

Welcome!

Safer Seward Highway

Seward Highway MP 98.5–118
(Bird Flats to Rabbit Creek) Reconstruction

Project No.: Z566310000 / OA31034

SAFER



Seward Highway

The Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is hosting public hearings for the Safer Seward Highway Environmental Assessment (EA) and the Draft Individual Section 4(f) Evaluation. These formal public hearings will be conducted in accordance with the DOT&PF Environmental Procedures Manual.

Purpose:


The purpose of the project is to reduce crash rates and severity, improve mobility and reliability for all users, and safely accommodate mixed uses in the corridor. The proposed action is to construct a divided four-lane highway with a separate pedestrian pathway.


What To Expect:

Here is what you can expect today, as well as during the comment period. Your engagement will make the environmental assessment a success.


We Are Here: Public Hearings


 **Girdwood**
Girdwood Library
January 13, 2026


 **Anchorage**
Anchorage Loussac Library
January 14, 2026

 **Indian**
Valley Bible Chalet
January 15, 2026

5:00 – 5:45 PM  **Meet & Greet with Project Team**
Check out posters and learn more.

5:45 – 6:15 PM  **Orientation & Presentation**
Please save your questions for our subject-matter experts at the poster session.

6:15 – 7:15 PM  **Public Hearing**
3 minutes for individuals.
5 minutes for group/agency.
You are welcome to sign up for public or private testimony.

7:30 PM  **Public Hearing Concludes**
Thank you for coming.
Please submit comments by February 12, 2026.

Open Now

Public Comment Period on the Draft EA:

Dec. 29, 2025 – Feb. 12, 2026

The Draft EA is available now.

To review please scan here:

safersewardhighway.com/draft-ea



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Providing Effective Public Comments

Comments are not votes. The number of comments does not matter; the substance of the comment does.

HELPFUL COMMENTS

Including these elements makes a comment more helpful:

- ▶ Talk about specific impacts.
- ▶ Reference data or specific language that you are concerned about.
- ▶ Identify new or unknown information.
- ▶ Describe specific actions for agencies to take.

LESS HELPFUL COMMENTS

These elements do not improve the environmental review and are less helpful.

- ▶ Statement opposing or supporting a project or action with no details.
- ▶ Opinions without supporting information or data.
- ▶ Asking for a project to be approved or denied.

Ways to Comment

All comments are considered equally! If you send one comment in by one method, there is no need to send the same comment in by another method.

Send us an email:

info@safersewardhighway.com

Fill out the digital comment form on our website.

Give testimony at our public hearings

Sign up at the welcome table:

- ▶ 3 minutes for individuals
- ▶ 5 minutes for groups/agencies

Fill out a hard copy comment form and mail it to us at:

Safer Seward Highway
c/o HDR
582 E 36 Ave Ste 500,
Anchorage, AK 99503

What will happen after?

After the public comment period and hearings, the project team reviews and responds to all comments, making any necessary revisions to the document. Once updates are complete, a Final EA is prepared and the DOT&PF will make a decision, which may include issuing a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) or requiring further analysis.

Thank you for participating!

