

## DESIGN APPROVAL

## OLD STEESE HIGHWAY SHOULDER WIDENING

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## DESIGN STUDY REPORT

FOR

# OLD STEESE HIGHWAY SHOULDER WIDENING 

PROJECT NO. NFHWY00527 / 0002(472)

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## INTRODUCTION/HISTORY

The Old Steese Highway is a rural collector located North of Fairbanks and supports an Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT) of 1,400 vehicles per day. The highway is located in flat terrain with total truck volume of $3.75 \%$.

A crash analysis on the corridor of the Old Steese Highway from Gold Dredge \#8 to the Fox Intersection examined 1 fatal, 2 serious injury, and 2 property damage only (PDO) crashes over a 4 year time period. An additional fatal crash occurred outside the analysis period within the project limits. Current shoulder widths within the corridor vary between 2 inches to 2 feet, averaging 1 foot.


Figure 1: Location and Vicinity Map

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Alaska Department of Transportation \& Public Facilities (DOT\&PF) proposes to construct data driven highway safety improvements on the Old Steese Highway (see Figure 1).
Improvements will include reconstructing and widening the highway with 6 foot shoulders. The new roadway will be approximately 10 feet wider than existing. The shoulders will accommodate bicycles and pedestrians. The crash analysis indicates that increasing the shoulder width to 6 feet will provide a $23 \%$ crash reduction run-off-road, head on, and sideswipe crashes (See Appendix C for Crash Reduction Factor work sheet).

The project includes the following elements:

- Construction of 6 foot shoulders.
- Minor realignment to horizontal curve nearest BOP to conform to current design standards.
- Replacement of existing guardrail to conform to current design standards.
- Raising crossing overhead utilities at 6 locations from a vertical clearance of 18 feet or less to 20.5 feet or more.
- Construction of drainage ditches.
- Replacement of old culverts.


## DESIGN STANDARDS

The design standards followed for this project are:

- A Policy on the Geometric Design of Highway and Streets (GB), 2011, American Association of State Highway and Transportation (AASHTO).
- Alaska DOT\&PF Highway Preconstruction manual (PCM), State of Alaska, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT\&PF).
- Alaska Flexible Pavement Design Manual, 2004, ADOT\&PF, and associated software.
- Alaska Traffic Manual (ATM), 2016, ADOT\&PF.
- Roadside Design Guide, 2011, AASHTO.

The project design designation and design criteria are included in Appendix. A design speed of 50 miles per hour was selected in accordance with PCM and GB guidance. Old Steese Highway is a rural collector with flat terrain.

## DESIGN EXCEPTIONS AND DESIGN WAIVERS

There are no design exceptions or design waivers.

## DESIGN ALTERNATIVES

Use of Asphalt Treated Base (ATB)

## PREFERRED DESIGN ALTERNATIVE

Use of Crushed Asphalt Base Course (CABC)

This proposed alternative would use CABC in lieu of ATB in the pavement structure typical section. Following pavement analysis and consultation with the DOT*PF's materials and geotechnical sections, use of CABC will provide suitable support throughout the pavement's design life. Due to low truck volume and competent foundation soils consisting of mining tailings, use of the costlier ATB is not necessary.

## 3R ANALYSIS

Not applicable.

## TRAFFIC ANALYSIS

Old Steese Highway is classified as a major rural collector. Present year (2022) ADT was 1,412 vehicles per day ( $3.75 \%$ trucks), and is projected to be 1,687 vehicles per day in the design year (2043). See the project design designation in Appendix A for additional information.

## HORIZONTAL/VERTICAL ALIGNMENT

This project will reconstruct Old Steese Highway primarily on the existing horizontal and vertical alignment, however, the centerline at the first horizontal curve will be flattened and shift approximately 4.75 feet to conform to current design standards.

The terrain in the project area is flat. Existing grades throughout the project vary from $0.04 \%$ to $2.45 \%$. Grades post-construction will be similar to existing conditions. Minor elevation adjustments will be made to balance cut/fill quantities. See Appendix D for preliminary plan and profile sheets.

## TYPICAL SECTION(S)

Insert text here.
Old Steese Highway corridor will consist of 12 foot lanes with 6 foot paved shoulders.
Widening will take place primarily between BOP and guardrail section towards EOP.


