for an eight week session for 40 Alaskan youths, mostly from smaller Alaska communities.

This job-oriented camp accomplishes varied tasks such as construction and maintenance of trails, brushing of roadsides, facility maintenance, including refurbishing tables, barrier posts, guardrails, toilets, and shelters; landscaping use areas or correcting and rehabilitating erosional problems.

Funding would also provide for the upgrade and refurbishment of deteriorating camp buildings, and relocating a water well to meet necessary DEC standards.

Justification: This work-oriented camp provides an excellent opportunity for youths from small isolated communities to experience a new area, gain valuable outdoor and construction skills, as well as develop valuable work ethics. Services provided to the public by ACC's labors are small in comparison to the enriching values these young people acquire by learning to work together, appreciating the outdoors and natural resources, and becoming better citizens and active contributors to society.

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CITY of SOLDOTNA
KENAI RIVER BOARDWALK
CONCEPT DESIGN

Attachment 1

PROPOSED CSHB 423 RELATIONSHIP TO HB 512/JOBS BILL

House Bill 512 (the "jobs" bill) includes several appropriations for park units and other projects which overlap, or appear to overlap, projects included in House Bill 423.

The proposed changes to HB 423 suggested for inclusion in a House Resources Committee Substitute (CS) would reconcile these two measures. The Department of Natural Resources is preparing revised narratives for each of the park projects in HB 423 which have some relationship to the jobs bill projects. The revised back-up will explicitly address the scope of work in the jobs bill relative to the scope of work contemplated by HB 423.

The projects are listed in the order they appear in HB 512. Figures are in thousands of dollars.

Chilkat Park/Chilcoot Recreation Site

The jobs bill includes 50.0 (p.7) for this project. The original HB 423 (sec 16) includes 250.0.

The two appropriations are both for fundamental repair and rehabilitation.

The proposed CS would reduce this by the 50.0 provided in the jobs bill.

Chugach State Park/Eagle River Visitor Center

The jobs bill includes 100.0 (p.7) for trail construction along the hillside and northern area of the park; 55.0 (p.8) for Turnagain Arm Scenic Corridor improvements including improvements to the Potter Section House parking area and repairs to the Bird-Indian bike path, benches and overlooks; and 100.0 (p.8) specifically for Johnson Trail improvements. The jobs bill also includes 95.0 (p.7) for the Eagle River Visitor Center for improvements to the parking lot.

The original HB 423 (sec 12) has 670.0 for improvements to Chugach State Park including:

- interpretive signing and facilities along the Turnagain Arm Scenic Corridor (40.0)
- Eagle River Greenbelt Access (175.0)
- interpretive facilities/signing along the hillside (40.0)
- parkwide trail upgrades (198.0)
- Eagle River Visitor Center bypass road (187.0)
- Eklutna Lake interpretive facilities and signing (30.0)

The original HB 423 (sec 11) also includes 300.0 for foundation work on the Visitor Center building.

The appropriations in the two bills are complimentary and not redundant.

Buskin River State Recreation Site

The jobs bill includes 50.0 (p.8) for this project. The original HB 423 (sec 7) includes 200.0.

The scope of work for these appropriations are complimentary and not redundant.

The 50.0 in the jobs bill is limited to basic improvements to the gravel road to the Buskin River Recreation Site. The 200.0 in HB 423 would allow for additional physical improvements to the Buskin River Recreation Site as well as the development of WWII interpretive facilities at Ft. Ambercrombie State Historical Park.

Finger Lake Campground Upgrade

The jobs bill includes 50.0 (p.8) for water and latrines for Finger Lake. The original HB (sec 8) includes an incremental 200.0 for upgrade of the campground facilities. The Division of Parks has identified a need for approximately 600.0 worth of basic improvements needed for the Finger Lake campground.

The scope of work for these appropriations are complimentary and not redundant.

Hatcher Pass/Independence Mine

The jobs bill includes 230.0 (p.8) and 80.0 (p.12) for road work associated with the Hatcher Pass Public Use Area.

The original HB 423 (sec 9) includes 900.0, largely for physical improvements to the historic buildings (not road work) at Independence Mine.

