Statewide Contaminated Sites Cleanup

FY2024 Request: Reference No: \$1,000,000 33826

AP/AL: Appropriation Project Type: Life / Health / Safety

Category: Health/Human Services

Location: Statewide House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40)

Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40) Contact: Tiffany Larson

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Contaminated sites owned by the state and contaminated sites without any known or capable responsible party ("orphan" sites) can only be addressed with state general fund resources. These contaminated sites pose a public health risk and cannot be redeveloped without appropriate cleanup of the known contaminants. For many local communities, state-owned and "orphan" contaminated sites may present barriers to business development and economic growth.

Funding:	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	Total	
1004 Gen Fund	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000		\$5,000,000	
Total:	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$5,000,000	
☐ State Match Required ☐ One-Time Project ☐ Phased - new ☐ Phased - underway ☑ Ongoing								
0% = Minimum State Match % Required ☐ Amendment ☐ Mental Health Bill								

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Sec1 Ch19 SLA2018 P5 L3 SB142 \$1,000,000

Sec1 Ch2 SLA2016 P4 L7 SB138 \$500,000

Sec1 Ch16 SLA2013 P63 L13 SB18 \$3,000,000

Sec1 Ch17 SLA2012 P113 L17 SB160 \$2,000,000

Sec1 Ch43 SLA2010 P23 L25 SB230 \$3,000,000

Sec1 Ch15 SLA2009 P6 L23 SB75 \$5,000,000

Project Description/Justification:

This project is intended to fund the investigation and cleanup of oil and hazardous substance spills that threaten human health, or the environment as provided under AS 46.08.040(2)(A).

The estimated ongoing costs for assessment, cleanup, and monitoring in future years at orphan sites and state-owned sites are estimated based on historical costs for cleanup of contaminated sites. This project will be implemented with current staff levels and does not require new positions. Limited staff time will be charged to this capital project, as most of the funds will be used for contaminated sites contracts.

This project reduces human and environmental risk at contaminated sites where an uncontrolled hazardous substance release threatens or pollutes drinking water supplies; health of school children;

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fish, wildlife, and subsistence resources; or the beneficial use and reuse of property. Contaminated sites are designated as "orphan" sites and become eligible for state funding following a rigorous review of the site conditions, the risk the site poses to human health and the environment, and a comprehensive investigation into potentially responsible parties that is conducted by the State of Alaska, Department of Law.

This project contributes to the performance measures to restore contaminated sites for reuse and reduce historical contamination. This meets the department's overall strategic framework to protect human health and the environment by conducting the cleanup, managing contaminated sites, and allowing for the redevelopment of property in Alaska.