



# CHUGACH ELECTRIC COMMUNITY MEETING

2024 RIGHT-OF-WAY  
CLEARING PLANS IN  
GIRDWOOD



**JUNE 25**

**Girdwood Community Room  
6:30 - 8 PM**

Questions? Email [julie\\_hasquet@chugachelectric.com](mailto:julie_hasquet@chugachelectric.com)



# Project Quote

**DATE:** 13-Jun-2024  
**Quote #:** 2024.1

SERVICE PROVIDER	Girdwood Borrow, Type IIA - Deliver/Stack
Dwight Johnson <b>WESTERN CONSTRUCTION &amp; EQUIPMENT</b> 6321 A Street Anchorage, AK 99518 Phone: (907) 677-1990 Fax: (907) 677-1991 <a href="mailto:dwightjohnson@gmail.com">dwightjohnson@gmail.com</a>	Kyle Kelley <b>Girdwood Service Area manager</b> Municipality of Anchorage 907-343-8374  <a href="mailto:kyle.kelley@anchorageak.gov">kyle.kelley@anchorageak.gov</a>

**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:**

Supply Borow, Type IIA for road maintenance to the Girdwood Muni staging yard. Stacking in stockpile at he Girdwood Muni yard is included in the TN unit price. Delivery is anticipated to be completed in Summer/Fall of 2024.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	Unit Price	TOTAL
1	Borrow, Type IIA	2,500	TN	\$ 22.80	\$ 57,000.00
<b>THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!</b>					<b>TOTAL</b> \$ 57,000.00



Above information is NOT an invoice and is only a quote of services described above.

Exclusions: Survey, SWPPP, Traffic Control, Subgrade Preparation, Hauling during load limits, Night Work & Bond.



# Project Anchorage: *A plan to revitalize Anchorage*

Jenna Wright, President & CEO  
Anchorage Economic Development Corporation



# Anchorage Economic Development Corporation (AEDC)

Encouraging growth and diversity in the Anchorage economy, promoting a favorable business climate and improving the standard of living of Anchorage residents.

## OUR VISION

- We will secure investments in physical infrastructure and community redevelopment
- We will be a strong advocate for affordable health care, housing, education and community safety
- We will be an advocate for workforce development and sound economic policy
- We will develop, maintain and improve Anchorage's quality of life and unique recreational and creative opportunities
- We will establish Live. Work. Play. as the community-wide priority with broad-based support from the public and business community
- We will forge strategic partnerships with organizations to accomplish our vision and priorities

# OKLAHOMA CITY METROPOLITAN AREA PROJECTS (MAPS)

Debt-free public improvement program funded by a temporary penny sales tax that aims to attract billions of dollars in private investment and retain/attract population.

Established in 1990s, renewed four times and resulted in 40%+ population increase.





# MAPS Projects

## Scissortail Park

70-acre urban oasis extending from the core of downtown to the shore of the Oklahoma river



## Innovation District

Small Business Development & Entrepreneurship Hub

Innovation Hall





# MAPS Projects

## Riversport Rapids

Whitewater rafting and kayaking center with racecourse

Host of 2024 Olympic Trials



## MAPS Arena

Hosted Garth Brooks, Justin Timberlake, and many more artists

Home of OKC Thunder since 2008



# PROJECT ANCHORAGE: 2025 EDITION

## 2023 Sales Tax Committee

- 16 Business community members, 2 Assemblymen
- Established interest, structure (amount, seasonality, etc.) and exemptions of tax
- Produced comprehensive sales tax recommendation report

## 2024-2025 Business Coalition

- 12 Businesses or Associations, 3 Assemblymen (so far!)
- Focused on implementing committee recommendations
- Modeled around Project 80s & OKC MAPS





# 3% TEMPORARY SALES TAX IN MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

2% for Revenue Diversification &  
Property Tax Relief

## Goals

1. Increased housing affordability
2. Reduced cost of doing business

## Key Details

- Estimated to result in 20% reduction in property taxes
  - \$1,270 on average home
  - \$3,390 for each \$1M in assessed value
- Does not result in new revenues.
- Transfers approximately \$120M from property taxes to sales taxes.

# 3% TEMPORARY SALES TAX IN MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

1% Community Investment Projects  
Mirroring MAPS & Project 80s

## Goals

1. Improved quality of place
2. Increased retention & attraction of talent

## Key Details

- Capital improvement projects
- Community-driven process
- Ballot proposition will have community selected projects



# KEY CONSIDERATIONS

Non-Anchorage residents would pay at least 20% of tax

Total increase in Anchorage resident contributions estimated to be < 0.5%

Consumer spending only, not applicable to B2B or non-profit spending

Exemptions for household necessities:

- Medical care
- Rental housing
- Financial services and transactions
- Non-prepared foods
- Gasoline
- Childcare and products such as diapers and formula
- Cap on taxes of amount over \$1,000

