UAF Rural and Community Campus Renewal

FY2024 Request: **$0**
Reference No: **65070**

AP/AL: Appropriation
Category: University
Location: Statewide
Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40)
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2023 - 06/30/2028

Project Type: Research / Studies / Planning
House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40)
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Brief Summary and Statement of Need:
Preserve general funds for savings and fiscal stability.

Funding:	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	Total
1004 Gen Fund							$0
Total:	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0

☐ State Match Required ☐ One-Time Project ☐ Phased - new ☐ Phased - underway ☑ Ongoing
0% = Minimum State Match % Required ☐ Amendment ☐ Mental Health Bill

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	Amount	Staff
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Project Description/Justification:
UAF's College of Rural and Community Development (CRCD) campus sites span Alaska with facilities in Fairbanks, Nome, Bethel, Dillingham, and Kotzebue. These sites provide valuable educational and cultural resources to their local and surrounding communities. Major renewal of the buildings has been a consistent effort over the last several years utilizing capital, operating, and grant funding. Despite these efforts, deferred renewal and code correction work is still required to maintain the critically important campuses.

The remote locations of the CRCD campuses requires UAF to prioritize regulatory compliance, distance education, energy efficiency and conservation projects. The priority projects for rural campuses are fire alarm upgrades and fuel tank compliance. Replacement of these systems supports building occupancy and program delivery continuity. Systematic, energy-efficient building improvements use higher-grade, durable construction materials that reduce operational and maintenance costs. This also reduces the frequency of building system failures that are especially costly due to emergency shipping of both labor and material.

CRCD Fire Alarm Replacement for End of Life: Approx. 10 fire alarm panels at the rural campus sites have reached their end of life and the manufacturer is no longer supporting them. Maintaining alarm systems in full operation is required for building occupancy and mission delivery. The next facility to replace is John Sackett Hall and the Maggie Lind Building in Bethel.

Kuskokwim Campus Vocational Education Center Electrical Code Compliance: This two-story facility was constructed in phases between 1977 and 1982. The main academic building contains faculty and staff offices, classrooms, and a vocational education area. The existing main electrical distribution panel is located in the main vocational classroom area and has been cited for several code corrections. This solution includes addressing multiple other modernization needs, by relocating the panel to a new location and replacing other features like the surge suppressor and the grounding system.

CRCD Campus Wide Fuel Tank Compliance: Throughout the rural campus locations, fuel oil tanks are a necessity for heat production. Some locations have tanks that are well beyond their useful life and have multiple deficiencies. The project will fix code deficiencies associated with the fuel tanks and piping for CRCD facilities statewide. The next building to be addressed is the Kuskokwim Campus Vocational Education Center.

Chukchi Campus Admin/Classroom Code Corrections: During a recent maintenance code review of the campus facilities, engineers determined a portion of the building's exit corridors are not fire-rated in accordance with the building codes. Fire-rated exits provide safe and quick passage out of the building in the event of a fire. The project will provide corrective action to update exit doors and corridors to a fire-rated assembly and replace the fire alarm system.

Bristol Bay Campus Margaret Wood Building and Applied Sciences Building Heating Efficiency: Perform mechanical upgrades in both buildings to address code deficiencies and replace equipment nearing the end of it's lifespan. The majority of work will take place in the Margaret Wood Building. Work includes snowmelt system upgrades at the Applies Sciences Building.

Maggie Lind & Voc-Tech Building Restrooms: Renovate the restrooms to renew the finishes and to align with current design standards, modernizing and removing functional obsolescence.

Northwest Campus Foundation Replacement: Relocate five teaching buildings, install pile foundations, and place the buildings back on the new foundations. The foundations of the Science Lab Building, the Northwest Campus Education
Center, Sepalla Building, and the University Outreach Building are post on pads and continue to settle at a rate of 3-7 inches per year. The FY24 request would address the University Outreach Building.

Project expenditures will be completed within 3 year allocation timeline.