

**Alaska Risk Assessment (ARA) of Oil and Gas
Infrastructure
Status Report: March 2010**



Project Scope

- The project scope has been refined to emphasize analysis of North Slope pipeline spills that resulted in loss of integrity. The project is moving forward as a North Slope Spill Analysis that will compile and analyze causal information associated with the North Slope pipeline spills in order to provide recommendations on mitigation measures to reduce future spills.

Procurement Process

- Contract was signed and approved with Nuka Research and Planning Group, LLC to implement the project.

Data Collection

- Two week long trips made by research team members to collect North Slope spill data and file information from the ADEC-Fairbanks office occurred during the month of March. Data is currently being reviewed to assign spill cases to the appropriate regulatory and cause category. Data collected will be used to identify the key aging infrastructure elements in root cause analysis.

Meetings

- During the month of March project team members met with industry, state agency and National Academy of Science representatives to identify project roles and provide technical assistance.

Expert Panel Membership Recruitment

- The project team began the process of identifying potential membership of the Expert Panel. The Expert Panel will be comprised of 6-voting members and supported by a non-voting Technical Advisory Team of industry and agency representatives.

State Agency Oversight Team

- The State Agency Oversight Team met in Anchorage on February 11th and were briefed on the project scope and approach.

Website

- The ARA Project website was update to reflect the project scope and approach.

Upcoming Milestones

- Expert Panel Meeting scheduled for April 21st in Anchorage