# Current Business Coalition



Description	Location	Developer	Status	Link	Public Comments or Hearing	MOA Process
Holtan Hills	North of Girdwood School	CY Investments	Platting complete and land transferred. Unclear if a consultant will be appointed.		Part of any future planning applications	No municipal planning application yet. Expecting Conditional Use / Planned Unit Development application in late 2024
Alyeska Village	Alyeska Resort	Pomeroy	Approved Area Master Plan and Phase 1 Development Master Plan.		PZC hearing for AMP & DMP phase 1 was 6/3/24	Land transfer for phase 4 will need to go before HLBAC and be approved by Assembly. DMP for phases 2, 3 & 4 will require PZC public hearing
Remote Avalanche Mitigation storage & heliport	Old Gravel Pit @ Seward MP89	AK DOT	Initial community meeting. Original plan for CUP has changed to a re-zone. May delay until adoption of new Comprehensive Plan to avoid extra step.		Future Planning & Zoning Hearing	No municipal planning application yet. Expecting re-zoning application in Fall 2024
Glacier City Center	Behind Post Office	Nate Ellis	Approved Development Master Plan amended to single story distillery building and second retail building in north east of site.		PZC public hearing was 4/8/24	Approved.
39South Townhouses	Alyeska Hwy	Joe Bell & partners	Approved Condition Use Permit to construct triplex (townhouses) to west of site		PZC public hearing was 5/20/24	Approved
Rebuild house and garage/ADU	Northland Rd	Alaska Serendipity	Application for variance to construct building within stream setback		ZBEA public hearing postponed	Postponed with no planned date
ENSTAR gasoline	Between wastewater plant and Virgin Creek Drive	ENSTAR	No DNR permit issued yet.		Possible presentation at future GBOS meeting?	Permit through State DNR. No MOA involvement
Hotel & Retail Store	Off Alyeska Hwy behind Brewery	Glacier View LLC (Tim Cabana)	ACE Permit POA-2023-00206 & state DEC permit issued		None	No municipal planning application yet
Multifamily Housing	Off Alyeska Hwy east of bridge	Glacier View LLC (Tim Cabana)	ACE Permit POA-2023-00206 & state DEC permit issued		None	MOA permits 21-005 and 22-001
Lodge and associated facilities	Girdwood Airport	Glacier Valley Lodge LLC	Lease of land only approved by AK DOT on April 8, 2024 subject to several provisions. Construction will require separate Airport Building Permit.		Part of any future planning applications	AK DOT hold the position that any development on state airport land is not subject to MOA Land Use requirements. The MOA disagrees.
Alyeska-Seward Highway Intersection	Alyeska-Seward Hwy junction	AK DOT	Initial concept design. CSS approved by MOA. On hold awaiting future funding (STIP anticipates 2029 or later)		None	Using Context Sensitive Solution (CSS) process
<i>Updated 6/14/2024</i>						



### May Incidents

Suspicious Fire: 3  
EMS: 15  
Vehicle Accident: 3  
Fire out on arrival: 1  
Smoke in area: 1  
Lift Assist: 2  
Rec Evaluation: 1

### June Incidents

Vehicle Fire: 1  
EMS: 20  
Vehicle Accident: 2  
Water Rescue: 2  
Lift Assist: 2  
Whittier EMS: 3



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Transparency  
2024

**Candid.**

# *JUNE 2024 FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES*

- 15 Firefighters test for Firefighter I and Hazmat Operations this weekend!
- Wildfire Mitigation day was hugely successful, 4 dump truck loads of chips and 1 flatbed of animal browse collected. Thanks to Chugach Electric, State Forestry, Girdwood CERT and Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center
- A former member and AFD Academy Training Advisor has been providing monthly firefighter skills workshops and we have the DPS Burn Trailer
- Our Online Silent Auction on Bidding Owl will start this week to fund water and mud rescue equipment and training
- Still in 2 reserve medic units as M41 and M42 are refurbished. They do not have working air conditioning.
- Welcome new board member Kara Edwards
- Tsunami signage expected Fall 2024 (MOA EOC)
- Awarded a \$17,000 grant from ASARA for a Remote EMS (REMS) Class next Spring

June 2024

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Whittier Police Department

Whittier Police 2024 Statistics - **Girdwood ONLY**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Traffic / DUI / Parking	29	22	35	61	53							
Area and Business Security Check	143	113	164	129	144							
Suspicious Activity	5	1	1	10	7							
Property Crimes (Theft / Vandalism)	1	3	7	5	7							
Assault / Disorderly Conduct	12	3	9	18	9							
Drug Problem (Sale / Possession)												
Civil Problem / Citizen Assist	7	7	4	8	6							
Welfare Check / Alarm Drop	8	11	7	8	10							
Animal Control / Wildlife		1	2	1								
Agency Assist	3	2	1	5	6							
Other	5	2	6	16	12							
Monthly Sub Total	213	165	236	261	254							
Annual Running Total	213	378	614	875	1129							

Whittier Public Safety Statistics - **Whittier ONLY**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov
Traffic / DUI / Parking	1	3	7	3	27						
Area and Business Security Check	12	18	19	16	41						
Suspicious Activity		2		2	4						
Property Crimes (Theft / Vandalism)	1		1		5						
Assault / Disorderly Conduct	3	11	3		2						
Drug Problem (Sale / Possession)			1								
Civil Problem / Citizen Assist	1	8	8	4	5						
Welfare Check / Alarm Drop	1	3	2	3	6						
Animal Control / Wildlife				1	1						
Fire / EMS	5	5	4	4	10						
Other	5	3			8						
Monthly Sub Total	29	53	45	33	109						
Running Annual Total	29	82	127	160	269						
										Annual	

**Personnel:**

Whittier Police Department has been reviewing several police officer candidates' applications for the upcoming vacancy. We are confident that we should be able to find a suitable candidate for the department.