Figure 2 Old Steese Widening Typical Section

## PAVEMENT DESIGN

The selected pavement design was evaluated using the Alaska Flexible Pavement Manual and associated software. The design life of the pavement is 20 years in accordance with the General Policy-6. The preliminary pavement design was based on General Policy-6 and General Policy13.

The selected pavement design consists of 2-inches hotmix asphalt, type II; class "A", 4-inches of crushed asphalt base course (CABC), 12-inches of select material type A outside of existing shoulders, and 36-inches of select material type A beyond existing toe of slope. See Appendix C for the approved pavement design and engineering calculations.

## PRELIMINARY BRIDGE LAYOUT

Not applicable. There are no bridges within the project limits.

## RIGHT-OF-WAY REQUIREMENTS

All improvements will occur within existing right of way limits. Temporary Construction Permits will be obtained for driveway reconstruction. Housing encroachment on the southeast corner of the Old Steese and Goldstream intersection is within DOT\&PF right of way by approximately 13 feet by 43 feet (triangular) for an area of approximately 280 square feet (see Figure 3). DOT\&PF Property Management staff is working with the property owner on vacation and/or temporary permitting to rectify this issue.


Figure 3, Encroachment

## MAINTENANCE CONSIDERATIONS

Primary M\&O concerns are rehabilitation of drainage. To address these issues, new ditches will be installed at cut locations, and new culverts will replace existing culverts at the end of their service life. The widened shoulders will increase pavement area by approximately 1.6 lanemiles through this corridor. During winter maintenance, widened shoulders will provide greater interim snow storage without altering plow operations/number of passes.

## MATERIAL SOURCES

Material requirements include paving aggregates, aggregate base course, crushed asphalt base course, and select material type A. CABC will be generated from reclamation of existing asphalt; all other materials will be contractor furnished. Commercial sources are available in the area for select materials and paving products. Material sites will be Contractor furnished.

## UTILITY RELOCATION \& COORDINATION

Preliminary utility relocation plans ( $65 \%$ ) and cost estimate have been developed for this project. The preliminary plans have been reviewed by the Department and affected stakeholders and comments received will be incorporated into the final design.

Utility coordination and relocation is required for this project. Alaska Communications (ACS) and Golden Valley Electric Association (GVEA) have overhead utilities crossing the Old Steese Highway at a substandard vertical clearance.

## ACCESS CONTROL FEATURES

No access control features are included. Old Steese Highway in not a fully access controlled facility, and access control is maintained by the driveway permitting process.

## PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE (ADA) PROVISIONS

Existing shoulders average 1 foot width within project corridor. Currently, no ADA accommodations are present for cyclists or pedestrians. This project will construct 6 foot shoulders which will accommodate cyclists and pedestrians.

## SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

This project involves the following safety improvements identified in the HSIP project nomination (see appendix F).

- Add 6 foot paved shoulders to reduce run-off the road type crashes
- Relocate utilities to meet vertical clearance requirements
- Adjust substandard horizontal curve near BOP to meet design speed requirements.


## INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FEATURES

Not applicable. There are no intelligent transportation system features within the project limits.

## DRAINAGE

Drainage in the project area typically flows toward Fox Creek and Goldstream Creek. Existing ditches and culverts generally appear adequately sized for conveying surface runoff away from the roadway. Ditches and cross culverts will be constructed to accommodate the widened roadway to keep water out of the embankment. Culverts will be limited to 36 " diameter.

## SOIL CONDITIONS

The corridor is located in the Tanana Hills which constitute part of the Yukon Tanana Upland. This area was the scene of gold dredging operations in the 1940s to early 1950s. The structure foundation of the road primarily consists of dredge tailings and bedrock schist. Current roadway structural conditions indicate competent foundation soils.