The scope of work for these appropriations are complimentary and not redundant.

Castle Hill Park Improvements

The jobs bill includes 120.0 (p.8) for this project. The original HB 423 (sec 17) includes 210.0. (The Governor included 30.0 in the jobs bill and an additional 90.0 was added by the legislature for a total of 120.0.)

The appropriations made by the bills are redundant to some degree and the CS should reduce the amount for this project from 210.0 to 120.0.

Deer Mountain Viewing Facility

The jobs bill includes 80.0 (p.9) for this project. The original HB 423 (sec 26) includes 32.0.

These projects are complimentary rather than redundant. The jobs bill would fund viewing windows in the adult salmon raceways (60.0) and public restrooms (20.0). HB 423 would fund complimentary interpretive facilities for the hatchery.

Peter's Creek

The jobs bill includes 280.0 (p.20) for a Municipal Grant to Anchorage for the Peter's Creek Park Redevelopment (Phase I) of an existing campground. The original HB 423 (sec 13) includes 180.0 for new access to Peter's Creek at the end of Malcolm drive.

These are physically separate projects and do not overlap.

Visual Arts Center for Alaska

The jobs bill includes 280.0 (p.21) for this project. The original HB 423 (sec 27) includes 350.0.

The inclusion of the VAC project in the jobs bill eliminates the need for this project. The CS would remove the project from HB 423.

Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum

The jobs bill includes 100.0 (p.26) for this project. The original HB 423 (sec 27) includes 160.0.

These appropriations are complimentary. The Aviation Museum has requested funding in the amount of approximately 360.0. The two appropriations together would only partially fund the project.

The CS would reword the appropriation to provide for the construction and renovation of the museum rather than to develop the waterline per se.

Riverboat Nenana

The jobs bill includes 125.0 (p.31) for this project. The original HB 423 (sec 21) includes 100.0.

The total project request for the Riverboat Nenana project was 150.0. The proposed CS would reduce the original request to 25.0 which, together with the jobs bill appropriation of 125.0, would fully fund this project.

Willow Creek Recreation Area

The jobs bill includes 45.0 (p.30) for this project. The original HB 423 (sec 21) includes 100.0.

The total scope of the Willow Creek project is a multi-million dollar project. The two appropriations together would only partially fund the project.

must share 70 percent of oil-derived income with the other regional corporations and support organizations that attack our people's problems. We've lost our culture. Many of us are unskilled, ill educated, and lost in the predominant [read "white" or "modern"] culture. Subsistence life-styles are inadequate in a modern society. Our old ways, customs, and traditions are going, going, gone. Alaska natives exist in a time warp, and we've been victimized by it. Why do you suppose that we have such a high degree of alcoholism, drug addiction, suicide? I think cultural dislocation is the culprit. Our people have become frustrated, self-destructive. Child beatings and spouse beatings were once unknown in our culture. Now they've become commonplace."

Many worry that beginning in 1991, when natives may by law sell their corporate stock to nonnatives, control will inevitably pass to outsiders. "That won't happen," Huhndorf says, his dark eyes hardening. "Alaska natives think too much of their land and resources to peddle them off. We're not surrendering what was so difficult to win."

ALL ALASKANS came into the money in 1977, after a statewide referendum established the Permanent Fund to conserve oil riches from royalties and rents paid by producers; the fund, invested in the name of the people, now contains eight billion dollars. Only earnings—profits—may be distributed. Earnings are annually averaged for the most recent five years; half of that average is distributed, and half draws interest in the undistributed part of the fund. Like Santa Claus, the checks come once each year. In 1987 each Alaska resident received \$708. Anchorage, with almost half the state's population, obviously profits most.

There have been other benefits from oil riches since discovery of the Prudhoe Bay field in 1968: Personal state income taxes were repealed as of 1979, residents enjoyed a state subsidy on home-loan interest when rates skyrocketed in the early '80s, and a generous student-loan fund makes it easy for almost anyone to seek an education.

