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**Alaska to Receive \$2 Million for Rural Road Maintenance**  
*Bureau of Indian Affairs announces \$500 million nationwide*

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has announced that Alaska will receive \$6,835,000 from two programs, the BIA's Road Maintenance Program and the Housing Improvement Program, through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

Forty-six communities across the state will receive parts of \$3,351,000 for the repair of roads and bridges that are the responsibility of the Department of the Interior. Projects aim to increase the percentage of roads in "acceptable condition," based on the Road Maintenance program performance measure, from 14 percent to at least 18 percent over the next two years.

"This spending will help create and preserve jobs in communities looking to rebound from our current economic climate," said Sen. Mark Begich. "With \$1 billion expected to come to Alaska, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides much needed infrastructure spending for rural communities. This spending helps to ensure work for Alaskans that are providing for their families and making ends meet."

In addition to road maintenance, Alaska will be receiving \$3,484,000 through BIA's Housing Improvement Program. The program funds construction of new homes for eligible rural families. Funding will be allocated to communities that have proven both a need and a capacity to operate within the expedited timeframe of the ARRA.

Alaska's \$6.8 million is part of \$500 million announced by the BIA through the ARRA. Nationwide funding includes allotments for Housing Improvement, Workforce Training, Construction Workforce On-the-Job Training in Maintenance, School Replacement Construction, Road Maintenance, School Replacement and Repairs, Detention Center Maintenance and Repairs and funding for the Indian Guaranteed Loan Program.

Included below is a listing of communities and project cost estimates for awarded road maintenance projects.

For more information on these programs, go to [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov).

<b>Unit/ Facility</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>
AKHIOK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$5,620
AKUTAN	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$31,295
ALEKNAGIK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$66,880
ATKA	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$1,594
CHIGNIK LAGOON	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$55,338
CHIGNIK LAKE	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$14,819
CHEESH-NA (Chistochina)	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$2,069
CLARKS POINT	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$25,152
CURYUNG (Dillingham)	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$38,470
EKLUTNA	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$45,944
EKUK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$12,723
ILIAMNA	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$45,604
KOKHANOK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$49,867
NEW KOLIGANEK (Koliganek)	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$44,695
LEVELOCK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$43,796

PAULOFF HARBOR	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$149,447
NAKNEK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$129,938
NEW STUYAHOK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$19,825
NONDALTON	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$16,274
PORT LIONS	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$16,305
PORTAGE CREEK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$17,162
SOUTH NAKNEK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$44,086
SAINT GEORGE	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$54,059
TWIN HILLS	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$38,883
TYONEK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$3,545
UGASHIK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$2,461
QAWALANGIN (UNALASKA)	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$3,545
UNGA	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$53,192
CHENEGA (Chanega)	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$1,811
KWETHLUK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$7,158
LIME VILLAGE	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$6,147

ASA'CARSARMIUT	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$2,895
NAPASKIAK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$7,664
EVANSVILLE	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$2,461
MC GRATH	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$47,988
NIKOLAI	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$10,483
NORTHWAY	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$4,412
KOYUK	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$4,412
UNALAKLEET	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$1,160
CRAIG	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$60,129
HYDABURG	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$38,016
KAKE	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$231,182
CHILKAT (Klukwan)	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$9,171
PETERSBURG	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$802,101
SAXMAN	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$6,147
WRANGELL	ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT	\$2,028

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