The average monthly air temperature, freezing degree days, and thawing degree days for Fairbanks, AK are provided in table 1. Historical climate data for the 1981-2010 was taken from the Western Regional Climate Center website. The mean annual air temperature is 27.9 F , and the freezing and thawing indices are $5,029 \mathrm{~F}$-days and 3,604 F-days respectively.

| Month | Mean <br> Temperature (F) | Freezing Degree <br> Days 0 | Thawing Degree <br> Days () |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan | -6.5 | 1192.0 | 0 |
| Feb | -0.9 | 920.6 | 0 |
| Mar | 12.3 | 611.5 | 0 |
| Apr | 32.4 | 77.7 | 89.3 |
| May | 49.8 | 0 | 550.3 |
| Jun | 60.6 | 0 | 857.8 |
| Jul | 62.6 | 0 | 947.9 |
| Aug | 56.3 | 0 | 754.3 |
| Sep | 45.0 | 0 | 389.8 |
| Oct | 24.3 | 253.8 | 14.5 |
| Nov | 3.4 | 857.8 | 0 |
| Dec | -4.0 | 1115.6 | 0 |
|  | TOTAL | $\mathbf{5 , 0 2 9 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{3 , 6 0 3 . 6}$ |

Table 1 Mean Monthly Air Temperature and Freezing/Thawing Degree Days.

## EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

The area of ground disturbance is approximately 15 acres. A SWPPP will be required. The project will begin construction in 2023. During construction, erosion sediment control policy (ESCP) will consist of temporary best management practices (BMP) such as the use of fiber matting, track walking, and coverage of stockpiles to prevent erosion; and perimeter control primarily using vegetative buffer where applicable, and where buffer requirements cannot be met, use of perimeter control devices (e.g. silt fence, waddles) will be employed. Finished slopes will be seeded for permanent erosion prevention. BMPs will require using a certified weed-free native perennial grass seed mix for soil stabilization.

## ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS

There are no project-specific environmental commitments for this project.
Approved environmental document signature page is included in Appendix B.

## WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL

The preferred work zone traffic control will be to maintain one way traffic during construction. Nearby intersections at Goldstream and Fox will facilitate one way closures such that commercial and residential access impacts are minimized. The contractor will be required to provide and follow a Traffic Control Plan for all phases of construction that will maintain stakeholder access within project limits. The project is not considered significant per the PCM section 1400.2.

## VALUE ENGINEERING

A value engineering study will not be prepared because the total estimated cost is less than the minimum threshold (PCM 450.15 and Policy and Procedure 05.01.030).

## COST ESTIMATE

The estimated costs for this project are as follows:

| Design | $\$ 394,000.00$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Utilities | $\$ 112,500.00$ |
| Right of Way | $\$ 0.00$ |
| Construction <br> (Includes $15.00 \%$ Engineering) | $\$ 4,949,000.00$ |
| Total Cost of Project | $\$ 5,455,500.00$ |

## Attachments:

Appendix A: Design Criteria and Design Designation
Appendix B: Environmental Document Signature Page
Appendix C: Highway Safety Improvement Program Nomination
Appendix D: Pavement Design
Appendix E: Preliminary Plan and Profile Sheets

APPENDIX A

> DESIGN CRITERIA
> AND
> DESIGN DESIGNATION

## ALASKA DOT\&PF PRECONSTRUCTION MANUAL <br> Chapter 11 - Design PROJECT DESIGN CRITERIA



Proposed - Designer/Consultant:
Endorsed - Engineering Manager:
Approved - Preconstruction Engineer


Date: 11.10.2022
Date: 11-29-2022
Date: 11/29/2022

Shaded criteria are commonly referred to as FHWA controlling criteria for NHS high-speed roadways (design speed >= to 50 mph ). For NHS low-speed roadways (design speed < 50 mph ), the only two FHWA controlling criteria which apply are design speed and design loading structural capacity. For NHS routes only, controlling criteria must meet the minimums established in the Green Book, unless a design exception is approved. For all other routes, all criteria must meet the minimums established in the Alaska Highway Preconstruction Manual, unless a Design Waiver is approved.

Design Criteria marked with a " \#" do not meet minimums and must have a Design Exception(s) and/or Design Waiver(s) approved. See the Design Study Report for Design Exception/Design Waiver approval(s) and approved design criteria values.

