



The Unified Plan and the Northwest Arctic Subarea Contingency Plan

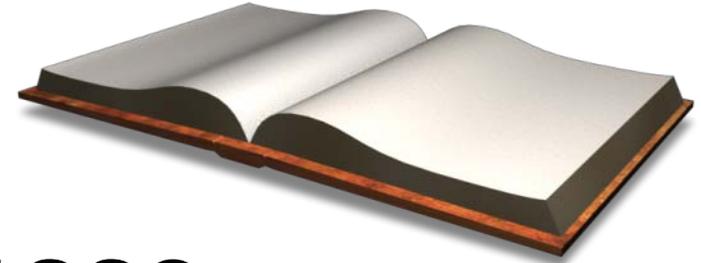
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Legal Mandates



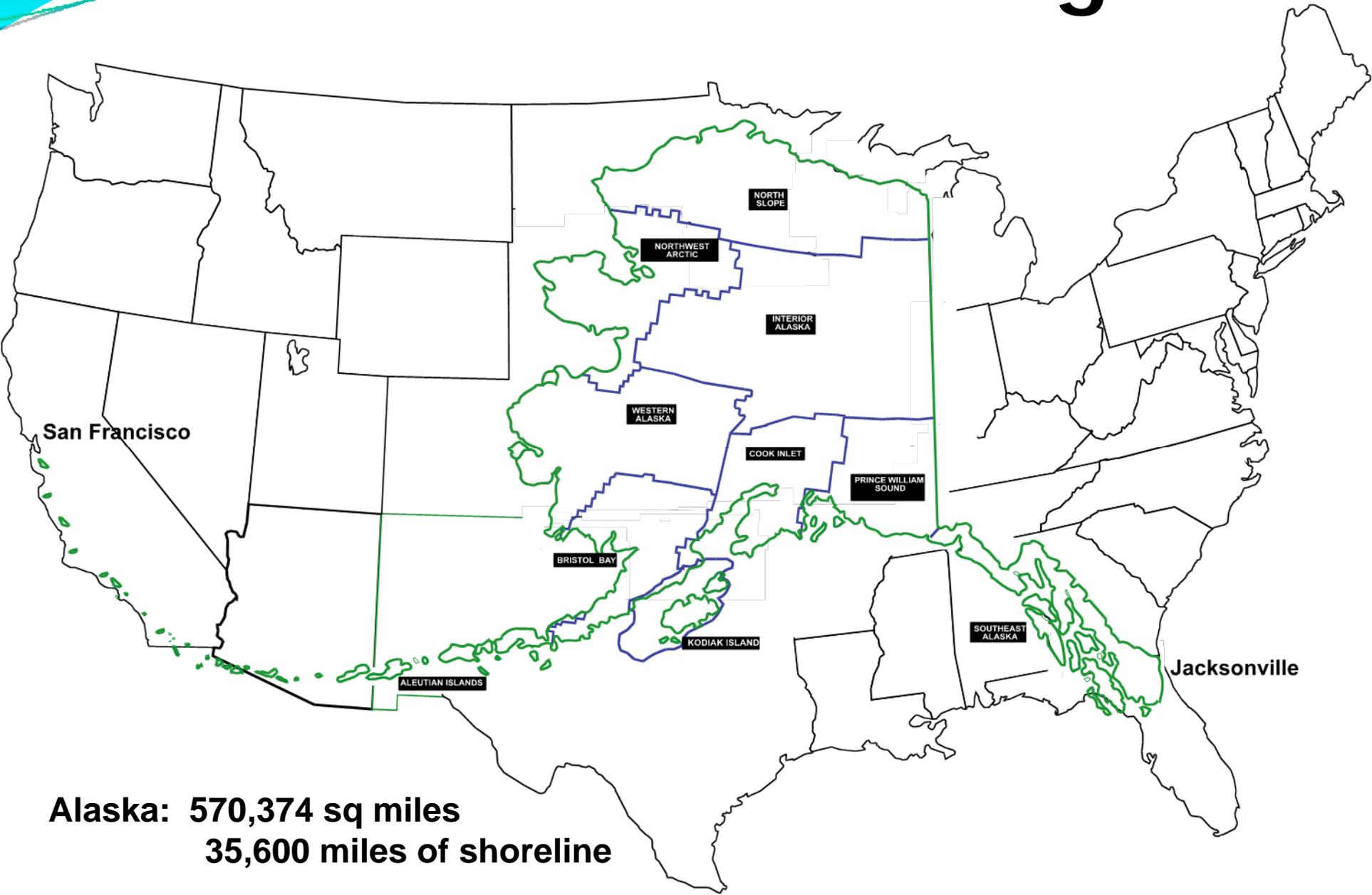
- **Oil Pollution Act of 1990**
- **Clean Water Act**
- **Alaska Statutes & Regulations**