**General:**

During this reporting period, we have continued to enforce parking ordinances throughout Whittier. The primary areas of enforcement are the Harbor Triangle and Harbor Loop areas, harbor parking lot, Glacier Street, Eastern Street and Portage Street areas.

Whittier Police will be enforcing the no parking zone in this area. Since this is a change from last year, Whittier Police will be initially issuing written warnings for violations, for a limited period. We have continued to issue written warnings and written citations for parking throughout Whittier.

If anyone has any questions regarding parking zones, please contact the police department or City Administration and we will gladly assist you.

Additionally, we have assisted Girdwood, through the assistance of Anchorage Police Department and Anchorage Parks and Recreation Department with Abatement issues, notifications and placarding in the Girdwood area.



**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE  
GIRDWOOD ROADS, FACILITIES,  
PARKS & RECREATION**



**DATE:** June 17, 2024  
**TO:** Girdwood Board of Supervisor  
**FROM:** Kyle Kelley, Girdwood Service Area Manager & Margaret Tyler, Parks and Recreation  
**SUBJECT: Roads, Facility, Cemetery & P & R Monthly Report**

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Thank you to all the folks who have helped reclaim trails and roads from the blowdowns this winter and the wind/rain on Saturday June 8. That was a wild storm! Key to this effort have been Ben, Jill, Zack, Schuyler, Brian, Ethan, Kyle and probably a bunch more! Thanks to all the chainsaw crews. Cleaning this up has been a monumental effort.



Our summer parks caretakers, John and Luke have been busy clearing trees, putting up tennis windscreens, attending to trash and graffiti. You can barely make out John in this picture from the blowdown on California Creek Trail this winter.



Our campground host, Ashley, has moved in to the campground and is overseeing activities in the park.

Mutt Mitts, trash and park sweep are handled by summer staff. If you see anything that needs attention, please contact Kyle [kellykt@muni.org](mailto:kellykt@muni.org) or Margaret [tylerms@muni.org](mailto:tylerms@muni.org).

**Trails:** Thank you to the Trails Committee for holding a work party June 4. The group of 6 folks demoed a bridge on the Beaver Pond Trail and replanted foliage to restore the ground where the bridge had been. We were all glad to see Kevin McDermott with his big crowbar!

Friends of Girdwood Trails plans trails work parties throughout the summer. We'll share information from them via Facebook and Trails Committee email.

Winner Creek Trail Bridge at Glacier Creek: We're starting the second and final phase of the bridge design to get a package ready for construction bidding. Fundraising will continue with support from local community efforts and staff chasing grant opportunities. Thank you to Alyeska Resort, for collecting donations at their Solstice on the Sundeck on THU June 20 from 6-9PM and for collecting donations at the Bike Park Grand Opening June 23!

### **Parks & Amenities:**

Thanks to our awesome volunteers for planting 900+ annuals in the planters around town on June 12 and 13!

- *Campground:* Tent campground is open.
- *Annual Beautification:* Flower planting June 12 and 13! Thanks to all our volunteers for doing such a great job!
- *Playground:* Open.
- *Lions Club Park:* Working on funding to add a pavilion
- *Disc golf:* Open.
- *Library/Community Center:* Library is open TUE-SAT 10-6
- *Tennis Courts:* OPEN!  
Pickleball court lines have been painted at the Girdwood School! Join FVCS Pickleball group to use the nets and equipment!
- *Soccer field:* Nets to be placed by FVCS soon.
- *Sladen J Mohl Ball Field:* OPEN! Play ball!
- *Skate Park:* Skate park is OPEN!

Reminder: No dogs on the baseball field, playground, tennis courts, and skate park.

**GBOS Non-profit Grants:** 2025 cycle begins with posting in July, Applications available in August, due mid-September.

### **Other Grants:**

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant –GVSA applied for LWCF funding for the Lions Club Park Pavilion, match is 1:1, with match funding coming from municipal, Lions Club, and other private sources. LWCF grant request is \$103,737.00 for a project costing \$207,474.00. This project was recommended to the National Park Service for approval. We anticipate hearing about this grant in the summer 2024.

Recreational Trails Program Grant (RTP): GTC/GVSA applied for RTP funding for the Middle Iditarod National Historic Trail, match is 90:10 with match coming from GTC and MOA funds. RTP grant request is \$179,745.00, match is \$19,970.00 for a project costing \$199,715.00. This project was recommended to the Director of Department of Parks and Outdoor Recreation for approval. Staff is working on follow-up requests from Federal Highways Administration.

Rasmuson Foundation: GVSA received confirmation of \$250,000 Tier 2 Grant to assist with construction of the suspension bridge to replace the decommissioned hand tram!

KMTA Grant: There is likely not a KMTA Grant round in 2024.

Anchorage Park Foundation: Anchorage Disc Golf Course Association received grant funding to improve the tee boxes in the Girdwood Disc Golf Course.

Alaska Community Foundation: Girdwood Parks and Rec received \$2032 Anchorage Trail Care Fund grant for trail tools!



