


MEMORANDUM

**State of Alaska
Department of Transportation & Public Facilities
Project Delivery Division**

TO: Ryan Anderson, PE
Commissioner

DATE: March 31, 2026

FROM: Sarah Cripe 
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SUBJECT: Creation of FY27 Harbor Project
Evaluation Committee

Purpose

To recommend establishment of a Harbor Project Evaluation Committee (PEC) to evaluate and rank applications for the FY27 Harbor Facility Grant Program.

Background

In 2006, the Alaska Legislature passed landmark legislation which established a 50/50 matching grant program called the Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program (now called the Harbor Facility Grant Program). The purpose of the grant program is to recapitalize local government's small boat harbor infrastructure and further the sustainability of Alaska's public harbor system.

Alaska's harbor system is essential to the state's transportation network and coastal communities. Pursuant to AS 29.60.800, the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities administers the Harbor Facility Grant Program to support the construction, improvement, and repair of public harbor facilities.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Department establish a Harbor PEC for FY27 to evaluate and rank grant applications. The PEC will be responsible for reviewing applications, evaluating projects against established criteria, and providing ranked recommendations for funding consideration.

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Member:	Anthony Sieminski	Harbormaster, City of Seward	AAHPA Representative
Member	Jeremy Norbryhn	Deputy Harbormaster, City and Borough of Juneau	AAHPA Representative

Requested Action

Approve establishment of the FY27 Harbor Project Evaluation Committee (PEC) as described above.

Approved **Denied**

Signed by:

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Ryan Anderson, P.E.
Commissioner, Alaska DOT&PF

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