



KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

Donald E. Gilman River Center

MEMORANDUM

TO: Gary Knopp, Assembly President
Members of the Kenai Peninsula Assembly

THRU: David R. Carey, Borough Mayor *DR Carey*
Craig Chapman, Finance Director *CBW PR CCC*
John Mohorich, River Center Director
John M Brenda Ahlberg, Community and Fiscal Project Manager

FROM: *(Signature)* Gary Williams, Coastal Zone Management Program Coordinator

DATE: February 3, 2011

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2010-19-38, accepting and appropriating grant funds from the U.S. Department of Interior in the amount of \$65,834 for the Beluga Slough Trail Reconstruction Project

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly, by Resolution 2009-018, approved 19 projects for funding through the federal Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP). The Beluga Slough Trail Reconstruction project was among those projects approved and forwarded to the State of Alaska for inclusion in the Alaska CIAP Plan.

On April 23, 2010, the Department of Interior, Minerals Management Service, henceforth known as the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE), approved the Alaska Coastal Impact Assistance Program Plan which included \$1,708,491.93 available to be granted in FY 2009 -2010. Among the projects approved was the Beluga Slough Trail Reconstruction project.

This project will replace 153 feet of failed trail walkway over wetlands that connect the Alaska Islands and Ocean Visitor Center on the Sterling Highway with Bishop's Beach on the shore of Kachemak Bay. The walkway will be elevated and light penetrating, mounted on helical piers with a width of eight feet to accommodate the high number of users and to be ADA compliant to accommodate those with physical challenges. The elevation will be no more than one foot to accommodate wildlife which transit the area.

This ordinance also acknowledges that the borough will sub-grant this project to the City of Homer whose responsibility it is to maintain the walkway and who also received an award to reconstruct other sections of the trail.

The performance period of this grant ends June 30, 2012.

The Coastal Zone Management Program Coordinator is the assigned project manager responsible for the administration of CIAP Funds.

Attachments: award notification

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| FINANCE DEPARTMENT | |
| ACCT# | FUNDS-VERIFIED |
| Acct. No. | <u>271.21135.11067.49999</u> |
| Amount | <u>N/A</u> |
| By: | <u>CBW</u> Date: <u>2/2/11</u> |
| <u>John M PR CCC</u> | |