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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This 2017 Annual Monitoring Plan describes the Alaska air quality monitoring network under the State's oversight and spells out anticipated changes to the network for the calendar year 2018.

Most of the air monitoring activities are focused on population centers and areas that have shown in the past to have air quality problems. Due to budget cuts over the past several years DEC has reduced the ambient monitoring network to include mostly only regulatory required sites. Looking ahead, DEC does not expect to be extending the network significantly during the next five years due to fiscal constraints.

The only new site DEC anticipates to establish is a Special Purpose Monitoring (SPM) site for $PM_{2.5}$ and PM_{10} in Bethel.

In the Fairbanks North Star Borough non-attainment area and Juneau Mendenhall Floyd Dryden site, DEC replaced the $PM_{2.5}$ Federal Reference Method (FRM) monitors with newer models. In 2017, DEC started daily sampling at the NCore and SOB sites in Fairbanks. Since July 1, 2017, all three regulatory $PM_{2.5}$ sampling sites in the Fairbanks North Star Borough have been using sequential samplers for daily sampling.

The 2017 Annual Network Plan was delayed to include EPA's response to the 2016 Annual Network Plan. DEC received EPA's comments on November 13, 2017.

1 INTRODUCTION

The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 40 §58.10 requires each state agency to adopt and submit to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Regional Administrator an annual monitoring network plan which shall provide for the establishment and maintenance of an air quality surveillance system that consists of a network made up of the following types of monitoring stations:

- State and local air monitoring stations (SLAMS) including monitors that are designated as:
  - Federal Reference Method (FRM), or
  - Federal Equivalent Method (FEM)
- National Core Multi-pollutant Monitoring Stations (NCore)
- $PM_{2.5}$ Chemical Speciation Network (CSN), and
- Special Purpose Monitoring (SPM) stations.

The plan shall include a statement of purposes for each monitor and evidence that siting and operation of each monitor meets the requirements of appendices A, C, D, and E of 40 CFR 58 where applicable.

The annual monitoring network plan must be made available for public inspection for at least 30 days prior to submission to EPA. Any annual monitoring network plan that proposes SLAMS network modifications, including new monitoring sites, is subject to the approval of the EPA Regional Administrator, who shall provide opportunity for public comment and shall approve or disapprove the plan and schedule within 120 days. If the State or local agency has already provided a public comment opportunity on its plan and has made no changes subsequent to that comment opportunity, and has submitted the received comments together with the plan, the Regional Administrator is not required to provide a separate opportunity for comment.

This 2017 Annual Monitoring Plan describes the Alaska air quality monitoring network under the State's oversight and spells out anticipated changes to the network for the calendar year 2017. This plan shall include all required stations to be operational by January 1, 2018. Specific locations for the required monitors shall be included in the annual network plan which was due to be submitted to the EPA Regional Administrator by July 1, 2017. The 2017 Annual Network Plan was delayed to include EPA's response to the 2016 Annual Network Plan. DEC received EPA's comments on November 13, 2017.

The annual monitoring network plan must contain the following information for each existing and proposed site:

1. The AQS site identification number,
2. The location, including street address and geographical coordinates,
3. The sampling and analysis method(s) for each measured parameter,
4. The operating schedules for each monitor,

5. Any proposals to remove or move a monitoring station within a period of 18 months following plan submittal,
6. The minimum monitoring requirements for spatial scale of representativeness for each monitor as defined in 40 CFR 58, Appendix D,
7. The minimum monitoring requirements for probe and monitoring path siting criteria as defined in 40 CFR 58, Appendix E,
8. The identification of any sites that are suitable and sites that are not suitable for comparison against the annual $PM_{2.5}$ NAAQS as described in 40 CFR 58.30,
9. The Metropolitan Statistical Area, Core-Based Statistical Area, Combined Statistical Area or other area represented by the monitor,
10. The designation of any lead monitors as either source-oriented or non-source-oriented according to 40 CFR 58, Appendix D,
11. Any source-oriented monitors for which a waiver has been requested or granted by the EPA Regional Administrator as allowed for under paragraph 4.5(a)(ii) of 40 CFR 58, Appendix D,
12. Any source-oriented or non-source-oriented site for which a waiver has been requested or granted by the EPA Regional Administrator for the use of Pb-PM_{10} monitoring in lieu of lead total suspended particulate (Pb-TSP) monitoring as allowed for under paragraph 2.10 of 40 CFR 58, Appendix C.

2 AIR QUALITY MONITORING PRIORITIES

In 1970 the Congress of the United States created the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and promulgated the Clean Air Act (CAA). Title I of the CAA established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) to protect public health. NAAQS were developed for six *criteria pollutants*: particulate matter (PM), sulfur dioxide (SO_2), nitrogen dioxide (NO_2), carbon monoxide (CO), ozone (O_3), and lead (Pb). Particulate matter has two associated NAAQS: one for fine particulate matter less than 2.5 micrometers in aerodynamic diameter ($PM_{2.5}$) and one for coarse particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in aerodynamic diameter (PM_{10}). Threshold limits established under the NAAQS to protect human health are known as primary standards. The primary health standards are to protect the most sensitive of the human population, including those people with existing respiratory or other chronic health conditions, children, and the elderly. Secondary standards established under the NAAQS are to protect the public welfare and the environment. Since promulgation of the original CAA, the EPA has continued to revise the NAAQS based on its assessment of national air quality trends and on current (and ongoing) health studies.

To protect public health and assess attainment with NAAQS, DEC established an air quality monitoring program. The State of Alaska has a large geographical area with a small population. Anchorage and the Matanuska-Susitna (Mat-Su) Valley have the bulk of the 710,231[1] people in

[1] Population data obtained from the 2010 US Census, http://live.laborstats.alaska.gov/cen/dp.cfm

the state, about 54%. The remainder of the population is distributed among the cities of Juneau and Fairbanks with populations of about 30,000-40,000 and many scattered and isolated small villages, most of which are off the road system and have populations ranging from 16 to 10,000 people. The total area of the state is approximately 665,384 square miles (1.7 million square kilometers)[2].

In accordance with the National Monitoring Strategy, DEC plans air monitoring activities using the following criteria:

- Monitor in larger communities to cover the largest possible population exposure;
- Monitor in designated smaller towns and villages that are representative of multiple communities in a region; and
- Monitor in response to air quality concerns.

The Air Monitoring & Quality Assurance (AMQA) program of the DEC Air Quality Division has a relatively small staff of professionals who conduct the state's air quality assessment efforts. To enhance the quality of work performed statewide, DEC's staff works closely with the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA), the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB), the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, the City & Borough of Juneau (CBJ), and environmental staff in other, smaller communities to assess air quality levels statewide. To continue to protect public health and the environment, air quality monitoring is focused on seven primary issues by descending priority:

1. Fine particulate matter ($PM_{2.5}$) monitoring
2. Coarse particulate matter (PM_{10}) monitoring
3. Wildland fire monitoring ($PM_{2.5}$)
4. Carbon monoxide (CO) monitoring
5. Rural communities and tribal village monitoring (primarily PM_{10})
6. Lead (Pb) monitoring
7. Ozone (O_3) monitoring

2.1 *Fine Particulate Matter - $PM_{2.5}$*

The primary sources of fine particulates in the atmosphere are emissions from combustion processes. Health research in the lower 48 states and Alaska has found that $PM_{2.5}$ sized particles are creating major health problems throughout communities across the United States. For people in northern states with cold winters, this problem is exacerbated by increased exposure to fine particulate generated by home heating with wood during periods of extreme cold and extended wintertime temperature inversions which trap pollutants close to ground level. Smoke can also be a severe problem during spring and summer wildland fire season. Wildland fires may occur throughout Alaska and are very common to the Interior.

[2] https://www.census.gov/geo/reference/state-area.html#n1

Wood smoke from home heating has been a major contributor to elevated fine particulate levels in Southeast Alaska for years. Juneau's Mendenhall Valley exceeded the PM_{10} standard[3] numerous times in the late 1980s and early 1990s, but successfully reduced particulate matter levels with an effective wood smoke control program, public education, and woodstove conversion to pellet stoves and oil-fired space heaters.

Fine particulates have also been a concern in some Interior Alaska communities, especially during the winter months when extremely strong inversions trap emitted particles close to the surface. In the smaller, rural villages, this problem is normally associated with wood smoke. In the large communities like Fairbanks and North Pole, which are designated non-attainment for exceeding the 24-hour $PM_{2.5}$ NAAQS, the pollution is of mixed composition. Particulates are primarily comprised of wood smoke from woodstoves and hydronic heaters, but also includes emissions from coal-fired power plants, vehicular traffic, and oil-fired heating systems.

2.2 *Coarse Particulates - PM_{10}*

PM_{10} or "dust" impacts are widespread throughout Alaska and have been a pollutant of concern for several decades. PM_{10} has been monitored in Anchorage, Juneau, the Matanuska-Susitna Valley, and Fairbanks for over twenty years. Two locations in the State were designated non-attainment for dust in 1991: the Municipality of Anchorage (Eagle River) and the Mendenhall Valley in the City and Borough of Juneau (Juneau).

Dust has also been identified as a problem in most of the rural communities in Alaska. With the exception of the "hub" communities, most of the smaller villages have a limited road system and few resources with which to pave or otherwise treat roads. In addition, the soil composition is often frost susceptible and not conducive to paving. With the increased use of all-terrain vehicles (4- wheelers) as well as automobiles and trucks, the amount of re-entrained dust has increased substantially.

2.3 *Carbon Monoxide-CO*

Alaska's two largest communities, Anchorage and Fairbanks, were designated non-attainment for carbon monoxide (CO) in the mid to late 1980s. Motor vehicle CO emissions increase in the cold winter temperatures experienced in Alaska. These elevated emissions, combined with strong wintertime temperature inversions, resulted in both communities exceeding the CO standards numerous times each winter. Due to the implementation of control strategies, such as public use of engine block heaters and improvement to vehicle ignition systems, neither community has had a violation of the CO standard in almost 15 years. Both communities requested re-designation to attainment and were reclassified as *Limited Maintenance Areas* in 2004.

[3] There was no separate NAAQS for $PM_{2.5}$ prior to 1997 - $PM_{2.5}$ fell under the PM_{10} NAAQS[4]
https://www2.census.gov/geo/maps/metroarea/stcbsa_pg/Feb2013/cbsa2013_AK.pdf

2.4 *Lead Monitoring-Pb*

To comply with the November 2008 revision of the state and federal air quality standard for lead, DEC explored establishing a source-oriented, lead monitoring site near the Red Dog Mine in Alaska's Northwest Arctic Borough. The Red Dog Mine, fifty miles inland, extracts lead and zinc ore from an open-pit mine and concentrates the ore at their processing facility for transport to the coast where it is stored for barging and eventual export. The intent of the revised lead standard was for source-oriented monitoring at all facilities that had potential annual emissions equal to or greater than one half ton of lead. The Red Dog Mine is the State's only emission source that meets this criterion.

After consultation with EPA, DEC decided to pursue a modeling demonstration to show that lead concentrations at the ambient boundary of the Red Dog Mine meet the new lead standard. On August 11, 2016 EPA approved the State of Alaska's waiver request for lead monitoring at the Red Dog Mine based on the results of dispersion modeling. The results of the modeling showed that the maximum ambient air 3-month rolling average lead concentration at the mine did not exceed 50 percent of the lead NAAQS. Pursuant to 40 CFR Part 58, Appendix D, section 4.5(a)(ii), this waiver must be renewed every 5 years as part of the Alaska 5-year Air Monitoring Network Assessment. A copy of the EPA approval letter can be found at http://dec.alaska.gov/air/am/docs/red-dog-mine-lead-monitoring-waiver-letter-epa-08-11-16.pdf .

2.5 *Ozone Monitoring-O_3*

The March 27, 2008 revision of the national ozone standard required the State of Alaska to establish an O_3 monitoring program by April 1, 2010. The regulation required at least one State and Local Air Monitoring (SLAMS) O_3 site in a core based statistical area (CBSA) with a population greater than 350,000. The Anchorage/Matanuska-Susitna Valley population forms the only combined Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) in the State of Alaska which meets the criterion. The Municipality of Anchorage conducted monitoring during the O_3 monitoring season (April- October) from 2010 through 2012. An O_3 monitoring site was also established in Wasilla in May 2011 and moved to Palmer in May 2015. The Palmer site was chosen based on analysis of historical meteorological data collected in Anchorage which indicated the area is located downwind of Anchorage on days most likely to experience maximum ozone concentrations. Ozone monitoring is ongoing in Palmer and at the multi-pollutant NCore site in Fairbanks, which began monitoring for O_3 in 2012.

2.6 *Sulfur Dioxide Monitoring-SO_2*

The State of Alaska currently has no MSA which would require SO_2 monitoring under 40 CFR 58, Appendix D, paragraph 4.4.2. The only continuous SO_2 monitoring currently being performed in Alaska is at the NCore site in Fairbanks. Monitoring for SO_2 was performed in Southeast Alaska in the 1980s and early 1990s in response to public concerns about emissions from the two regional pulp mills. While elevated concentrations were observed during the

monitoring, the 8-hour SO_2 standard at the time was not exceeded. With the revision of the SO_2 standard and introduction of the 1-hour standard, additional monitoring in rural communities may be warranted. Short term studies in St. Mary's and Fairbanks indicate a potential for exceedances of the SO_2 standard during the winter time. Especially in light of the ubiquity of diesel power generation in rural Alaska, elevated SO_2 levels might be a widespread issue. A short-term monitoring program was conducted in the City of Eagle, Alaska during the winter of 2013-14 due to public health concerns related to emissions from an underground shale-oil fire. No elevated concentrations were observed. As staffing and funding allow, DEC might conduct studies in rural communities to better understand the issue.

2.7 *Nitrogen Oxides Monitoring-NO_x and NO_y*

Nitrogen oxides are a group of air pollutant compounds that primarily form during combustion and then react photo-chemically in the atmosphere to form secondary pollutants. This group of pollutants was consolidated and are regulated as a single pollutant under the NAAQS as nitrogen dioxide (NO_2). The State of Alaska currently has no MSA which would require NO_2 monitoring under 40 CFR 58, Appendix D, paragraph 4.3. However, the NCore site in Fairbanks has been monitoring for NO_y, NO and NO_y-NO since 10/5/2012 and NO_2, NO and NO_x since 7/1/2014. Historically, NO_2 monitoring was conducted as part of the Unocal Tesoro Air Monitoring Program (UTAMP) conducted in North Kenai during the early 1990s. The state operated its own independent monitoring site and measured ammonia and NO_2. Elevated short term NO_2 values were observed, but the annual concentration was not exceeded.

With the revision to the NO_2 standard and introduction of the 1- hour NO_2 standard, DEC will have to evaluate if and where additional monitoring will be warranted.

As part of the multi-pollutant monitoring program and in an effort to better understand atmospheric chemistry in a $PM_{2.5}$ non-attainment area, total reactive nitrogen compounds (NO_y) and ammonia (NH_3) monitors were installed at the NCore site in Fairbanks. Unfortunately, due to instrument response-time and other technical instrumentation issues, the NH_3 monitoring program failed and the monitor was taken out of service. The instrument was replaced with an NO_X/NO/NO_2 trace-level monitor in February 2014 and started producing AQS quality data by July 2014.

3 STATE OF ALASKA AMBIENT AIR MONITORING NETWORK

3.1 *Minimum Monitoring Requirements*

Minimum monitoring requirements are based on several factors including pollutant levels and populations in statistically defined metropolitan areas. The definitions for the statistical based metropolitan areas are provided by the US Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the Census Bureau (Census).

Alaska has four statistical areas as designated by OMB in 2009 which boundaries are based on the 2013Census data[4]. The four Core Based Statistical Areas (CBSA) include two Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) and two Micropolitan Areas (μSA), see Table 3-1 below. The two MSAs are the Anchorage MSA which includes the entire Municipality of Anchorage and the entire Matanuska-Susitna Borough. The Fairbanks MSA is comprised of the Fairbanks North Star Borough. The two Micropolitan Areas are the Juneau μSA and the Ketchikan μSA, which encompass the City and Borough of Juneau and the Ketchikan Gateway Borough, respectively.

Table 3-3-1: Alaska's Core Based Statistical Areas

Core Based Statistical Areas	Population*	Includes:	
Anchorage, MSA	380,821	Municipality of Anchorage	291,826
		Matanuska- Susitna Borough	88,995
Fairbanks, MSA	97,581		
Juneau, μSA	31,275		
Ketchikan, μSA	13,477		

*(based on 2010 Census Data)

The minimum number of sites required for the Alaskan CBSAs for the six criteria pollutants are summarized for the Alaska network in Table 3-2. No monitoring is required for lead anywhere in the Alaskan CBSAs. And in general, no air quality monitoring sites are currently required for the Ketchikan μSA.

Monitoring in the Juneau μSA focusses on particulate matter monitoring. One monitoring site is required for PM_{10} based on the PM_{10} Limited Maintenance Plan. The Mendenhall Valley had been designated as a PM_{10} non-attainment area and since has met the standard. One $PM_{2.5}$ monitoring site is required due to the elevated $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations measured in the Mendenhall Valley and is used to issue burn curtailments by the local government.

[4] https://www2.census.gov/geo/maps/metroarea/stcbsa_pg/Feb2013/cbsa2013_AK.pdf

CO monitoring is required in the Anchorage and Fairbanks MSAs based on the Limited Maintenance Plans for the MSAs. Both areas had been previously designated as non-attainment and have been able to lower their concentrations.

The Anchorage MSA also triggered the PM_{10} monitoring requirement based on elevated concentrations. There is currently no requirement for $PM_{2.5}$ monitoring in the Anchorage MSA.

The minimum requirement for $PM_{2.5}$ monitoring in the Fairbanks MSA is for at least one monitoring site, based on the elevated concentrations measured in Fairbanks and North Pole.

Table 3-2: Minimum Monitoring Requirements for Alaskan CBSAs

Criteria Pollutant		SLAMS site requirement			
		Anchorage MSA	**Fairbanks MSA**	**Juneau µSA**	**Ketchikan µSA**
Ozone	Most recent 3 year design value ≥ 85% of NAAQS	1	1	0	0
	Most recent 3 year design value < 85% of NAAQS	0	0	0	0
CO		0*	0*	0	0
NO_2		0	0	0	0
SO_2		0	0	0	0
Pb	Waiver for source oriented monitoring see chapter 2.4	0	0	0	0
PM_{10}		1-2	0-1	0ǂ	0
$PM_{2.5}$	Most recent 3 year design value ≥ 85% of NAAQS	1	1	1	0
	Most recent 3 year design value < 85% of NAAQS	0	0	0	0

*Two monitoring sites based on CO Limited Maintenance Plans (Fairbanks and Anchorage)
ǂ One (collocated) monitoring site based on PM_{10} Limited Maintenance Plan

In 2014 EPA Region 10 provided network evaluation forms to determine compliance with design and minimum monitoring requirements for each of the criteria pollutants under 40 CFR 58, Appendix D. These site evaluation forms were reviewed and updated, when necessary, in 2017 by DEC and are presented in **Appendix B** of this report.

3.2 *Current Monitoring Sites*

DEC operates and maintains a number of ambient air monitoring networks throughout the State of Alaska. DEC assumed monitoring from Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) on July 1, 2016 and Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) monitoring on January 1, 2017. Table 3-1 provides the site name, address, geographic coordinates, and identification number for all the air monitoring sites submitting data to the EPA Air Quality System (AQS) database as of January 1, 2017.