Federal/State Planning Requirements

- **OPA 90 requires USCG and EPA to prepare the National Contingency Plan, plus develop Regional and Area Contingency Plans throughout the country**
- **The Alaska Statute requires ADEC to develop a State Master Plan and 10 Regional Master Plans for the ten “regions” of the state.**

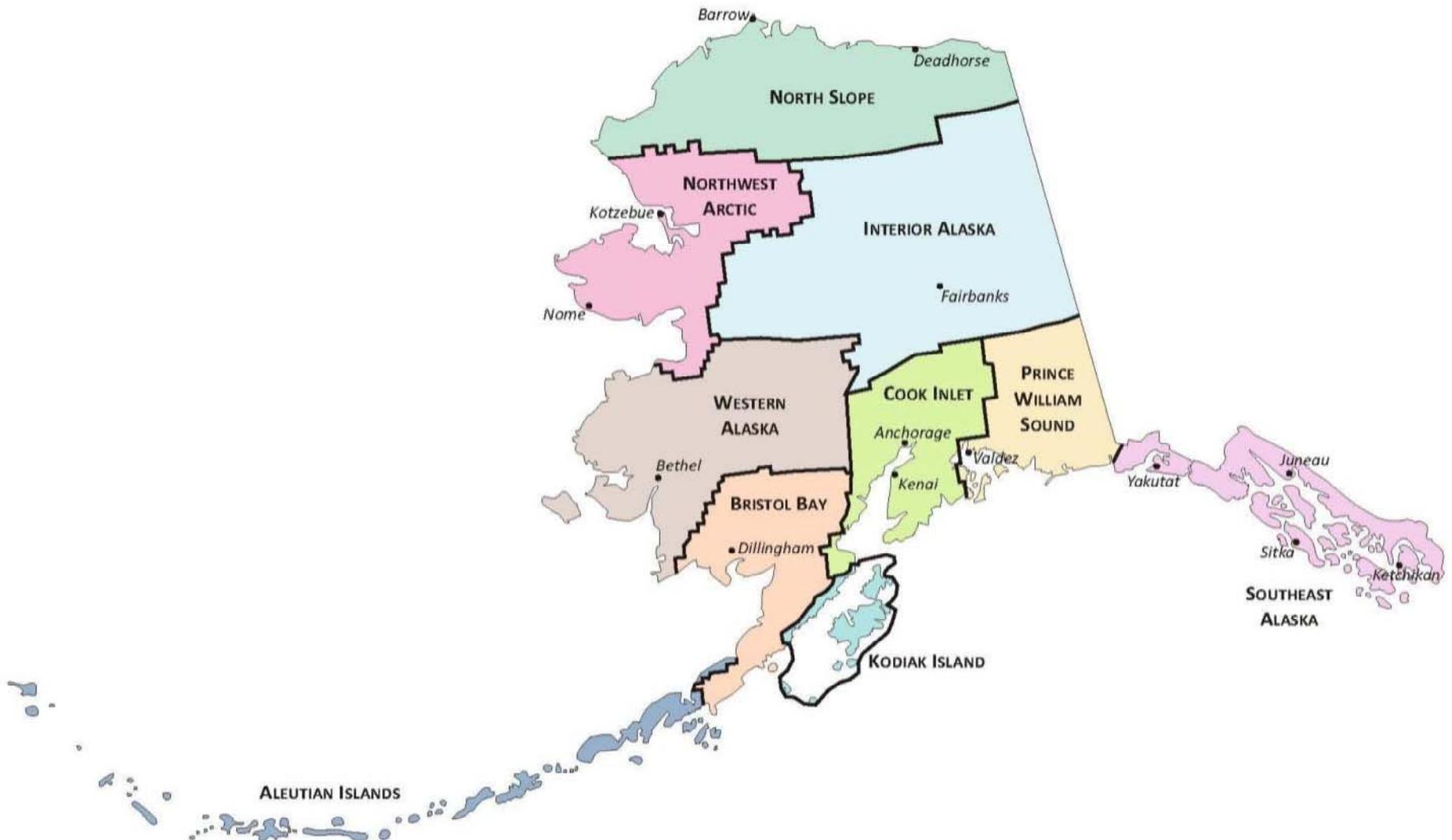


The Overall Challenge



**Alaska: 570,374 sq miles
35,600 miles of shoreline**

Unified Plan and 10 Subarea Plans



Joint Government Planning in Alaska

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***NATIONAL CONTINGENCY
