Seward Harbor study funded

The Senate has passed the public works appropriations bill for fiscal year 1977 which includes \$30,000 for a study of the Seward Harbor and a \$1.5 million addition for Corps of Engineers projects put in the bill by U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens in subcommittee.

The \$1.5 million would enable the continuation of a corps program which includes projects at Ketchikan and Homer. The two Alaskan projects would not necessarily be funded this year with the addition, but would at

least be brought closer to funding.

The Senate also approved appropriations for the Chena River Lakes, the Snettisham power project, a navigational study in the Cook Inlet, a metropolitan Anchorage study, a hydropower study in Interior Alaska, and a study of the Southcentral Railbelt area.

There is also money in the bill to provide for harbor operation and maintenance at Anchorage, Dillingham, Homer, Ninilchik, Nome and for the Stikine River navigational channel.