

ALASKA COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN'S MEMORIAL IN JUNEAU

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The Alaska Commercial Fishermen's Memorial applies for \$40,000 from FY 14 Marine Passenger Fee Proceeds to maintain and repair the Memorial; we are concerned about damage that has occurred to the Memorial that negatively affect its appearance and that compromise its structural integrity.

The Memorial is heavily used by cruise ship passengers, is located on the waterfront, is part of the CBI's recreation and historic infrastructure, has long been a CBI-supported project that enhances the tourism experience, and repairing and maintaining the Memorial addresses the safety and accessibility of cruise ship passengers to and around the Memorial.

Silicon sealant in five panel joints on the Memorial was recently removed and replaced and patched in several other joints. The joint sealant needs to be repaired each year. The sealant has reached the end of its effective life and needs to be replaced. In addition, two panels on the Memorial have been damaged by pile driving next to the Memorial last year. The panel on the north side of the stairs to the Memorial is damaged beyond repair and needs to be replaced. The temporary repair on that panel has been cosmetic only. The panel hangs on clips and the back side of the panel receivers are broken and cannot be repaired. The damage is not visible from the outside. The granite sealant is what is partially holding this panel in place. This is the second incident of CBI construction damage to the same panel. The contract consultant inspection photo file will show that there was no damage prior to pile driving.

Also, a panel on the upland side of the ramp to the Memorial is broken. Both the "ramp" panel and the "stair" panel were damaged during harbor's dock and building construction. Finally, the pile driving that occurred last year was within 6 feet of the Memorial, toward the Twisted Fish. There are numerous cracks in the concrete ramp to the Memorial because of this pile driving that should be repaired.

Very truly yours,

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Bruce B. Weyhrauch, for
Alaska Commercial Fishermen's Memorial in Juneau

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