

## Agency approves end of emissions testing

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska - The federal Environmental Protection Agency has approved ending Anchorage's vehicle emissions testing program.

The Anchorage Daily News ( <http://bit.ly/yGp8oe>) says the agency determined that the program is no longer needed to improve air quality in Alaska's largest city because of cleaner-burning cars.

The program has been in place for 27 years.

The program requires that Anchorage drivers get their cars and trucks tested every two years, at a cost of up to \$68 depending on fees charged by the testing company.

The Anchorage Assembly in 2010 voted to stop the program, pending approval of the EPA. The Assembly also agreed to delay the end of the program until six months after EPA approval to give testing businesses time to adjust.

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