Oil money has helped Alaskans enjoy the third highest per capita income in the nation: \$17,800 in 1986, behind only Connecticut's and New Jersey's and almost twice that of Mississippi's. "That's a psychological plus," says Pat Dougherty, city editor of the *Daily*

WHITE MAN'S WORLD speeds by Andrew Yakasoff, an Eklutna Indian elder relaxing near his house by the Glenn Highway.

Some 12,000 natives from throughout the state now live in Anchorage, making up only 5 percent of the city's population but a majority of its homeless. In 1982 two Roman Catholic brothers from Spokane, Washington, began a crusade that culminated in the Brother Francis Shelter, named for St. Francis of Assisi. Supported primarily by community donations, it is the only sizable shelter open throughout the night. In winter more than 200 seek refuge here nightly; in summer the number dwindles to perhaps 70.



ADDITIONAL PROJECTS FOR HB 423
REPRESENTATIVE ULMER

DOCK REPAIRS & CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL DOCKING SPACE - \$1,200.0

This project would include repairs to existing tour ship docks and construction of additional docking space between the cold storage dock and the old ferry terminal dock. Presently, Juneau is not able to accomodate additional tour ships making a stop because of the lack of dock space. Four ships are currently considering cancelling their scheduled 1988 visits to Juneau because no docking facilities are available. The alternative is to anchor in the harbor and passengers are lightered from the ship to shore.

Downtown Ferry Terminal Transfer Bridge for Cruise Ships - \$850,00

This project would entail reconstruction of the old ferry terminal transfer bridge. Safety concerns would be address and docking of ships would be much improved. Passengers disembarking would be improved.

RV Park and Campground for Independent Travelers - \$1,500.0

A project to develop RV camping facilities for recreational vehicles, including water, sewer, electricity, cable, and restroom facilities is much needed in Juneau. This project could potentially be done with the U.S. Forest Service and contracted to the private sector for operation. This construction project would also include campground facilities for the hiking or backpacking traveler.

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FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Commerce & Econ. Dev.
 Title: An Act making appropriations for BRU: Division of Tourism
tourism and recreation related capital projects, grants, etc.
 Sponsor: Brown, et al. Components: _____
 Requester: House Resources Committee

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TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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FUNDING: (Thousands of dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Sections 13 and 27 of the CS provide for pass-through grants from the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to the Alaska Zoo and the Tok Umbrella Corporation, respectively. There is no fiscal impact to the department.

Prepared by: Hubert J. Gellert, Director *for* Brande Knapp Phone: 465-2012
 Division: Division of Tourism Date: February 24, 1988
 Approved by Commissioner: J. Anthony Smith, Commissioner *for* Hertha Marshall Date: February 24, 1988
 Agency: Department of Commerce and Economic Development

Distribution (by preparer):

- Legislative Finance
- Legislative Sponsor
- Requestor
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Original Sponsors: Brown, Ellis,
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<u>Funding Information</u>	
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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(9)

Date referred: 2/1/88

FURTHER REFERRALS: Finance

DATE: February 26, 1988

The Resources Committee has considered HB 423

"An Act making appropriations for tourism and recreation related capital projects, grants, and expenses of state government; and providing for an effective date."

RECOMMENDS:

- replace with CS HB423 (Res) the same title
- attached amendment(s) a new title
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

- fiscal impact same as previous fiscal note published _____
- zero fiscal note same as previous zero fiscal note published _____
- zero with analysis

SIGNING DO PASS:

Cotten Jan Cotten

Lavarre Mike Swane

Springer Hirsh Spring

Shultz Dick Stutz

Davidson Aly Davidson

Hoffman Lynne Hoff

SIGNING OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Cotten Jan Cotten

 Chairman's signature
 Co-Chair

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: 2/26/88
Title: Tourism Projects Bill
Sponsor: Kay Brown
Requestor: House Resources

Agency Affected: Natural Resources
BRU: Park and Recreation Management
Components: Park Management;
State Historic Preservation

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93
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TRAVEL		-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CONTRACTUAL		-0-	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0
SUPPLIES		-0-	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.4
EQUIPMENT		-0-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
LAND & STRUCTURES		-0-				
GRANTS, CLAIMS		-0-				
MISCELLANEOUS		-0-				
TOTAL OPERATING		-0-	229.0	219.0	219.0	219.0
CAPITAL		5090.0				
REVENUE			288.3	288.3	288.3	288.3

