



Top Petersburg Borough Projects FY 2027

Approved, and prioritized in a public meeting January 5, 2026, by the Petersburg Assembly

Projects awaiting distribution of funds.

1. **Banana Point Boat facilities – Awaiting distribution of \$2M in funding from 2024.**
Expansion and improvements for the Banana Point Boat facilities that improve transportation of goods and passengers between Petersburg and other communities in Southeast Alaska.

\$2.0M to finish off the current project.

2. **Engineering and disinfectant study for Wastewater Plant Improvements- Awaiting distribution of partial funding (\$8M):**

After 14 years of administrative extensions of the Petersburg NPDES discharge permit, and 19 years since the last permit renewal, the EPA commenced the permit renewal process in 2022. The new permit, with updated State of Alaska water quality certification, will be complete by the end of 2024. To comply with updated regulations borne out of the discharge permit renewal process, the Borough must significantly upgrade its wastewater treatment plant.

Engineering for the new Wastewater Plant system and the Disinfectant Study - \$2M
Construction for Plant modifications - \$12M to \$15M

Projects awaiting funding

1. **Replacement Petersburg Medical Center – Awaiting future funding**

Phase 1 – Site Development	complete
Phase 2 – Wellness, Education & Resource Center (WERC)	complete
Phase 3 - Long Term Care Center: Interior/Furniture/Fixtures	\$32M
Phase 4 - Main Hospital Building: Interior/Furniture/Fixtures	\$35M
TOTAL	\$67M

Replacement of Petersburg Medical Center (PMC) is urgently needed due to failing systems and obsolete infrastructure in the Borough-owned Critical Access Hospital. Both Phase 1: Site Development and Phase 2: Construction and full interior build-out/FF&E of the Wellness, Education & Resource Center were completed on time and under budget as of 2025. The Borough's highest priority for FY27 is Phase 3: Construction and full interior build-out/FF&E of the Long-Term Care Center. Swift completion

of this phase is critical, as Petersburg has no local alternative for our residents in Long Term Care (LTC). If services are disrupted by a generator, plumbing, or other potentially imminent systems failure, current LTC residents would be forced to evacuate the community for emergency displacement. Phase 4: Construction and full interior build-out/FF&E of the Main Hospital is the next and final project component. Each phase is essential to maintaining continuity of vital healthcare services – PMC is the sole hospital serving Petersburg Borough and surrounding remote communities. We are actively seeking funding to complete the replacement Petersburg Medical Center and sustain access to comprehensive, cost-effective, modern healthcare where we live, work, and raise our families.

2. **Papke's Landing Facility** – As an island community, transportation for people, goods and services is heavily reliant on water transportation. The Petersburg Borough Assembly has prioritized improvements to Papke's Landing to improve various components of the facility, including the Dock, launch ramp, floats, equipment storage and long-term parking, for Papke's Landing Facility. This will help to improve transportation for off-island residents and hunting and fishing lodges in the area.
Conceptual Design \$40,000
3. **Addition of ADA ramps for the South Harbor** – ADA ramps will help facilitate easier access to the main Petersburg commercial district for visitors and residents who require less of a slope to access the Community and Harbor. **\$3.0M.**
4. **Design for Petersburg Airport Bypass Road** – Development of the project plan, engineering and construction estimates, for the Airport bypass road. **\$2M**

This development project would provide utilities, a paved road and open a large area in the community for commercial and residential property. The road is currently used as a “haul” road and runs adjacent to the Petersburg Airport.

5. **Expansion of the Children's Center** - Child care, particularly after-school care, is a critical service for working families in Petersburg. This expansion project would be efficient, convenient, necessary, almost shovel ready. The land is available at no cost and zoned. Conceptual drawings are completed and construction costs professionally estimated. It would accommodate approximately 30-40 school age children. Its location next to the elementary school would be perfect for the students and the staff of the current Children's Center. **\$2.24M**
6. **Volunteer Fire Department Training Area** – As the community continues to expand, the need to improve the training area for the Volunteer Fire Department has become more important. The training area includes access to fire hydrants, a multi-floor training building and areas to store equipment for use in supporting fire response farther out from downtown. This request, if funded, would allow the Borough to purchase and develop land for this purpose. **\$100,000**
7. **Petersburg Community Cold Storage** - In recent years, the Petersburg Community Cold Storage facility has transitioned from freezing mostly Headed & Gutted fish to supporting several value-added fish businesses, including several direct marketers. To make operations more effective, increase volumes, and better enable the value-added businesses that utilize this shared processing facility, PEDC hopes to create new DEC-approved space on an existing loading dock. **\$250,000**
 - a. The creation of the new, covered, DEC-approved space on the loading dock transforms the operation by:

- b. **Converting Unusable Space into Productive, Compliant Space:** It converts a single use loading dock into a sanitary area with cover that can be used for critical processing, staging, or handling of fish, directly impacting the flow and capacity of the entire facility.
- c. **Facilitating Value-Added Processes:** By providing dedicated, regulatory-compliant space, it allows the value-added businesses to work more efficiently and potentially expand their product lines, which often involve filleting, custom cuts, or packaging that must occur in a clean environment.
- d. **Improving Flow and Bottleneck Management:** The added space likely acts as a buffer or pre-processing area, reducing bottlenecks inside the main facility and making the overall movement of fish from delivery to processing and freezing smoother and faster.

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