Table 3-2. AQS Monitoring Sites as of January 2017

Site Name/ Monitoring Objective	Address	Latitude/Longitude*	AQS Identification	Agency
Garden	3000 East 16th Ave. Anchorage, AK	61.205861N 149.824602W	02-020-0018	DEC
Laurel	4335 Laurel St. Anchorage, AK	61.181312N 149.834083W	02-020- 0045	DEC
Parkgate	11723 Old Glenn Hwy. Eagle River, AK	61.326700N 149.569707W	02-020-1004	DEC
State Office Building	675 Seventh Ave. Fairbanks, AK	64.840833N 147.723056W	02-090-0010	DEC
NCore (NCore and CSN site)	809 Pioneer Road Fairbanks, AK	64.845307N 147.72552W	02-090-0034	DEC
North Pole Fire Station #3	3288 Hurst Rd. North Pole, AK	64.762973N 147.310297W	02-090-0035	DEC
Peger (met only)	3175 Peger Rd. Fairbanks, AK	64.81923333 147.778083W	02-090-4010	DEC
Butte	Harrison Court Butte, AK	61.534100N 149.0351855W	02-170-0008	DEC
Palmer (regional background site)	South Gulkana St. Palmer, AK	61.599322N 149.103611W	02-170-0012	DEC
Floyd Dryden Middle School	3800 Mendenhall Loop Road Juneau, AK	58.388889N 134.565556W	02-110-0004	DEC

*Coordinates for latitude and longitude are consistent with the World Geodetic System (WGS 84).

3.3 *Siting Criteria*

In 2014 EPA Region 10 provided site evaluation forms to determine compliance with 40 CFR 58 (Appendix E) requirements for monitoring path and siting criteria. These forms were distributed to the individual site operators for completion. Those site evaluation forms are presented in **Appendix C** of this report. Included are two tables: one for CO sites (Table 3-3) and one for PM sites (Table 3-4).

The following is a list of definitions relating to monitoring site scaling:

Micro-scale—defines the concentrations in air volumes associated with area dimensions ranging from several meters up to about 100 meters.

Middle Scale—defines the concentration typical of areas up to several city blocks in size with dimensions ranging from about 100 meters to 0.5 kilometer.

Neighborhood Scale—defines concentrations within some extended area of the city that has relatively uniform land use with dimensions in the 0.5 to 4.0 kilometers range.

Urban Scale—defines the overall, citywide conditions with dimensions on the order of 4 to 50 kilometers. This scale would usually require more than one site for definition.

Carbon Monoxide Sites

Carbon monoxide (CO) inlet probes should be at least 1 meter away, both vertically and horizontally, from any supporting structure or wall. For micro-scale sites the probe height must be between 2.5 and 3.5 meters, whereas for other scale sites the probe must be between 3 and 15 meters high.

A probe must have unrestricted airflow for at least 270 degrees, or 180 degrees if it is located on the side of a building. Obstructions must be a minimum distance away equal to twice the distance by which the height of the obstruction exceeds the height of the probe. Trees should not be present between the dominant CO source or roadway and the inlet probe.

The following table (Table 3-3) lists all CO monitoring sites in Anchorage and Fairbanks and how they fit the siting criteria from Appendix E of 40 CFR Part 58.

Table 3-3. CO Monitoring Sites in Anchorage and Fairbanks May 2017

Site Name	Monitoring Scale	Probe Distance from Wall (meters)	Height (meters)	Unrestricted Air Flow	Spacing from Roadway (meters)	Trees
Garden 02-020-0018	Neighborhood	1	3	180 degrees unobstructed	7	Yes
NCore 02-090-0034	Neighborhood	Not applicable	4	360 degrees unobstructed	85	None

Particulate Matter (PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$) Sites

For micro-scale sites particulate matter inlets must be between 2 and 7 meters from ground level. For other siting scales the probe must be between 2 and 15 meters high.

A sampler must have at least 2 meters separation from walls, parapets, penthouses, etc. A sampler must have unrestricted airflow for at least 270 degrees, or 180 degrees for street canyon sites. Obstructions must be a minimum distance away from the sampler with the separation equal to twice the distance by which the height of the obstruction exceeds the height of the sampler inlet.

Micro-scale sampler inlets must be located between 5 and 15 meters from the nearest traffic lane for traffic corridor sites, and between 2 and 10 meters for street canyon sites. The minimum separation distance between the probe and nearest traffic lane for middle, neighborhood, or urban scale sites depends upon the number of vehicles per day (VPD) that use the roadway according to a rather complicated table in Appendix E of 40 CFR Part 58. Table 3-4 lists all PM monitoring sites in Alaska and how they fit the siting criteria from Appendix E of 40 CFR Part 58.

Table 3-4. PM Monitoring Sites in Alaska as of January 2017

Site Name	Monitoring Scale	Height (meters)	Spacing from Obstructions (meters)	Spacing from Roadway (meters)	Traffic (VPD)	Trees
Garden 02-020-0018	Neighborhood	10	12m to 5m tall penthouse	10	< 5,000	None
Laurel 02-020-0045	Microscale	7	None	15	35, 000	None
Parkgate 02-020-1004	Neighborhood	6	13m to 4m tall penthouse	44	11,000	None
Butte 02-170-0008	Neighborhood	4	> 8	150	Old Glenn Hwy, 5,891*	None
Palmer 02-170-0012	Neighborhood	4	None	>20	Unknown, probably < 5,000	None
State Office Building 02-090-0010	Neighborhood	6	30m to 3.75m tall penthouse	20	7,400	None
NCore 02-090-0034	Neighborhood	4	75 m to 12 m building	85	3,559	None
North Pole Fire #3 02-090-0035	Neighborhood	4	None	23 to Hurst Rd	3,730	> 30
Floyd Dryden 02-110-0004	Neighborhood	6	Furnace flue @ 20m, 4m penthouse @ 15m	65	12,770	12 m tall 25m away

* McKechnie Loop has only local neighborhood traffic and site is at the dead end of Harrison Court (with three houses).

Ozone Sites

DEC operates two ozone monitors. The Palmer site in the Anchorage MSA is discussed in great detail starting on page 36.

Table 3-5 Ozone Monitoring Sites in the Mat-Su Valley and Fairbanks May 2017

Site Name	Monitoring Scale	Height (meters)	Major NOx sources nearby?	Unrestricted Air Flow	Spacing from Roadway (meters)	Trees
Palmer 02-170-0012	Neighborhood	4	no	360 degrees unobstructed	>20	None
NCore 02-090-0034	Neighborhood	4	no	360 degrees unobstructed	85	None

NCore Site

The NCore site monitors and meteorological instruments listed in Table 3-6 are representative at a neighborhood scale. Table 3-6 also lists additional relevant siting information.

Table 3-6 NCore Gaseous* Monitoring as of January 2017 and Meteorological Monitoring as of September 2017 in Alaska

Parameter Name	Monitoring Scale	Height (meters)	Spacing from Obstructions (meters)	Spacing from Roadway (meters)	Traffic (VPD)	Trees
NOy, NO & diff	Neighborhood	4	75 m to 12 m building	85	3,559	None
NO_2, NOx & NO	Neighborhood	4	75 m to 12 m building	85	3,559	None
O_3	Neighborhood	4	75 m to 12 m building	85	3,559	None
SO_2 (1 hr & 5 min)	Neighborhood	4	75 m to 12 m building	85	3,559	None
T_{amb}, WS & WD (2 m)	Microscale	2	75 m to 12 m building	85	3,559	None
T_{amb}, WS & WD (10 m)	Microscale	10	75 m to 12 m building	85	3,559	None
Relative Humidity	Neighborhood	2	75 m to 12 m building	85	3,559	None
Barometric Pressure	Neighborhood	4	75 m to 12 m building	85	3,559	None

* Excluding CO and O_3.

3.4 *Monitoring Methods, Designation and Sampling Frequency*

Table 3-5 presents information for current sites (and monitors) used in coding the data submitted by DEC to the AQS database. The information provided in Table 3-5 for each monitoring site includes pollutant parameter name, monitor designation, the AQS parameter codes and Parameter Occurrence Codes (POC), the AQS method code, the frequency of sampling, and the instrumentation used. The monitor designation states the purpose for which the data are to be used, such as: for State & Local Air Monitoring Stations (SLAMS) to demonstrate NAAQS compliance, Special Purpose Monitoring sites (SPM) for general air quality assessments, and the Chemical Speciation Network (CSN) for atmospheric chemistry assessments. The 5-digit AQS parameter codes are specific to the pollutant, instrumentation, and sampling equipment used, and

how the concentration units are expressed in either local conditions or corrected to standard conditions for temperature and pressure. The 5-digit parameter code identifies the parameter being measured e.g. PM_{10}, SO_2, or wind speed. The 1-digit POC code is the parameter occurrence code. As suggested by Region 10 EPA, DEC uses the POC to indicate whether the sampler or instrument is (1) a primary data source, or (2) a secondary data source such as a collocated sampler, or (3) that an instrument is measuring on a continuous basis. The AQS method code provides information specific to the analytical technique used for the pollutant determination such as instrumental analysis using chemiluminescence for nitric oxide or gravimetric analysis for particulate. The notation presented in the sample frequency indicates how often the pollutant concentration is determined. For example, 1/6 indicates that one sample is collected every sixth day according to the national EPA air monitoring schedule. Continuous indicates that an instrument is continuously analyzing a sample stream providing a pollutant concentration on a real-time basis (e.g. 1-min SO_2 reading) or a near-real time basis (e.g. 1-hour $PM_{2.5}$ reading from a beta attenuation monitor, a BAM). The equipment information column identifies on-site equipment (either a sampler or instrument) specific to the AQS parameter code.

Other monitoring sites operated by DEC to gather data related to rural road dust and wildland fires, but that are not submitted to the AQS database are discussed in **Appendix D**. The IMPROVE monitoring sites operated in Alaska under the federal program to characterize and protect scenic visibility around National Parks and designated wilderness areas are described in **Appendix E**.

A summary of pollutant concentration data calculated as NAAQS design values, maxima, or as averages are presented in **Appendix F**. Table F-1 and F-2 summarize the annual 98th percentile concentrations, and annual and 24 hour design values for the $PM_{2.5}$ network. Table F-1 excludes those values caused by exceptional events which EPA has already concurred with and for which DEC has made application for concurrence. Table F--2 shows the values calculated including the 2015 summer wildfire exceedances, which EPA has not yet concurred with. In the highly unlikely event that EPA does not concur with DEC's 2015 Exceptional Event Waiver Request (currently out for public comment) this table (F-2) will be correct.

Table 3-7. Anchorage MSA: AQS Codes as of January 2017; STD = standard conditions of temperature and pressure; LC = local (actual) conditions of temperature and pressure

Site Name/Location	Pollutant Parameter	Monitor Designation	Monitor Starting Date	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Codes	Sample Frequency	Equipment
Garden Site/ Anchorage 02-020-0018	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	SLAMS	1/1/2009 01/01/2015	81102-3/ 85101-3	122	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	SLAMS	1/1/2009	88101-3	170	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse
	CO	SLAMS	1/1/1979	42101-1	554	Continuous (Oct-Mar)	Thermo Scientific. Inst. Model 48i
Laurel/ Anchorage 02-020-0045	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	SPM	5/28/2015	81102-3/ 85101-3	122	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X
Parkgate/ Eagle River 02-020-1004	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	SLAMS	1/1/2009 STD 01/01/2015 LC	81102-3/ 85101-3	122	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse
Parkgate/ Eagle River 02-020-1004	$PM_{2.5LC}$	SLAMS	1/1/2009	88101-3	170	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse
Palmer/Mat-Su	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	SPM	1/1/2010	81102-3/ 85101-3	122	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse

Site Name/Location	Pollutant Parameter	Monitor Designation	Monitor Starting Date	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Codes	Sample Frequency	Equipment
Palmer/ Matanuska-Susitna Valley 02-170-0012	$PM_{2.5LC}$	SPM	1/1/2010	88101-3	170	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse
	O_3	SPM	4/1/2015	44201-1	87	Continuous Seasonal Apr - Oct	Teledyne API 400E
Butte/ Matanuska-Susitna Valley	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	SPM	4/11/1998	81102-3/ 85101-3	122	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse
02-170-0008	$PM_{2.5LC}$	SLAMS	8/10/2011	88101-3	170	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse

Table 3-8. FNSB monitors: AQS Codes as of January 2017; STD = standard conditions of temperature and pressure; LC = local (actual) conditions of temperature and pressure

Site Name/Location	Pollutant Parameter	Monitor Designation	Monitor Starting Date	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Codes	Sample Frequency	Equipment
State Office Building/ Fairbanks 02-090-0010	$PM_{2.5LC}$	SLAMS	10/23/1998	88101-1	145	1/1	Thermo Scientific Sequential Partisol 2025i
NCore/ Fairbanks 02-090-0034	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	NCORE	2/15/2011	81102-3/ 85101-3	122	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	NCORE	2/15/2011	88101-3	170	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse
	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	NCORE	11/10/2012	81102-1/ 85101-1	126	1/3	Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	NCORE	11/4/2009	88101-1	143/145	1/1[1]	Thermo Scientific Sequential Partisol 2025i (&2000i until 5/24)
	PM_{10LC} - $PM_{2.5LC}$	NCORE	2/15/2011	86101-1	175/176	1/3	paired Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i/2025i
	CO	NCORE	8/1/2011	42101-1	554	Continuous	Thermo Scientific 48i
	SO_2	NCORE	8/1/2011	42401-1	560	Continuous	Thermo Scientific 43i-TL

Site Name/Location	Pollutant Parameter	Monitor Designation	Monitor Starting Date	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Codes	Sample Frequency	Equipment
	(1-hr)						
	SO_2 (5-min)	NCORE	8/18/2011	42401-2	560	Continuous	Thermo Scientific 43i-TL
	NO_Y	NCORE	01/01/2013 10/5/12 AQS	42600-1	674	Continuous	Thermo Scientific 42iY-TL
	NO	NCORE	10/5/2012	42601-2	574	Continuous	Thermo Scientific 42iY-TL
NCore/ Fairbanks	NO_Y-NO	NCORE	10/5/2012	42612-1	674	Continuous	Thermo Scientific 42iY-TL
02-090-0034	NO_X	NCORE	3/1/2014	42603-1	574	Continuous	Thermo Scientific 42i-TL
	NO	NCORE	3/1/2014 10/5/2012	42601-1	574	Continuous	Thermo Scientific 42i-TL
	NO_2	NCORE	3/1/2014	42602-1	574	Continuous	Thermo Scientific 42i-TL
	O_3	NCORE	8/1/2011	44201-1	87	Continuous	Teledyne API 400E
	WD[2]	NCORE	4/5/2011	61104-1	061	Continuous	Met-One Sonic Anemometer
	WS[2]	NCORE	4/5/2011	61103-1	061	Continuous	Met-One Sonic Anemometer

Site Name/Location	Pollutant Parameter	Monitor Designation	Monitor Starting Date	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Codes	Sample Frequency	Equipment
NCore/ Fairbanks 02-090-0034	BP	NCORE	4/5/2011	64101-1	014	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Barometer
	RH	NCORE	11/4/2013	62201	061	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X Relative Humidity Sensor
	Ambient Temp @ 2 m	NCORE	4/1/2011	62101-2	061	Continuous	Met-One Temp Sensor
	Ambient Temp @ 10 m	NCORE	4/1/2011	62101-1	061	Continuous	Met-One Temp Sensor
	$PM_{2.5LC}$ Speciation	CSN	1/1/2015	Multiple[3]	Multiple[3]	1/3	URG 3000N
	$PM_{2.5LC}$ Speciation	CSN	1/1/2015	Multiple[3]	Multiple[3]	1/3	Met-One Super SASS $PM_{2.5}$ LC
North Pole Fire #3/ North Pole 02-090-0035	$PM_{2.5LC}$	SLAMS	3/1/2012	88101-1	145	1/3	Thermo Scientific Sequential Partisol 2025i
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	SLAMS	3/1/2012	88501-3/ 88502-3	170	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X
	PM2.5LC collocated	SLAMS	5/8/2013	88101-2	143	1/6	Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i

Site Name/Location	Pollutant Parameter	Monitor Designation	Monitor Starting Date	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Codes	Sample Frequency	Equipment
Peger Rd Met 02-090-4010	Ambient Temp @ 3 m	SPM	9/5/2017	62101-2	061	Continuous	Met-One Temp Sensor
	Ambient Temp @ 10 m	SPM	9/5/2017	62101-1	061	Continuous	Met-One Temp Sensor
	WD[2] @10 m	SPM	9/5/2017	61104-1	061	Continuous	Met-One Sonic Anemometer
	WS[2] @ 10 m	SPM	9/5/2017	61103-1	061	Continuous	Met-One Sonic Anemometer
	Ambient Temp @ 30 m	SPM	9/5/2017	62101-3	061	Continuous	Met-One Temp Sensor
	WD@ 30 m	SPM	9/5/2017	61104-3	061	Continuous	Met-One Sonic Anemometer
	WS @ 30 m	SPM	9/5/ 2017	61103-3	061	Continuous	Met-One Sonic Anemometer

[1] Multiple Partisol 2000i samplers were used at NCore to achieve daily FRM sampling until 5/24/17 when a 2015i sequential sampler was installed and a single 2000i sampler was retained for 1 in 6 sampling
[2] WD and WS are reported as resultant
[3] Multiple AQS codes are used to identify individual chemical species

Table 3-9. Juneau μSA: AQS Codes as of January 2017; STD = standard conditions of temperature and pressure; LC = local (actual) conditions of temperature and pressure

Site Name/Location	Pollutant Parameter	Monitor Designation	Monitor Starting Date	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Codes	Sample Frequency	Equipment
Floyd Dryden Middle School/ Juneau 02-110-0004	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	SLAMS	1/1/1986	81102-1/ 85101-1	126	1/6	Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i
	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	SLAMS collocated	1/1/1986	81102-2/ 85101-2	126	1/6	Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	SLAMS	8/21/2009	88101-3	170	Continuous	Met-One BAM 1020X
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	SLAMS collocated	4/1/2015	88101-1	143	1/6	Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i

Table 3-10. Anchorage MSA Instrument-Level Monitoring Objectives

Site Name/ Location	Pollutant Parameter	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Code	Equipment	Monitoring Objective (40 CFR 58 Appendix D)	Required due to NAA or Maintenance Plan?
Garden Site/ Anchorage 02-020-0018	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	81102-3/ 85101-3	122	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	No
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	88101-3	170	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	No
	CO	42101-1	554	Thermo Scientific Model 48i	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	Yes
Laurel/ Anchorage 02-020-0045	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	81102-3/ 85101-3	122	Met-One BAM 1020X	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	No
Parkgate/ Eagle River 02-020-1004	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	81102-3/ 85101-3	122	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	Yes
Parkgate/ Eagle River 02-020-1004	$PM_{2.5LC}$	88101-3	170	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	No