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND			229.0	219.0	219.0	219.0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL			229.0	219.0	219.0	219.0

POSITIONS:

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PART-TIME			2	2	2	2
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

SEE ATTACHED

Prepared by: Neil C. Johannsen Phone: 762-2600
Division: Parks & Outdoor Recreation Date: 2/26/88
Approved by Commissioner: *Jenni Gorn* Date: 2-26-88
Agency: Natural Resources

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CONTINUATION OF FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

For Bill/Resolution No. HB 423

This analysis only includes those projects in HB 423 which will impact the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation. To facilitate referencing between this fiscal note and the projects in HB 423, we have grouped the DNR-related projects by geographical location and the Section in the bill.

LOCATION: Statewide

<u>SECTION</u>	<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>FY'89</u>	<u>Fiscal Note Cost Estimates</u>			<u>FY'93</u>
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19	DNR/Historic Preservation Grant Project Cost: \$100.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u> 100 - Surcharge to support Grant Administrator Position (\$10.0) - one time cost	-0-	10.0	-0-	-0-	-0-
20	DNR/Highway Interpretive Sign Program Project Cost: \$25.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u> N/A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
38	Youth Conservation Corps Project Cost: \$225.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u> N/A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	

SECTION	PROJECT	FY'89	Fiscal Note Cost Estimates			FY'93
			FY'90	FY'91	FY'92	
06	Dry Creek Recreation Site Project Cost: \$150.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u> N/A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
	<u>LOCATION: Kodiak/Rural</u>					
07	Buskin River Recreation Site/Ft. Abercrombie Project Cost: \$200.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u> 300 - Janitorial contracts (garbage, latrine pumping (\$3.0)) and road maintenance (\$12.0) = \$15.0	-0-	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
	<u>LOCATION: Anchorage - Eagle River</u>					
11	Eagle River Visitor Center Project Cost: \$300.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u> N/A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
12	Chugach State Park Trails Project Cost: \$670.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u> 100 - One NRT II and two ACC Youth Employment Positions (\$5.0) = \$22.1	-0-	35.0	35.0	35.0	35.0
	300 - DOT vehicle costs (\$6.0)					
	400 - Tools and supplies (\$6.9)					

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			FY'90	FY'91	FY'92	
<u>LOCATION: Mat-Su Valley</u>						
01	Quartz Lake Recreation Area Project Cost: \$250.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u>	-0-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
	300 - Contracts for latrine pumping = \$5.0					
08	Finger Lake Recreation Site Project Cost: \$200.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u>	-0-	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
	300 - Contract for latrine pumping (\$1.5)					
	400 - Supplies (\$1.5)					
09	Hatcher Pass Public Use Area/Independence Mine Project Cost: \$900.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u>	-0-	45.0	45.0	45.0	45.0
	100 - Park Ranger 1 (\$26.0)					
	300 - Contractual Services for janitorial maintenance (\$4.0); refuse collection (\$4.0); pumping (\$1.0); vehicle cost (\$3.0); facility maintenance (\$3.0) = \$15.0					
	400 - Supplies (\$4.0)					
10	South Denali Project Cost: \$200.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
	N/A					

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			FY'90	FY'91	FY'92	
30	Willow Creek State Recreation Area Project Cost: \$100.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u> N/A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
14	Kenai River Interpretive Boardwalks (Kenai) Project Cost: \$350.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u> 300 - Janitorial contracts garbage pick-up, latrine pumping (\$5.0); DOT vehicle costs (\$2.0) = \$7.0	-0-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
	400 - Supplies and minor maintenance items (latrine supplies, paint, small tools, lumber and materials) (\$3.0)					
	<u>LOCATION: Kenai Peninsula</u>					
15	Whiskey Gulch/Sport Fish Access Project Cost: \$1,000.0					
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u> 100 - Park Ranger 1 (\$23.8)	-0-	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0
	300 - DOT vehicle cost (\$5.1); janitorial maintenance (\$4.0); refuse collection (\$4.0); latrine pumping (\$2.1); small maintenance contracts (\$3.0) = \$23.2					
	400 - supplies for maintenance (\$2.0)					
	500 - Portable VHF radio (\$1.0)					

