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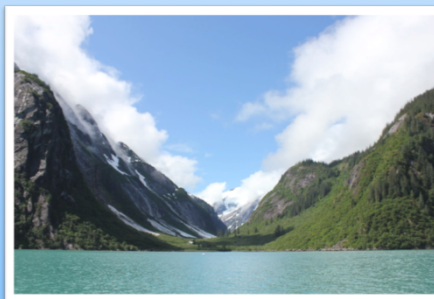


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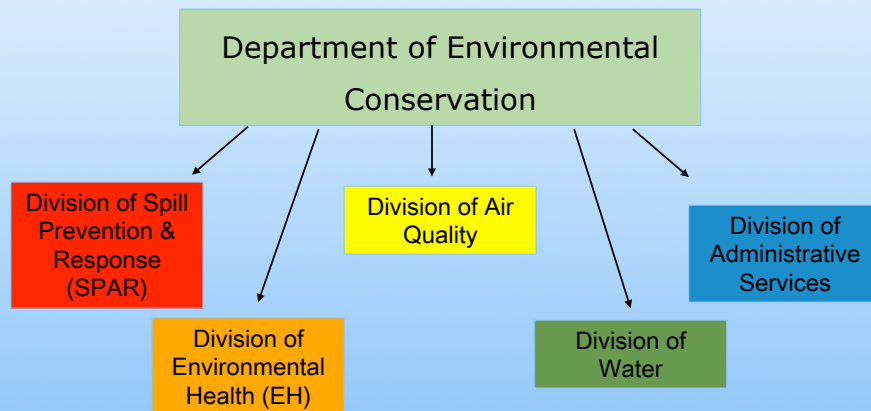
DEC Mission

To conserve, improve, and protect Alaska's natural resources and environment and control water, land, and air pollution, in order to enhance the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the state and their overall economic and social well being.

(Alaska Statute 46.03.010)



DEC Structure



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What does the DEC do?

AIR QUALITY

- Open Burn permits
- Public Complaints
- Air Pollutant testing

WATER

- Village Safe Water
- Septic System Guidance
- Cruise Ship monitoring

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

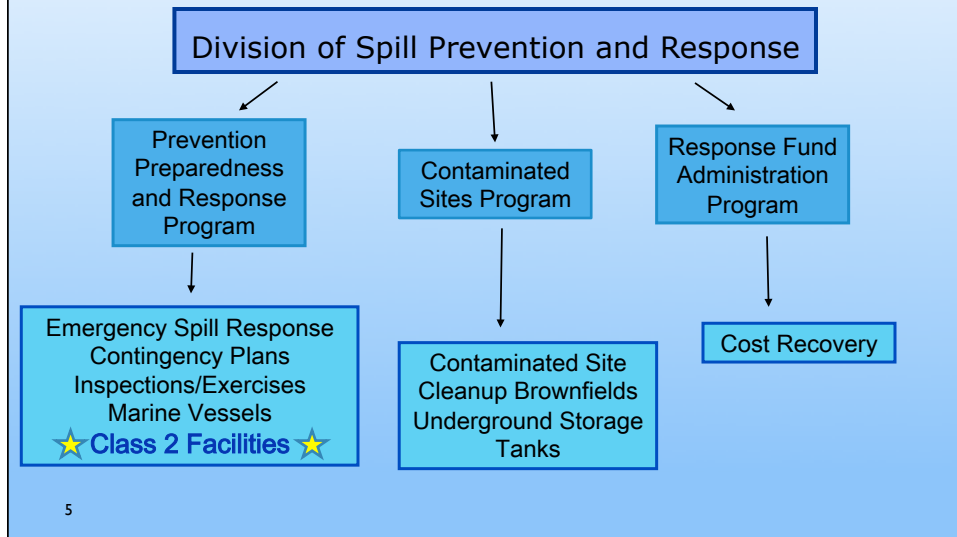
- Food Safety (seafood testing)
- Flu Alerts
- Beach Cleanups

SPILL PREVENTION AND RESPONSE

- Spill Response
- Contaminated Sites
- Class 2 facilities...

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Division of SPAR



Questions?



This presentation will cover:

- What is a Class 2 facility?
- What does the new class mean to me?
- Why did the state create this new class?
- Why should a Class 2 facility care about complying?
- Common questions and concerns about new regulations.
- Tips and resources.

What makes a Class 2 Facility?

- $\geq 1,000$ and $< 420,000$ gallons total capacity
- Minimum $\geq 1,000$ gallon containers
- Aboveground storage tanks
- Onshore
- Noncrude
- Not residential



Examples

- Schools
- Hotels
- Seafood plants
- Community buildings
- Electric co-ops
- Bulk fuel facilities
- Restaurants
- Hospitals



Regulatory Requirements

Class 2 facility regulations

- Registration form
 - Facility info (contact, location)
 - Dates (facility vs tank)
 - Owner(s) and Operator(s)
 - Tank information
 - Completion
- Misc
 - Supplemental forms • deadlines
 - Unknowns/comments
 - Exemptions



Why a New Class?

- Fuel & fuel storage is essential
 - Requires constant attention and diligent maintenance and training
- Frequent spills
- No previous DEC regulations
- Create a statewide inventory
- Start a dialogue with stakeholders

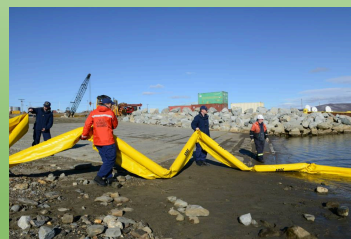
Benefits

- Spill reduction
 - Training and assistance
 - Saves money
 - Healthier communities
- Information hub
 - Special opportunities
 - State advocate



Common Questions & Concerns

- Duplicative effort?
 - SPCCs & FRPs
 - State fire marshal
 - Previous assessments
- Alternative forms of registration
- Increase financial gap



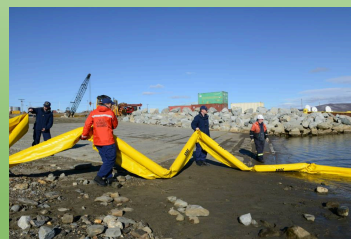
Prevention & Preparedness

- Monthly inspections
 - SCA
 - Test equipment
 - Check for vulnerabilities
- Operator training
 - Facility equipment and operating procedures
 - Safe fuel transfer
 - Spill response
- Update documentation



Training Opportunities & Resources

- Technical assistance
- Training assistance
 - AST Operator Handbook
 - AVTECH
- Additional
 - RAFS
 - R&R fund



Contact & Information:

Find more information on our Class 2 facility webpage:

DEC.ALASKA.GOV/SPAR/PPR/CLASS2FACILITIES.HTM

Including:

- Facility registration form
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Class 2 facility listserv

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Summary

- New class of AST facilities
- Regulations consist of registration
- Registration form and other information available now:

dec.alaska.gov/spar/ppr/Class2Facilities

- Phase 2: transition from registration to identifying challenges and solutions



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