

# NSHC New Nome Hospital Critical Activities and Timelines

## Planning and Design for the New Nome Hospital

Detailed planning for the replacement facility to meet the Indian Health Service program commitments for Alaska Natives and American Indians residing within the Bering Strait Region is nearly complete.

### IHS Planning Documents

The construction site has been selected and approved by the IHS.

*Site Selection Phase II* evaluation detailing the site is complete.

*Environmental Assessment* resulting in a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) issued by the IHS is complete.

All healthcare services and staffing have been approved by the IHS.

*Program Justification Document (PJD)* has been amended to reflect the current and projected regional healthcare service delivery provided by NSHC including sub-regionalized services, village clinics, telemedicine, and the approved IHS user population.

*Resources Requirements Methodology (RRM)* reflecting the PJD healthcare programs and staffing has been approved. Supporting service staffing is being finalized. A comprehensive RRM document is being drafted for review and approval by the IHS.

*Program Of Requirements (POR)* including the approved programs and staffing has been drafted for final review and approval by the IHS.

### NSHC Design

In partnership with the Denali Commission, funding has been made available to complete planning activities and begin the pre-design for the new hospital campus. In close coordination with the IHS, who has provided contract, engineering, architectural, and project management technical team members from Seattle and Anchorage, a design A/E team has been selected.

Design scope, schedules, contract terms, and fees are being developed.

Pre-design activities critical to the project have been identified that are not dependent on the final approval of the IHS POR.

## Pre-Design

Incorporating the IHS approved healthcare programs and services for the new facility.

*Program Verification & Regional Travel* will begin after the conclusion of the Iditarod sled dog race which ends in Nome in late March. The design A/E team will meet with hospital staff to review and validate current services, NSHC master planning and IHS planning documents. Additional travel will follow in April to the six enhanced clinic villages within the region, that will host representatives from the nine surrounding villages, to capture within the design process, village culture, isolation, and service needs for the Nome hospital facility.

*Site Development Plan and Concepts* will build on the site and program information already completed incorporating the knowledge gathered from regional travel by the design A/E team to prepare an overall site development plan for the approved site.

## Design

Design schedules have been developed reflecting the approved healthcare services and projected IHS POR. Finalizing the scope of these activities to negotiate a design contract will require an approved POR.

*Schematics* will be formally reviewed and approved by the IHS to ensure consistency with the POR and will be completed this October.

*Construction Support Staging Pad* identified in the site development plan will support equipment and material staging. Design will be completed in the summer for construction this fall.

*Design Development* of the project will require six months of design, concluding in the summer of 2006, will finalize the details of healthcare services and public flow within the building.

*Construction Document* preparation is the lengthiest phase of the design and will span a full year. These documents will finalize the engineering and architectural details necessary to construct the building. During this phase two stand alone packages will be developed.

- **Building Pad & Piling Package** will be prepared to allow for the construction of the building foundation gravel pad to be placed in the fall of 2006. Piling will be purchased for a fall 2006 barge, staged on the new building pad and driven in the spring of 2007.
- **Steel Procurement & Erection Package** will be prepared near the end of the design for the complete fabrication and placement of the steel superstructure on site in the summer of 2007 delivered with an early barge. NSHC anticipates IHS funding coupled with an initial Title V agreement for this work.

*Final Construction Documents* will be preceded by 95% documents that are comprehensively reviewed to develop final plans that will be formally approved by the IHS in the summer of 2007.

NSHC anticipates a Title V agreement with the IHS for construction of the hospital based on these documents. Construction contracts and material components will be in place for major construction in 2008.

## Time Line Summary

### Pre-Design

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| Program Verification & Regional Travel | March – April |
| Site Development Plan & Concepts       | May – June    |

### POR Approval

April

### Design

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| Schematics                      | August – November |
| Design Development Complete     | Summer 2006       |
| Construction Documents Complete | Summer 2007       |

### Pre-Construction

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| Staging Pad                       | Summer 2005        |
| Building Pad & Piling Procurement | Summer – Fall 2006 |
| Piling Placement                  | Spring 2007        |

### Construction

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| Steel Procurement & Erection | Spring – Summer 2007 |
| Begin Core and Shell         | Summer 2008          |

## Outstanding Funding Needs

Denali Commission funding has been made available to complete pre-design and design activities through schematic development.

Additional funding to complete the design will need to be available in FY06.

Funding support to complete the identified pre-construction activities in FY06 will support initial IHS construction funding in FY07 for the Steel Procurement & Erection with follow-up appropriations to begin the core and shell in 2008.