SECTION	PROJECT	FY'89	Fiscal Note Cost Estimates			FY'93	
			FY'90	FY'91	FY'92		
		<u>LOCATION: Southeast</u>					
16	Chilkoot Lake Recreation Area/Chilkat Park (Haines) Project Cost: \$250.0						
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u>	-0-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	
	300 - Road grading contract (\$3.0); latrine pumping (\$1.5); signing - repair and maintenance (\$.5) = \$5.0						
17	Castle Hill Historic Site (Sitka) Project Cost: \$210.0						
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u>	-0-	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	
	300 - Janitorial maintenance contract (cleaning, garbage removal and latrine pumping) = \$3.0						
18	Totem Bight/Totem Carving Program (Ketchikan) Project Cost: \$200.0						
	<u>Line Item Explanation</u>	-0-	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	
	300 - Janitorial maintenance contract (latrine pumping, cleaning and garbage removal) = \$3.0						
SUMMARY/RECAP OF LINE ITEMS		TOTAL:	-0-	229.0	219.0	219.0	219.0
100 -			-0-	108.6	98.6	98.6	98.6
200 -			-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
300 -			-0-	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0
400 -			-0-	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.4
500 -			-0-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
TOTAL			-0-	229.0	219.0	219.0	219.0

Position Title Park Ranger I			No. of Positions 1	Range/Step 14A	Org. Unit CGU
Time Status Seasonal	Staff Months 7.0		Location Kenai	Election District 5	
Type of Expenditure			Amount		
1			2		3
Salary			17,626		
Benefits			6,176		
Premium Pay					
Other					
Total Personal Services			23,802		<p>Justification This is a popular King Salmon, halibut and razor claming area with annual visitation of approximately 260,000 people. With the anticipated improvements to afford better access in HB423 we anticipate a substantial increase in visitation. This will require additional law enforcement to protect resources and crowd control, public safety and assistance, more frequent janitorial maintenance and repairs due to normal wear and tear and vandalism. The incumbent will provide interpretation, first aid and will supervise inmate laborers, volunteers and youth employment crews.</p> <p>Project: Whiskey Gulch/Sport Fish Access; Section 15 HB423</p>
Travel					
Contractual			5,100		
Commodities					
Equipment			1,000		
Other					
Total Cost			29,802		
Funding Source for Total Cost					
Federal Receipts 1002					
G. F. Match 1003					
General Fund 1004			29,802		
GF Program Receipts 1005					
Other					

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Position Title Natural Resource Technician II			Hu. of Positions 1	Range/Step 12A	Org. Unit CGU
Time Status Seasonal	Staff Months 6.0		Location Chugach, AK	Election District 15	
Type of Expenditure			Amount		
1			2		
2			3		
Salary			12,432		
Benefits			4,685		
Premium Pay					
Other					
Total Personal Services			17,117		
Travel					
Contractual			6,000		
Commodities					
Equipment			1,000		
Other					
Total Cost			24,117		
Funding Source (or Total Cost)					
Federal Receipts 1002					
G. F. Match 1003					
General Fund 1004			24,117		
GF Program Receipts 1005					
Other					
<p>Justification Funding will provide a 6 month Natural Resource Tech II position, a DOT Vehicle and a Portable VHF 99 Channel Scanning Radio. The position will be used to supervise work crews of volunteers, youth employees, and inmate laborers to maintain the trails after the CIP is completed for this project. The incumbent will also provide visitor services to ensure the public is aware of safety or special features which the trails system offers. Maintenance crews will ensure trails are well maintained and accessible to the public.</p> <p>Project: Chugach State Park; Section 12; HB-23</p>					

