



FACT SHEET

Highway-to-Highway (H2H) Project

Seward Highway to Glenn Highway Connection

Federal Project No: NH-000S(588)

AKSAS Project No: 58544

Background: Connecting the Seward Highway to the Glenn Highway was discussed as early as the *1972 Long Range Transportation Plan* (LRTP). In 2001 the Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS) initiated the *East Anchorage Study of Transportation* (EAST). The EAST study concluded that connecting the Seward and Glenn Highways was essential to solving traffic congestion in Anchorage. When AMATS embarked on a new LRTP, the Seward Highway to Glenn Highway Connection (H2H) project was included and adopted in 2005 as part of the *2025 Anchorage Bowl Long Range Transportation*.

Scope: The intent of the H2H project expressed in the LRTP is to construct a freeway connection between Tudor Road on the Seward Highway and Bragaw Street on the Glenn Highway. The project study area, alternatives, and termini for the project will be determined through the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process.

“Linking the highways is crucial to meet Anchorage transportation needs. But far more important is how the link is done. Context-sensitive design will be used....”

~ LRTP p. 116

Schedule: Public and agency scoping meetings for the project will occur later this summer and fall. The environmental review document will be completed over the next three years. Construction is anticipated to start in 2013 to 2015.

Budget: According to the LRTP, the cost of the H2H project is \$581 million in 2005 dollars. Cost estimates will be updated during the NEPA process.

Status: Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF) and the Federal Highway Administration, working with the Municipality of Anchorage are now beginning the NEPA process. The DOT&PF has contracted with HDR Alaska, Inc. to provide engineering and environmental services for the project.

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