Table 3-11. FNSB Instrument-Level Monitoring Objectives

Site Name/ Location	Pollutant Parameter	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Code	Equipment	Monitoring Objective (40 CFR 58 Appendix D)	Required due to NAA or Maintenance Plan?
State Office Building/ Fairbanks 02-090-0010	$PM_{2.5LC}$	88101-1	143	R & P Partisol 2000	-Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	Yes
NCore/ Fairbanks 02-090-0034	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	81102-3/ 85101-3	122	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse	-Provide timely air pollution information - Determine ambient air quality standard compliance -Support air pollution research studies	No
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	88101-3	170	Met-One BAM 1020X Coarse	-Provide timely air pollution information -Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC}	81102-1/ 85101-1	126	Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i	-Determine ambient air quality standard compliance -Support air pollution research studies	No
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	88101-1	143	Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i	-Determine ambient air quality standard compliance -Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	PM_{10LC} - $PM_{2.5LC}$	86101-1	175	paired Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i	-Determine ambient air quality standard compliance -Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	CO	42101-1	554	Thermo Scientific 48i	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance -Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	SO_2 (1-hr)	42401-1	560	Thermo Scientific 43i-TL	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance -Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	SO_2 (5-min)	42401-2	560	Thermo Scientific 43i-TL	-Determine ambient air quality standard compliance -Support air pollution research studies	Yes

Site Name/ Location	Pollutant Parameter	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Code	Equipment	Monitoring Objective (40 CFR 58 Appendix D)	Required due to NAA or Maintenance Plan?
NCore/ Fairbanks 02-090-0034	NO_Y	42600-1	674	Thermo Scientific 42iY-TL	-Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	NO	42601-1	674	Thermo Scientific 42iY-TL	-Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	NO_Y-NO	42612-1	674	Thermo Scientific 42iY-TL	-Support air pollution research studies	No
	NO_X	42603-1	574	Thermo Fisher 42i-TL	-Support air pollution research studies	No
	NO	42601-2	674	Thermo Scientific 42i-TL	-Support air pollution research studies	No
	NO_2	42602-1	574	Thermo Scientific 42i-TL	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance -Support air pollution research studies	No
	O_3	44201-1	087	Teledyne API 400E	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance -Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	WD	61104-1	061	Met-One Sonic Anemometer	-Provide timely air pollution information -Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	WS	61103-1	061	Met-One Sonic Anemometer	-Provide timely air pollution information -Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	BP	64101-1	014	Met-One BAM 1020X Barometer	-Provide timely air pollution information. -Support air pollution research studies	No
	RH	62201-1	061	Met-One RH Sensor	-Provide timely air pollution information. -Support air pollution research studies	Yes

Site Name/ Location	Pollutant Parameter	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Code	Equipment	Monitoring Objective (40 CFR 58 Appendix D)	Required due to NAA or Maintenance Plan?
	Ambient Temp @ 2 m	62101-2	061	Met-One Temp Sensor	-Provide timely air pollution information. -Support air pollution research studies	Yes
	Ambient Temp @ 10 m	62101-1	061	Met-One Temp Sensor	-Provide timely air pollution information. -Support air pollution research studies	No
	$PM_{2.5LC}$ Speciation	Multiple*	Multiple*	URG 3000N	-Support air pollution research studies -part of CSN	Yes
	$PM_{2.5LC}$ Speciation	Multiple*	Multiple*	Met-One Super SASS $PM_{2.5}$ LC	-Support air pollution research studies -Part of CSN	Yes
North Pole Fire #3/ North Pole 02-090-0035	$PM_{2.5LC}$	88101-1	143	Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i	-Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	Yes
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	88501-3/ 88502-3	170	Met-One BAM 1020X	-Provide timely air pollution information -	Yes
	$PM_{2.5LC}$ collocated	88101-2	143	Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i	-Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	Yes
Peger Rd Met 02-090-4010	Ambient Temp @ 3,10 & 30 m	62101-2,1,3	061	Met-One Temp Sensor	-Provide timely air pollution information	No
	WD @ 10 & 30 m	61104-1,3	061	Met-One Sonic Anemometer	-Provide timely air pollution information	No
	WS@ 10 & 30 m	61103-1,3	061	Met-One Sonic Anemometer	-Provide timely air pollution information	No

Table 3-12. Juneau Instrument-Level Monitoring Objectives

Site Name/ Location	Pollutant Parameter	AQS Parameter and Occurrence Code	AQS Method Code	Equipment	Monitoring Objective (40 CFR 58 Appendix D)	Required due to NAA or Maintenance Plan?
Floyd Dryden Middle School/ Juneau 02-110-0004	PM_{10STD}/ PM_{10LC} collocated	81102-2/ 85101-2	126	R&P Partisol 2000	-Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	Yes
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	88101-3	170	Met-One BAM 1020X	-Provide timely air pollution information -Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	No
	$PM_{2.5LC}$	88101-2	143	Thermo Scientific Partisol 2000i	-Determine ambient air quality standard compliance	No

3.5 *Comparison of $PM_{2.5}$ FRM and Continuous Methods*

EPA designated the Met One BAM as a Class III Federal Equivalence Method (FEM) in 2008. To qualify as an FEM the instrument needs to meet performance criteria when compared to the FRM. The performance criteria for Class III FEM approval for monitors must meet the key statistical metrics for multiplicative bias (slope) between 0.9 and 1.1 and an additive bias (intercept) between -2.00 and 2.00 (40 CFR Part 58.11 e, 40 CFR Part 53 Subpart C Figure C-2).

DEC has deployed $PM_{2.5}$ Met One BAM monitors statewide. DEC found that all Alaskan $PM_{2.5}$ BAM sites meet FEM performance requirements except for FNSB sites. All Alaskan sites other than FNSB were deemed to be FEM after measuring an adequate span of concentrations. The time it took to obtain them ranged from a year to almost 3 years (Juneau 10/2009-5/2011; Garden 1/2009-6/2011; Palmer 10/2012-3/2015; Butte 9/2011-12/2013). DEC calculates annual and 3-year correlations for the FNSB sites. The BAM annual correlations with FRM did not meet FEM criteria at North Pole site prior to calendar year 2016, the NCore site prior to 2015 and in 2016 and SOB site prior to 2014. The 3-year correlation (2014-2016) for the NCore site failed the FEM slope criteria while the NPFS 3 year correlation failed the FEM intercept test. Figure 3-7 depicts a graphical summary of statewide BAM performance results. On January 17, 2018,

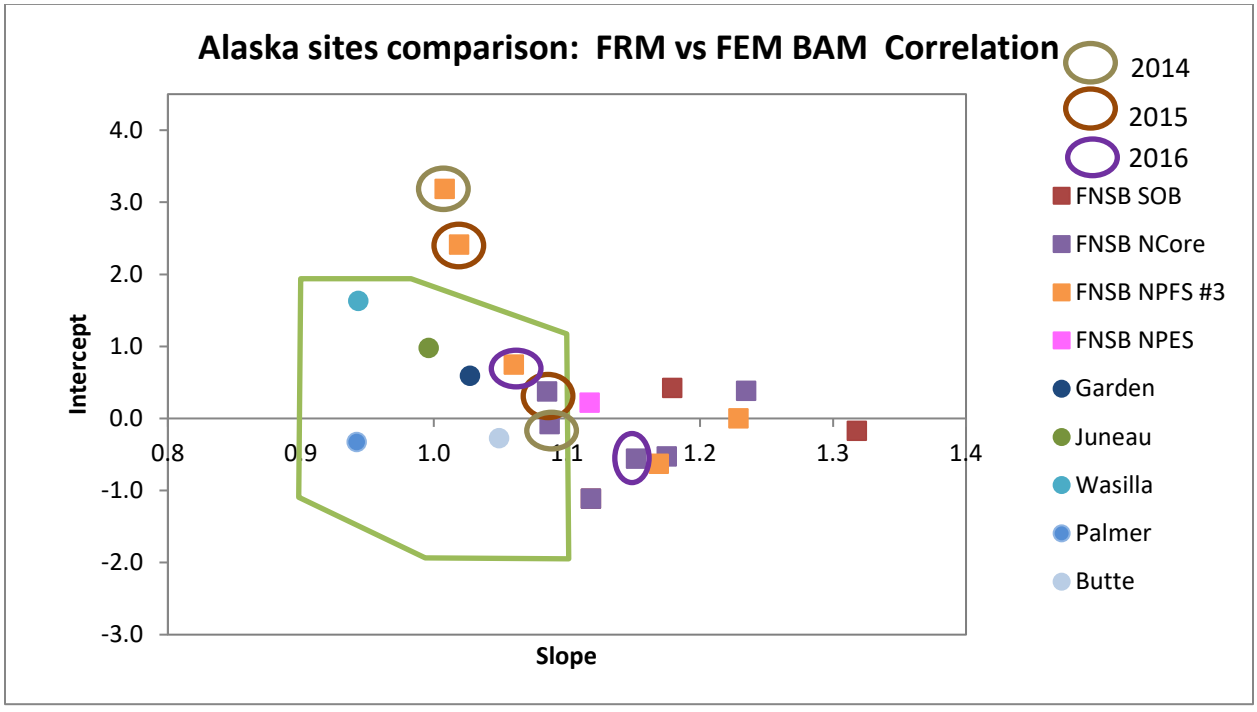

Figure3-7: Alaska FRM FEM Correlations; the green box shows Class III performance criteria

The green box in Figure 3.7 represents acceptable limits for slope and intercept for $PM_{2.5}$ methods. The Floyd Dryden BAM in Juneau, Garden BAM in Anchorage and the Matanuska-Susitna Valley BAMs at Butte, Palmer and Wasilla all met the slope and intercept performance criteria for $PM_{2.5}$ FEM in 2014.

A more detailed discussion of the comparison between the two sampling methods can be found in DEC's assessment of BAM-FRM correlations report[5].

[5] Assessment of the continuous $PM_{2.5}$ Met One BAM 1020 sampler performance in the State of Alaska air monitoring network 2009 - 2016; http://dec.alaska.gov/air/anpms/projects-reports/docs/alaska-pm2.5-frm-bam-correlations-report-2016.pdf
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4 NETWORK MODIFICATIONS COMPLETED IN 2016/2017

4.1 *Daily PM2.5 FRM sampling at all FNSB SLAMS sites*

DEC increased the sampling frequency at all $PM_{2.5}$ FRM SLAMS sampling sites in the FNSB non-attainment area. Daily sampling started at the NCore site on October 26, 2016. Effective January 1, 2017 daily FRM sampling commenced at the Fairbanks downtown State Office Building site (SOB) and at the North Pole Fire Station site on July 1, 2017.

4.2 *$PM_{2.5}$ collocation*

Effective January 1, 2016 $PM_{2.5}$ collocation was moved from the NCore site in Fairbanks to the North Pole Fire Station. This site records the highest concentrations of $PM_{2.5}$ in the network. DEC is planning to retain the second required collocation site at the Floyd Dryden site for the near future.

4.3 *Yakutat site shut down*

DEC shut-down the $PM_{2.5}$ sampling in Yakutat February and removed the sites in May 2017. In fall 2016, DEC was informed that the City and Borough of Yakutat had decided not to install biomass boilers for community heat as originally planned. DEC therefore only deployed one sampler located next to the school during the 2016/17 winter season. The instrument recorded several days with elevated $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations in early 2017. The Tribal Environmental Coordinator is working with the community to resolve the problem.

5 PROPOSED NETWORK MODIFICATIONS FOR 2018

5.1 *Discontinuation of Ozone Monitoring in the Anchorage MSA*

DEC proposes to shutdown ozone monitoring in Palmer and with that eliminate the Anchorage MSA ozone monitoring network as soon as possible and preferably before the 2018 ozone sampling season. The 3-year design value calculated for ozone seasons from 2015 to 2017 is 0.044 ppm, which is well below the NAAQS.

The March 27, 2008 revision of the national ozone standard required the State of Alaska to establish an ozone monitoring program by April 1, 2010. The regulation required at least one SLAMS O_3 site in a CBSA with a population greater than 350,000. For Alaska this meant measuring ozone in the Anchorage MSA, which includes the Municipality of Anchorage and the Matanuska Susitna Borough.

Ozone monitoring in the Anchorage MSA started in April 2010. At the time the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) had a delegated program. Since no previous ozone monitoring had been conducted, little was known about ambient ozone concentrations, and where a maximum impact

location might be. On the other hand, due to the limited sources of ozone precursors and the latitudinal limitation of atmospheric photochemical oxidation in the Anchorage MSA, concerns were very low that air quality staff would measure elevated ozone concentrations anywhere in the MSA. To identify an area of potential maximum concentration, MOA staff looked at wind speed and wind direction during days with high solar input (i.e. days with temperatures above 70˚F) to determine a potential maximum downwind location. On rare days when temperatures are above 70 degrees, wind directions where from the southwest, indicating potential pollutant transport up into Knik Inlet to Eagle River or the Wasilla and Palmer areas. Because of the mountainous terrain there are many different airsheds in the Anchorage MSA, especially between the Anchorage Bowl and the communities of Palmer and Wasilla. It is therefore highly unlikely that impacts from polluted air masses from Anchorage can be measured in the Mat-Su Valley.

Anchorage staff installed and operated the ozone analyzers in Anchorage at the Trinity Church (Garden, AQS ID 02-020-0018) site and the Parkgate site in Eagle River (AQS ID 02-020-1004). MOA operated the Parkgate site only for one and the Garden site for three ozone seasons. Due to staff reductions within the municipal air program, MOA then decommissioned the Anchorage based monitoring site in October 2012 after receiving EPA approval.

DEC established ozone monitoring at the Wasilla monitoring site (AQS ID 02-170-0013) in March of 2011 to meet the CBSA minimum monitoring requirement. In 2015 DEC moved the monitor to an existing particulate monitoring site in Palmer (AQS ID 02-170-0012) as a part of consolidating site operations due to budget cuts. Although DEC operated the Wasilla ozone site for four years, only three years had sufficient data due to instrument problems. Because data from 2013 did not meet the required data capture, DEC was not able to calculate a three year design value for that site. As of the end of 2017 DEC has collected data during three consecutive ozone seasons at the Palmer site.

Table 5-1: Ozone monitoring in Alaska from 2010 to 2017

4th Maximum 8 hour ozone concentration [ppm]								
	2010	**2011**	**2012**	**2013**	**2014**	**2015**	**2016**	**2017**
Garden	0.042	0.047	0.046					
Parkgate	0.045							
Wasilla		0.049	0.047		0.044			
Palmer						0.047	0.044	0.043
Fairbanks		0.035	0.048	0.047	0.044	0.045	0.036	0.048
Denali	0.052	0.053	0.052	0.052	0.058	0.054	0.048	0.050

Ozone concentrations that have been measured at all the sites in the Anchorage MSA, at the Garden, Parkgate, Wasilla and Palmer sites, have all shown ozone concentrations well below the NAAQS. Table 5-1 shows the 4th maximum eight hour ozone concentration for all ozone monitoring sites in Alaska. For the sites within the Anchorage MSA, the 4th Max is always below

50 ppb (0.050 ppm). The US National Park Service operates a Clean Air Status and Trends Network (CASTNET) O_3 monitoring site at the Denali National Park, which provides information on natural background level ozone concentrations. In comparison to the Anchorage MSA sites, the CASTNET records higher values for every year. This indicates that because the Anchorage MSA site data are lower than the ozone background concentrations, South Central Alaska does not experience net ozone production, rather ozone scavenging due to local pollution.

Table 5-2: Ozone Design Values

	3-year design value [ppm]					
	2012	**2013**	**2014**	**2015**	**2016**	**2017**
Garden	0.045					
Parkgate						
Wasilla						
Palmer						0.044
Fairbanks			0.046	0.045	0.041	0.043
Denali	0.048	0.52	0.053	0.054	0.053	0.050

Table 5-2 summarizes the 3-year design values for all site in Alaska since 2012. All values are below the standard and the Denali National Park& Preserve site shows the highest DV for all years. Since the design value in the Anchorage MSA is less than 59% of the NAAQS, DEC believes that valuable staff time and resources could be dedicated to higher priorities if ozone monitoring were terminated. DEC therefore requests EPA approval to discontinue ozone monitoring in the CBSA.

5.2 *Rural Alaska*

DEC has established a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Bethel. After finalizing site selection for a PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ SPM site in Bethel, DEC shipped the monitoring trailer to Bethel and is currently working to get power and DSL connections established. DEC is planning to install a pair of Met One BAM 1020 PM analyzers, which will report to the State's DR DAS data acquisition system and display the AQI on the DEC website. DEC hopes to have the site fully operational by July 1, 2018. DEC will report the data to AQS.

APPENDIX A: MONITORING SITE LOCATION AND PHOTOS

Figure A-1 shows the State of Alaska air monitoring networks that report to the EPA AQS database. Regional maps show the general monitoring site locations in the Municipality of Anchorage, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Matanuska-Susitna Valley, and the City and Borough of Juneau. In addition to the network maps, area maps which provide greater detail of the individual site locations are presented. All maps and site photographs are presented in Figures A-1 through A-23. All map base images were prepared using Google Earth® with Landsat and US Geological Survey digital images using the World Geodetic System (WGS 84) datum.