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Quartz Lake

70 units x \$5/day x 100 days x 60% = \$ 21,000
Concession contracts = 10,000

Chena

2 cabins x 365 days x \$20/day x 60% = 8,700

Chena

60 units x \$10/day x 100 days x 70% = 42,000
Concession contracts 10,000

Birch

20 units x \$5/day x 100 days x 60% = 6,000

Haines

96 units x \$5/day x 100 days x 60% = 28,800

Castle Hill

5,000 people x \$1.50 = 7,500

Totem Bight

Commerical Permits 30,000

Dry Creek

60 units x \$5/day x 100 days x 60% = 18,000

Ft. Abercrombie/Buskin

32 units x \$5/day x 100 days x 60% = 9,600
Tours: 5,000 x \$1.50 7,500

Finger Lake

60 units x \$5/day x 100 days x 60% = 18,000

Hatcher Pass

30 people/tour x 84 hours x \$2/tour = 5,000
Concessions = 7,000

Whiskey gulch

200 units x \$5/day x 100 days x 60% = 60,000

TOTAL: 288,300

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<u>INTERIOR</u>	<u>PROJECT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>FISCAL NOTE</u>
Quartz Lake SRA	70 vehicle campground Boat ramp/handicap access	\$5 campground fee Small concession operation	\$ 31,000	5.0
Chena River SRA	Trailheads/trails/trail shelters/ group picnic area/shooting range/ cabin	Cabin rentals	8,700	27.0
Chena River SRS	Road improvement/group picnic area/ river trail/campsites. Replace deteriorated facilities at 60-unit campground	\$10 campground fee Small concession operations	52,000	2.0
Birch Lake SRS	Access road/20 campsites/picnic/ well/latrine	\$5 campground fee	6,000	7.0
Chena Hot Springs Trail	Trail dedication	-	-	10.0
<u>SOUTHEAST</u>				
Haines Parks	Add 32 campsites/boat ramp/road improvements/improve existing 64 campsites	\$5 campground fee	28,000	5.0
Castle Hill SHS	Trail/handicap access/lighting/ interpretive/shelter	Possible tours/concession	7,500	3.0
Totem Bight SHP	Replace deteriorated poles/pole carving demonstration/repair clan house/landscaping	Commercial permits/tours	30,000	3.0

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<u>SOUTH CENTRAL</u>	<u>PROJECT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>FISCAL NOTE</u>
Py Creek SRS	Rehabilitate 60-unit campground Improve access road	\$5 campground fee	\$ 18,000	5.0
Maskin River SRS L. Abercrombie SHP	Improve access road/rehabilitate 32 campsites/develop WW II history museum	\$5 campground fee Historic tours	17,100	15.0
Winger Lake SRS	Develop 60-unit campground/handicap trail/dock. Replace deteriorated facilities/boat launch	\$5 campground fee	18,000	2.0
Witcher Pass	Road improvement/trailhead parking Historical buildings improvement	Historic tours/concessions	12,000	45.0
Eagle River Visitor Center	Foundation repair, interpretation, vehicle parking, expansion	Local tourism destination and economic impact from 50,000 visitors per year	No direct fees	0
Wugach SP	Trailheads and trail improvements Turnagain Arm Scenic Corridor improvement, Eagle River Greenbelt access, Eklutna Lake facilities	Local tourism destination and economic impact from 376,000 visitors per year	No direct fees	35.0
Kenai River Flats	Waterfowl, caribou and Snow Goose area/wetland interpretation and boardwalk	Local tourism destination and economic impact from 100,000 visitors per year	No direct fees possible concession	10.0
Whiskey Gulch	Beach access road 200-unit campground/sanitary facilities	\$5 campground fee	\$60,000	50.0