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***REGIONAL CONTINGENCY
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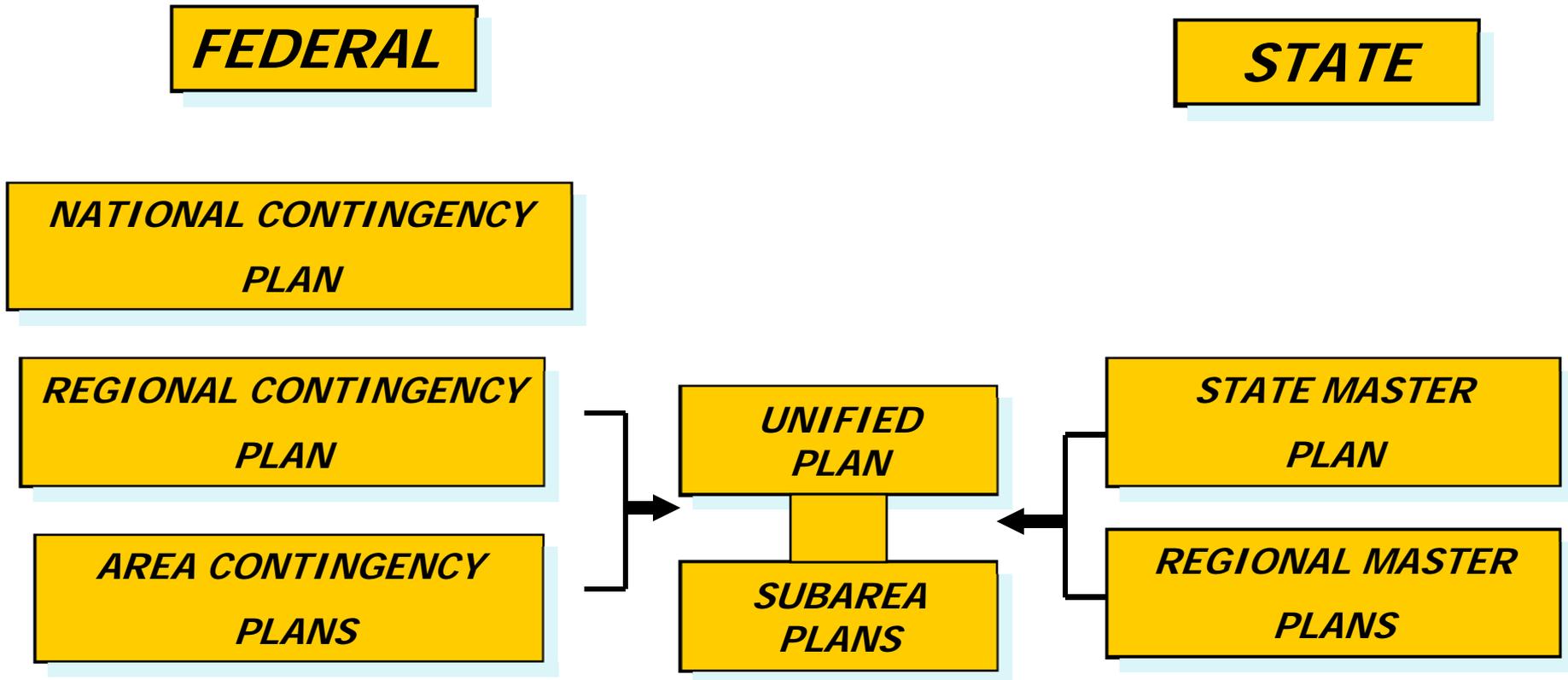
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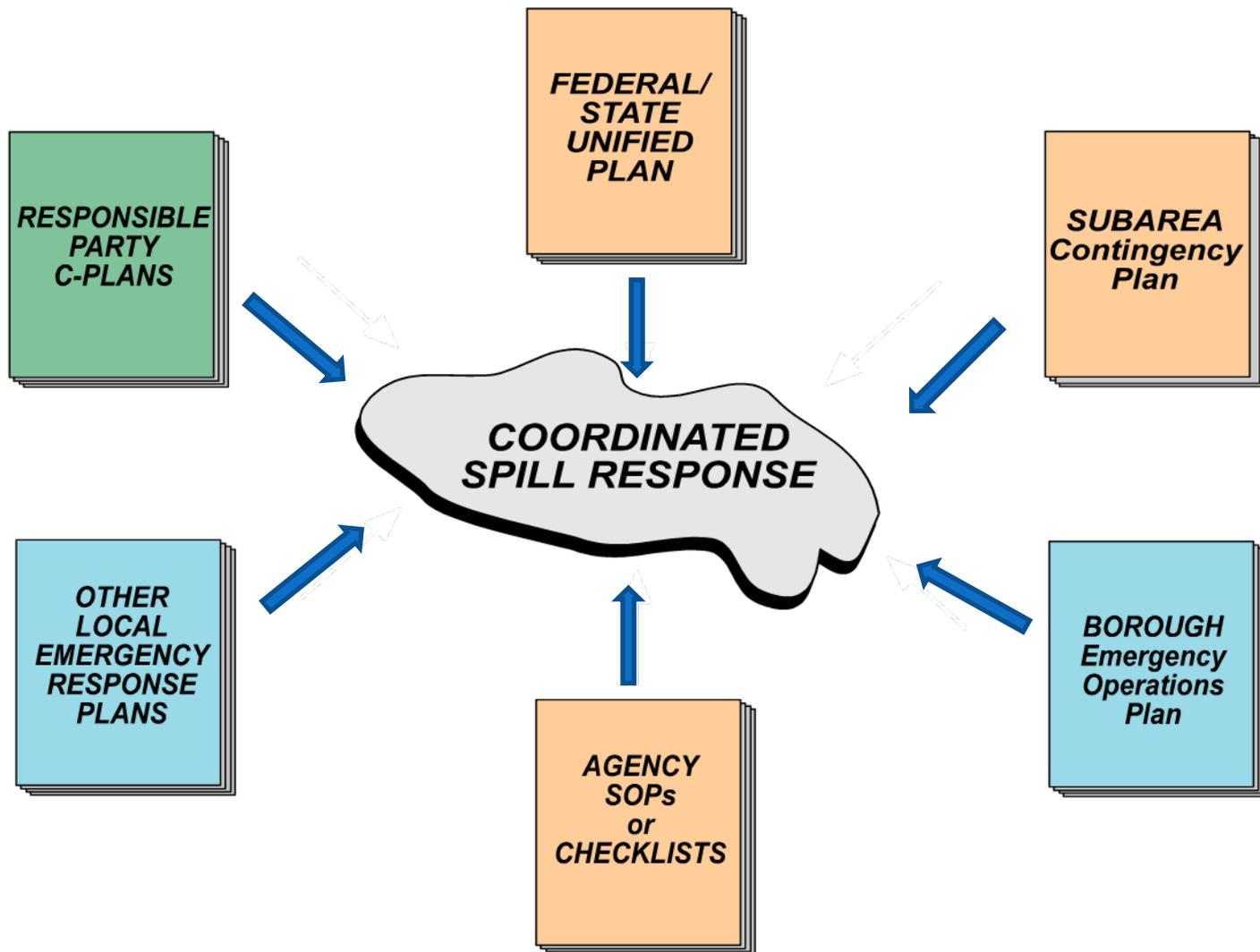
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Integrated Response

