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MEMORANDUM

DAVID R. CAREY
BOROUGH MAYOR

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

THRU: David R. Carey, Borough Mayor *DR Carey*
Craig Chapman, Finance Director *CC*
JM John Mohorcich, River Center Director
Brenda Ahlberg, Community and Fiscal Project Manager *BA*

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

DATE: March 24, 2011

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2010-19-41 accepting and appropriating grant funds from the United States Department of Interior for the Kachemak Drive Bluff Erosion Study in the amount of \$101,272

The assembly by resolution 2009-018 approved 19 projects for funding through the federal Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP). The Kachemak Drive Bluff Erosion Study 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 CIAP Plan which included \$1,708,491.93 available to be granted in FY 2009-2010. Among the projects approved was the Kachemak Drive Bluff Erosion Study.

Kachemak Drive parallels the bluff of Kachemak Bay and is an area subject to a high rate of erosion that directly affects the property of many homeowners. This project will further refine the hydrology of the area by monitoring the seepage of surface and subsurface water in an attempt to understand the impact of water flow from upland sources that contribute to bluff erosion. Although resolution 2009-018 listed this as a one-year project, the BOEMRE approved a two-year period of performance as shown in the attached grant documents.

The ordinance will provide funding for the installation of monitoring wells, water recharge data capture, and a final report of findings and recommendations that may provide guidance to property owners and guide further development of utilities in the area.

This project will be awarded based on selection of a successful bidder in an open market solicitation.

The performance period of this grant ends February 21, 2013.

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>271.21135.11063.49999</u>
Amount	<u>N/A</u>
By:	<u>CBW</u> Date: <u>3/23/11</u>
	<u>AMS for CC</u>