FY 2008-09 Supplemental Capital Construction Request.

Colorado School of Mines

Brown Hall Addition

Motion:

Approve the supplemental request from the Colorado School of Mines for additional cash funds spending authority for the Brown Hall Addition project (\$2,000,000 CF).

GENERAL INFORMATION

2002-023

1. Which supplemental criterion does the request meet?

Other

These cash funds will replace the \$2.0 million in state funds that were frozen September 25, 2008, by the Governor.

2. Which projects will be restricted to fund the supplemental request?

No project will be restricted by this request because it is funded from cash sources.

3. Has the request been approved by OSPB or CCHE?

Yes

PRIOR APPROPRIATION AND SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST INFORMATION

The appropriation to be amended was authorized in the following bill: HB 08-1375

Fund Source	Prior Appropriations	Supplemental Request	Future Requests	<u>Total Cost</u>
CCF	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000
CF -	\$25,305,840	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$27,305,840
	\$27,305,840	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$29,305,840

The prior appropriation of \$2 million state funds was frozen by the Governor on September 25, 2008.

REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

According to the Colorado School of Mines (Mines), 75 percent of the project is funded by students with a capital construction fee (\$18.6 million), 20 percent is funded from the Federal Mineral Lease (FML) certificates of participation (COPs) (\$6.8 million), and 5 percent is funded from state funds (\$2.0 million). If the state-funded portion of the project remains frozen by the Governor, Mines says it will allocate additional revenue from the student capital construction fee towards this project. However, in the event that the spending freeze is lifted and the state funds appropriated by House Bill 08-1375 are made available for this project, Mines will no longer require additional cash funds spending authority.

SUMMARY OF PROJECT

The project constructs a 67,500-GSF, four-story addition on the north side of Brown Hall, and renovates 8,500 GSF in the building. Brown Hall houses the school's Engineering Division, the school's largest division, which accounts for 20 to 25 percent of undergraduate enrollment. The addition will address life-safety issues associated with Brown Hall's current mechanical systems, help relieve overcrowded conditions within the Engineering Division, and provide additional space to support the division's growth.