

# Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure U.S. House of Representatives

Bill Shuster Chairman Washington, **BC** 20515

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AMENDED COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

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CONSTRUCTION
U.S. LAND PORT OF ENTRY
ALEXANDRIA BAY, NY
PNY-BSC-AB15

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Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for Phase I of a two-phase construction project, including commercial inspection lanes, a new veterinary services building, an impound lot, a main administration building, non-commercial inspection lanes, a new non-commercial secondary inspection plaza, new non-intrusive inspection buildings, and employee and visitor parking areas, to replace the existing land port of entry in Alexandria Bay, New York, at additional design cost of \$3,500,000, an estimated construction cost of \$93,216,000 and a management and inspection cost of \$8,854,000 for a total Phase I cost of \$105,570,000, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution. This resolution amends the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure resolution of September 20, 2006 amending the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure resolution of July 21, 2004.

*Provided*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

Adopted: July 16, 2014

Bill Shuster, M.C.

Chairman

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#### **FY2015 Project Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) requests approval for construction of facilities to replace the existing land port of entry (LPOE) in Alexandria Bay, NY, and funding in support of Phase I of this two-phase project. The project includes commercial inspection lanes, a new veterinary services building, an impound lot, a main administration building, non-commercial inspection lanes, a new non-commercial secondary inspection plaza, new non-intrusive inspection (NII) buildings, and employee and visitor parking areas. The project will meet the current and future operational requirements of the tenant agencies and be flexible to adapt to future changes.

FY2015 House Committee Approval Requested
(Additional Design, Phase I & II ECC, Phase I & II M&I).....\$206,041,000

FY2015 Senate Committee Approval Requested (Additional Design, Phase I & II ECC, Phase I & II M&I).....\$32,476,000

## FY2015 Appropriation Requested

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GSA has worked closely with DHS program offices responsible for developing and implementing security technology at the Land Ports of Entry (LPOE's). These programs include United States Visitor and Immigrant Status Indicator Technology (US-VISIT), Radiation Portal Monitors (RPM's) and Advanced Spectroscopic Portal (ASPs) monitors, and Land Border Integration (formerly Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI) and Non-Intrusive Inspection (NII), Outbound Inspection, and Port Hardening/Absconder programs. This prospectus contains the funding of infrastructure requirements for each program known at the time of prospectus development since these programs are at various stages of development and implementation. Additional funding by a Reimbursable Work Authorization (RWA) may be required to provide for as yet unidentified elements of each of these programs to be implemented at this port.

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## Overview of Project

The proposed project will address traffic issues by expanding the queuing area, increasing the number of primary inspection lanes, increasing the area for secondary inspection, providing safe and secure vehicle parking, and a safe well-defined truck queuing and maneuvering areas.

The project is proposed in two phases. Phase I includes a commercial inspection warehouse with inspection bays, commercial inspection lanes (with split-level booths for either commercial or non-commercial), a new veterinary services building, impound lot, and a portion of the elevated parking over the commercial side. In addition, the two remaining necessary parcels of land will be acquired in Phase I.

Phase II includes main administration building, a new outbound inspection facility, non-commercial inspection lanes, a new non-commercial secondary inspection plaza, new non-intrusive inspection (NII) buildings, and employee and visitor parking areas.

Site Information	New York
Government Owned	
To Be Acquired	10 acres
Building Area	
Building (including canopies and structured parking)	261,000 gsf
Building (excluding canopies and structured parking)	116,000 gsf
Outside parking spaces	50
Inside parking spaces	5
Structured parking spaces	134

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Project Budget
Site Acquisition
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Total Site Acquisition
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Design (FY 2005 and FY 2008)
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Additional Design (FY 2015)3,500,000
Total Design\$21,095,000
Estimated Construction Cost (ECC)
Phase I (FY 2015)
Phase II (future year request)91,617,000
Total ECC <sup>2</sup>
Site Development Cost <sup>3</sup> \$82,865,000
Building Costs (includes inspection canopies) (\$391/gsf)\$101,968,000
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Management and Inspection (M&I)
Phase I (FY 2015)
Phase II (future year request)8,854,000
Total M&I\$17,708,000
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Estimated Total Project Cost (ETPC)*\$226,601,000
*Tenant agencies may fund an additional amount for alterations above the standard normally
provided by the GSA.
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 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ECC is broken into two parts – Site Development Costs and Building Costs
 <sup>3</sup> Site development costs include grading, utilities, paving and demolition of existing facilities.

