

MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education
Committee Members

DATE: January 21, 2025

NUMBER: 25-068

FROM: Office of the Superintendent

SUBJECT: Approval of Preliminary
FY-27 Six-Year Capital
Improvement Plan

ABSTRACT

Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) School Construction Grant applications for FY 2027 are due September 1, 2025. Board approval of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) priorities is a requirement of the application process.

ISSUE

At issue is Board approval of the preliminary projects for the Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan for FY 2027.

BACKGROUND AND/OR PERTINENT INFORMATION

Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) School Construction Grant applications for FY 2027 are due by September 1, 2025, and Board approval of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) priorities is a requirement of the application process. The Six-Year CIP is used to prioritize projects and establish the order of construction for District capital improvement projects. The School Board annually updates the Six-Year CIP. The District submits grant applications for the projects identified for the first year of the plan.

Approval is requested by the Regional School Board of the preliminary Six-Year CIP in January so that applications and support documentation may be prepared between now and September. Final approval of the Six-Year CIP will be requested in August. Modifications to the list may occur between now and August based on what is funded by the legislature in FY26 budgets. Slight project modifications may also be made to project's Scope of Work and estimated costs as informed by the design and application work that will occur between January and August. It is assumed that Districtwide Fire Systems Replacement, 6 sites, will be funded by the legislature in FY26 based on it's ranking as #3 on their priority list. Roughly \$13M is needed from the legislature for this project and the #1 and #2 projects to be funded. No other NWABSD projects are expected to be fully funded this legislative session.

Attached is a proposed preliminary FY 2027 – FY 2032 Six-Year CIP list that includes a description of the proposed projects, and their anticipated costs at this time.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. JMCC concurrence for Board approval of the preliminary FY 2027 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan, as presented.
2. JMCC revisions to the preliminary FY 2027 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan.

3. Take no action.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends approval of the preliminary FY27 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan, as presented.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Proposed preliminary FY 2027 Six-Year CIP

Preliminary FY 27 SIX YEAR CIP AS RECOMMENDED BY

JOINT MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

District Priority	Primary Purpose	Project Title & Description	SOA Aid	Estimated Project Cost
1	B	Deering K-12 Replacement School – new school on new site to replace overcrowded and worn-out facility. The existing site is not large enough to accommodate an addition without removal of the playground and relocating teacher housing off-site. In addition, many building components are beyond their use expectancy.	X	\$59,500,000

**FY 2027 TOTAL
\$59,500,000**

	Primary Purpose	Project Title & Description	SOA Aid	Estimated Project Cost
		Projects not funded in FY 27 – It is anticipated resources will not be available to fund all requirements. They will take priority for FY 28.	X	Balance of FY 27 requests
2	C	Buckland K-12 School Exterior Envelope Renewal- replacement of roofing, doors and windows at the end of their useful life. Replacement of interior floor finishes. A small building addition may be warranted due to projected on-going student growth. Project will also include replacement of boilers and flues.	X	\$15,000,000
3	C	June Nelson Elementary School Roof Replacement- Replacement of the failing roof, 21 years past its useful life. The school is experiencing frequent roof leaks that damage interior finishes and contribute to potential mold and structure damage and interfere with instruction.	X	\$4,000,000

**FY 2028 TOTAL
\$19,000,000 +**

District Priority	Primary Purpose	Project Title & Description	SOA Aid	Estimated Project Cost
		Projects not funded in previous years – It is anticipated resources will not be available to fund all requested requirements. They will take priority for FY 28.	X	Balance of FY 27 requests
4	C	Noorvik K-12 School Renewal and Roof Replacement - Renewal of Aqqulak Noorvik School to replace building components at the end of useful life, and replacement of roof which reached the end of its useful life in 2022.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$12,500,000

District Priority	Primary Purpose	Project Title & Description	SOA Aid	Estimated Project Cost

**FY 2029 TOTAL
\$12,500,000 +**

District Priority	Primary Purpose	Project Title & Description	SOA Aid	Estimated Project Cost
		Projects not funded in previous years – It is anticipated resources will not be available to fund all requested requirements. They will take priority for FY 29.	X	Balance of FY 28 requests
5	C	Kiana K-12 School Renewal – Renewal of Kiana K-12 School to replace building components at the end of useful life.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$10,500,000

**FY 2030 TOTAL
\$10,500,000 +**

District Priority	Primary Purpose	Project Title & Description	SOA Aid	Estimated Project Cost
		Projects not funded in previous years – It is anticipated resources will not be available to fund all requested requirements. They will take priority for FY 30.	X	Balance of FY 29 requests
6	C	June Nelson Elementary School Renewal. Replacement of building components at the end of useful life. Project will also include replacement of flooring and special electrical systems in Kotzebue Middle High School.	3	\$12,500,000

**FY 2031 TOTAL
\$12,500,000 +**

District Priority	Primary Purpose	Project Title & Description	SOA Aid	Estimated Project Cost
		Projects not funded in previous years – It is anticipated resources will not be available to fund all requested requirements. They will take priority for FY 31.	X	Balance of FY 30 requests
7	C	Ambler K-12 School Renewal – Renewal of Ambler K-12 School to replace building components at the end of useful life.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$10,000,000
8	C	Shungnak K-12 School Renewal – Renewal of Shungnak K-12 School to replace building components at the end of useful life.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$10,000,000
			X	

**FY 2032 TOTAL
\$20,000,000+**

The preliminary version is not signed.

~~Adopted January 21, 2025, at a duly convened meeting of the Northwest Arctic Borough School District at which a quorum was present and voting. I hereby certify that the information presented is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.~~

Superintendent _____ Date

School Board President _____ Date