DATE	NO. in party	NAME	HOME TOWN
7/8	4	Shirley & Jeanne	Houston, TEXAS
7/8	1	Melinda	Antonio, Tex.
7/8	2	Jeff	Lake WA
7/8	1	Richard Lee	Washington
7/8	2	Erasmus & Son	N.H.
7/8		Walter Lee	Northfield, N.H.
7/8	3	The Keating	Sterling AK
7/8		C. K. Ryan -	Washington. D.C
7/8		Charles Bates	Gaithersburg, MD ^(wash.)
7/8	2	Mr & Mrs Jerry King	Boys Ranch, Iowa
7/8	2	Mr & Mrs Kendall King	Kenai Ak
7/8	2	Louis Brasmeyer	Honolulu, HI
7-8	3	Margaret Family	Rocky Ford, Colo.
7-8	4	Richard & Dandy Baker	Prosser Wash.
7/8	2	Gary & Melaine Richards	Lincoln, NE
7/8	2	Bob & June King	Kilauea Isth. Ca.
7/8	3	Kathy & Dave Leiben, Jessie	So. Paris, Me.
7/8	4	The Murphys	Wareham, Ma
7/8	2	The Murphys	Anch Al.
7/8	2	Robert Herr and Nancy Herr	Troy, Michigan
	2	C & L Prentki	N. C.
	3	Margaret Gleason	Minnesota
	5	Mr & Mrs. Les Hayden	Law Claire, N.C. 54703

This is a typical summer day. visitors like to sign!

DATE	NO. in party	NAME	HOME TOWN
7-7-86	4	Norman + Vera Memmott Norman + Mandy Kincaid	Aurora Wasilla
7-8-86	2	Chris + David Clithero	Aurora, Colorado
7-8-86	4	Mr. + Mrs. Alan Dailey Mr. + Mrs. Ralph Butch	Ogdensburg, N.Y.
7-8-86	1	Mr. Geo Janowski	Bruce, WI
"	1	Cornie Sandberg	Wasilla
7/8/86	2	Lucille Schurigt	Tremont, IL
7/8/86	3	Allen Yates	Grand Jct Colorado
7/8/86	3	Grand Olivia + Vera Janney	Viewtown, VA
7/8/86	1	Andrew DeVogdase	Santa Cruz, CA
7/8/86	2	Mr + Mrs Leo Dehoff	Dallastown, Pa.
7/8/86	4	Joel Supt	Lynden WA
7/8/86	1	Deirdre Marshall	Arroyo (Fopack)
7-8-86	1	Phyllis Peterson	Litchfield, Minn.
7-8-86	1	Hilli Valde	Cornwall Christi, Texas
7/8/86	4	Jean Jameson Ruby + Shirley	McIntosh, SD
7/8/86	1	Bonnie Jameson	Rapid City, SD
7-8-86	1	Cornie M Clifford	Wagler, Florida
7/8/86	2	Fred + Jerry Davis	Springfield, NH
7/8/86	1	Ralph D. Graham	Concord, N.H.
8/8/86	2	John + Joan Soller	Lewes, England
	2	H + B. Vittel	Cologne West Germany
7/8/86	2	Mr Robert L. Pearson	Jersey Shore, Pa.
7/8/86	3	Kirsten + Scott	Madison, Wis ^{Wiscasset}
7/8/86	2	Greg Newton	FT Jones, OAR
7/8/86	2	Allely Kay Dunbar	Bradenton, Florida

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7-8-86	4	Lynn Helen July-fill Stack	Lennox So Dak
7-8-86	1	Wine Bosman	Lennox So Dak
7-8-86	3	Dan A. Wiggins	Waukegan AK.
7-8-86	4	Frank Poyouch	Casper, Wyo.
7-8-86	1	Dave Horak	Duluth, Minn.
7-8-86	4	Annette Poyouch	Casper, Wyo
7-8-86	4	Matthew Poyouch	Casper, Wyo
7-8	2	Paul & Nancy Lavoie	Boston MA
7-8	3	Dani Dixon	Wankate, Wyo.
7-8	3	Reed Motzinger	Pittsfield, Iowa
7-8	4	Peggy Magnusson	Laramie, WY
7-8	4	Paula Magnusson	Laramie, Wyo.
7-8	4	Marjorie Marie Magnusson	Laramie, WY
7/8	2	H.C. Sarah Craydon Jr	Carroll, NE
7/8	4	Ron, Buki, Ryan Rachel Daly	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
7/8	5	Becky, Jack ^{Share Spun} _{Share Spun} Hanson	Solon, Iowa
7/8	1	Louise Rull	Tucson Arizona
7/8	2	Conchita Torcadell	Ampostal Garagona Spain
7/8	2	JOAN S. FELIDA	AMPOSTA (SPAIN)
7/8	5	unupie name?	California Dan Jose
7/8	3	Bill Bisbee & Shirley Bisbee	Richmond, Mo.
7/8	3	Lee & Shirley Bolene	San Diego, Calif.
7/8/86	2	Pat & Dawn Kitali	Warrens, N.H.
7/8	5	Larry & Helen Pontier	Leesburg, Ill
7/8	2	Jack & Bernine Ho Long	San Diego, CA
7/8	5	Lebra Barrera & family	Wailea

