PORT OF NOME LOCAL SERVICE FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION GRANT FUNDING STRATEGY

AGENCY	U.S. Department of Transportation
PROGRAM	RAISE Grants (Rebuilding American Infrastructure w/Sustainability & Equity)
DESCRIPTION	Funding Surface Transportation Projects having Significant/Local Regional Impact
FUNDING	\$1.5B Total – 50% to Rural Projects (Project Awards of \$1M Min/\$25M Max)
ELIGIBILITY	State, local & tribal governments (port infrastructure investment)
FED SHARE	Min 80% (Secretary may elect go fund up to 100% for rural projects)
DEADLINE	January 30, 2025 – 11:59 PM (EST)
PROJECT	PORT OF NOME LOCAL SERVICE FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION
APPLICANT	CITY OF NOME
\$\$ REQUEST	\$25M/Federal – \$26.565/Local (estimated – sourced by SOA match funds)

PROJECT PURPOSE:

The purpose of this project is to advance construction of maritime infrastructure critical to the community, region and U.S. Arctic that will support sustainable Arctic economic development, national security, rural Alaskan transportation efficiencies, global marine transportation services, and community-state-federal readiness for a changing Arctic. Also, as Nome serves more than 60 Alaskan communities (primarily rural and indigenous) along the coast with transshipment of machinery, equipment, and goods coming to the port and then sorted for final delivery to the communities in smaller vessels (communities which have very small harbors or beach landing areas only).

This grant application seeks to fund construction of the deep-draft port expansion by positioning the port to improve access to subsistence resources, as well as mariner safety, economic strength, global competitiveness, and climate and sustainability. Construction of this project will provide a protected maritime facility along the Arctic coast the resupply and refuel the critical national security fleet.

The City of Nome is obligated to fund construction of the Local Service Facilities (LSF's) of the project. In Phase 1A (see page 2), these elements consist of docks and roads (utilities coming in subsequent phases), and must be performed parallel to the construction of the federal General Navigation Feature (GNF) that are cost-shared with the Corps. Phase 1A solicitation is near completion with the Corps/City project teams focusing on project integration to deliver the final package for release in late Feb 2025.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Phase 1A will remove the existing Causeway spur and construct a 1200-ft armored slope extension, as part of the GNF components, with a 600-ft sheet pile dock, fenders, bollards, ladders, 3-acre working surface and an access road, reflecting the non-federal LSF features.

Construction is projected to last 3-4 years, based on contractor progress, and multiple other factors. Future phases continue to move forward at various stages of progression, with more information to come available after the Phase 1A construction contract is awarded.

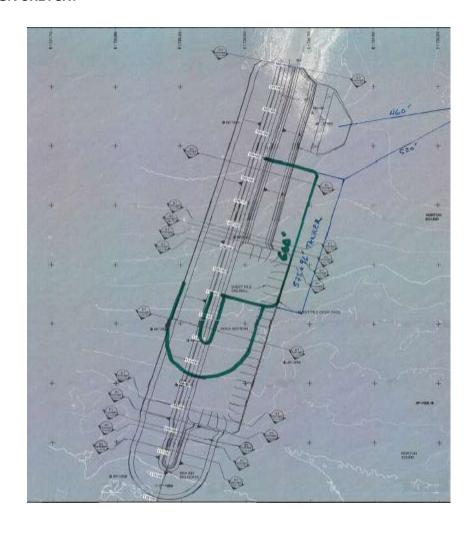
PROJECT BUDGET:

Total LSF estimated costs	\$51,565,000
RAISE Federal Funding Requested	25,000,000
City/SOA Contribution (Cash Match)	26,565,000
Total Funds	\$51,565,000

REQUEST:

Support is requested from the Nome Common Council for the City to apply to the USDOT RAISE grant program to fund a minimum of 80%* of the construction of the Local Service Facilities (LSF's) associated with the Port of Nome Modification Project and Arctic Deep-Draft Port Expansion.

PROJECT DESIGN SKETCH:



^{*}Secretary can choose to fund up to 100% for rural project costs.