

Did You Know?

... that a **rigorous financial analysis** is a prerequisite for the Knik Arm toll bridge!

The process involves federal, state, and private investors all scrutinizing the project to make sure Alaskans will have an affordable, buildable, and sustainable project.

It's good business to have a financial plan — and it's required by law

Federal and state laws require that the Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority have a sound financial plan — before construction begins. KABATA is preparing a financial plan that includes federal, state, and private funding sources — each with its own system of fiscal checks and balances.

Federal funding is a part of the plan

Federal funds have been designated for the Knik Arm toll bridge, so a federal financial crosscheck is required. Also, the project's proposed use of government loans (to be repaid with toll revenue) requires an examination of the project's financial plan.

The private sector contributes

The use of private sector funds allows for another type of financial review. KABATA, as a toll authority, will be financing a portion of the project with Wall Street and other private sector bonds that will be repaid with toll revenue. An investment grade financial analysis is required before these revenue bonds can be sold.

State funding provides a portion

Federal transportation funds require a state match. Through analysis of the financial plan, Alaska's Governor and Legislators can determine if the project is in Alaska's best interest.

Look for continuing information about technical findings from the Knik Arm Crossing project.

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