Response to Comments

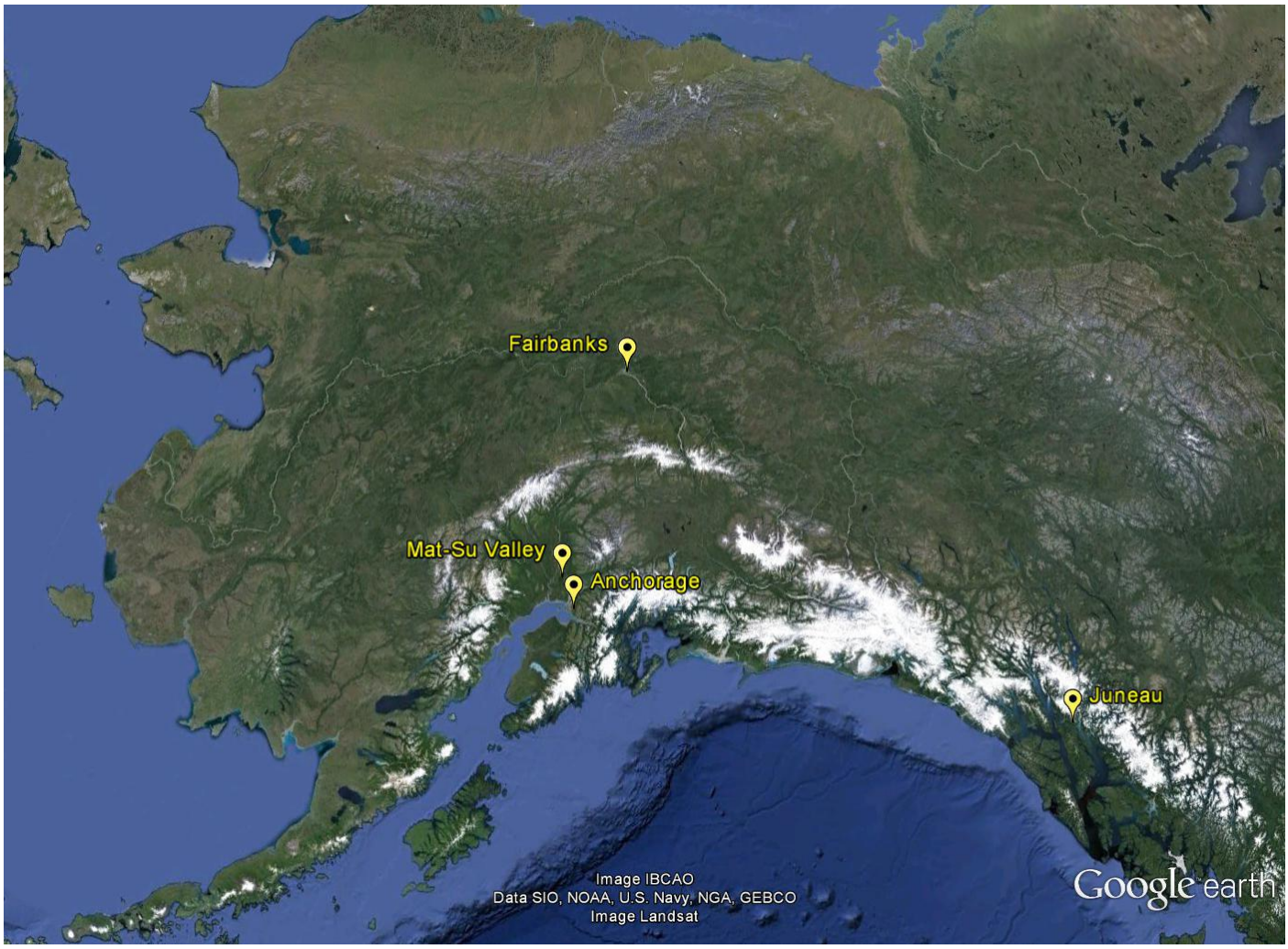


Figure A-1. State of Alaska AQS Air Monitoring Networks

Figure A-2. Anchorage Air Monitoring Network

Figure A-3. Anchorage Garden Site Area Map

Figure A-4. Pictures of the Garden Site (AQS ID 02-020-0018)

North	East	South	West
			
Views in four directions from the Garden Site			
			
Views in four directions towards the Garden Site			

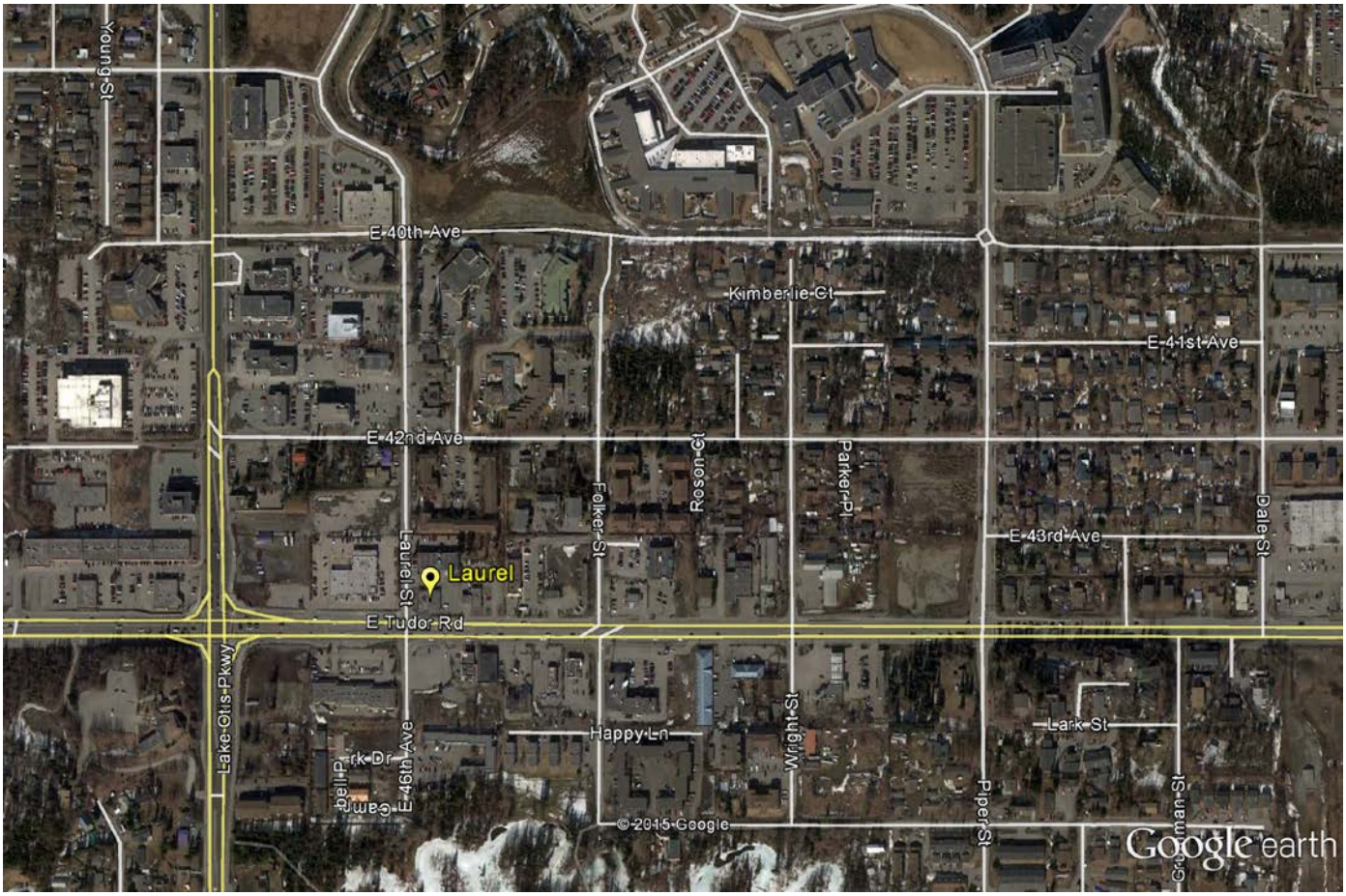


Figure A-5. Anchorage Laurel Site Area Map

Figure A-6. Pictures of the Laurel Site (AQS ID 02-020-0051)

North	East	South	West
			
Views in four directions from the Laurel Site			
			
Views in four directions towards the Laurel Site			

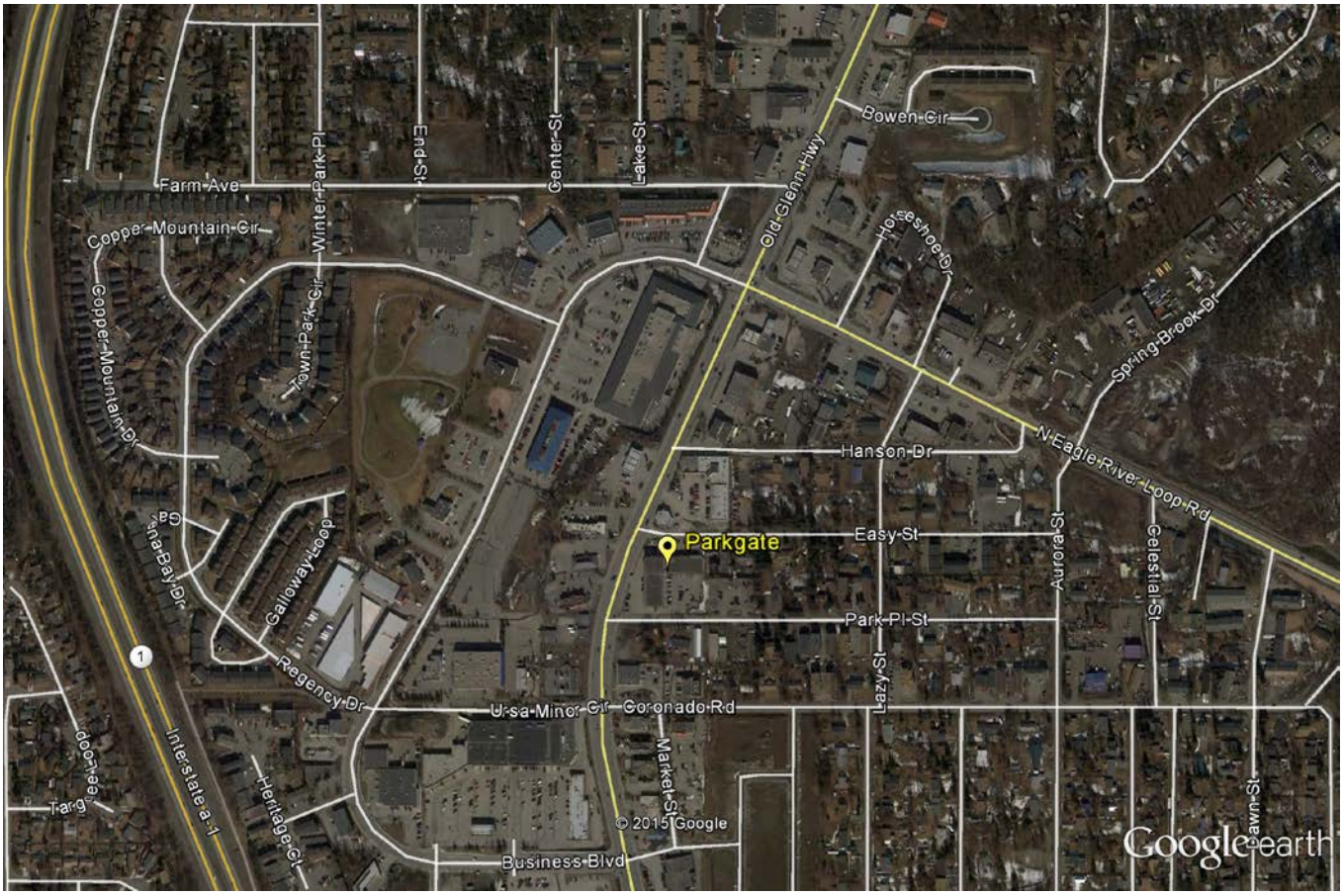


Figure A-7. Anchorage Parkgate/Eagle River Area Map

Figure A-8. Pictures of the Parkgate Site (AQS ID 02-020-1004)

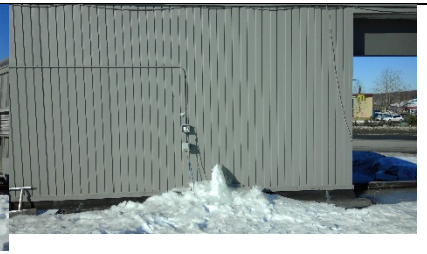
North	East	South	West
			
Views in four directions Towards the Parkgate Site			
			
Views in four directions from the Parkgate Site			

Figure A-9 Fairbanks North Star Borough Area Map

Figure A-10 Fairbanks Area Map (NCore and SOB pollutant monitoring sites)

Figure A-11. Pictures of the State Office Building (AQS ID 02-090-0010)

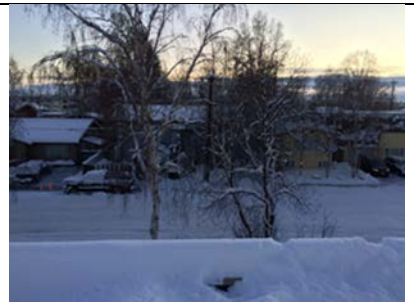
North	East	South	West
			
Views in four directions from the State Office Building			
			
Views in four directions towards the State Office Building Site			

Figure A-12. Pictures of NCore (AQS ID 02-090-0034)

North	East	South	West
			
Views in four directions from the NCore site			
			
Views in four directions towards the NCore site			

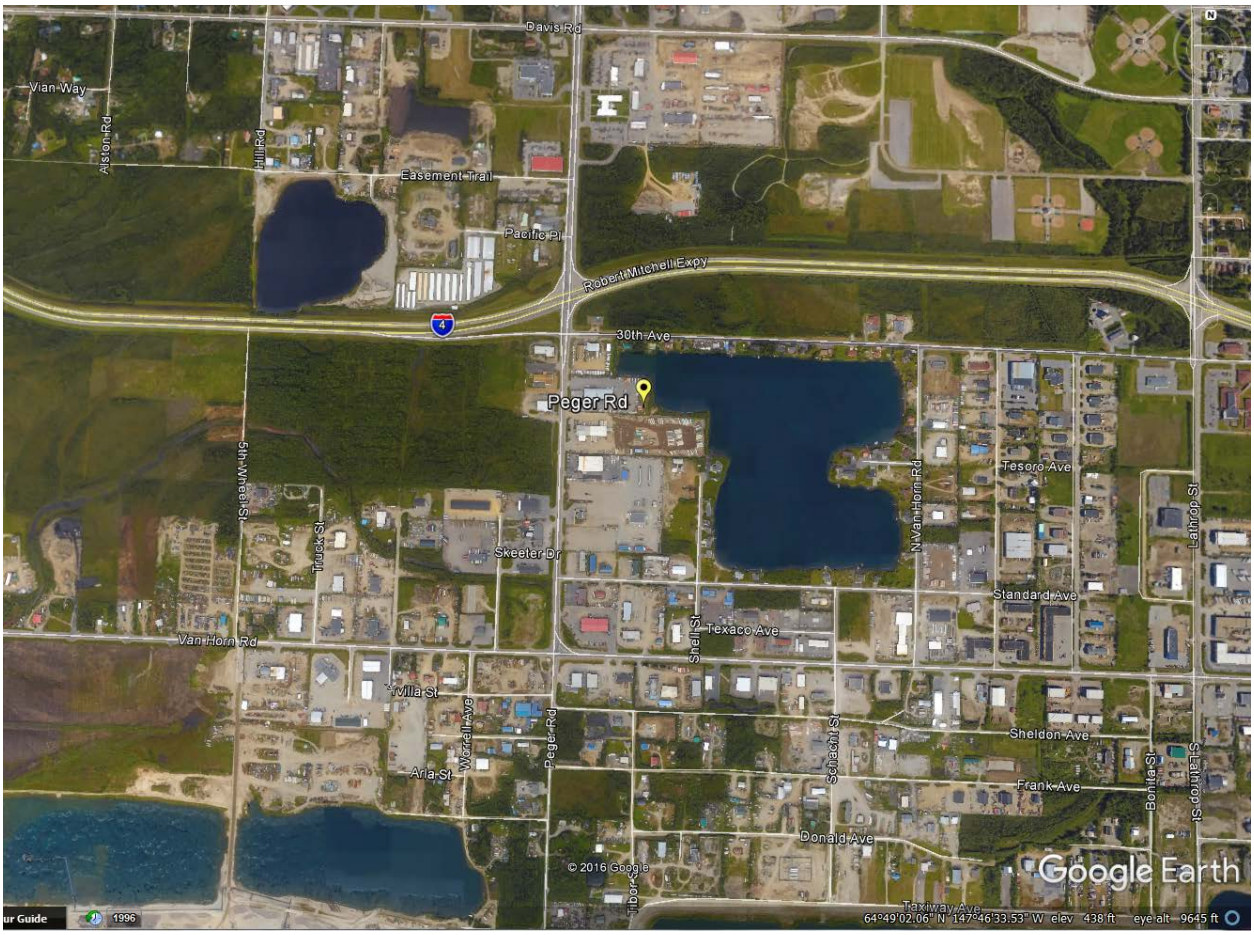


Figure A-13 Fairbanks, Peger Area Map (meteorological site)

Figure A-14. Pictures of TAC (Peger Rd.) (AQS ID 02-090-4010)

North	East	South	West
			
Views in four directions from the TAC site			
			
Views in four directions toward the TAC Site			

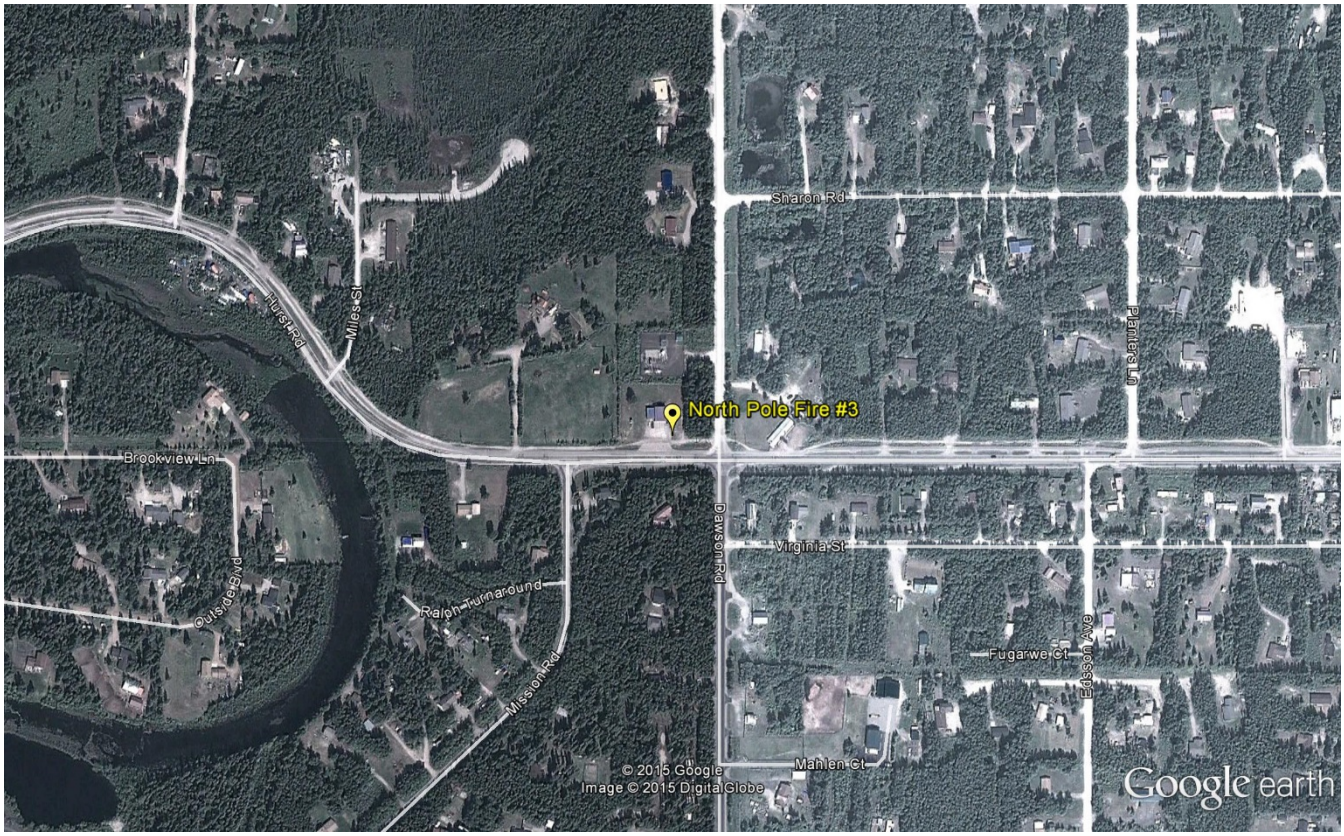
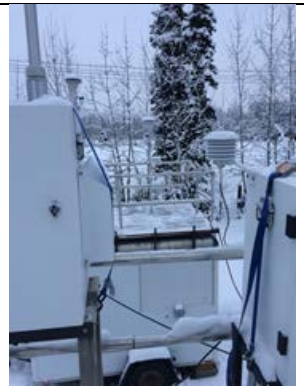
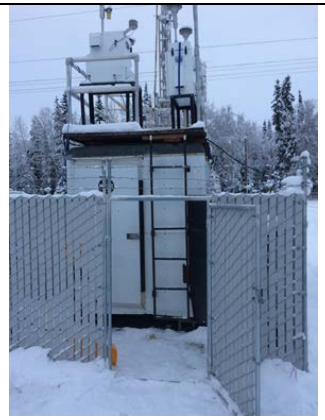