## DESIGN DESIGNATION

Northern Region Planning
Traffic Data \& Forecasting

ROUTE NAME:
Old Steese Highway
CDS NO:
ROUTE ID:
150105
MILEPOINT:
FUNCTIONAL CLASS:
URBAN/RURAL:

2581130X000
6.350-8.568

Major Collector
Rural

|  | YEAR | AADT | \% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AADT | 2021 | 1400 |  |  |
| DHV | 2030 | 1510 |  | 180 |
|  | 2040 | 1640 | 11.90 | 200 |
| D | 2030 |  | Total |  |
|  |  |  | Class 4 |  |
|  |  |  | Class 5 |  |
|  |  |  | Class 6 |  |
| T |  |  |  |  |
| ESAL'S |  |  |  |  |


| Traffic Data Request Form |  |  |  | TDR Form-1-10/20/03 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Requested By: | Carl Heim |  | Design Project Number: NFHWY00527 | Date Requested: 6/15/22 |
| Base Year: 2021  <br> Base Year Total AADT: 1400 <br> AADT Growth Rate  <br> Forward (\%/yr): 0.85 End Year: 2040 <br> Back Cast (\%/yr): Begin Year: |  |  | Common Route Name: <br> Old Steese Hwy Functional Class: <br> Urban/Rural <br> Major C <br> Historic M.P. Interval: <br> 6.350-8.568 | CDS Route Name: $\begin{gathered} 150105 \\ 2581130 \times 000 \end{gathered}$ <br> CDS M.P. Interval: 6.350-8.568 |
| Truck Category | Load Factor (ESALs per Truck) | \% of Total <br> AADT <br> in Truck <br> Category | Lane Configuration Sketch: <br> (Designer: Provide sketch of lane layout. Number each lane and show directions.) |  |
| 2-axle |  |  |  |  |
| 3-axle | See attached |  |  |  |
| 4-axle |  |  |  |  |
| 5-axle |  |  |  |  |
| $\geq 6$-axle |  |  |  |  |
| Percent of Base Year Total AADT for Each Numbered Lane in Configuration Sketch: |  |  | Comments: |  |
| Lane \# 1 | \% 35 |  |  |  |
| Lane \# 2 | \%65 |  |  |  |
| Lane \# | \% |  |  |  |
| Lane \# | \% |  |  |  |
| Lane \# | \% |  |  |  |
| Lane \# | \% |  |  |  |
| Data Provided By: <br> Scott Vockeroth |  | Provider's Signature: |  | Date Provided: <br> 6/23/2022 |

Figure 6-1. Traffic Data Request (TDR) Form


| Please select the project's region to view the Data Fields that are available to request. * |
| :--- | :--- |
| Central |
| Southcoast |

Data Fields Requested: (please pick at least one)*

| Present AADT |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Design Year AADT | (Please specify Year) 2040 |
| Mid-Design Year AADT | (Please specify Year) 2030 |
| Design Hourly Volume (DHV) |  |
| Directional Split (D) |  |
| Percent Trucks |  |
| Road Functional Classification |  |

[^0]Please specify any other requested data fields not listed above:

