



KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

Central Emergency Service Area

MEMORANDUM

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

THRU: Mike Navarre Mayor *MN*
Craig Chapman, Finance Director *C Chapman*
Brenda Ahlberg, Community & Fiscal Projects Manager *Bry*

FROM: Chris Mokracek, CES Chief *CR. MOKR*

DATE: June 7, 2012

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2012-19- 07 an ordinance accepting and appropriating a grant in the amount of \$100,750 from the State of Alaska on behalf of the Central Emergency Service Area for the purchase of a rescue boat

The Central Emergency Service Area (CES) submitted a request for legislative grant funding in the Fiscal Year 2012/2013 State of Alaska Capital Budget. Senate Bill 160 which appropriated funding in the amount of \$100,750 for the purchase of a rescue boat was passed by the State Legislature and signed by Governor Parnell on May 14, 2012.

CES personnel are trained in swift water rescue and boat handling on rivers and open water. CES also has its own certified dive team for rescue and recovery operations. CES responds to mutual aid requests for Ninilchik, Nikiski, Kenai and Cooper Landing for water-related incidents. CES is called upon numerous times per year to perform rescues from overturned boats, sinking vessels, and for search and rescue operations when these bodies of water are at their most treacherous. The boat is also used to deploy wildland firefighters and equipment into remote areas.

This project replaces a 28 year-old inflatable that has had numerous repairs and will no longer hold air. It is well beyond its usable life span. The rescue boat project is a rigid hull inflatable/air filled foam boat (tested to U.S. Coast Guard standards), motor and trailer.

The CES board passed a motion, recommending acceptance of the grant at its regular board meeting held May 17, 2012. The Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development will provide the grant award with a five-year project performance period ending June 30, 2017. The CES chief shall provide grant oversight and project completion.

Attachment: Alaska Act HCS CSSB 160(FIN)
excerpt "Kenai Areawide (HD33-35) Only"

FINANCE DEPARTMENT	
ACCT # FUNDS VERIFIED	
Acct. No.	<u>443.51610.13165.49999</u>
Amount	<u>N/A</u>
By: <u>pc</u>	Date: <u>6/6/12</u>