Figure A-15. North Pole, North Pole Fire #3 Area Map

Figure A-16. Pictures of North Pole Fire Station #3 (AQS ID 020-090-0035)

North	East	South	West
			
Views in four directions from the North Pole site			
			
Views in four directions towards the North Pole Site			

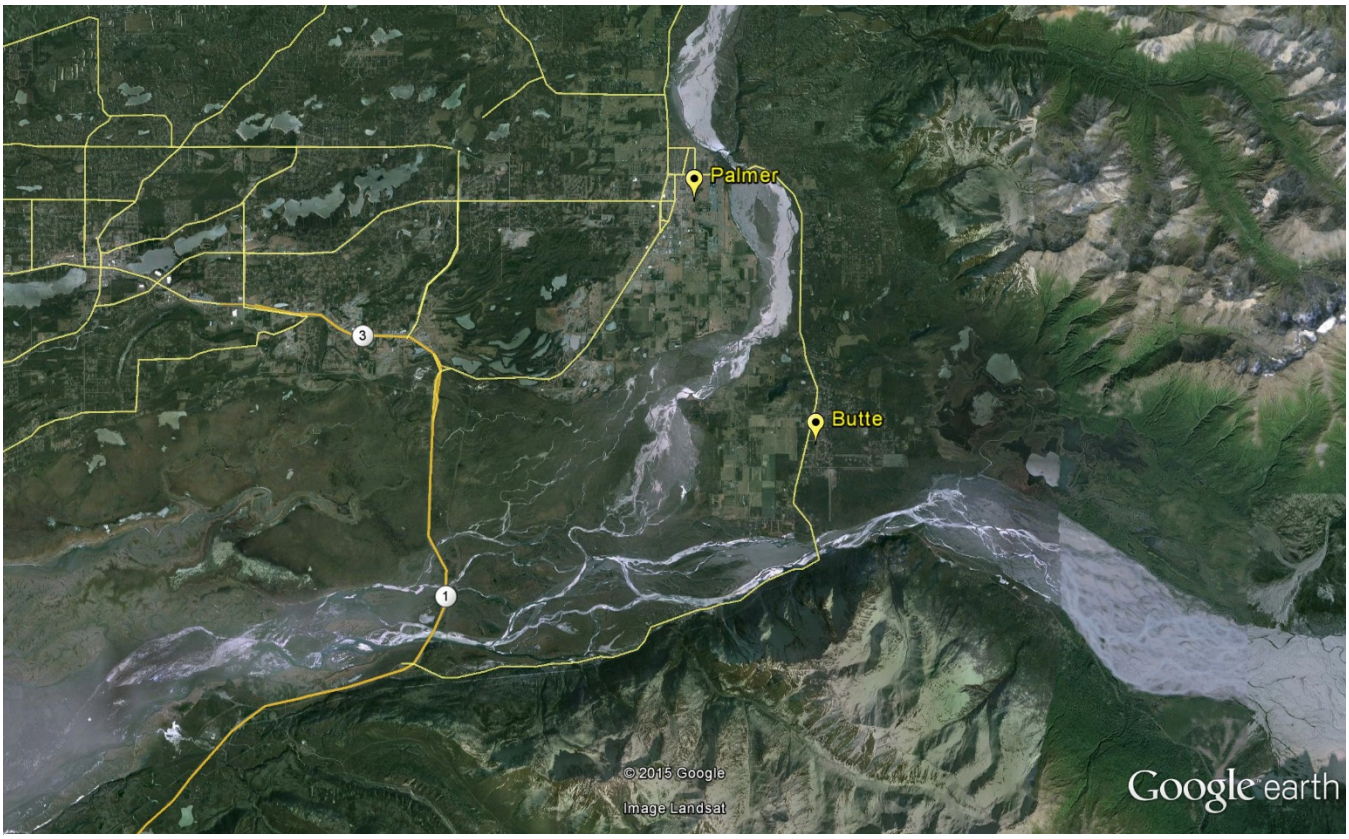


Figure A-17. Matanuska-Susitna Valley Air Monitoring Network

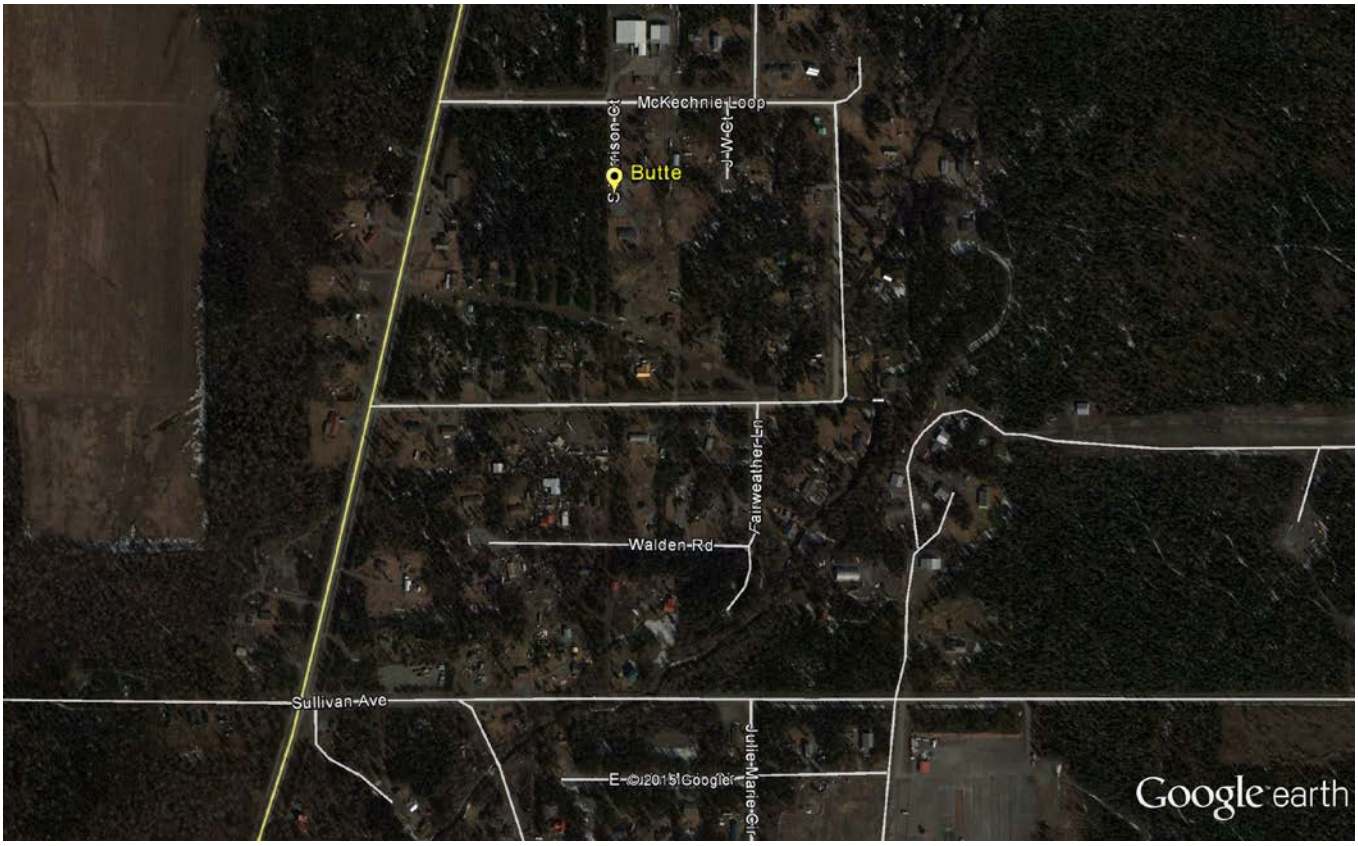


Figure A-18. Matanuska-Susitna Valley, Butte Area Map

Figure A-19. Pictures of Butte (Harrison Court) (AQS ID 020-170-0008)

North	East	South	West
			
Views in four directions from the Harrison Court Site			
			
Views from four directions toward the Harrison Court Site			

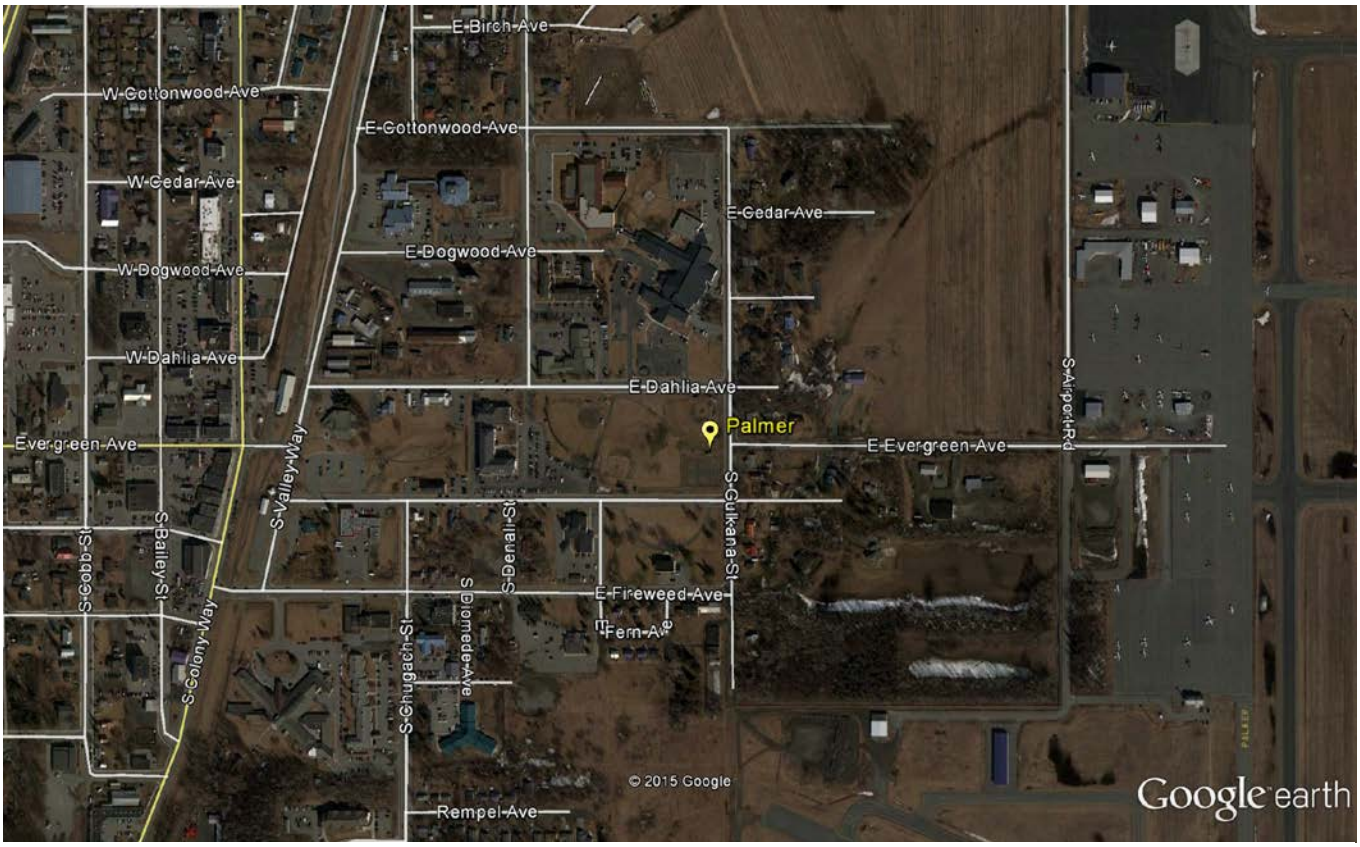


Figure A-20. Matanuska-Susitna Valley, Palmer Area Map

Figure A-21. Pictures of Palmer (AQS ID 020-170-0012)

North	East	South	West
			
Views in four directions from the Palmer Site			
			
Views from four directions toward the Palmer Site			

Figure A-22. City and Borough of Juneau Air Monitoring Network, Floyd Dryden Middle School, Mendenhall Valley Area Map

Figure A-23. Pictures of Floyd Dryden (AQS ID 02-110-0004)

North	East	South	West
			
Views in four cardinal directions from the Floyd Dryden Site			
			
Views in four cardinal directions toward the Floyd Dryden Site			

APPENDIX B NETWORK EVALUATION FORMS

PART 58 APPENDIX D NETWORK EVALUATION FORM FOR NITROGEN DIOXIDE (NO2)				
STATE: ALASKA **AGENCY:** DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION **AQS AGENCY CODE:** 02 **EVALUATION DATE:** May 24, 2017 **EVALUATOR:** MATTHEW STICHICK, CHEMIST				
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	CRITERIA MET?		
		YES	NO	N/A
4.3.2(a)	Near-road NO2 Monitors: One microscale near-road NO_2 monitoring station in each CBSA with a population of 500,000 or more persons.			✓
4.3.2(a)	Near-road NO2 Monitors: An additional near-road NO_2monitoring station is required for any CBSA with a population of 2,500,000 persons, or in any CBSA with a population of 500,000 or more persons that has one or more roadway segments with 250,000 or greater AADT count.			✓
4.3.2(b)	Near-road NO2 Monitors: Measurements at required near-road NO_2 monitor sites utilizing chemiluminescence FRMs must include at a minimum: NO, NO_2, and NO_X			✓
4.3.3(a)	Area-wide NO2 Monitoring: One monitoring station in each CBSA with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons to monitor a location of expected highest NO_2 concentrations representing the neighborhood or larger spatial scales.			✓
Comments: The State of Alaska has no CBSA with a population of 500,000 or more persons.				

Table 1					
MSA Description[1]	MSA population[2, 3] (2010)	Required number of Near-road NO2 sites	Present number of Near-road NO2 sites	Required number of Area-wide NO2 sites	Present number of Area-wide NO2 sites
Anchorage, MSA	380,821	0	0	0	0
Fairbanks, MSA	97,581	0	0	0	0
City and Borough of Juneau	31,275	0	0	0	0

[1]see http://www2.census.gov/econ/susb/data/msa_codes_2007_to_2011.txt

[2]Minimum monitoring requirements apply to the Core Based statistical area (CBSA). CBSA includes both metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas.

[3]Population based on latest available census figures (April 2010).

PART 58 APPENDIX D SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR CARBON MONOXIDE (CO)					
STATE: ALASKA **AGENCY:** DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION **AQS AGENCY CODE:** 02 **EVALUATION DATE:** 5-23-2017 **EVALUATOR:** J. ST. LAURENT					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
4.2.1(a)	One CO monitor is required to operate collocated with one required near-road NO_2 monitor in CBSAs having a population of 1,000,000 or more persons. If a CBSA has more than one required near-road NO_2 monitor, only one CO monitor is required to be collocated with a near-road NO_2 monitor within that CBSA.				✓
4.2.2(a)	Has the EPA Regional Administrator required additional CO monitoring stations above the minimum number of monitors required in 4.2.1? If so, note location in comment field.		✓		
Comments: The State of Alaska has no CBSA with a population of 1,000,000. Therefore, there are no near-road collocated sites for CO and NO_2. The Garden Site (AQS ID 02-020-0018) is the single CO site currently operating in the Municipality of Anchorage for Limited Maintenance Plan compliance. A single CO SLAMS monitor operated for Limited Maintenance Plan compliance in the Fairbanks North Star Borough at the Old Post Office Building site (AQS 02-090-0002) until 4/30/2014. Since then the Fairbanks North Star Borough multi-pollutant NCore site (02-090-00340 currently is the single CO site for compliance with NCore requirements and for Limited Maintenance Plan compliance in Fairbanks.					

MSA Description[1]	CBSA population[2,3]	Minimum required number of SLAMS CO sites	Present number of SLAMS CO sites in MSA
Municipality of Anchorage	291,826	0	1*
Fairbanks North Star Borough	97,581	0	1*

[1]see http://www2.census.gov/econ/susb/data/msa_codes_2007_to_2011.txt

[2]Minimum monitoring requirements apply to the Core Based statistical area (CBSA). CBSA includes both metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas.

[3]Population based on latest available census figures (April 2010).

* Monitoring sites in both MSAs satisfy their respective CO Limited Maintenance Plans requirement

PART 58 APPENDIX D NETWORK EVALUATION FORM FOR OZONE (O_3)

STATE: ALASKA **AGENCY:** DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION **AQS AGENCY CODE:** 02

EVALUATION DATE: May 24, 2017 **EVALUATOR:** MATTHEW STICHICK, CHEMIST

APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	CRITERIA MET?		
		YES	NO	N/A
4.1(b)	At least one O_3 site for each MSA, or CSA if multiple MSAs are involved, must be designed to record the maximum concentration (note location in comment field).	✓		
4.1(c)	The appropriate spatial scales for O_3 sites are neighborhood, urban, and regional (note deviations in comment field).	✓		
4.1(f)	Confirm that the monitoring agency consulted with EPA R10 when siting the maximum O3 concentration site.	✓		
4.1(i)	O3 is being monitored at SLAMS monitoring sites during the "ozone season" as specified in Table D-3 of Appendix D to Part 58.	✓		

Comments: Ozone monitoring was established at the Municipality of Anchorage, Garden site (AQS ID 02-020-0018) as a SLAMS site in April 2010. This site was established to be representative of the combined MSAs for the Municipality of Anchorage and the Matanuska Valley Borough. Ozone monitoring was conducted at this site for three seasons 2010, 2011, and 2012. Ozone monitoring was conducted for one season in 2010 at Parkgate site (AQS ID 02-020-1004). The Garden site ozone three-year design value was 0.045 ppm, which represents 64 percent of the NAAQS. Ozone monitoring was established at the Wasilla site (AQS ID 02-170-0012) in the Matanuska-Susitna Valley Borough as a SPM site in 2011. Monitoring was conducted during the ozone seasons in 2011 and 2012. Equipment problems prevented monitoring during the 2013 season. Ozone monitoring at the Wasilla site resumed on April 1, 2014 and was suspended on November 30, 2014. Ozone monitoring was established at the Palmer site (AQS ID 02-170-0012) in the Matanuska-Susitna Valley Borough beginning on April 1, 2015, and has been monitored there year-round since that date. An ozone monitoring site was established in the Fairbanks North Star Borough at the multi-pollutant NCore site (AQS 02-090-0034) in August 2011 and has been operated year-round since then.

