

Legislative Update



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## For immediate release:

Good Afternoon-

This interim has proved very busy with both Senate and House committees traveling and conducting hearings throughout Alaska. A lot of the focus has centered on "energy." Thank you, to everyone that took time to express your concerns to the committees. There is a hearing scheduled in Haines (Southeast region) and one in Dillingham (October 9th-10th). I will keep you informed of the outcomes from these hearings.

I have also attached a couple of spreadsheets that reflect grant opportunities available through the American Reinvestment Recovery Act (ARRA). For those looking for more information, please visit our Denali Commission Clearing web-site at [www.akclearinghouse.com](http://www.akclearinghouse.com).

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## FY 2011 Capital Budget Proposals

Governor Parnell's administration has started their work on compiling next year's Operating and Capital budgets. I highly recommend, that communities submit their requests to the Governor's office as soon as possible.

In submitting your Capital project proposal, communities should prioritize their projects based on public health, public safety, education and the potential for matching funds (i.e. federal or private grants).

### **Governor Parnell's office contact for FY10 Capital Budget proposals:**

Proposals should be sent to:

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*Please send a copy to my office.*

## FY 2011 Legislative Capital Project Program

Last session, the Legislature initiated a new "on-line" application process to submit a community Capital project proposal.

How it works; each Legislature's office authorizes and sets-up an on-line "code" for each community in their district that is going to submit a Capital project proposal; the code is e-mailed to the community; the community grant administrator goes to the web-site and signs-in using their code and completes the application process.

This new process proved to be a success. Over the interim, staff has continued to tweak and improve the process.

*I will be sending out a notice to our communities when we start accepting applications.*