| Route ID | Route Name | Measure Feature | Location | Attribute1 | Attribute2 | Attribute3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 0.0000 | Route Begin |  |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 0.0000 | Report Begin |  |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 0.0000 AHS | Begin | Alaska Highway System: Road is not on the Alaska Highway System |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 0.0000 Functional Class | Begin | Functional Class: Major Collector |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 0.0000 NHS | Begin | NHS: Not NHS |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 0.0000 Speed | Begin | Posted Speed Limit: 40 |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 0.1272 Speed | End | Posted Speed Limit: 40 |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 0.1272 Speed | Begin | Posted Speed Limit: 40 |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 2.2591 Speed | End | Posted Speed Limit: 40 |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 2.2591 Speed | Begin | Posted Speed Limit: 50 |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 4.4617 FHWA Urban Area | Begin | Urbanized Area Type: Rural Area | Urbanized Area Name: Rural |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 5.8652 Traffic Link | Begin | AADT: 560 | AADT Year: 2020 | Traffic Link ID: AL000910 |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 6.5209 Traffic Link | End | AADT: 560 | AADT Year: 2020 | Traffic Link ID: AL000910 |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 6.5209 Traffic Link | Begin | AADT: 910 | AADT Year: 2020 | Traffic Link ID: AL003167 |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 6.5209 Intersections | Point | Intersection Name: OLD STEESE @ FOX \& Beistline Lane |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 6.9762 Traffic Link | End | AADT: 910 | AADT Year: 2020 | Traffic Link ID: AL003167 |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 6.9762 Traffic Link | Begin | AADT: 800 | AADT Year: 2020 | Traffic Link ID: AL000911 |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 6.9762 Intersections | Point | Intersection Name: OLD STEESE @ FOX \& GOLDSTREAM ROAD |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 7.0398 Speed | End | Posted Speed Limit: 50 |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 7.0398 Speed | Begin | Posted Speed Limit: 40 |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 7.2883 Intersections | Point | Intersection Name: OLD STEESE @ FOX \& Dredge Bucket Road |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 7.5431 Intersections | Point | Intersection Name: OLD STEESE @ FOX \& Conveyor Street |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 7.7934 Intersections | Point | Intersection Name: OLD STEESE @ FOX \& Beth Court |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.0293 Intersections | Point | Intersection Name: OLD STEESE @ FOX \& Kaylee Lane |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.4153 Traffic Link | End | AADT: 800 | AADT Year: 2020 | Traffic Link ID: AL000911 |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.4153 Traffic Link | Begin | AADT: 1200 | AADT Year: 2020 | Traffic Link ID: AL003168 |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.5005 Intersections | Point | Intersection Name: OLD STEESE @ FOX \& Ramp |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.5309 AHS | End | Alaska Highway System: Road is not on the Alaska Highway System |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.5309 FHWA Urban Area | End | Urbanized Area Type: Rural Area Urbanized Area Name: RuralFunctional Class: Major Collector |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.5309 Functional Class | End |  |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.5309 NHS | End | NHS: Not NHS |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.5309 Speed | End | Posted Speed Limit: 40 |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.5309 Traffic Link | End | AADT: 1200 | AADT Year: 2020 | Traffic Link ID: AL003168 |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.5309 | Report End |  |  |  |
| 2581130X000 | Old Steese Hwy (Fairbanks) | 8.5309 | Route End |  |  |  |

## Computations and Historical Data

Project: Old Steese Shoulder Widening

## Historical AADTs

| Traffic |  |  |  |  | Year |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Link | Start MP | Start Feature | End MP | End Feature | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 |
| 1 | 6.521 | Beistline Dr | 6.976 | Goldstream Rd |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 6.976 | Goldstream Rd | 8.415 | Turtle Club Entrance |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | 8.415 | Turtle Club Ent | 8.531 | End of Road |  |  |  |  |  |  |


|  | Year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Link | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| 1 |  | 569 | 731 | 944 | 572 | 566 |  |  | 626 |  | 660 |  |  | 710 |  |
| 2 | 800 | 814 | 790 | 674 | 751 |  |  | 748 |  | 752 |  |  | 814 |  |  |
| 3 | 876 |  |  |  | 1180 |  |  | 1115 |  | 1361 |  |  | 1530 |  |  |


|  | Year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Link | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
| 1 |  | 704 | 810 | 843 |  | 828 | 982 | 1015 | 855 | 968 | 849 | 863 | 1192 | 1041 | 745 |
| 2 |  | 958 | 1100 | 939 | 949 |  | 1381 | 1334 | 1185 | 1225 | 1180 | 1213 | 1380 | 1216 | 1060 |
| 3 |  | 1298 | 1429 | 1528 | 1364 | 1399 | 2149 | 2040 | 1598 | 1777 | 1795 | 1836 | 1717 | 1695 | 1446 |


|  | Year |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Link | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |  |
| 1 | 979 | 818 | 779 | 763 | 910 | 990 |  |
| 2 | 1128 | 1154 | 1065 | 979 | 800 | 870 |  |
| 3 | 1534 | 1530 | 1303 | 1451 | 1200 | 1300 |  |


| Growth Rate | $0.85 \%$ | Based on previous design <br> designations and historical | Growth Factors | Year | Factor |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | trends | 2030 | 1.079 |  |  |
|  |  | 2040 | 1.174 |  |  |

Future AADT

| Year | AADT |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2021 | 1400 |
| 2030 | 1510 |
| 2040 | 1640 |