MSA Description	MSA population[1,2]	Minimum required number of SLAMS O3 sites (from Table D-2)	Present number of SLAMS O3 sites in CBSA	
Municipality of Anchorage	291,826 (2010)	0	0	
Matanuska-Susitna Valley Borough	88,995 (2010)	0	0*	1 SPM site in Palmer
Combined (MSAs)	380,821	1	0*	3-years completed in Anchorage (SLAMS), Wasilla (SPM; not consecutive) and Palmer (SPM).4
Fairbanks North Star Borough	97,581	0	0	1 NCore Site

[s] see http://www2.census.gov/econ/susb/data/msa_codes_2007_to_2011.txt

Table D-2 of Appendix D to Part 58 - SLAMS O3 Monitoring Minimum Requirements

MSA population[1,2]	Most recent 3-year design value concentrations ≥85% of any O3 NAAQS[3]	Most recent 3-year design value concentrations <85% of any O3 NAAQS[3,4]
>10 million	4	2
4-10 million	3	1
350,000-<4 million	2	1
50,000-<350,000[5]	1	0

[1]Minimum monitoring requirements apply to the Metropolitan statistical area (MSA). CBSA includes both MSAs and micropolitan statistical areas.
[2]Population based on latest available census figures.
[3]The ozone (O3) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) levels and forms are defined in 40 CFR part 50.
[4]These minimum monitoring requirements apply in the absence of a design value.
[5]Metropolitan statistical areas (MSA) must contain an urbanized area of 50,000 or more population.

Table D-3 of Appendix D to Part 58—Ozone Monitoring Season by State

State	Begin month	End Month
Alaska	April	October
Idaho	May	September
Oregon	May	September
Washington	May	September

* Most recent DV is 2017 Palmer (0.044 ppm) which is less than 59% of the NAAQS; no additional monitoring is required according to Table D-2

4One season of ozone monitoring was completed at Parkgate/Eagle River in 2010

PART 58 APPENDIX D NETWORK EVALUATION FORM FOR PM10				
STATE: ALASKA **AGENCY:** DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION **AQS AGENCY CODE:** 02 **EVALUATION DATE:** May 24, 2017 **EVALUATOR:** MATTHEW STICHICK, CHEMIST				
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	CRITERIA MET?		
		YES	NO	N/A
4.6(a)	Table D-4 indicates the approximate number of permanent stations required in MSAs to characterize national and regional PM10 air quality trends and geographical patterns. Use the form below and Table D-4 to verify if your PM10 network has to appropriate number of samplers.	✓		
Comments: All of the site locations are based on historical agreements among the EPA, ADEC and (where applicable) local agencies.				

MSA Description[1]	MSA population[2,3]	Minimum required number of PM10 stations (from Table D-4)	Present number of PM10 stations in MSA
Anchorage MSA	380,821	1-2	5 (2 SLAMS, 3 SPM)
Fairbanks North Star Borough MSA	97,581	0-1	1 (NCore, collocated)
City and Borough of Juneau µSA	31,275	0	1 (SLAMS, collocated)

[1]see http://www2.census.gov/econ/susb/data/msa_codes_2007_to_2011.txt

[2]Minimum monitoring requirements apply to the Metropolitan statistical area (MSA). CBSA includes both MSAs and micropolitan statistical areas.

[3]Population based on latest available census figures.

Table D-4 of Appendix D to Part 58 – PM10 Minimum Monitoring Requirements			
MSA population[1,2]	High concentration[2]	Medium concentration[3]	Low concentration[4,5]
>1 million	6-10	4-8	2-4
500K to 1 million	4-8	2-4	1-2
250K to 500K	3-4	1-2	0-1
100K to 250K	1-2	0-1	0

[1]Selection of urban areas and actual numbers of stations per area will be jointly determined by EPA and the State agency.

[2]High concentration areas are those for which ambient PM10 data show ambient concentrations exceeding the PM10 NAAQS by 20 percent or more.

[3]Medium concentration areas are those for which ambient PM10 data show ambient concentrations exceeding 80 percent of the PM10 NAAQS.

[4]Low concentration areas are those for which ambient PM10 data show ambient concentrations less than 80 percent of the PM10 NAAQS.

[5]These minimum monitoring requirements apply in the absence of a design value.

PART 58 APPENDIX D NETWORK EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5

STATE: ALASKA **AGENCY:** DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION **AQS AGENCY CODE:** 02

EVALUATION DATE: May 24, 2017 **EVALUATOR:** MATTHEW STICHICK, CHEMIST

APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	CRITERIA MET?		
		YES	NO	N/A
4.7.1(a)	States, and where applicable local agencies must operate the minimum number of required $PM_{2.5}$ SLAMS sites listed in Table D-5 of this appendix. Use the form below and Table D-5 to verify if each of your MSAs have the appropriate number of SLAMS FRM/FEM/ARM samplers.	✓		
4.7.1(b)	Each required SLAMS FRM/FEM/ARM monitoring stations or sites must be sited to represent area-wide air quality in the given MSA (typically neighborhood or urban spatial scale, though micro-or middle-scale okay if it represent many such locations throughout the MSA).	✓		
4.7.1(b)(1)	At least one SLAMS FRM/FEM/ARM monitoring station is to be sited at neighborhood or larger scale in an area of expected maximum concentration for each MSA where monitoring is required by 4.7.1(a).	✓		
4.7.1(b)(2)	For CBSAs with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons, at least one FRM/FEM/ARM $PM_{2.5}$ monitor is to be collocated at a near-road NO_2 station.			✓
4.7.1(b)(3)	For MSAs with additional required SLAMS sites, a FRM/FEM/ARM monitoring station is to be sited in an area of poor air quality.			✓
4.7.2	Each State must operate continuous $PM_{2.5}$ analyzers equal to at least one-half (round up) the minimum required sites listed in Table D-5 of this appendix. At least one required continuous analyzer in each MSA must be collocated with one of the required FRM/FEM/ARM monitors, unless at least one of the required FRM/FEM/ARM monitors is itself a continuous FEM or ARM monitor, in which case no collocation requirement applies.	✓		
4.7.3	Each State shall install and operate at least one $PM_{2.5}$ site to monitor for regional background and at least one $PM_{2.5}$ site to monitor regional transport (note locations in comment field). Non-reference PM2.5 monitors such as IMPROVE can be used to meet this requirement.	✓		
4.7.4	Each State shall continue to conduct chemical speciation monitoring and analyses at sites designated to be part of the $PM_{2.5}$ Speciation Trends Network (STN).	✓		

Comments:

4.7.3 Regional background site: Palmer Site (AQS ID 02-170-0012)

4.7.3 Regional transport site: Palmer Site (AQS ID 02-170-0012)

MSA Description[1]	MSA population[2,3]	Design Value* for years 2014-2016 24-hr/Annual Avg. µg/m³	Minimum required number of PM2.5 SLAMS FRM/FEM/ARM sites (from Table D-5)	Present number of PM2.5 SLAMS FRM/FEM/ARM sites in MSA	Present number of continuous PM2.5 FEM/ARM analyzers in MSA	Present number of continuous PM2.5 STN analyzers in MSA
Anchorage, MSA	380,821		1	4	4	0
Garden Site		18/6.3	SLAMS/FEM	1	1	
Parkgate Site		15/5.4	SLAMS/FEM	1	1	
Butte Site		35/6.8	SLAMS/FEM	1	1	
Palmer Site		10/2.6	SPM/FEM	1	1	
Fairbanks, MSA	97,581		1	3	0	1 speciation
State Office Building Site		37/10.1	SLAMS/FRM	1		
NCore Site		33/10.0	NCore/FRM	1 (collocated)		1 speciation
North Pole Fire Site		106/NA‡	SLAMS/FRM	1		
City and Borough of Juneau	31,275		0	1	1	0
Floyd Dryden Site		24/6.8	SLAMS/FEM FRM	1	1	

[1]see http://www2.census.gov/econ/susb/data/msa_codes_2007_to_2011.txt)

[2]Minimum monitoring requirements apply to the metropolitan statistical area (MSA). CBSA includes both MSAs and micropolitan statistical areas.

[3]Population based on latest available census figures.

*without expected EPA concurred Exceptional Events

‡Design value is not calculated based on seasonal sampling in 2014.

Table D-5 of Appendix D to Part 58 – PM2.5 Minimum Monitoring Requirements

MSA population[1, 2]	Most recent 3-year design value ≥85% of any PM2.5 NAAQS[3]	Most recent 3-year design value <85% of any PM2.5 NAAQS[3, 4]
>1 million	3	2
500K to 1 million	2	1
50K to <500K[5]	1	0

[1]Minimum monitoring requirements apply to the Metropolitan statistical area (MSA).

[2]Population based on latest available census figures. https://www.census.gov/

[3]The $PM_{2.5}$ National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) levels and forms are defined in 40 CFR part 50.

[4]These minimum monitoring requirements apply in the absence of a design value.

[5]Metropolitan statistical areas (MSA) must contain an urbanized area of 50,000 or more population.

PART 58 APPENDIX D NETWORK EVALUATION FORM FOR SULFUR DIOXIDE (SO_2)

STATE: ALASKA **AGENCY:** DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION **AQS AGENCY CODE:** 02

EVALUATION DATE: May 24, 2017 **EVALUATOR:** MATTHEW STICHICK, CHEMIST

APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	CRITERIA MET?		
		YES	NO	N/A
4.4.1	State and, where appropriate, local agencies must operate a minimum number of required SO_2 monitoring sites (based on PWEI calculation specified in 4.4.2 – use Table 1 and 2 below to determine minimum requirement for each CBSA)	✔		
4.4.2(a)(1)	Is the monitor sited within the boundaries of the parent CBSA and is it one of the following site types: population exposure, highest concentration, source impacts, general background, or regional transport?			✔
4.4.3(a)	Has the EPA Regional Administrator required additional SO_2 monitoring stations above the minimum number of monitors required in 4.4.2? If so, note location in comment field.		✔	
4.4.5(a)	Is your agency counting an existing SO2 monitor at an NCore site in a CBSA with a minimum monitoring requirement?			✔

Comments: As evident from the calculations shown below, the State of Alaska has no CBSAs which require SO_2 monitoring. The operating SO_2 monitor* is located at the multi-pollutant NCore site in the Fairbanks North Star Borough operated for compliance with NCore site requirements.

Table 1.

CBSA Description[1]	CBSA population[1, 2]	total amount of SO2 in tons per year emitted within the CBSA (from 2014 NEI[4])	PWEI (population x total emissions ÷ 1,000,000)	Minimum required number of SO2 monitors in CBSA (see Table 2 below)	Present number of SO2 monitors in CBSA
Municipality of Anchorage	291,826	535.7	156.3	0	0
Fairbanks North Star Borough	97,581	2390.8	233.3	0	1*
Matanuska-Susitna Valley Borough	88,995	99.8	8.9	0	0
Juneau	31,275	712.7	63.4	0	0
North Slope Borough	9,430	1235.0	11.6	0	0

[1]see http://www.census.gov/population/metro/data/def.html

[2]Minimum monitoring requirements apply to the Core Based statistical area (CBSA). CBSA includes both metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas.

[3]Population based on latest available census figures (April 2010).

[4]see https://www.epa.gov/air-emissions-inventories/2014-national-emissions-inventory-nei-data

Table 2. Minimum SO2 Monitoring Requirements (Section 4.4.2 of App D to Part 58)

PWEI (Population weighted Emission Index) Value	Require number of SO2 monitors
>= 1,000,000	3
>= 100,000 but < 1,000,000	2
>= 5,000 but < 100,000	1

APPENDIX C: MONITORING PATH & SITING CRITERIA EVALUATION FORMS

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR CO					
SITE NAME: Garden	SITE ADDRESS: 3000 E 16th Ave. Anchorage, AK 99508				
AQS ID: 02-020-0018	EVALUATION DATE 5-19-2017		EVALUATOR: J. St.Laurent		
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	For neighborhood or larger spatial scale sites the probe must be located 2-15 meters above ground level and must be at least 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	Probe height 3 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet (exception is street canyon or source-oriented sites where buildings and other structures are unavoidable).		X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.		X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	1*		X	
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.		X		
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	2. (b) Microscale CO monitor probes in downtown areas or urban street canyon locations shall be located a minimum distance of 2 meters and a maximum distance of 10 meters from the edge of the nearest traffic lane.				X
	2. (c) Microscale CO monitor inlet probes in downtown areas or urban street canyon locations shall be located at least 10 meters from an intersection and preferably at a midblock location.				X
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex) for reactive gases.		X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.				X
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	
Other Comments: Trees have grown slightly.					

Roadway average daily traffic, vehicles per day	Minimum distance[1] (meters)
≤10,000	10
15,000	25
20,000	45
30,000	80
40,000	115
50,000	135
≥60,000	150

[1] Distance from the edge of the nearest traffic lane. The distance for intermediate traffic counts should be interpolated from the table values based on the actual traffic count. (Last actual count was 2009 ADT ~ 113).

1* One white spruce is between probe and 16th street.

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME: Garden	SITE ADDRESS: 3000 E 16th Ave. Anchorage, AK 99508				
AQS ID: 02-020-0018	EVALUATION DATE: 5-19-2017		EVALUATOR: J. St.Laurent		
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	Roof height 6 meters. All PM inlets at 8 meters.	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.		X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.		X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.		X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.		X		
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.		X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments: ADT < 10,000, traffic lane 14 meters north of probe. (Last actual count 2009, ~ADT 113).					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME: Laurel	SITE ADDRESS: 4335 Laurel St. Anchorage, AK 99508				
AQS ID: 02-020-0045	EVALUATION DATE: 5-19-2017		EVALUATOR: J. St.Laurent		
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	Roof height ~ 5 meters. PM inlet at 7 meters.	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.		X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.		X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.		X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.		X		
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.		X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments: DOT 2015 ~ ADT on Tudor Road at Laurel 35,435. Traffic lane approximately 12 meters south of probe. This site is considered the “Maximum Exposure” site for PM10 in Anchorage bowl.					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME: Parkgate	SITE ADDRESS: 11723 Old Glenn Hwy E 16th Ave. Eagle River, AK 99577				
AQS ID: 02-020-1004	EVALUATION DATE: 5/19/17		EVALUATOR: J. St.Laurent		
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	Roof height 5 meters. All PM inlets at 7 meters.	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.		X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.		X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.		X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.		X		
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.		X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments: DOT info 2015 ~ ADT 12,550 on Old Glenn Hwy Eagle River. Traffic lane 44 meters west. Easy Street traffic lane 23 meters north.					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME: Floyd Dryden SITE ADDRESS: Mendenhall Valley, Juneau					
AQS ID: 02-110-0004 EVALUATION DATE: 5/11/2017 EVALUATOR: Carrie Cummings					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.		X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.		X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.		X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.		X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.				X
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR O3					
SITE NAME Palmer	SITE ADDRESS South Gulkana St., Palmer, Alaska				
AQS ID 02-170- 0012	EVALUATION DATE 05/16/17	EVALUATOR Matthew Stichick			
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	The sampling inlet is nearly 4m above the ground	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.	No sources	X		
	(b) To minimize scavenging effects, the probe inlet must be away from furnace or incineration flues or other minor sources of SO_2 or NO.	No sources	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.	No obstacles; Airflow is 360° Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	Closest trees >25 m away from sampling site	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	See spacing requirements table below	Road >20m away from sampling site	X		
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex).	FEP Teflon	X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.		X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	
Other Comments:					

Roadway average daily traffic, vehicles per day	Minimum distance[1] (meters)	Minimum distance[1, 2] (meters)
≤1,000	10	10
10,000	10	20
15,000	20	30
20,000	30	40
40,000	50	60
70,000	100	100
≥110,000	250	250

[1]Distance from the edge of the nearest traffic lane. The distance for intermediate traffic counts should be interpolated from the table values based on the actual traffic count.

[2]Applicable for ozone monitors whose placement has not already been approved as of December 18, 2006.

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME Palmer SITE ADDRESS South Gulkana St., Palmer, Alaska AQS ID 02/170- 0012 EVALUATION DATE 05/16/17 EVALUATOR Matthew Stichick					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	Sampling inlet 4m above ground, and > 1m above platform 360° Unrestricted air flow	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.	Paved roads only No sources near by	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.	No obstacles	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	Nearest tree > 25 m	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.	Road >20m away	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME Butte SITE ADDRESS Harrison Court, Butte, Alaska AQS ID 02-170-0008 EVALUATION DATE 05/16/17 EVALUATOR Matthew Stichick					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	BAM inlets are ~4 m above ground level and > 1 m above platform on top of Butte trailer	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.	Paved road, gravel cul-de-sac	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.	No obstacles	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	Trees >10m	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.	Road>100m away	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME_ FSOB_____ SITE ADDRESS__675 7th Avenue, Fairbanks_____ AQS ID__02-090-0010_____ EVALUATION DATE___5/12/2017 EVALUATOR _Jennifer Chambers					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~ 7 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.	> 40 meters to nearest solid fuel burning appliance.	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.	> 20 meters	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME_NPF3_____ SITE ADDRESS___3288 Hurst Road North Pole_____ AQS ID_02-090-0035_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/12/2017_____ EVALUATOR_ _Jennifer Chambers					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	4.5 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.	~ 30 meters	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR O3					
SITE NAME_ _FNSB NCORE_____ SITE ADDRESS__809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks_____ AQS ID___02-090-0034_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/18/17_____ EVALUATOR ___Jena Hassinger_____					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~ 4 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.	~160m to Diving Duck ~450m to Power Plant	X		
	(b) To minimize scavenging effects, the probe inlet must be away from furnace or incineration flues or other minor sources of SO_2 or NO.	No Furnace/flues	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	See spacing requirements table below	> 10 meters (~70m)	X		
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex).	Glass and FEP	X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.	< 5 seconds	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	
Other Comments:					

Roadway average daily traffic, vehicles per day	Minimum distance[1] (meters)	Minimum distance[1, 2] (meters)
≤1,000	10	10
10,000	10	20
15,000	20	30
20,000	30	40
40,000	50	60
70,000	100	100
≥110,000	250	250

[1]Distance from the edge of the nearest traffic lane. The distance for intermediate traffic counts should be interpolated from the table values based on the actual traffic count.

[2]Applicable for ozone monitors whose placement has not already been approved as of December 18, 2006.

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR CO

SITE NAME_ FNSB NCORE_____ SITE ADDRESS__809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks_____

AQS ID__02-030-0034_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/18/17_____ EVALUATOR ___Jena Hassinger_____

APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	For neighborhood or larger spatial scale sites the probe must be located 2-15 meters above ground level and must be at least 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~4 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.	~160m to Diving Duck Roasters, ~450m to Power Plant	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet (exception is street canyon or source-oriented sites where buildings and other structures are unavoidable).	No Obstructions	X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	>10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	2. (b) Microscale CO monitor probes in downtown areas or urban street canyon locations shall be located a minimum distance of 2 meters and a maximum distance of 10 meters from the edge of the nearest traffic lane.				X
	2. (c) Microscale CO monitor inlet probes in downtown areas or urban street canyon locations shall be located at least 10 meters from an intersection and preferably at a midblock location.				X
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex) for reactive gases.	Glass with FEP Sample Lines.	X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.	< 5 seconds	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	
Other Comments:					

Roadway average daily traffic, vehicles per day	Minimum distance[1] (meters)
≤10,000	10
15,000	25
20,000	45
30,000	80
40,000	115
50,000	135
≥60,000	150

[1] Distance from the edge of the nearest traffic lane. The distance for intermediate traffic counts should be interpolated from the table values based on the actual traffic count.

