

BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS

PROGRAM.—REPAIR AND RECONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS

A. Statutory or administrative authority for the program

The Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1966 provided an annual authorization of \$50 million to be financed 60 percent from the Highway Trust Fund and 40 percent from the General Fund, effective July 1, 1966.

For projects in Alaska, the 1964 amendments to the Alaska Omnibus Act increased the Federal share payable from 50 percent to 94.9 percent for the repair and reconstruction of areas damaged by the earthquake of March 1964 and subsequent seismic waves.

The Pacific Northwest Disaster Act of 1965 provided an additional \$50 million authorization for fiscal year 1965 and an additional \$20 million authorization for fiscal year 1966.

Costs are originally incurred for these activities under the Federal-Aid Highways (trust fund) appropriation. Appropriations are obtained under the program repair and reconstruction of highways in order to provide repayment to the Highway Trust Fund for cash disbursements which were temporarily made from that fund against General Fund program authorizations.

B. Output

Mileage and disbursements made through June 30, 1967, are reflected below (dollars in thousands) :

	Miles		Total cumulative disburse- ments to June 30, 1967	Less amounts retained by HTF	Required reimburse- ment to HTF from general fund
	Underway	Complete			
Pacific Northwest Disaster Relief Act of 1965:					
Fiscal year 1965 authorization, \$80,000,000....	172.7	3,350.0	\$64,415	\$30,000	\$34,415
Fiscal year 1966 authorization, \$50,000,000....	78.7	353.9	18,239	18,239	-----
1964 amendments to the Alaska Omnibus Act authorization, \$15,000,000.....	(1)	(1)	2,044	-----	2,044
Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1966, annual au- thorization (\$50,000,000 authorization financed 60 percent highway trust fund, 40 percent gen- eral fund).....	104.0	1,238.6	3,771	2,262	1,508
Total required to reimburse the highway trust fund.....					37,968
Fiscal year 1968 appropriation.....					15,098
Balance.....					22,870

¹ Mileage for Alaska Omnibus Act included in the 2 authorizations under Pacific Northwest Disaster Relief Act of 1965

C. Official having direct operating responsibility for the program

F. C. Turner, Director, Bureau of Public Roads.