



PUBLIC NOTICE

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)
Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program
555 Cordova Street
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AN
ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (APDES)
GENERAL PERMIT
TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES

A Fact Sheet and associated documents are available for review. For inquiries or to request copies of documents, contact:

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Draft Permit Public Notice Period:

Public Notice Start Date: December 30, 2010

Public Notice Expiration Date: February 28, 2011

Permit No.: AKR100000

Permit Name: General Permit for Discharges from Large and Small Construction Activities

Proposed Project and Location:

DEC proposes to reissue an Alaska Construction General Permit (ACGP or permit) for discharges from large and small construction activities. The permit authorizes and sets conditions on the discharge of pollutants from construction projects to waters of the United States within the state of Alaska. In order to ensure protection of water quality and human health, the permit describes control measures that must be used to control the types and amounts of pollutants that can be discharged from construction activities.

Tentative Determination:

ADEC has tentatively determined to **reissue** a discharge permit for the activity described above.

Public Comments:

Written comments on the APDES draft general permit must be submitted within **60** days of the issuance of this public notice. Please direct written comments to the attention of William Ashton at the address or email identified above. All comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the commenter and a concise statement of comment on the permit condition(s) and the relevant facts upon which the comment is based. Comments of either support or concern which are directed at specific, cited permit requirements are appreciated. Mailed comments must be postmarked on or before the expiration date of the public notice. Emailed comments must be received by 5:00p.m. on February 28, 2011.

DEC will consider all comments in making the final decision and will answer the comments in a Response to Comments that will be issued when DEC issues a final permit. The Response to Comments will be made available to the public.

During the 60-day public review period DEC will host three public hearings to receive written and/or oral comment. The Division Director will appoint a designee to preside at each hearing. At the start of the public hearing there will be a presentation by the Department to explain the permit and answer questions prior to taking public testimony. A copy of the presentation will be available after February 1, 2011 on the website

<http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wnpssc/stormwater/index.htm>. The public may also submit written testimony in lieu of or in addition to providing oral testimony at a hearing. The hearings will be tape recorded. The locations, dates, and times for the public hearings are provided below:

- Fairbanks: February 8, 2011, from 1:30 – 3:30p.m.
FNSB Assembly Chambers, 809 Pioneer Rd.
- Anchorage: February 9, 2011, from 1:30 – 3:30p.m.
Sheraton Hotel, 401 E 6th Ave
- Statewide teleconference: February 10, 2011, from 1:30 – 3:30p.m.
Toll-free call-in telephone number – 1-800-315-6338, call-in code 6283#.

Requests for additional public hearing(s) on the APDES draft general permit must be submitted within **15** days of the issuance of this public notice. If there are requests for additional public hearings, the request must state the nature of the issues to be raised, as well as the requester's name, address, and telephone number. All comments and requests for public hearings must be in writing and should be submitted to the Department at the technical contact address, fax, or email identified above. If no substantive comments are received, the tentative conditions in the draft permit will become the proposed final permit.

DEC will transmit the final permit, fact sheet (amended as appropriate), and Response to Comments to anyone who provided comments during the public review period or requested to be notified of DEC final decision.

**DEADLINE FOR REQUEST FOR AN ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEARING January 14,
2011 at 5:00 p.m.**

DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS February 28, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

Administrative Record:

The APDES draft permit, fact sheet, and associated documents are available for public review at the DEC offices located in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Soldotna, and Wasilla. Please contact the office of your choice to arrange for hard copies of the documents to be available for your review.

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If you would like to see any additional supporting technical documents, contact William Ashton.

The documents are also accessible from the DEC website at:

<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/water/wwdp/index.htm>

Disability Reasonable Accommodation Notice

The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact Deborah Pock at (907) 269-0291 or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 within 30 days of publication of this notice to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.