**Social Media & Websites:** GBOS, committee and sub-committee meetings are now available on a calendar view. Go to [www.muni.org/gbos/events](http://www.muni.org/gbos/events) and see what meetings are coming up! GBOS videos are on line! Follow the link on our website to our YouTube videos or copy this: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOUINIprZEjhbPVPiJOIEA>

We are active on Facebook as Girdwood Board of Supervisors. GVSA Websites are:  
 GBOS: [www.muni.org/gbos](http://www.muni.org/gbos) Cemetery: [www.muni.org/gc](http://www.muni.org/gc)  
 LUC: [www.muni.org/gluc](http://www.muni.org/gluc) Parks and Rec: [www.muni.org/gpr](http://www.muni.org/gpr).  
 GTC: [www.muni.org/gtc](http://www.muni.org/gtc) Girdwood Trails Plan: [www.muni.org/gtp](http://www.muni.org/gtp)  
 PSAC: [www.muni.org/gpsac](http://www.muni.org/gpsac)  
 GHEC:  
[www.muni.org/gbos-ghec](http://www.muni.org/gbos-ghec)

Links and info:

Sen. Cathy Giessel's weekly newsletter: [Signup Form \(constantcontactpages.com\)](http://www.constantcontactpages.com)  
 Information on the ASD activities is available here: [Anchorage School District / Anchorage School District Homepage \(asdk12.org\)](http://www.anchorage.schools.ak.us)  
 Heritage Land Bank information: [www.Muni.org/HLB](http://www.muni.org/HLB)

**Roads**

**Road Status:** Spring Grading and applying calcium chloride to all roads have been completed. Sweeping and picking up winter debris on all paved roads has been completed. Repair to asphalt from winter plow damage and potholing has been completed. Currently working on cleaning out all underground storm drain catch basins in Girdwood with a vac truck and working with Western Construction to get quotes on over a dozen summer projects. Once quotes are in, we will determine which projects we will do based on priority and available budget. The MOA paint shop team will be out soon to paint all the traffic lines on MOA roads.

**Major project updates:**

Ruane road fish passage culvert replacement. We've located the funding for this project along with AWWU funding for Girdwood improvements being managed by the EPA. We have applied with the EPA to request the funds and coordinate that effort with AWWU. The funding designated for the project is \$1.6 million, and it will require a 20% match.

The new fish culvert at Davos Road and Alyeska Creek is currently out for construction bidding. Depending on the bid results, the goal is to complete the project this summer/early fall.

**Expenses and Budget:**

**Undesignated Fund Balance - Girdwood Service Area:** \$390,542.05 as of August 16, 2023.  
**Girdwood Valley Service Area 2024 Mill Rate:** 5.36 of 6 mills

**Roads:** Road Expenditures by Month:

Month	2022	2023	2024
January	\$81,466.17	\$62,791.19	\$51,162.50
February	\$75,435.50	\$32,793.17	\$50,612.50
March	\$43,523.63*	\$45,857.72	\$96,425.00
April	\$18,723.00	\$31,161.25	
May	\$68,628.00	\$34,288.75	
Remaining Flood Repair	\$112,529.20		
June	\$1,682.40	\$20,791.25	
July	\$1,818.35	\$173,075.00	
August	\$3,500.00	\$146,100.00	

September	\$33,872.25	\$22,991.00	
October	\$105,700.00	\$10,090.50	
November	\$35,353.73	\$55,686.25	
December	\$42,085.81	\$66,042.50	
Total thru December:	\$696,269.27	\$701,668.85	\$198,200.00

Public works operation 2024 budget expended for 2023: \$657,599.84 of \$1,509,392.00 =44%  
 2024 Capital Roads Project fund (406): \$285,984.16  
 2024 Davos Fish Culvert Project: \$618,180.00

**Parks:**

2024 Expended Budget: \$256,618.11 of \$515,546.00 =50%  
 2024 Capital Park Project (406) Reserve Fund available: \$909,830.82  
 2024 Winner Creek Trail Suspension Bridge funds = \$357,068.70  
 2024 Winner Creek Trail Suspension State Grant Funds = \$1,200,000.00  
 2024 Community Room Capital Reserve Fund (406): \$47,896.12

**Police:**

2024 Expended Budget: \$267,973.38 of \$811,334.00 = 33%

**Fire:**

2024 Expended Budget: \$975,615.05 of \$1,811,271.00 = 54%  
 2024 Fire Undesignated Capital fund (406) = \$227,717.20

**Upcoming meetings to set:**

Non-Profit grant presentations.



THE STATE  
of **ALASKA**  
GOVERNOR MIKE DUNLEAVY

## Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER  
Ryan Anderson, P.E., Commissioner

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May 23, 2024

Girdwood Board of Supervisors  
PO Box 390  
Girdwood, AK 99587

Dear Community Leader:

As 2024 DOT&PF construction kicks off across the state, we're excited to share information about the projects in your communities and offer resources to keep you informed throughout the season. We've been continuing to make improvements to our tools to increase communication and transparency to what you can expect to see this season. Community engagement is ongoing, and we encourage you to interact with these tools and connect with us.