D Factor (30) 35-65

K-Factor (30) $11.90 \%$ Obtained from Continous Count at Farmers Loop Rd West of Steese Expy

| Design Hourly Volume (DHV) | 2030 | 180 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2040 | 200 |  |

Class Data

| Station ID | Station Description | Year | 4 | Percent by Class |  |  |  |  |  | Total <br> Truck \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 13 |  |
| 13920520 | Farmers Loop West of Steese Expy | 2021 | 0.10 | 3.40 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.75 |
|  | Load F | or | 1.00 | 0.50 | 0.85 | 1.20 | 1.55 | 2.24 | 2.24 |  |
|  | Numbe | Axles | 2/3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7+ |  |

## APPENDIX B

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT SIGNATURE PAGE

## Environmental Documentation Approval Signatures

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Date: 9/30/2021

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Environmental Impact Analysis Manager I

## APPENDIX C

HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM NOMINATION

# STATE OF ALASKA <br> DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION \& PUBLIC FACILITIES Northern Region Traffic \& Safety Section <br> FFY20 Highway Safety Improvement Program Candidate Projects Project Description and Cost Estimate 

## Candidate Project Name:

20NR01 Old Steese @ Fox Shoulder Widening

## Candidate Project Location:

This project is located on the Old Steese @ Fox between the Gold Dredge 8 property and the Steese/Old Steese/Elliott Highway intersection.

## Safety Problem Description:

The north end of the Old Steese Highway at Fox currently has shoulders that vary from a few inches to $2-3$ feet. Crashes in the area are generally from single vehicle run off the road events and have resulted in 1 fatal, 2 serious injury and 2 PDO crashes over the 4 year analysis period. An additional PDO crash was reported in this area from a sideswipe collision. Although not included in benefit cost computations, a SVROR fatal motorcycle crash occurred in spring 2019 within the proposed limits of this project.

## Proposed Mitigation:

To mitigate these crashes, it is proposed to add 6' shoulders to the facility. This portion of the roadway is built on tailings and is stable. Because of the variation in shoulder width, the before condition is assumed to be an average of a 1 ' wide paved shoulder. The proposed width of the future paved shoulder of 6 ' provides a recovery area and as well as accommodate bicycles and pedestrians in this area.

Per the shoulder widening CRF worksheet, providing a 6 ' shoulder where there was once a 1 ' shoulder at an AADT of 1,446 is anticipated to provide a $23 \%$ crash reduction.

## Conformance with the Strategic Traffic Safety Plan:

Reducing lane departure crashes is Strategy 1 of the Roadway Emphasis Area of the Strategic Highway Safety Plan.

## Benefit/Cost Ratio:

This project has a benefit/cost ratio of 0.89:1.

| Preliminary Engineering (Phase 2): | $\$ 400,000$ | FFY 20 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Right of Way (Phase 3): | $\$ 0$ |  |
| Utilities (Phase 7): | $\$ 0$ | FFY 23 |
| Construction (Phase 4): | $\$ 3,625,000$ | FFY 23 |
|  |  |  |
|  | TOTAL: | $\mathbf{\$ 4 , 0 2 5 , 0 0 0}$ |

## HQ Reporting Information

Old Steese @Fox

| CDS Route | 150105 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Milepoint Range | $6.3500-8.568$ |
| Ownership | State |
| Speed Limit | 50 mph south of Goldstream Rd; |
| Functional Class | 40 mph north of Goldstream Road |
| 2015 ADT | Major Collector |
|  | 1446 |

## Attachments

Vicinity Map
Shoulder Widening CMF Worksheet
Project Ranking Worksheet
Construction Cost Estimate
Crash Data



Accidents susceptible to correction: Single Vehicle ROR, Same and Opposite Lane Sideswipe, Head-on
Source: FHWA -RD-99-207
"Prediction of the Expected Performance of Rural Two-Lane Highways"

The composite shoulders represent a shoulder for which 50 percent of the shoulder width is paved and 50 percent of the shoulder width is turf.