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July 8, 86	2	BILL & KAREN BRYCE	PIMA, ARIZONA.
July 8 1986	2	Ernest & Kess Talley	Grand Junction, Colo.
7/8/86	2	CAROLYN & WILLIE POWELL	CABOT, PENNA.
7/8/86	1	Nelva Post	Daws, Iowa
7/8/86	3	SHARON, ANDREA & GLEN CAUNAUGH	CRESTLINE, CALIFORNIA
7/8/86	4	Judy Patton w/ Heather, Paul & Bonnie Henry	Rochester, New York
7/5/86	8	King & Alice Johnson	Harvard, Ill
"	1	Melba J. Johnson	Beaumont, Tex.
7/8/86	3	John & Sue & Susan Howard	Seattle, Wa
4/8/86	4	Garland Jeancy	Modesto Ca.
7/8/86	2	Edit & Eva Tobias	Rolland, Wis
7/8/86	2	Lem & Wendell Broomhall	Rumford, Me.
7/3/86	2	John & Ruth Walke	Amaklin, #1 Penna.
7/8/86	2	Frank & Mary Jensen	Mission, Texas
7-8	1	Kris Johnson	Muskogee, Mich.
7-8	2	Don & Nancy Beam	Junctionville, N.J.
7-8	1	Debbie Brown	Sea Hill WA
7/8	2	Clara & Lew Bongherd	Aston Pa. (near Philadelphia)
7/8	2	Nancy & Don Beam	Sewell N.J.
7/8	2	Graden & Bruce McLeod	Gonzales, La.
7/8	1	MIKE MUSICK	Konawa, Oklahoma
7/8	2	Mrs. F.E. Brew	Panama City, GA
7/8	2	Earl & Betty Swynson	Chugiak AK
7/8	2	Don & Shirley Dunbar	Kansas City, Mo
7/8	1	Mabel Waite	Medford, Ore.

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7/7/86	2	Actet Opel Rika	Boise, Idaho
7/9/86	3	Bob & Fern Lamb	Tucson, AZ
7/10/86	4	Safaris - Tim, Diana, Nicholas, Janice	Mpls Minn.
7/8/86	2	Mark + Denise Aafedt	Brooklyn, NY
7/8	2	Joe + Mary MacDonald	Leonia, NJ
7-8	2	Amos + Helen Newman	Spring Valley N.Y.
7-8	1	Al & Carol Purman	Chico, CA
7-8	4	Jerry & Margaret	Mass. Grove, Minn.
7-8-86	5	Keith L. Moore	Cluglak AK First Newberry, S.C.
7-8-86	2	Paul & Brian Daniel	Montreal, Quebec, Canada
7-8-86	1	Laura Morkle	Garden Grove, CA
7-8-86	2	Michael & Nancy Howard	Union, W. Va.
7-8-86	3	Scott Jay	Arb., Little Rock
7-8-86	1	Stephanie Perez	Lady Smith, Ili
7-8-86	1	Robert Garner	Langford, N.C.
7-8-86	2	Karri Johnson	Seattle - Federal Way
7-8-86	2	Rise Johnson	Seattle - Federal Way
7/8/86	2	Paul & Margaret Quintano	MIAMI FLA!
7/8/86	1	Jillie Brinkman	Pushallup WA.
7/8/86	2	The Rubinsteins	Cold Spring Harbor, NY
7/8/86	3	The Logans	Pineclaw Park, Fla.
7/8/86	11	Dr. & Ada Hannah	Spokane, Wn.
7/8/86	1	Christa Mayberry	Buena Park, Calif.
7-8-86	1	Rob DeYoung	Anaheim, Calif.
7/8/86	2	The Pericks	Tucson, Arizona