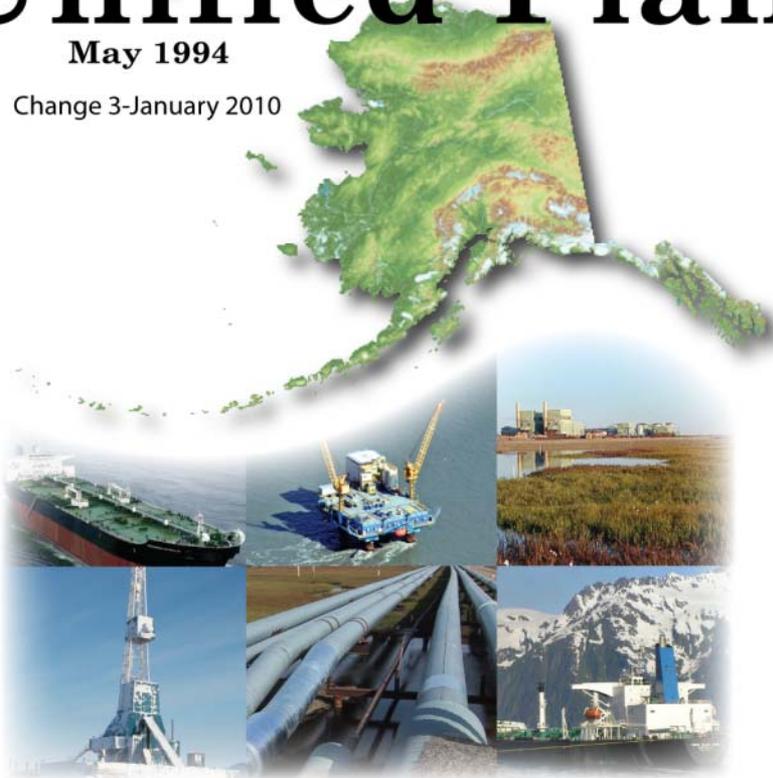




Unified Plan

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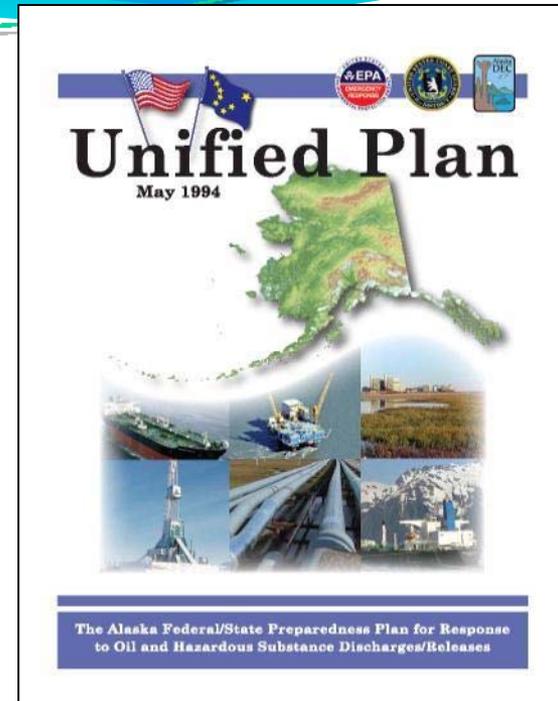
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The Unified Plan

The Alaska Federal/State Preparedness Plan for Response to Oil and Hazardous Substance Discharges/Releases

Unified Plan

- Describes the strategy for a coordinated Federal, State, and local response to a discharge, or substantial threat of a discharge of oil or hazardous substance within Alaska.