We are excited to announce that we expect the following projects to be active in your community this year:

- Central Region Guardrail Inventory & Upgrade (HSIP)
- Seward Highway MP 75-90 Phase III
- Seward Highway MP 75-90: Ingram Creek to Girdwood Road and Bridge Rehabilitation Phase II, Portage Curve Multimodal Connector

Enclosed with this letter are project information sheets with an overview of each project, including maps and contact information. We would also like to share some online resources that you may find helpful this season:

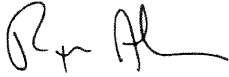
**2024 Construction Website** at [dot.alaska.gov/construction](https://dot.alaska.gov/construction): You will find an interactive map that allows you to explore road, airport, and harbor projects across the state. Zoom in and click on projects to see detailed information on project scopes, traffic impacts, contact information, funding sources, and links to more information.

**Alaska 511**: Find traffic impacts from road projects (along with road cameras, maintenance activities, and more) through the Alaska 511 system, which includes [511.alaska.gov](https://511.alaska.gov), the 511 Alaska mobile app, and by phone at 5-1-1.

*"Keep Alaska Moving through service and infrastructure."*

Please pass along these resources to anyone in your community who may be interested. We also welcome your questions and feedback. If you have questions about specific projects, please reach out using the contact information provided on the attached information sheets. You can also contact my office any time at [dot.commissioner@alaska.gov](mailto:dot.commissioner@alaska.gov) or 907-465-3900.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ryan Anderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Ryan Anderson, P.E.  
Commissioner

Enclosure(s)



Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities



## 2024 Construction Project Overview

**Project Name:** Central Region Guardrail Inventory & Upgrade (HSIP)

**Project Number:** CFHWY00939

**Project Description:** This project will replace guardrail and end terminals on roadways with a posted speed limit of 50 mph or greater within the Anchorage area. Project work includes clearing, grading, and roadway hardware.

**Project Website:** <https://arcg.is/1SruG40>

**Anticipated/Actual Start:** Currently Active

**Anticipated End:**

**Project Contact:**

David Song  
907-770-2612  
[david.song@alaska.gov](mailto:david.song@alaska.gov)



Visit the APEX website:





<https://dot.alaska.gov/construction>

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# Central Region Guardrail Inventory & Upgrade (HSIP) Map



 Project Footprint  
 Harbors

 DOT&PF Controlled Airports

 Non DOT&PF Controlled Airports  
 Mileposts

0 1 2  
 Miles





Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

## 2024 Construction Project Overview



**Project Name:** Seward Highway MP 75-90 Phase III

**Project Number:** Z581050000

**Project Description:** Construct a pathway and parking lots along the Seward Highway between MP 84 and the Twentymile River. Work includes grading, drainage, paving, signing, and striping.

**Project Website:** <https://arcg.is/1CDOfe>

**Anticipated/Actual Start:** 2024

**Anticipated End:** 2024

**Project Contact:**

Ted Meyer

907-854-8810

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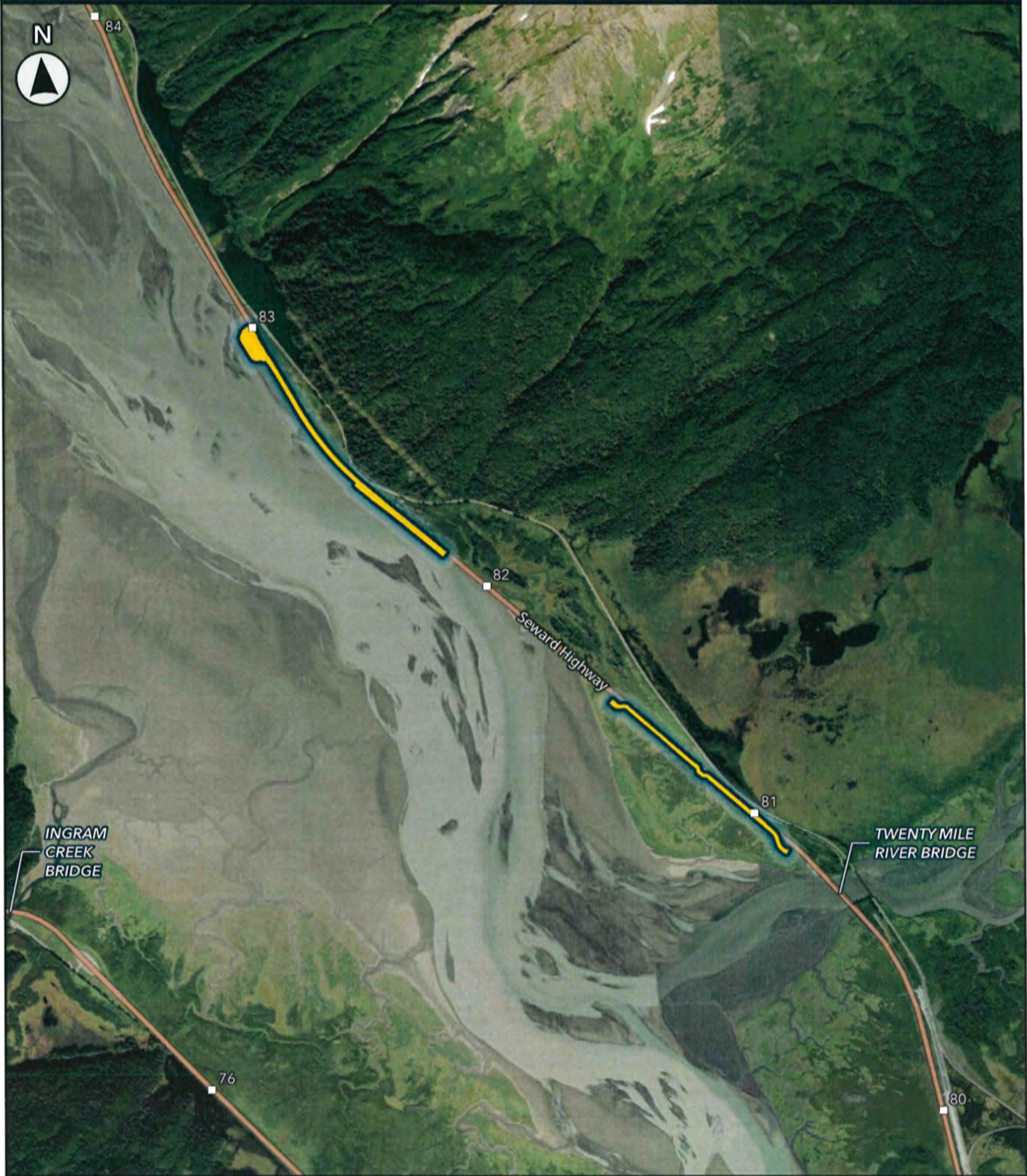
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# Seward Highway MP 75-90 Phase III Map



