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Memorandum

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To Senate District S Communities
Re: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)
Legislature – Clearing House Update

Below is information that I thought you would find helpful:

This is the Alaska Clearinghouse's first Bi-Monthly Update. After initial completion of the web site, these updates will include new information on the grant opportunities/deadlines recently added to the Clearinghouse web site. New items posted to www.denali.gov under the Alaska Clearinghouse webpage include:

Federal Funding Opportunities: The opportunities are presented according to interest (e.g. Transportation, Public Safety, etc.). As an example of how the Clearinghouse envisions each area's appearance, please visit the Housing and Community Development section. This area will serve as an example for federal agencies of the formatting and appearance the Clearinghouse anticipated subsequent tabs will employ.

Info By Topic: We have added the meeting minutes and presentations from the April 14, 2009 Grants Symposium. The meeting minutes provide an excellent, introductory look at the federal agencies offering ARRA opportunities.

Self Registry: We have added this section to accommodate those offering and requesting specific assistance with ARRA funding that is outside the preview of the Clearinghouse. As a Federal Agency we are not authorized to refer individuals; however, we are offering a place for people to sign up and offer their assistance. Please visit the Self Registry section for disclosure information and details.

Calendar of Events: We have added a calendar of events specifically for ARRA deadlines. Available grants posted at www.grants.gov are populated to this calendar. As deadline information arises, the calendar will be continually updated. Please check the calendar for upcoming deadlines and contact the Clearinghouse with an additional deadline information of which you may be aware.

Media: The first Clearinghouse Results Report and relevant press releases can be found on the web site.

The Clearinghouse has gathered a great deal of project information in the past few weeks and are continuously working on packaging grant opportunities with matching project information. When something comes up that may be applicable to your project, we will contact you.

Please let me know if this update has been helpful. The Clearinghouse has seen a lot of change in the past few weeks; in the future, I do not anticipate these updates being so lengthy, but it is important to make sure everyone is aware of the evolution of the Clearinghouse web site.

Please feel free to contact our team with any questions or suggestions at akclearinghouse@denali.gov

Have a great weekend!