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME_ _FNSB NCORE_____ SITE ADDRESS___809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks_____ AQS ID_02-090-0034_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/18/2017_____ EVALUATOR_ Jennifer Chambers					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~ 5 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.	~160m to Diving Duck Roasters, ~450m to Power Plant	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.	~ 70 meters	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR NO, NOx, NO2, and NOy					
SITE NAME_ FNSB NCORE_____ SITE ADDRESS_809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks_____ AQS ID___02-090-0034_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/18/17_____ EVALUATOR ___Jena Hassinger_____					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	For neighborhood or larger spatial scale sites the probe must be located 2-15 meters above ground level and must be at least 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. Microscale near-road NO_2 monitoring sites are required to have sampler inlets between 2 and 7 meters above ground level. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate the sampler probe on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~ 4 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale and larger avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.	~160m to Diving Duck ~450m to Power Plant	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No Obstructions	X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.	Unrestricted	X		
	(d) For near-road NO_2 monitoring stations, the monitor probe shall have an unobstructed air flow, where no obstacles exist at or above the height of the monitor probe, between the monitor probe and the outside nearest edge of the traffic lanes of the target road segment.				X
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	See spacing requirements table below	> 10 meters (~70m)	X		
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex).	Glass & FEP	X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore and at NO_2 sites must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.	< 5 seconds	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	
Other Comments:					

Roadway average daily traffic, vehicles per day	Minimum distance[1] (meters)	Minimum distance[1, 2] (meters)
≤1,000	10	10
10,000	10	20
15,000	20	30
20,000	30	40
40,000	50	60
70,000	100	100
≥110,000	250	250

[1]Distance from the edge of the nearest traffic lane. The distance for intermediate traffic counts should be interpolated from the table values based on the actual traffic count.

[2]Applicable for ozone monitors whose placement has not already been approved as of December 18, 2006.

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR SO2

SITE NAME_ FNSB NCORE_____ SITE ADDRESS____809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks_____

AQS ID__02-090-0034_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/18/17_____ EVALUATOR ___Jena Hassinger_____

APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~ 4 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.	~160m to Diving Duck ~450m to Power Plant	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	There are no roadway spacing requirements for SO2.				X
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex).	Glass and FEP	X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.	< 5 seconds	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	

Other Comments:

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR CO					
SITE NAME: Garden	SITE ADDRESS: 3000 E 16th Ave. Anchorage, AK 99508				
AQS ID: 02-020-0018	EVALUATION DATE 5-19-2017		EVALUATOR: J. St.Laurent		
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	For neighborhood or larger spatial scale sites the probe must be located 2-15 meters above ground level and must be at least 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	Probe height 3 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet (exception is street canyon or source-oriented sites where buildings and other structures are unavoidable).		X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.		X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	1*		X	
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.		X		
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	2. (b) Microscale CO monitor probes in downtown areas or urban street canyon locations shall be located a minimum distance of 2 meters and a maximum distance of 10 meters from the edge of the nearest traffic lane.				X
	2. (c) Microscale CO monitor inlet probes in downtown areas or urban street canyon locations shall be located at least 10 meters from an intersection and preferably at a midblock location.				X
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex) for reactive gases.		X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.				X
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	
Other Comments: Trees have grown slightly.					

Roadway average daily traffic, vehicles per day	Minimum distance[1] (meters)
≤10,000	10
15,000	25
20,000	45
30,000	80
40,000	115
50,000	135
≥60,000	150

[1] Distance from the edge of the nearest traffic lane. The distance for intermediate traffic counts should be interpolated from the table values based on the actual traffic count. (Last actual count was 2009 ADT ~ 113).

1* One white spruce is between probe and 16th street.

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME: Garden	SITE ADDRESS: 3000 E 16th Ave. Anchorage, AK 99508				
AQS ID: 02-020-0018	EVALUATION DATE: 5-19-2017		EVALUATOR: J. St.Laurent		
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	Roof height 6 meters. All PM inlets at 8 meters.	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.		X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.		X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.		X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.		X		
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.		X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments: ADT < 10,000, traffic lane 14 meters north of probe. (Last actual count 2009, ~ADT 113).					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME: Laurel	SITE ADDRESS: 4335 Laurel St. Anchorage, AK 99508				
AQS ID: 02-020-0045	EVALUATION DATE: 5-19-2017		EVALUATOR: J. St.Laurent		
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	Roof height ~ 5 meters. PM inlet at 7 meters.	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.		X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.		X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.		X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.		X		
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.		X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments: DOT 2015 ~ ADT on Tudor Road at Laurel 35,435. Traffic lane approximately 12 meters south of probe. This site is considered the “Maximum Exposure” site for PM10 in Anchorage bowl.					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME: Parkgate	SITE ADDRESS: 11723 Old Glenn Hwy E 16th Ave. Eagle River, AK 99577				
AQS ID: 02-020-1004	EVALUATION DATE: 5/19/17		EVALUATOR: J. St.Laurent		
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	Roof height 5 meters. All PM inlets at 7 meters.	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.		X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.		X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.		X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.		X		
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.		X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments: DOT info 2015 ~ ADT 12,550 on Old Glenn Hwy Eagle River. Traffic lane 44 meters west. Easy Street traffic lane 23 meters north.					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME: Floyd Dryden SITE ADDRESS: Mendenhall Valley, Juneau					
AQS ID: 02-110-0004 EVALUATION DATE: 5/11/2017 EVALUATOR: Carrie Cummings					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.		X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.		X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.		X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.		X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.				X
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR O3					
SITE NAME Palmer	SITE ADDRESS South Gulkana St., Palmer, Alaska				
AQS ID 02-170- 0012	EVALUATION DATE 05/16/17	EVALUATOR Matthew Stichick			
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	The sampling inlet is nearly 4m above the ground	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.	No sources	X		
	(b) To minimize scavenging effects, the probe inlet must be away from furnace or incineration flues or other minor sources of SO_2 or NO.	No sources	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.	No obstacles; Airflow is 360° Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	Closest trees >25 m away from sampling site	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	See spacing requirements table below	Road >20m away from sampling site	X		
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex).	FEP Teflon	X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.		X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	
Other Comments:					

Roadway average daily traffic, vehicles per day	Minimum distance[1] (meters)	Minimum distance[1, 2] (meters)
≤1,000	10	10
10,000	10	20
15,000	20	30
20,000	30	40
40,000	50	60
70,000	100	100
≥110,000	250	250

[1]Distance from the edge of the nearest traffic lane. The distance for intermediate traffic counts should be interpolated from the table values based on the actual traffic count.

[2]Applicable for ozone monitors whose placement has not already been approved as of December 18, 2006.

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME Palmer SITE ADDRESS South Gulkana St., Palmer, Alaska AQS ID 02/170- 0012 EVALUATION DATE 05/16/17 EVALUATOR Matthew Stichick					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	Sampling inlet 4m above ground, and > 1m above platform 360° Unrestricted air flow	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.	Paved roads only No sources near by	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.	No obstacles	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	Nearest tree > 25 m	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.	Road >20m away	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME Butte SITE ADDRESS Harrison Court, Butte, Alaska AQS ID 02-170-0008 EVALUATION DATE 05/16/17 EVALUATOR Matthew Stichick					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	BAM inlets are ~4 m above ground level and > 1 m above platform on top of Butte trailer	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.	Paved road, gravel cul-de-sac	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.	No obstacles	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	Trees >10m	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.	Road>100m away	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME_ FSOB_____ SITE ADDRESS__675 7th Avenue, Fairbanks_____					
AQS ID__02-090-0010_____ EVALUATION DATE___5/12/2017 EVALUATOR _Jennifer Chambers					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~ 7 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.	> 40 meters to nearest solid fuel burning appliance.	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.	> 20 meters	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME_NPF3_____ SITE ADDRESS___3288 Hurst Road North Pole_____ AQS ID_02-090-0035_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/12/2017_____ EVALUATOR_ _Jennifer Chambers					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	4.5 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.		X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.	~ 30 meters	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR O3					
SITE NAME _FNSB NCORE_____ SITE ADDRESS__809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks_____					
AQS ID___02-090-0034_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/18/17_____ EVALUATOR ___Jena Hassinger_____					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~ 4 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.	~160m to Diving Duck ~450m to Power Plant	X		
	(b) To minimize scavenging effects, the probe inlet must be away from furnace or incineration flues or other minor sources of SO_2 or NO.	No Furnace/flues	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	See spacing requirements table below	> 10 meters (~70m)	X		
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex).	Glass and FEP	X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.	< 5 seconds	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	
Other Comments:					

Roadway average daily traffic, vehicles per day	Minimum distance[1] (meters)	Minimum distance[1, 2] (meters)
≤1,000	10	10
10,000	10	20
15,000	20	30
20,000	30	40
40,000	50	60
70,000	100	100
≥110,000	250	250

[1]Distance from the edge of the nearest traffic lane. The distance for intermediate traffic counts should be interpolated from the table values based on the actual traffic count.

[2]Applicable for ozone monitors whose placement has not already been approved as of December 18, 2006.

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR CO

SITE NAME FNSB NCORE_____ SITE ADDRESS__809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks_____

AQS ID__02-030-0034_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/18/17_____ EVALUATOR ___Jena Hassinger_____

APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	For neighborhood or larger spatial scale sites the probe must be located 2-15 meters above ground level and must be at least 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~4 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.	~160m to Diving Duck Roasters, ~450m to Power Plant	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet (exception is street canyon or source-oriented sites where buildings and other structures are unavoidable).	No Obstructions	X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	>10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	2. (b) Microscale CO monitor probes in downtown areas or urban street canyon locations shall be located a minimum distance of 2 meters and a maximum distance of 10 meters from the edge of the nearest traffic lane.				X
	2. (c) Microscale CO monitor inlet probes in downtown areas or urban street canyon locations shall be located at least 10 meters from an intersection and preferably at a midblock location.				X
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex) for reactive gases.	Glass with FEP Sample Lines.	X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.	< 5 seconds	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	
Other Comments:					

Roadway average daily traffic, vehicles per day	Minimum distance[1] (meters)
≤10,000	10
15,000	25
20,000	45
30,000	80
40,000	115
50,000	135
≥60,000	150

[1] Distance from the edge of the nearest traffic lane. The distance for intermediate traffic counts should be interpolated from the table values based on the actual traffic count.

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR PM2.5, PM10, PM10-2.5,and Pb					
SITE NAME_ FNSB NCORE_____ SITE ADDRESS___809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks_____ AQS ID_02-090-0034_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/18/2017_____ EVALUATOR_ Jennifer Chambers					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level for neighborhood or larger spatial scale, 2-7 meters for microscale spatial scale sites and middle spatial scale $PM_{10-2.5}$ sties. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~ 5 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood or larger spatial scales avoid placing the monitor near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site. Particulate matter sites should not be located in an unpaved area unless there is vegetative ground cover year round.	~160m to Diving Duck Roasters, ~450m to Power Plant	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential. For particle sampling, a minimum of 2 meters of separation from walls, parapets, and structures is required for rooftop site placement.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	Spacing from roadways is dependent on the spatial scale and ADT count. See section 6.3(b) and figure E-1 for specific requirements.	~ 70 meters	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria?				X	
Other Comments:					

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR NO, NOx, NO2, and NOy					
SITE NAME_ FNSB NCORE_____ SITE ADDRESS_809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks_____ AQS ID___02-090-0034_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/18/17_____ EVALUATOR ___Jena Hassinger_____					
APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	For neighborhood or larger spatial scale sites the probe must be located 2-15 meters above ground level and must be at least 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. Microscale near-road NO_2 monitoring sites are required to have sampler inlets between 2 and 7 meters above ground level. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate the sampler probe on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~ 4 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale and larger avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.	~160m to Diving Duck ~450m to Power Plant	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No Obstructions	X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.	Unrestricted	X		
	(d) For near-road NO_2 monitoring stations, the monitor probe shall have an unobstructed air flow, where no obstacles exist at or above the height of the monitor probe, between the monitor probe and the outside nearest edge of the traffic lanes of the target road segment.				X
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	See spacing requirements table below	> 10 meters (~70m)	X		
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex).	Glass & FEP	X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore and at NO_2 sites must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.	< 5 seconds	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	
Other Comments:					

Roadway average daily traffic, vehicles per day	Minimum distance[1] (meters)	Minimum distance[1, 2] (meters)
≤1,000	10	10
10,000	10	20
15,000	20	30
20,000	30	40
40,000	50	60
70,000	100	100
≥110,000	250	250

[1]Distance from the edge of the nearest traffic lane. The distance for intermediate traffic counts should be interpolated from the table values based on the actual traffic count.

[2]Applicable for ozone monitors whose placement has not already been approved as of December 18, 2006.

PART 58 APPENDIX E SITE EVALUATION FORM FOR SO2

SITE NAME_ FNSB NCORE_____ SITE ADDRESS____809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks_____

AQS ID__02-090-0034_____ EVALUATION DATE__5/18/17_____ EVALUATOR ___Jena Hassinger_____

APPLICABLE SECTION	REQUIREMENT	OBSERVED	CRITERIA MET?		
			YES	NO	N/A
2. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PLACEMENT	2-15 meters above ground level. 1 meter vertically or horizontally away from any supporting structure, walls, *etc.*, and away from dusty or dirty areas. If located near the side of a building or wall, then locate on the windward side relative to the prevailing wind direction during the season of highest concentration potential.	~ 4 meters	X		
3. SPACING FROM MINOR SOURCES	(a) For neighborhood scale avoid placing the monitor probe inlet near local, minor sources. The source plume should not be allowed to inappropriately impact the air quality data collected at a site.	~160m to Diving Duck ~450m to Power Plant	X		
4. SPACING FROM OBSTRUCTIONS	(a) To avoid scavenging, the probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow and be located away from obstacles. The separation distance must be at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the probe inlet.	No obstacles	X		
	(b) The probe inlet must have unrestricted airflow in an arc of at least 180 degrees. This arc must include the predominant wind direction for the season of greatest pollutant concentration potential.	Unrestricted	X		
5. SPACING FROM TREES	(a) To reduce possible interference the probe inlet must be at least 10 meters or further from the drip line of trees.	> 10 meters	X		
	(c) No trees should be between source and probe inlet for microscale sites.				X
6. SPACING FROM ROADWAYS	There are no roadway spacing requirements for SO2.				x
9. PROBE MATERIAL & RESIDENCE TIME	(a) Sampling train material must be FEP Teflon or borosilicate glass (e.g., Pyrex).	Glass and FEP	X		
	(c) Sampling probes for reactive gas monitors at NCore must have a sample residence time less than 20 seconds.	< 5 seconds	X		
Are there any changes that might compromise original siting criteria? If so, provide detail in comment section.				X	

Other Comments:

APPENDIX D: ADDITIONAL MONITORING PROJECTS

Smoke Monitoring for Air Quality Advisories

Smoke from wildland fires can affect large areas and impacts air quality in regions both close to and far away from the burning fire. Almost every summer, large areas of the State are impacted by smoke from wild fires, with air quality degrading into the very unhealthy to hazardous range. DEC assists the Alaska Fire Service in assessing air quality impacts in areas affected by fires and provides information needed to protect public health. The DEC Air Quality Division uses two separate methods to assess air quality impacts and issue air quality advisories statewide: monitoring data and visibility information. Often a combination of both datasets is used to issue air quality advisories. The DEC meteorologist or air quality staff with assistance from the NWS use meteorological and air monitoring data to forecast smoke movement and predict where air quality impacts might be experienced.

DEC, with the help of local site operators, currently operates two continuous analyzers in rural Alaska during the wild fire season: Galena and Ft Yukon. DEC also has two portable, battery-operated, continuous particulate matter monitors (Met One E-BAM) equipped with satellite communication devices, which can transmit the data to a website. The E-BAM instrument requires little maintenance and staff is typically only needed at set-up and to ensure proper operation for the first day. Remote data access allows staff in the DEC office or in the field to use the data for advisories and briefings. Currently no additional samplers are requested, as staff time and travel funds are the limiting factor in expanding the smoke monitoring network.

Volcanic Ash Monitoring

The Alaska Volcano Observatory and DEC are cooperating on volcanic ash monitoring in Unalaska. Bogoslof Volcano has been erupting sporadically since December 12, 2016. The volcano is located approximately 100 km west of Unalaska. DEC uses a PM_{10} Met One E-BAM with an AIRSIS communication system that allows the DEC meteorologist to review data near real time and issue air quality advisories for the area during volcanic eruptions.

Radiation Monitoring

The State has three radiation monitoring network sites (RadNet) located in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Juneau. Various agencies and groups operate the equipment. The site in Anchorage is operated by the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services. The DEC Air Quality Division operates the sites in Fairbanks and Juneau.

APPENDIX E: IMPROVE NETWORK

In 1977, Congress amended the Clean Air Act to include provisions to protect the scenic vistas of the nation's national parks and wilderness areas. In these amendments, Congress declared as a national visibility goal:

> *The prevention of any future, and the remedying of any existing, impairment of visibility in mandatory Class I Federal areas which impairment results from manmade air pollution. (Section 169A)*

At that time, Congress designated all wilderness areas over 5,000 acres and all national parks over 6,000 acres as mandatory federal Class I areas. These Class I areas receive special visibility protection under the Clean Air Act.

The 1990 amendments to the Clean Air Act established a new Section 169(B) to address regional haze. To address the 1990 Clean Air Act amendments, the problem of long-range transport of pollutants causing regional haze, and to meet the national goal of reducing man-made visibility impairment in Class I areas, EPA adopted the Regional Haze Rule in 1999.

Alaska has four Class I areas subject to the Regional Haze Rule: Denali National Park, Tuxedni National Wildlife Refuge, Simeonof Wilderness Area, and Bering Sea Wilderness Area. They were designated Class I areas in August 1977. Figure 1 shows their locations, with Denali National Park in the Interior, Tuxedni

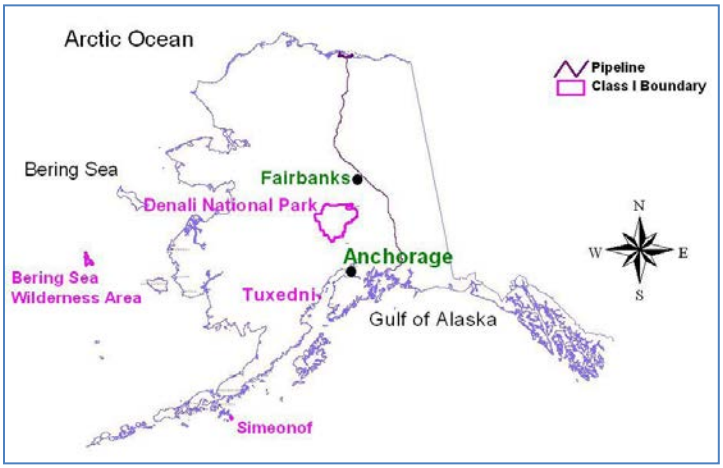


Figure 1. Alaskan Class I Areas

In Alaska, Class I Areas are managed by the National Park Service (NPS) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS.)

The Alaska Regional Haze SIP includes a monitoring plan for measuring, estimating and characterizing air quality and visibility impairment at Alaska's four Class I areas. The haze species concentrations are measured as part of the IMPROVE monitoring network deployed throughout the United States. Alaska uses four IMPROVE monitoring stations representing three of the four Class I Areas. Three of these stations (Denali National Park and Preserve, Simeonof, and Tuxedni) were deployed specifically in response to Regional Haze rule requirements. There is no air monitoring being conducted at the Bering Sea Wilderness Area due to its remote location.