 Project Footprint  
 Mileposts

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 Miles



Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities



## 2024 Construction Project Overview

**Project Name:** Seward Highway MP 75-90: Ingram Creek to Girdwood Road and Bridge Rehabilitation Phase II, Portage Curve Multimodal Connector

**Project Number:** CFHWY00213, CFHWY00308

**Project Description:** Rehabilitate pavement and replace the following bridges on the Seward Highway: Placer Creek at MP 77.9 and MP 78.3, Portage Creek at MP 79.0 and MP 79.3, and Twentymile River at MP 80.7. Work includes road realignment, grade separations at Portage Valley Road, passing lanes, and pedestrian accommodations, including constructing a multi-modal pathway adjacent to the Seward Highway from MP 75-82

**Project Website:** <https://arcg.is/iyWCD>

**Anticipated/Actual Start:**  
2021

**Anticipated End:** 07-2024

**Project Contact:**  
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907-854-8810  
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# Seward Highway MP 75-90: Ingram Creek to Girdwood Road and Bridge Rehabilitation Phase II, Portage Curve Multimodal Connector Map

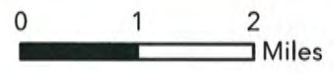


 Project Footprint

 Maintenance Facilities

 DOT&PF Controlled Airports

 Mileposts



## RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE GIRDWOOD COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, the current Municipality of Anchorage Comprehensive Plan has four top level elements covering distinct localities across the Municipality:

- Anchorage Bowl 2020 Comprehensive Plan (2001), partially updated by the Anchorage 2040 Land Use Plan (2017)
- Chugiak-Eagle River Comprehensive Plan (2006)
- Turnagain Arm Comprehensive Plan (2009)
- Girdwood Area Plan (1995); and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Area Plan is the oldest of these documents, several prior attempts to update the plan having been unsuccessful; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors (GBOS) formed the Girdwood Area Plan Update Committee to develop an updated Girdwood Area Plan, as authorized by Anchorage Assembly Resolution AR 2018-176; and

WHEREAS, due to the identification of a lack of planning powers in Girdwood Valley Service Area (GVSA) and the related inability for GVSA to hold funds for the plan revision project, the non-profit Imagine!Girdwood was formed to direct and manage development a new Girdwood Comprehensive Plan, with formal authorization under Anchorage Assembly Resolution AR 2021-140; and

WHEREAS, Imagine!Girdwood has undertaken extensive community engagement, including four community-wide Town Halls to seek feedback and inform the public, regularly presenting updates at local community meetings and holding over 50 publicly-noticed regular monthly meetings; and

WHEREAS, Imagine!Girdwood presented and published the initial community survey results, the distillation of community survey and focus groups into a Vision Policy and Goals document, initial and updated reports on existing conditions and housing & economic analyses, preliminary Land Use Map alternates, and a Public Review Draft of the Girdwood Comprehensive Plan with a subsequent local Public Comment process; and

WHEREAS, in response to over 400 Public Comments on the Review Draft, Imagine!Girdwood published a Revised Draft on April 24, 2024, and GBOS passed Resolution 2024-03 supporting the formal submission of that Plan to the Municipality; and

WHEREAS, Imagine! Girdwood formally submitted the Girdwood Comprehensive Plan to the Planning Department on May 5, 2024 and it is before the Planning and Zoning Commission as item 2024-0074 for a Public Hearing on July 15 2024; and

WHEREAS, Girdwood Land Use Committee at their June 10 2024 meeting by a vote of X to X, recommended GBOS to pass a Resolution of Support for adoption of the Girdwood Comprehensive Plan

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors supports the adoption of the Girdwood Comprehensive Plan as an amendment to the Municipality of Anchorage Comprehensive Plan, by a vote of X to X on this June 17th, 2024.



