

Alaska Risk Assessment (ARA) of Oil and Gas Infrastructure Status Report: April 2009

State Project Management

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Stakeholder Meetings

- No stakeholder meetings were held during the month of April.

NAS Peer Review Committee

- The NAS/Transportation Research Board Peer Review Committee was established. The Committee is comprised of seven members plus one NAS staff. The Committee held their first meeting on April 13th in Washington DC. The DEC Project manager briefed the Committee on the project background, origins of study, agency goals and expectation. Emerald/ABS briefed the Committee on Phase 1 and the Interim Report. DEC/Emerald/ABS conducted a joint presentation on the risk assessment design and methodology.

Emerald

- Emerald/ABS continues to collect and review public documents for facility specific data that will be used to evaluate and measure risk.

Public Review Process

- Nuka Research & Planning and Emerald/ABS prepared presentations and materials for the upcoming regional public meetings scheduled for early to mid May. The meetings are focused on briefing the public on the draft Methodology report with the goal of obtaining public comments.

State Agency Oversight Team

- The State Agency Oversight Team met in Anchorage on April 8th primarily to review the project status, discuss the public review process for the draft methodology report and to resolve any issues raised by the project manager.

Website

- Private website was updated with posting of meeting agenda & minutes and the monthly status reports. Project website was update with postings of the, public outreach and meeting schedule, monthly status report, and the meeting summaries. The ARA Project website-mirror site was updated and expanded for SAOT member review of the oil & gas industry web pages-current opportunities, participation status and information needs.

Upcoming Milestones

- Draft Methodology report public workshops and meetings are scheduled to begin on May 5th in Anchorage; May 6th - Industry workshop in Anchorage; May 11th in Kenai; May 12th in Valdez and May 13th in Fairbanks.
- SAOT meeting scheduled for May 7th in Anchorage from 1:30-3:30PM for the purpose of discussing the project status, public review and peer review status.
- Week of May 4th - NAS Peer Review Committee to hold a meeting in Anchorage, AK.
- Final day for receiving public comments on the draft Methodology report is June 2nd.
- SAOT meeting scheduled for June 9th in Anchorage