



Memo

To: Glenn Steckman – City Manager
From: Joy L. Baker – Port Director *JLB*
CC: Mayor Handeland & Common Council; Port Commission
Date: January 18, 2022
Re: Monthly PD Report/Capital Projects Update – January 2022

Administrative:

Staff continue working collections, statistics, inventory, budget tracking, reporting compliance, maintenance needs, planning, purchasing, training and vessel scheduling for 2022.

The Port Commission will have a Work Session at 5:30pm on Thursday, 20 Jan 2022 to review and discuss a graduated rate scale for gravel exports, and other potential changes to the Port Tariff, followed by a Regular Meeting at 6:30 pm.

Causeway:

Arctic Deep Draft Port – Nome Modifications Pre-Construction Engineering & Design (PED):

Corps/City project managers continue monitoring cost-share updates, schedule, and any necessary budget changes as the federal features (breakwaters/dredging) move through the design phase. Documents reflecting the City's intent to provide work-in-kind efforts are under review by the Pacific Ocean Division (POD-Hawaii), but allowing portions of the federal project out for others to review is a new concept for the Corps, so it is taking some time. Project is on schedule.

Local Service Facilities (LSF) Design Integration:

Bi-weekly meetings continue with the Corps and City design teams for integrating elements of joining the City's Local Service Facilities (LSF), with the Corps' General Navigation Features (GNF), on an aggressive schedule as outlined by the USACE HQ. Design criteria has been scrutinized by each team and all aspects show to be in alignment with original Corps design intent, with 35% design submittals due in early February, and 65% design complete by end of June 2022.

- Anyone with questions on this project can call 907-304-1905 or email jbaker@nomealaska.org
Further info on the project study is located on the Port of Nome page at www.nomealaska.org.

Sediment at Causeway Bridge:

The Corps continues efforts to obtain an official waiver from HQ to secure permission to partner with the City to use real estate owned by SNC/BSNC adjacent to the project to stockpile sediment during excavation.

Harbor:

Inner Harbor CAP 107 Study (Deepen/Widen the Inner Basin):

This project has encountered a hurdle with the Pacific Ocean Division (POD) directing the Alaska District to pursue de-authorization of portions of the federal dredge footprint in the Nome Harbor, along with the East and South Dock sheet pile faces, making them local responsibilities. These

requirements have been identified as necessary steps based on an older Corps policy just being implemented at Nome. De-authorization requires congressional action which takes time, and converts maintenance that has always been federal responsibility, to the City. After further discussion with the Corps, it appears the City has three choices:

- 1/accept the de-authorization path and the Corps will move forward with the TSP #4 milestone;
- 2/terminate the Corps study and the project goes to file 13;
- 3/elevate the problem to the Congressional Delegation to seek some type of remedy;

Discussion with the Corps continues.

Concrete Launch Ramp Replacement Project:

The launch ramp project is now lying dormant for winter at 97% completion, with the remaining work scheduled for late spring/early summer of 2022.

Snake River Moorage & Vessel Haulout Facility:

City personnel continue to search for applicable funding vehicle to develop this project.

Port Industrial Pad:

West Nome Tank Farm (Property Conveyance):

The City continues to work with JBER and HQ USAF personnel to understand the remaining steps required to complete the property conveyance to the City. At this time, it is anticipated the final documents could be signed sometime around Oct/Nov 2021. In the meantime, the City and NJUS continue collaborating on development of the site for relocating the NJUS tank farm, and defining vessel lay down closer to the ramp.

Port Rd. Improvements (ADOT Project cost-shared with City/Port):

ADOT expects the project solicitation period to be during spring 2022, with construction in summer 2022.

Italics reflects no change in project information from previous report.

Additional details available upon request.