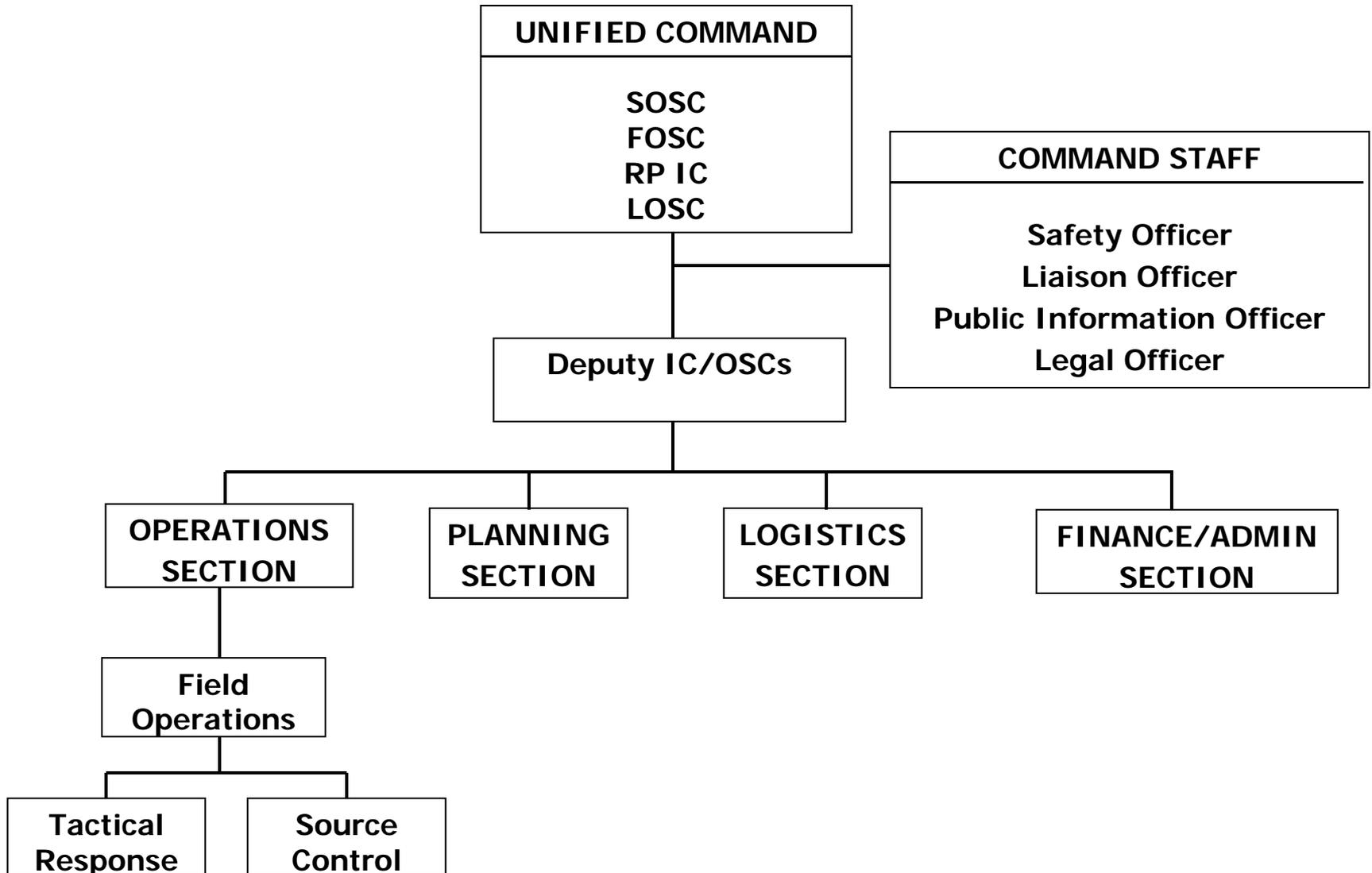
- Provides information and guidance applicable to pollution responses within the entire State of Alaska including:
 - Emergency notification information
 - General emergency response procedures
 - 18 Annexes, A-P, V and Z, by subject matter.

Unified Plan - Overview

- **Annex A - Introduction**
 - Summary of legal mandates
 - Agency authority during a response.
- **Annex B – Unified Response Organization**
 - Intro to the organization and management of spill response – Incident Command System
 - Clarification of ‘who’s in charge?’
 - Federal and State Roles and Oversight Responsibilities
 - Disaster Response Organizational Structure