GVSA Housing Goals established 5.13.24

Vision:

Girdwood has good-quality, stable, affordable housing for residents across the community's income distribution while maintaining the characteristics of the outdoor recreation community.

Housing Goals:

1. Increase the supply of safe, affordable housing units for sale and for rent
2. Diversify the housing market: housing types, sizes, price points, locations, accessibility, and ownership models
3. Increase the share of resident-occupied housing throughout the year and reduce the number of vacant units
4. Reduce housing development cost burden
5. Streamline municipal process to achieve Girdwood Comprehensive Plan Goals
6. Increase Girdwood local control and management of public land



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## Resolution 2024-06 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors **Resolution of Support for construction of BIKEWOOD Phase 2 Trails**

Whereas, BIKEWOOD (formerly Girdwood Mountain Bike Alliance) is a grassroots group created for the purpose of building and maintaining mountain biking trails in the Girdwood Valley, promoting responsible trail use, and advocating for cycling in the Girdwood community; and

Whereas, BIKEWOOD Phase 2 plan aligns with the Girdwood Trails Plan adopted by Anchorage Assembly in March 2024 in supporting non-motorized recreational development in the Girdwood Valley; and

Whereas, BIKEWOOD has met with the Girdwood Nordic Ski Club (GNSC) and has that group's approval to use the 5K Nordic Loop for uphill biking access and trail equipment access, during the summer months; and

Whereas, trails built by BIKEWOOD are to be built within accepted design standards as a class 3 mountain biking trail, approximately 4 – 6 feet in constructed tread width, clearing width of 10-12 feet; and

Whereas, BIKEWOOD has met with the Girdwood Trails Committee and has received the support of that advisory committee at their regular meeting on May 7, 2024 with a unanimous vote; and

Whereas, BIKEWOOD has met with the Girdwood Land Use Committee and has received the support of that advisory committee at their regular meeting on June 10, 2024 with a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, and 4 abstaining;

Therefore, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves to support BIKEWOOD in acquiring the easement for, construction and maintenance of trails on Heritage Land Bank land in the Lower Winner Creek zone, as presented at the GBOS Regular meeting of June 17, 2024 by a vote of (x) in favor and (x) opposed.

Brian Burnett  
GBOS Parks and Recreation Supervisor

Attest

### **25.40.025 Heritage Land Bank disposals.**

- A. The Heritage Land Bank advisory commission shall hold a public hearing, with public notice as specified in this chapter, prior to making a recommendation to the mayor and assembly regarding the disposal of Heritage Land Bank land or an interest in land. Land disposals under this chapter include land sales, land exchanges, leases, and easements.
- B. After the public hearing, the advisory commission shall submit a written finding and recommendation to the mayor and assembly, stating whether or not a proposed land disposal is in the best interest of the municipality, and consistent with the Heritage Land Bank's purpose and mission. The written finding shall identify the proposed land disposal, including details regarding its method, timing, and terms, its projected effects on the neighborhood and on public facilities, and other relevant information. All proposed land disposals shall also specify those terms and conditions necessary to ensure that the Heritage Land Bank receives the maximum overall benefit for the disposal of its land, including equivalent non-monetary public benefits, consistent with the municipality's best interests.
- C. The Heritage Land Bank shall determine which land or interests in land should be disposed of; consistent with section 25.40.020 and the comprehensive plan and implementing measures. If the information in the comprehensive plan and implementing measures is insufficient to determine whether the disposal of a parcel or parcels is consistent with the plan or measures, the Heritage Land Bank shall complete a site specific land use study for the use of the land which has been adopted through the public process specified in this chapter. Each site specific land use study shall address; a) the need for community facilities such as roads, parks, trails, schools, satellite municipal offices, etc; b) identify historical and natural landmarks, natural hazards, and environmentally sensitive lands; c) public utility needs; d) potential residential, commercial and industrial uses; e) land use compatibility with adjacent areas; and f) consistency with land uses identified in the Comprehensive Plan and zoning for the area.



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## Girdwood Industrial Park

1 message

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CoasT Pizza <coastpizzagirdwood@gmail.com>

Thu, Apr 25, 2024 at 4:38 PM

To: hlb@anchorageak.gov

In consideration of choosing an alternative for the Girdwood Industrial Park, HLB should take into account that there is no hydrology data for California Creek or Glacier Creek on this parcel. The flow and velocity of these rivers are not understood due to the lack of data. Often this parcel is standing water due to the constriction of the rivers by the railroad tracks and trestle.

The design of the Alaska Railroad, creating the northern perimeter of Old Girdwood, constricts the main watershed drainage and makes the RR infrastructure perform like a dam.

This consideration should be included in the soon to be published Girdwood Industrial Park feasibility study with inclusion of impacts onto the HLB owned levee. I have attached the Land Conveyance Documents for your records from the Alaska Department of Natural Resources.

