UAA Alaska Airlines Center (formerly Seawolf Sports Arena) Information Item

A vehicular traffic/pedestrian Management Plan for large capacity events will be the final MOA and this will be coordinated with the U-Med District participants prior to occupancy of the building in July 2014. Kittelson & Associates will begin this process soon now that fee negotiations are complete for this addition to their scope of work. Public use easements and Memorandum of Agreement with DOTPF are nearly complete and the new roundabout work should begin along Elmore Road once fully executed. All design/easement issues with ML&P have also been satisfactorily been resolved.

Five contract modifications have now been issued and fully executed since reconciliation of the final $86,000,000 GMP contract. Total GMP contract currently stands at approximately $87,300,000. The bid documents included a total of over 40 Additive Alternates. These alternates have been prioritized by the Athletic Department and the project Team and, to date, nine of the Level 1, 2, & 3 priority items have been added into the project including: Auxiliary Gym divider curtain; replacing bleacher seating in portions of the performance gym; and build-out of the Green Room as well as the cheerleader locker rooms. Additional alternates will be incorporated into the project as construction progresses and remaining construction contingency funds can be released back into the project. An amendment has also been executed with the architect to include the design for all Tier 1 Graphics work. Once complete, these items (like the Additive Alternates) will be selectively added into the project as funds become available.

Cooling well reinjection submittals are still being reviewed by the Dept. of Natural Resources and a final decision/approval is anticipated shortly. Structural steel erection continues in the building with all trusses including the performance gymnasium large span trusses complete. Stairs #1-4 are now in place and the precast panel installation in the performance bowl area is complete with the exception of a small section on the east end of the building being left open for crane/equipment movement. Concrete slab-on-deck (including mech/elec rough-in) work continues throughout the building with anticipated final pour scheduled for late May. Metal stud framing continues both on the exterior perimeter of the building as well as the interior of the basement level. Fireproofing, plumbing, ductwork and electrical work are all proceeding in the basement area. Installation of the exterior skin insulating panels began mid-April along the northwest corner of the building.

Overall percentage of construction completion is approximately 35%.

The current schedule for completion is:

Planning & Design: August 2008 – Summer 2012
Construction: May 2012 – July 2014
Occupancy: August 2014