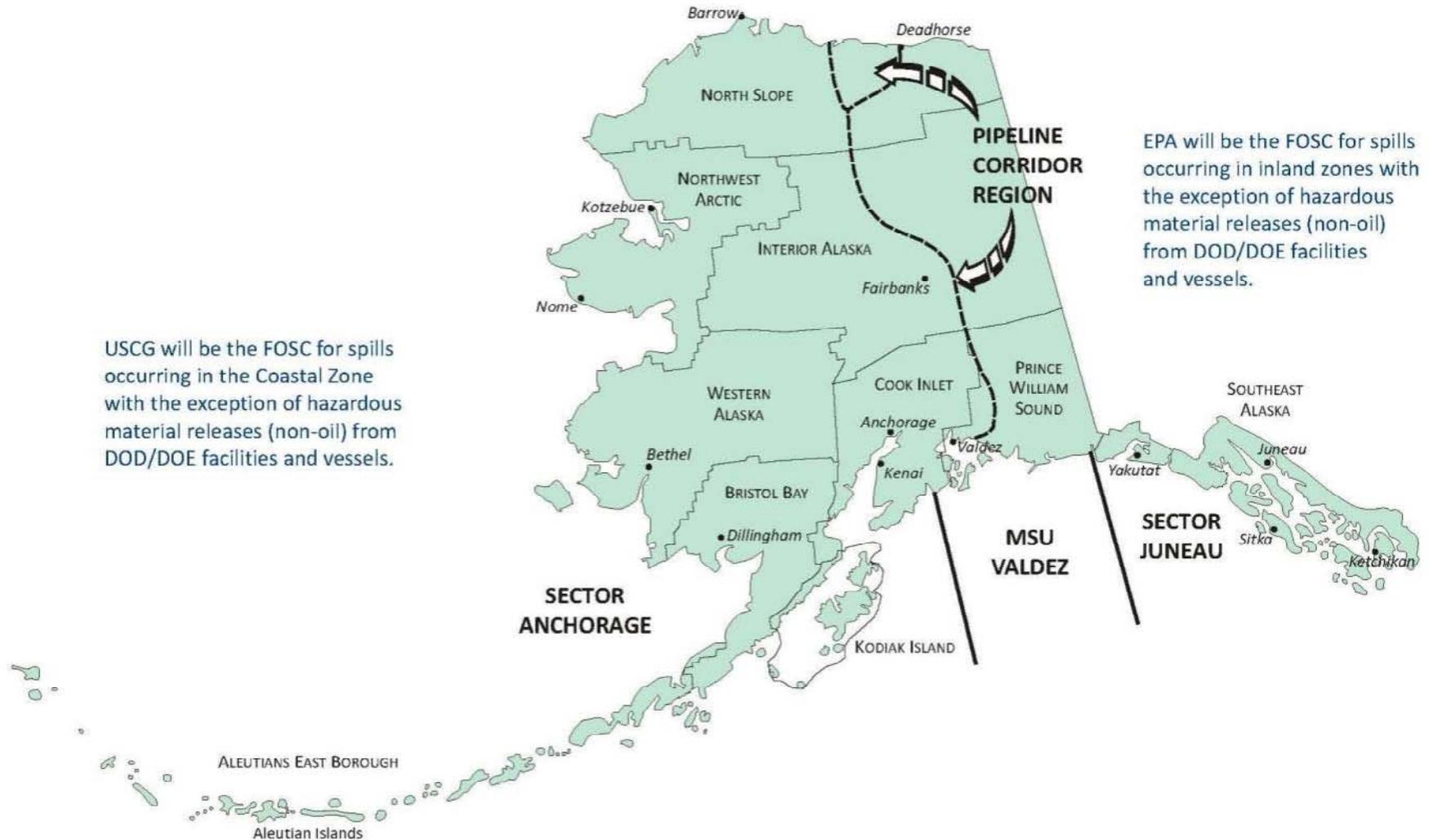


Typical Response Organization

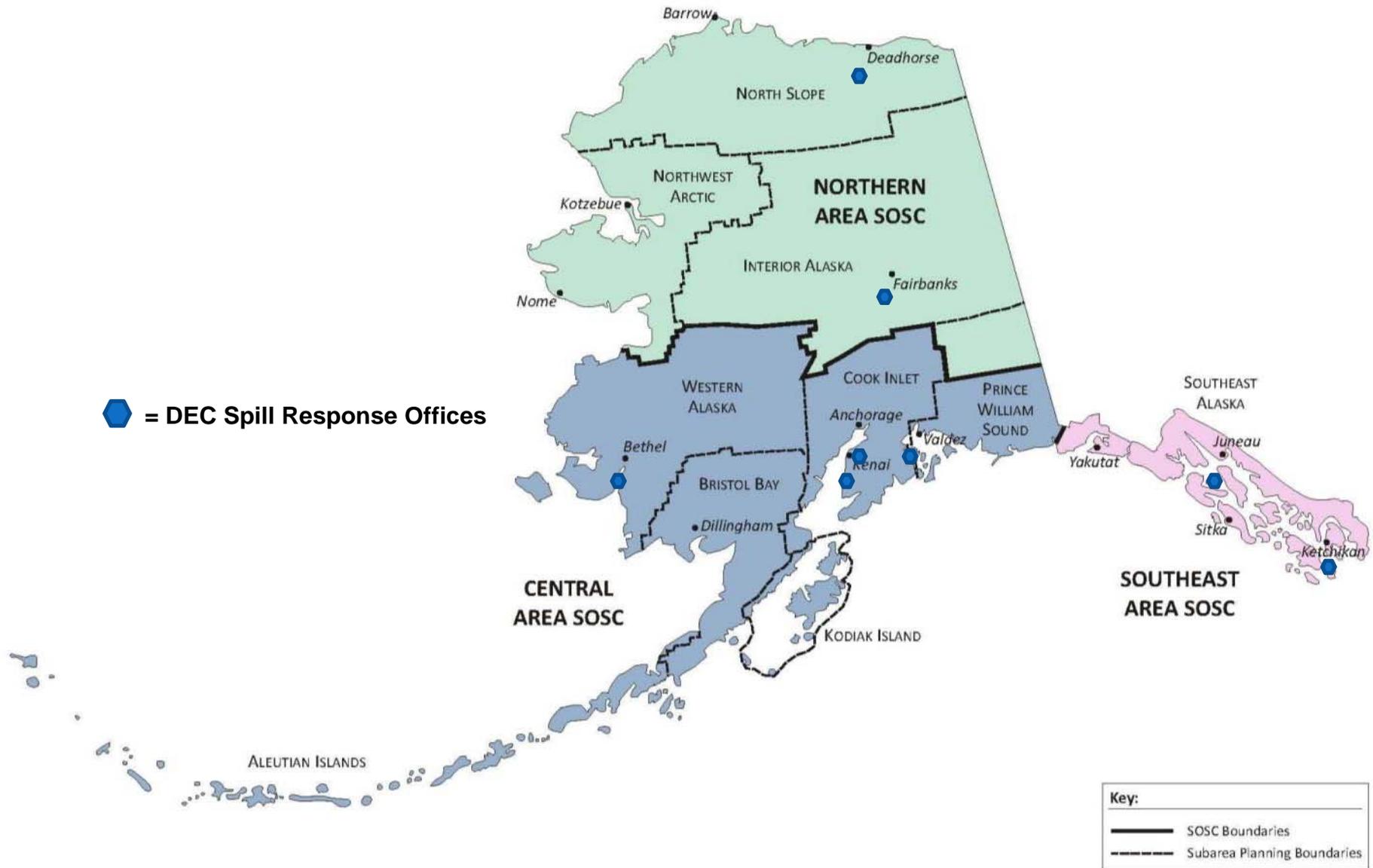


The FOSC Areas of Responsibility

Pre-Designated Federal On-Scene Coordinators (FOSC) – Areas of Responsibility



The SOSOC Areas of Responsibility



Unified Plan - Overview

- Annex C – Operational Administration
 - Funding, reporting, permits & permitting authorities
 - <http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/perp/permits/index.htm>

State of Alaska > DEC > SPAR > Prevention and Emergency Response Program

Alaska Oil Spill Permits Tool

USE MENU BELOW TO NAVIGATE THIS TOOL



Master Permit List

Permits by Agency

Permits by Activity

Other Docs

Incident Data



Alaska's current statewide oil spill response system involves a complex assortment of permits, forms, and applications that must be prepared and filed during various phases of the response. This tool provides streamlined access to over 50 documents, reducing time needed to mount an effective response.

USE THE MENU ABOVE TO NAVIGATE THE TOOL.

[CLICK HERE FOR HELP ON USING THIS TOOL](#)

Unified Plan - Overview

- **Annex D – Plan Review and Update**
 - **Unified Plan and Subarea Plan review/updates**