HLB should also be compliant with Title 25.40.025(c) which states:

*The Heritage Land Bank shall determine which land or interests in land should be disposed of; consistent with section 25.40.020 and the comprehensive plan and implementing measures. If the information in the comprehensive plan and implementing measures is insufficient to determine whether the disposal of a parcel or parcels is consistent with the plan or measures, the Heritage Land Bank shall complete a site specific land use study for the use of the land which has been adopted through the public process specified in this chapter. Each site specific land use study shall address; a) the need for community facilities such as roads, parks, trails, schools, satellite municipal offices, etc; b) identify historical and natural landmarks, natural hazards, and environmentally sensitive lands; c) public utility needs; d) potential residential, commercial and industrial uses; e) land use compatibility with adjacent areas; and f) consistency with land uses identified in the Comprehensive Plan and zoning for the area.*

HLB should initiate and complete a Land Use Study as defined above, before another Girdwood land disposal or development occurs.

The most recent study on Glacier Creek was published in 1969 by the Greater Anchorage Borough, 55 years ago. Today in the HLB meeting, a newer asset study was requested because the dataset was "old" at 8 years.

HLB has only 9 published studies on the Girdwood Valley. None of the studies mention the existence of Old Girdwood and its approximate 100 residents. There is only 1 Land Use Study for Girdwood that was completed in 2006. There is no mention of Old Girdwood or any of the natural hazards that would be introduced by upstream development. The Final Crow Creek Land Use Study is outdated and does not mean Title 25.040.025(c).

Under the Anchorage Comprehensive Plan, the Anchorage Coastal Management Plan was defunded and the Watershed Planning Department does not currently have hydraulic data on the Girdwood Watershed.

*Since "the information in the comprehensive plan and implementing measures is insufficient to determine whether the disposal of a parcel or parcels is consistent with the plan or measures, the Heritage Land Bank shall complete a site specific land use study for the use of the land which has been adopted through the public process specified in this chapter".*

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**Amanda Tuttle**

Coast Pizza, owner

p: 907.360.1224

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From: "Miller, Andrew J (DNR)" <andrew.miller@alaska.gov>

To: "coastpizzagirdwood@gmail.com" <coastpizzagirdwood@gmail.com>

Cc: "Sweetman, Joni M (DNR)" <joni.sweetman@alaska.gov>, "Uherkoch, Hannah R (DNR)" <hannah.uherkoch@alaska.gov>

Bcc:

Date: Wed, 13 Mar 2024 21:30:04 +0000

Subject: Municipal Conveyance from SOA to MOA - Girdwood

Good Afternoon, Amanda,

I understand you have concerns about a levee near Girdwood and are interested in acquiring information regarding the conveyance of the land on which the levee is located, from the State of Alaska to the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA). The land in question, which falls within U.S. Survey 4805, Lot 2, was conveyed from the State to MOA in 1984. This conveyance was serialized as ADL 201175. I have attached the Preliminary Decision, Final Finding, and Patent for ADL 201175, which will provide the bulk of the details associated with this conveyance. If you have any follow-up questions regarding the conveyance, please feel free to reach out to me.

**Andrew Miller**

*Natural Resource Manager*

*Non-Competitive Land Sales*

*Land Conveyance Section*

*Division of Mining, Land and Water*

*Alaska Department of Natural Resources*

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**4 attachments**



**ADL 201175 - Final Finding and Decision.pdf**

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**ADL 201175 - Patent.pdf**

3620K



**ADL 201175 - Preliminary Decision.pdf**

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 **Municipal Conveyance from SOA to MOA - Girdwood.eml**  
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## **April 29, 2024 MOA GBOS Quarterly Meeting Agenda Final**

**4:00 p.m. via Microsoft Teams & Girdwood Community Room**

This meeting is being held via teams with in-person attendance at the Girdwood Community Room, 250 Elgoff Rd.

The Girdwood Board of Supervisors, its committees, and subcommittees are subject to the Alaska Open Meetings Act as found in Alaska Statute 44.62.310 and Anchorage Municipal Code 1.25 - Public Meetings.

The Girdwood Board of Supervisors operates under the Girdwood Public Meetings Standards of Conduct.  
Call to Order 4:00 p.m. Jennifer Wingard or Briana Sullivan, GBOS Co-Chair

Land Acknowledgement: The Girdwood Board of Supervisors acknowledges the indigenous peoples of Alaska, whose land we reside on. The community of Girdwood, situated between the areas known to be Dena'ina and Alutiiq homeland, respects the people who were stewards of this land for generations. We commit to the continued stewardship of this land and are grateful to be part of a wider community that seeks to maintain a sustainable use of Girdwood Valley for present and future peoples.

Roll Call & Disclosures

### **Agenda Revisions and Approval**

April 29, 2024 MOA GBOS Quarterly Meeting Agenda approval

Announcements:

- The public is encouraged to ask questions and provide comment. Please raise your hand and wait to be acknowledged.
- To help discussions stay productive, please direct your comments to the Board rather than other members of the public and keep your comments focused on the business under discussion.
- Please be respectful of everyone's opinions.

### **Agenda**

Welcome and Introductions

1. HLB Items (HLB Director Tiffany Briggs, HLB Staff Emma Giboney)  
Holtan Hills project update  
Girdwood Industrial Park development options update  
Girdwood Levee on HLB managed land
2. Girdwood Airport project and land use (Planning Director Craig Lyon)
3. Request latest information regarding handling homeless issue and effect in Girdwood (City Manager Kent Kohlhasse, MOA Parks Director Mike Braniff)

**Public Comment:** Persons offering public comment must state their full name and address. Public Comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person and must be on subjects not listed on the agenda.