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DEC Seeks Public Input on Oil Spill Response Strategies

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is looking for public input on the development of Geographic Response Strategies (GRS) for Southeast Alaska. Geographic Response Strategies are pre-developed plans designed to protect environmentally sensitive areas in the event of an oil spill. Public input will help identify sensitive areas and develop appropriate response strategies to protect them. DEC will be holding workgroup and community informational meetings in Juneau, Sitka and Ketchikan. Teleconferencing is available for those who cannot attend. Meeting dates are:

Juneau-

Tuesday November 13, 2012

Workgroup meeting: 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Location: Juneau Public Library, Downtown-Large Meeting Room, 292 Marine Way

Community Informational Meeting: 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Location: Juneau Public Library, Downtown-Small Meeting Room, 292 Marine Way

Sitka-

Wednesday November 14, 2012

Workgroup meeting- 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Community Informational Meeting 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Location: Harrigan Centennial Hall- 330 Harbor Drive

Ketchikan-

Thursday November 15, 2012

Community Informational Meeting 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Friday, November 16

Workgroup meeting- 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: Southeast Alaska Discovery Center, 50 Main Street

For more information on the development of Geographic Response Strategies, visit DEC's website at: <http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/perp/grs/se/home.htm>.

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