

**PORT OF NOME  
COMPLETION OF THORNBUSH SITE DEVELOPMENT  
GRANT FUNDING STRATEGY**

AGENCY	U.S. Department of Transportation
PROGRAM	PIDP Grants (Port Infrastructure Development Program)
DESCRIPTION	Funding Improvements to Safety, Efficiency & Reliability of the Movement of Goods
FUNDING	\$166.6M (25%) to Small Projects at Small Ports Program (Max \$11.25M per applicant)
ELIGIBILITY	State, local & tribal governments (port infrastructure investment)
FED SHARE	Max \$11.25M (Secretary may elect to fund up to 100% for rural projects)
DEADLINE	April 28, 2023 – 11:59 PM (EST)
PROJECT	PORT OF NOME ADDP – EXPANDED MARINE UTILITIES CONSTRUCTION
APPLICANT	CITY OF NOME
\$\$ REQUEST	\$11.25M

Primary Selection Criteria:

Achieving Safety, Efficiency, or Reliability Improvements  
Support Economic Vitality  
Leveraging Federal Funding  
Port Resilience

Secondary Selection Criteria:

Climate Change & Sustainability  
Equity and Justice<sup>40</sup>  
Workforce Development, Job Quality, and Wealth Creation

PROJECT PURPOSE:

The purpose of this project is to construct marine utilities infrastructure, required to meet vessel demand utilizing the deep-water basin created as part of the Port of Nome Modifications/Expansion in Nome. These combined marine utilities will service deep-draft vessels transiting the Arctic region, via the only coastal deep-water port in the U.S. Arctic. These utilities will also enhance what is becoming a robust and efficient transportation hub within the region, that supports the long-term viability of each of the communities, along with oceanic travel through the Arctic. This project would purchase and install all necessary marine utilities, such as; power, fuel, water, sewer and communications in the new, and expanded portion of the Port of Nome Modifications Project.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

This project will purchase all associated piping, electrical parts and equipment, transformers, catch basins, valve pits, lighting and communications cabling, necessary to install and make operational all elements of the project's utilities. Subject materials will meet all Buy America requirements stipulated on federal projects, and those supported by federal funding programs. The estimated construction schedule is late 2026 or early 2027 completion, with all elements of the project fully operational in 2028.

**PROJECT BUDGET:**

Total Project Costs – Expanded Marine Utilities	\$25M
Federal Funding Requested	\$11.25M
City Contribution (Cash Match)	\$13.75M
Other Contribution	0
Total Funds	\$25M

**REQUEST:**

Support is requested from the Nome Common Council for this application to the USDOT PIDP grant program through a match presently estimated at \$13.75M (via eligible and existing state funds), as required beyond the \$11.25M cap in awarded PIDP funds within the “Small Projects at Small Ports” program to construct the ADDP Expanded Marine Utilities, subject to selection by USDOT, and to enter into an agreement with USDOT for a PIDP Discretionary Grant.

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\*Secretary can choose to fund up to 100% for rural project costs.