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Project Name:
AKSAS \#:
Estimated By: T.Tomasic
Date: 6/27/2019


| Standard Estimating Factors |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| Borrow | 2.0 | tons/cy |
| Subbase | 2.0 | tons/cy |
| D-1 | 2.0 | tons/cy |
| ATB | 2.0 | tons/cy |
| Asphalt Concrete | 110 | lb/sy-in |
| Double AST Agg | 60 | lb/sy |
| High Float Agg | 75 | lb/sy |
| Prime/Tack | 0.2 | gallon/sy |
| Asphalt Oil | 8.2 | Ib/gallon |
| CRS2 Oil | 0.80 | gallon/sy |
| HFMS Oil | 0.75 | gallon/sy |

Item
Remove Structures \& Obstruction
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Clearing \& Grubbing
Excavation
Borrow
Geotextile
Reconditioning
Aggregate Base Course, Grading D-1
ATB
Asphalt Cem PG 52-28
Temporary Pavement
Prime/Tack Coat
Asphalt Concrete

Stormdrain System, Complete Oil/Sediment Separator
Bridge, Complete
Bridge Detour

Guardrail
End Treatments
Concrete Sidewalk
Curb Ramps
Curb \& Gutter

Concrete Barrier

New Traffic Signal ModifyTraffic Signal

Luminaires

Striping, Paint
Striping, Methyl
Special Urban Traffic Markings
Design Comments


| Date Range Chosen |
| :---: |
| 01701/2013-12/3/2016 |

Variable Filters:
Route
OLD STESE @ FOX (150105) From: 0 To: 8.53
Time of report run: 6/18/2019 8:02:51 AM

| Crash Number | Reporting Agency | Route | Milepoint | AADT | DateTime | Street |  | Crash Severity | CU Driver Contributing Circumstance 1 | CU Most Harmful Event |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 201469892 | Alaska State Troopers | 150105 | 6.8396 | 1041 | 10/19/2014 1:11:00 AM | OLD STEESE @ Fox | 1 | Suspected Serious Injury | Ran Off Roadway | Tree (Standing Only) |
| 20163887 | Driver Report | 150105 | 7.0007 | 745 | 1/19/2016 10:15:00 AM | OLD STEESE @ Fox | 2 | No Apparent Injury | Failed to Keep in Proper Lane | Motor Vehicle in-Transport |
| 20135682 | Driver Report | 150105 | 7.002 | 1041 | 10/27/20139:37:00 PM | OLD STEESE @ Fox (CDS Route 150105) | 1 | No Apparent Injury | Null value | Null value |
| 20158924 | Alaska State Troopers | 150105 | 7.2083 | 1060 | 8/2/2015 3:14:00 PM | OLD STEESE @ FOX | 1 | No Apparent Injury | Ran Off Roadway | Overturn/Rollover |
| 201668826 | Alaska State Troopers | 150105 | 7.4123 | 1060 | 7/17/2016 1:41:00 AM | OLD STEESE @ Fox | 1 | Suspected Serious Injury | Ran Off Roadway | Overturn/Rollover |
| 201669948 | Alaska State Troopers | 150105 | 7.4218 | 1060 | 10/22/2016 12:00:00 AM | OLD STEESE @ FOX | 1 | Fatal Injury (killed) | Ran Off Roadway | Overturn/Rollover |
| 20153987 | Driver Report | 150105 | 7.6652 | 1060 | 4/6/2015 3:20:00 PM | OLD STEESE @ FOX | 1 | Null value | Null value | Ditch |
| 20166670 | Alaska State Troopers | 150105 | 7.9441 | 1060 | 4/24/2016 4:52:00 PM | OLD STEESE @ FOX | 2 | Suspected Serious Injury | Unknown | Motor Vehicle In-Transport |
| 201366067 | Driver Report | 150105 | 7.9509 | -2147883648 | 7/5/2013 6:51:00 PM | OLD STEESE @ Fox | 2 | No Apparent Injury | Null value | Motor Vehicle in-Transport |
| 201645719 | Driver Report | 150105 | 8.4475 | 1060 | 6/22/2016 4:00:00 PM | OLD STEESE @ Fox |  | No Apparent Injury | Other Contributing Action/Circumstance | Motor Veeicle in-Transport |

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mitigated with the mitigated with the
proposed project

## APPENDIX D

PAVEMENT DESIGN



## APPENDIX E

PRELIMINARY PLAN AND PROFILE SHEETS









[^0]:    Intersection Turning Movements (Please specify Locations)