Denali National Park and Preserve

Denali National Park and Preserve (DNPP) is a large park in the interior of Alaska. It has kept its integrity as an ecosystem because it was set aside for protection fairly early in Alaska's history. Denali National Park headquarters lies 240 miles north of Anchorage and 125 miles southwest of Fairbanks, in the center of the Alaska Range. The park area totals more than 6 million acres. Denali is the only Class I site in Alaska that is easily accessible and connected to the road system. Denali has the most extensive air monitoring of Alaska's Class I areas, so more detailed examinations of long-term and seasonal air quality trends are possible for this site.

IMPROVE monitoring sites were established at two locations within or near the boundaries of the National Park and Preserve. The first air monitoring site is located near the eastern end of the park road at the Park Headquarters. A second, newer site, known as Trapper Creek, is located to the south of the Park at another site with reliable year-round access and electrical power.

The Denali Headquarters monitoring site (DENA1) is across the Park Road from park headquarters, approximately 250 yards from headquarters area buildings. The site (elevation of 2,125 feet) sits above the main road (elevation 2,088 feet). The side road to the monitoring site winds uphill for 130 yards, providing access to the monitoring site and a single-family residential staff cabin. The hill is moderately wooded, but the monitoring site sits in a half an acre clearing. During the park season, mid-May to mid-September, 70 buses and approximately 560 private vehicles per day loaded with park visitors traverse the road. During the off season, approximately100 passenger and maintenance vehicles pass within 0.3 miles of the monitoring site. Private vehicles are only allowed on the first 14.8 miles of the Park Road.

The Trapper Creek IMPROVE monitoring site (TRCR1) is located 100 yards east of the Trapper Creek Elementary School. The site is located west of Trapper Creek, Alaska and a quarter mile south of Petersville Road. The site is the official IMPROVE site for Denali National Park and Preserve and was established in September 2001 to evaluate the long-range transport of pollution into the Park from the south. The elementary school experiences relatively little traffic during the day, about 4 buses and 50 automobiles. The school is closed June through August. This site was selected because it has year-round access to power, is relatively open, and is not directly impacted by local sources.

IMPROVE monitoring data have been recorded at the Denali Headquarters IMPROVE site from March of 1988 to present. The IMPROVE monitor near the Park's headquarters was the original IMPROVE site. Due to topographical barriers, such as the Alaska Range, it was determined that the headquarters site was not adequately representative of the entire Class I area. Therefore, Trapper Creek, just outside of the park's southern boundary, was chosen as a second site for an IMPROVE monitor and is the official Denali IMPROVE site as of September 10, 2001. The headquarters site is now the protocol site. A Clean Air Status and Trends Network (CASTNET) monitor is located near the Denali Headquarters IMPROVE site.

Simeonof Wilderness Area

Simeonof Wilderness Area comprises 25,141 acres located in the Aleutian Chain, 58 miles from the mainland. It is one of 30 islands that make up the Shumagin Group on the western edge of

the Gulf of Alaska. Access to Simeonof is difficult due to its remoteness and the unpredictable weather. Winds are mostly from the north and northwest as part of the mid-latitude westerlies. Occasionally winds from Asia blow in from the west. The island is isolated and the closest air pollution sources are marine traffic in the Gulf of Alaska and the community of Sand Point.

The Fish and Wildlife Service placed an IMPROVE air monitor in the community of Sand Point to represent the wilderness area. The community is on a nearby, more accessible island approximately 60 miles north west of the Simeonof Wilderness Area. The monitor has been on-line since September 2001. The location was selected to provide representative data for regional haze conditions at the wilderness area.

Tuxedni National Wildlife Refuge

Tuxedni National Wildlife Refuge is located on a fairly isolated pair of islands in Tuxedni Bay, Cook Inlet in Southcentral Alaska. There is little human use of Tuxedni except for a few kayakers and some backpackers. An old cannery, built near Snug Harbor on Chisik Island, is not part of the wilderness area; however it is a jumping off point for ecotourists staying at Snug Harbor arriving by boat or plane. The owners of the land have a commercial fishing permit as do many Cook Inlet fishermen. Set nets are installed around the perimeter of the island and in Tuxedni Bay during fishing season.

Along with commercial fishing, Cook Inlet has reserves of gas and oil that are currently under development. Gas fields are located at the Kenai area and farther north. The inlet produces 30,000 barrels of oil a day and 485 million cubic feet of gas per day. Pipelines run from Kenai to the northeast and northeast along the western shore of Cook Inlet starting in Redoubt Bay. The offshore drilling is located north of Nikiski and the West McArthur River. All of the oil is refined at the Nikiski refinery and the Kenai Tesoro refinery for use in Alaska and overseas.

The Fish and Wildlife Service installed an IMPROVE monitor near Lake Clark National Park to represent conditions at Tuxedni Wilderness Area. This site is on the west side of Cook Inlet, approximately 5 miles from the Tuxedni Wilderness Area. The site was operational as of December 18, 2001, and represents regional haze conditions for the wilderness area. In 2014 the property owner and site operator notified the US Fish and Wildlife Service that he would no longer be able to service the site. USFWS, US NPS and DEC cooperated on finding a new site location on the Kenai Peninsula, which allows easier access. A new site was establish roughly 3 miles south of the community of Ninilchik.

Bering Sea Wilderness Area

The Bering Sea Wilderness Area is located off the coast of Alaska about 350 miles southwest of Nome. Hall Island is at the northern tip of the larger St Matthew Island.

The Bering Sea Wilderness Area had a DELTA-DRUM sampler placed on it during a field visit in 2002. However, difficulties were encountered with the power supply for the sampler and no valid data are available from that effort. No IMPROVE monitoring is currently planned for the Bering Sea Wilderness Area because of its inaccessibility.

Monitoring data and additional information for the Alaskan IMPROVE sites are available from the EPA website, http://vista.cira.colostate.edu/improve .

Additional Monitoring Considerations

DEC published a final study report for the Regional Haze Trans-boundary Monitoring project in July 2012.
(http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/Haze%20report/Final%20Regional%20Haze%20Trans-Boundary%20Monitoring%20Project.pdf)
One of the driving factors for the study was the quantitative evaluation of foreign contribution to local air quality impacts. While long-range transport of pollutants was observed and documented through various measurement techniques, DEC was unable to quantify international source contribution even as a whole. Current sampling methods do not provide enough time resolution to adequately document short events lasting only a few days i.e., the IMPROVE sampling schedule misses 2/3 of the year because samplers operate every third day. DRUM samplers which operate on a semi-continuous basis i.e., collecting 3-hour samples, initially seemed a viable method to collect year-round data and provide a comparison to the IMPROVE chemical analysis. Even if all the other problems encountered with operating the DRUM samplers in a remote field setting could be overcome, a reliable quantitative comparison to the IMPROVE data set is not possible given the low mass loading on the DRUM sampling strips combined with uncertainty for start and end hours.

DELTA-DRUM Samplers have been used at several sites in Alaska for relatively short periods. Researchers have unsuccessfully modified these samplers for remote winter use in Denali Park. Drum samplers were set up at the Denali and Trapper Creek sites as well as in McGrath and Lake Minchumina in February and March 2008. They experienced numerous mechanical and pump problems due to severe winter conditions and proved to be too problematic. These samplers operated intermittently between February/March 2006 and April 2009, resulting in very little usable data.

DEC still has concerns about the location of the Denali headquarters IMPROVE site as being representative of the entire Class I area. The Denali Headquarters IMPROVE site is located within the area of most heavy use and development and, thus, may not be representative of the pristine wilderness that makes up the remainder of the park lands. Lake Minchumina was clearly the cleanest site. An argument could be made that most of the 6 million acres of DNPP best resemble Lake Minchumina with its current 13 residents compared to Denali headquarters or Trapper Creek which see nearly a half a million visitors per year. Most of the park visitors (432,301 in 2008), and DNPP staff (145 permanent, 290 summer seasonal) and Talkeetna staff (10 permanent, approximately 20 summer seasonal) are concentrated around DNPP headquarters (personal communication Blakesley 2012, June 6; DNPP, 2012). Traffic is mostly concentrated on the main highway and the single dirt road through the wilderness area (DNPP, 2012).

The question that still needs to be answered is whether or not the Lake Minchumina site is more representative of the entire park than the two existing IMPROVE sites at Denali Headquarters and Trapper Creek. Before a final decision for relocation would be made, additional studies should be conducted that integrate meteorological observations with aerosol concentrations more quantitatively than was possible for this study analysis. As DEC continues to implement its Regional Haze plan and performs required updates in future years, the experience and data gained through this study can be used to inform the development and planning for new

monitoring efforts that may provide additional insight into aerosol impacts in Alaska's Class I areas. Given the vast, remote areas of Alaska, the challenge remains to develop air monitoring approaches that can be successfully operated in the State's wilderness areas.

Future studies will use more robust sampling equipment for long term monitoring. Because of the remoteness of Alaska's Class I sites, DEC will most likely explore other sampling equipment for regulatory monitoring to demonstrate compliance with the Regional Haze Rule glide-path. As the concentrations of anthropogenic aerosols decreases toward background it will become more difficult to monitor successfully in the future without advances in monitoring instrumentation and pump and power technologies.

APPENDIX F: NAAQS SUMMARY TABLES

Table F-1. $PM_{2.5}$ under local /actual conditions ($\mu g/m^3$); exceedance exceptional event values not included

$PM_{2.5}$ Monitoring Sites	AQS Site ID	98th Percentile			Weighted Annual Mean			2016 Design Value	
		2016	2015	2014	2016	2015	2014	24-hr	Annual
Garden/ Anchorage	02-020-0018	16.1	18.4	18.5	6.5	6.3	6.1	18	6.3
Parkgate / Eagle River	02-020-1004	13.8	17.2	14.7	4.8	6.1	5.4	15	5.4
Butte/ Matanuska-Susitna Valley	02-170-0008	29.2	37.9	38.1	5.8	6.8	8.0	35	6.7
Palmer/ Matanuska-Susitna Valley	02-170-0012	9.2	9.9	10.3	2.8	2.7	2.3	10	2.6
Wasilla/ Matanuska-Susitna Valley	02-170-0013	--	20.7*	18.5	--	6.1*	3.8	NA	NA
State Office Building/ Fairbanks	02-090-0010	41.5	35.3	34.5	9.8	10.3	10.3	37	10.1
NCore Site/ Fairbanks	02-090-0034	32.4	36.7	31.6	9.5	10.0	10.4	34	10.0
North Pole Fire #3/ North Pole	02-090-0035	66.8	111.6	138.3	13.7	20.0	NA	106	NA
Floyd Dryden/ Juneau	02-110-0004	24.0*	21.0	27.5	6.0*	7.7	7.7	24	6.8

* Annual values did not meet data completeness criteria.

Table F-2. $PM_{2.5}$ under local /actual conditions (µg/m^3); Only EPA concurred exceptional exceedance event values are excluded (2014). Wildfires included for 2015 because EPA has not yet applied their concurrence. There were no wildfires affecting FNSB sites in 2016.

$PM_{2.5}$ Monitoring Sites	AQS Site ID	98th Percentile			Weighted Annual Mean			2016 Design Value	
		2016	2015	2014	2016	2015	2014	24-hr	Annual
State Office Building/ Fairbanks	02-090-0010	41.5	57.1	34.5	9.8	10.3	10.3	44	10.1
NCore Site/ Fairbanks	02-090-0034	29.9	60.0	31.6	9.5	10.0	10.4	41	10.0
North Pole Fire #3/ North Pole	02-090-0035	66.8	111.6	138.3	NA	20.0	NA	106	NA
Butte, Matanuska-Susitna Valley	02-170-0012	29.2	37.9	39.5	5.8	6.8	8.0	36	6.8

Table F-3. PM_{10} under standard conditions ($\mu g/m^3$); exceptional event values not included; asterisks indicate inadequate completeness

PM_{10} Monitoring Sites	Site ID	2016			2015			2014		
		Exceed-ances	1st Max 24-hr	2nd Max 24-hr	Exceed-ances	1st Max 24-hr	2nd Max 24-hr	Exceed-ances	1st Max 24-hr	2nd Max 24-hr
Garden/ Anchorage	02-020-0018	0	88	84	0	78	75	0	91	87
Laurel/Anchorage	02-020-0045	0	90	76	0*	90	76	NA	NA	NA
Tudor/ Anchorage	02-020-0044	0	134	115	NA	NA	NA	2	198	155
Parkgate/ Eagle River	02-020-1004	0	110	105	0	90	70	0	111	109
NCore/ Fairbanks	02-090-0034	0	80	69	3	233	229	0	94	74
Butte/ Matanuska-Susitna Valley	02-170-0008	1	187	83	0	147	126	0	117	107
Palmer/ Matanuska-Susitna Valley	02-170-0012	0	112	94	0	192	158	0	110	106
Floyd Dryden/ Juneau	02-110-0004	0	34	32	0*	21	18	0	38	31

Table F-4. Sites within Limited Maintenance Plan areas - PM_{10} under standard conditions ($\mu g/m^3$)

PM_{10} Monitoring Sites	Site ID	5-year Design Value (2012 through 2016)
Parkgate/Eagle River	02-020-1004	108† (105*, 106**)
Floyd Dryden/Juneau	02-110-0004	38* (39**)

† Using empirical frequency distribution method
* Using tabular method
** Using Upper 10% Tail Distribution Method

Table F-5. CO (ppm)

CO Monitoring Sites	Site ID	2016			2015			2014		
		Exceed-ances	1st Max 8-hr	2nd Max 8-hr	Exceed-ances	1st Max 8-hr	2nd Max 8-hr	Exceed-ances	1st Max 8-hr	2nd Max 8-hr
Garden Site /Anchorage	02-020-0018	0	3.6	3.0	0	2.8	2.8	0	2.7	2.5
NCore/Fairbanks	02-090-0034	0	2.1	2.0	0	3.8	2.4	0	2.0	1.9

Table F-6. SO_2 (ppb)

SO_2 Monitoring Sites	Site ID	2016		2015		2014		
		99th Percentile	Completed Quarters	99th Percentile	Completed Quarters	99th Percentile	Completed Quarters	3-yrs Design Value
NCore/Fairbanks	02-090-0034	35	4	30	4	34	4	33

Table F-7. O_3 (ppm)

O_3 Monitoring Sites	Site ID	2016 Valid Days	2016 Percent Compl	2016 4th Max	2015 Valid Days	2015 Percent Compl	2015 4th Max	2014 Valid Days	2014 Percent Compl	2014 4th Max	3-Years Percent Compl	3-Years Design Value
Palmer/ Matanuska-Susitna Valley	02-170-0012	212	99	0.044	197	92	0.047				31	0.045*
NCore/ Fairbanks	02-090-0034	207	97	0.036	209	98	0.045	211	99	0.044	98	0.015

* Annual values did not meet data completeness criteria

Table F-8. NO_2 (ppb)

NO_2 Monitoring Sites	Site ID	2016 98th Percentile	2016 Completed Quarters	2015 98th Percentile	2015 Completed Quarters	2014 98th Percentile	2014 Completed Quarters	3-yrs Design Value
NCore/ Fairbanks	02-090-0034	54.9	3	68.1	4	75.3	2	66

APPENDIX G: PUBLIC COMMENTS

North Slope Borough

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Harry K. Brower, Jr., Mayor

February 23, 2018

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Comments submitted via mail and email at: barbara.trost@alaska.gov

RE: Notice of Request for Comments on Alaska's 2017 Annual Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan

Dear Ms. Trost:

The North Slope Borough (Borough) appreciates this opportunity to comment on the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) Draft 2017 Annual Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan.

We request DEC to add additional monitoring stations to its program in each community on the North Slope. At the very least, we request the addition of monitoring stations within the Prudhoe Bay and Alpine Development regions. Air monitoring stations around Prudhoe Bay and Alpine should be positioned upwind and downwind in order to obtain reliable data due to changes in wind direction. We further request DEC to make information gathered from these stations publically available through the EPA's Air Quality System. Considering the substantial amount of oil and gas activity conducted in these areas, we believe it is reasonable for DEC to expand its program to measure the contribution of emissions from these areas.

The Borough has become increasingly concerned with air quality and emissions from industrial activity. We have received numerous complaints from the residents of Nuiqsut, who are convinced that emissions from Prudhoe Bay and Alpine are contributing to respiratory illnesses within the community. Therefore, we believe this request squarely fits within DEC's criteria on page eight of the monitoring network plan, in particular to: (1) monitor in response to air quality

concerns; and (2) monitor in designated smaller towns and villages that are representative of multiple communities in a region.

Additionally, many Nuiqsut residents have seen a "yellow fog" or "arctic haze" on the horizon in the direction of Prudhoe Bay. On some occasions this fog even surrounds the village of Nuiqsut. This fog is described as a dense yellowish layer, positioned low on the horizon. We have little information as to what this fog is composed of or where it originates. Borough community members need more information and assurances of what is in their air. These issues have pushed many Nuiqsut residents against further oil and gas development. Additional monitoring could go a long way in investigating the issue, leading to enhanced mitigation measures and possibly alleviating concerns.

ConocoPhillips already operates several air monitoring stations in Nuiqsut and Prudhoe Bay. However, Nuiqsut community members are distrustful of this data. They question the locations of the air monitoring stations and their sampling methods. We believe that air monitoring conducted by a public agency, such as DEC, would achieve significantly more community trust than industry data. Therefore, we request that DEC expand its Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan to allow for additional air monitoring stations and operations in Prudhoe Bay and Alpine.

Conclusion

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft 2017 Annual Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan.

Sincerely,

2-23-18

Harry K. Brower, Jr.
Mayor

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Subject: 2017 Alaska Annual Air Monitoring Network Plan comments February 23, 2018

Dear Mayor Brower:

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) thanks the North Slope Borough (NSB) for taking the time to provide comments to DEC's Draft 2017 State of Alaska Annual Air Quality Monitoring Network Plan.

Over many of the past years, DEC Air Quality has received occasional complaints from individuals who have been concerned with air quality impacts in the North Slope from oil and gas development. These sporadic communications have become more frequent as more area is opened for oil development. While ambient air monitoring data collection is one way of checking that industry is not improperly impacting an area, DEC has relied on its Air Quality Division Permit Program to regulate the oil industry.

The Permits Program employs a rigorous and thorough permitting process for oil companies on the North Slope. This includes review of monitoring and meteorological data required for any permit application. The data are included in conservative air quality models, which estimate the amount of pollution produced by industry activity. No facility is allowed to degrade the ambient air quality in order to protect public health.

DEC's Air Quality Compliance Program requires companies to submit regular compliance reports which DEC reviews for completeness and adherence to the permits. The Compliance Program follows up frequently with all permitted sources including conducting onsite visits every other year. Each permit contains requirements for regular and special maintenance records to be reviewed, continuous emissions monitoring, changes in equipment or fuels and often periodic source tests to ensure compliance with emissions limitations.

These Air Quality Division programs work together as a unit. Adding an ambient monitoring station in Nuiqsut or elsewhere in the North Slope Borough creates redundancy that is difficult for the State to afford during this time of fiscal reductions.

DEC would like to meet with the NSB to further address the concerns your letter outlined, especially from the community of Nuiqsut. Please contact our Air Monitoring and Quality Assurance Program Manager, Barbara Trost. Barbara can be reached at Barbara.trost@alaska.gov or via phone at 907-269-6429. Barbara Trost will be in Barrow on April 19 if you would like to meet in person.

Sincerely,

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