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Location

The site is located at the existing LPOE on Interstate Route 81 n Alexandria Bay, NY.

Schedule	Start	End
Design	FY2008	FY2010 <sup>4</sup>
Construction Phase 1 Phase 2	FY2015 FY2017	FY2018 FY2019

### **Tenant Agencies**

U.S. Department of Agriculture - Animal Plant Health Inspection Service; Department of Homeland Security — Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Customs and Border Protection; Food and Drug Administration; General Services Administration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Design refresh to be completed upon receipt of project funds requested in this prospectus.

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#### Justification

The existing facility does not meet the current and future operational needs of the inspection agencies at the port. The lack of an adequate commercial cargo inspection facility is hampering the safe and secure execution of CBP and other tenant agencies' missions.

The short distance between the international border and the primary commercial inspection area is inadequate for vehicle queuing. Given the limited capacity of the US-bound bridges and roadways, the Thousand Island Bridge Authority (TIBA) currently limits the number of vehicles (in Canada) that can proceed through to the crossing. This results in significant queuing of commercial vehicles on the Canadian roadways entering the crossing and sometimes back to Highway 401. The bridges are not designed to handle prolonged periods of dead load associated with stationary commercial traffic. In addition, the removal of significant amounts of rock is necessary to allow for increased program and vehicle circulation.

The existing main building does not accommodate the current and future needs of the tenants. The existing commercial building barely has enough space to unload a single truck and the office component is housed in mobile trailers. The projected increases in traffic volume and implementation of new security procedures necessitate an increase in the LPOE workforce beyond the capacity of the existing facility.

#### **Summary of Energy Compliance**

This project will be designed to conform to requirements of the Facilities Standards for the Public Buildings Service and implement strategies to meet the Guiding Principles for High Performance and Sustainable Buildings. GSA encourages design opportunities to increase energy and water efficiency above the minimum performance criteria.

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## **Prior Appropriations**

Public Law	Fiscal Year	Amount	Purpose
108-447	2005	\$8,884,000	Site acquisition & design
110-161	2008	\$11,676,000	Additional site acquisition & design to meet expanded scope
Appropriat	ions to Date	\$20,560,000	

# **Prior Committee Approvals**

	Alexandria Bay Land Prior Committee		
Committee	Date	Amount	Purpose
House T&I	7/21/2004	\$8,884,000	Design = \$8,684,000; Site acquisition = \$200,000
Senate EPW	11/17/2004	\$8,884,000	Design = \$8,684,000; Site acquisition = \$200,000
House T&I	9/20/2006	\$11,676,000	Additional design = \$8,911,000; additional site acquisition = \$2,765,000
Senate EPW	9/27/2006	\$11,676,000	Additional design = \$8,911,000; additional site acquisition = \$2,765,000
Senate EPW	12/8/2011	\$173,565,000	Construction = \$160,990,000; M&I = \$12,575,000
Approvals to Dat	e (House T&I)	\$20,560,000	
Approvals to Dat	e (Senate EPW)	\$194,125,000	

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#### **Alternatives Considered**

GSA owns and maintains the existing facilities at this port of entry; thus no alternative other than Federal construction was considered.

## Recommendation

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Approved:

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.
Submitted at Washington, DC, on March 6, 2014
Recommended:  Commissioner, Public Buildings Scrvice
Approved:  Administrator, General Services Administration

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Restrooms

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Special Space

Notes.

USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building

Office Utilization Rate = total office space available for office personnel. UR calculation excludes office support space USF.

<sup>3</sup> Total Building USF Rate = total building USF (office, storage, special) available for all building occupants (office, and non-office personnel)