 - **State and Federal Discharge exercise requirements**

- **Annex E – Summary of Statewide Resources**

- **Federal and State Resources**
- **Logistical Information –statewide assets**
- **Special Forces, Personnel and Information**
- **Communications, Waste Management and Disposal**



Unified Plan - Overview

- **Annex F – Chemical Countermeasures**
 - **Dispersants**
 - ARRT-Approved Guidelines
 - Permit Application
 - Pre-identified Zones for Prince William Sound and Cook Inlet
 - **In Situ Burning**
 - Background
 - Permit Application



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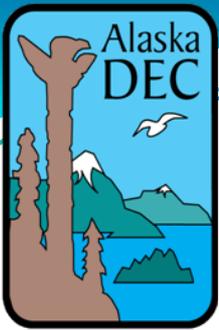
- **Annex G – Wildlife Protection Guidelines for Alaska**
- **Annex H – Health, Safety, and Training**
- **Annex I – Public Affairs**
- **Annex J – Radiological Response Procedures**
- **Annex K – Applicable MOUs/MOAs**
- **Annex L – Hazardous Materials**



Unified Plan - Overview

- **Annex M – Cultural Resources Protection Guidelines for Alaska**
- **Annex N – Shoreline Cleanup and Assessment Guidelines**
- **Annex O – Potential Places of Refuge**
- **Annex P – Marine Salvage and Lightering**
- **Annex V - Volunteers**
- **Annex Z – Definitions, Abbreviations & Acronyms**

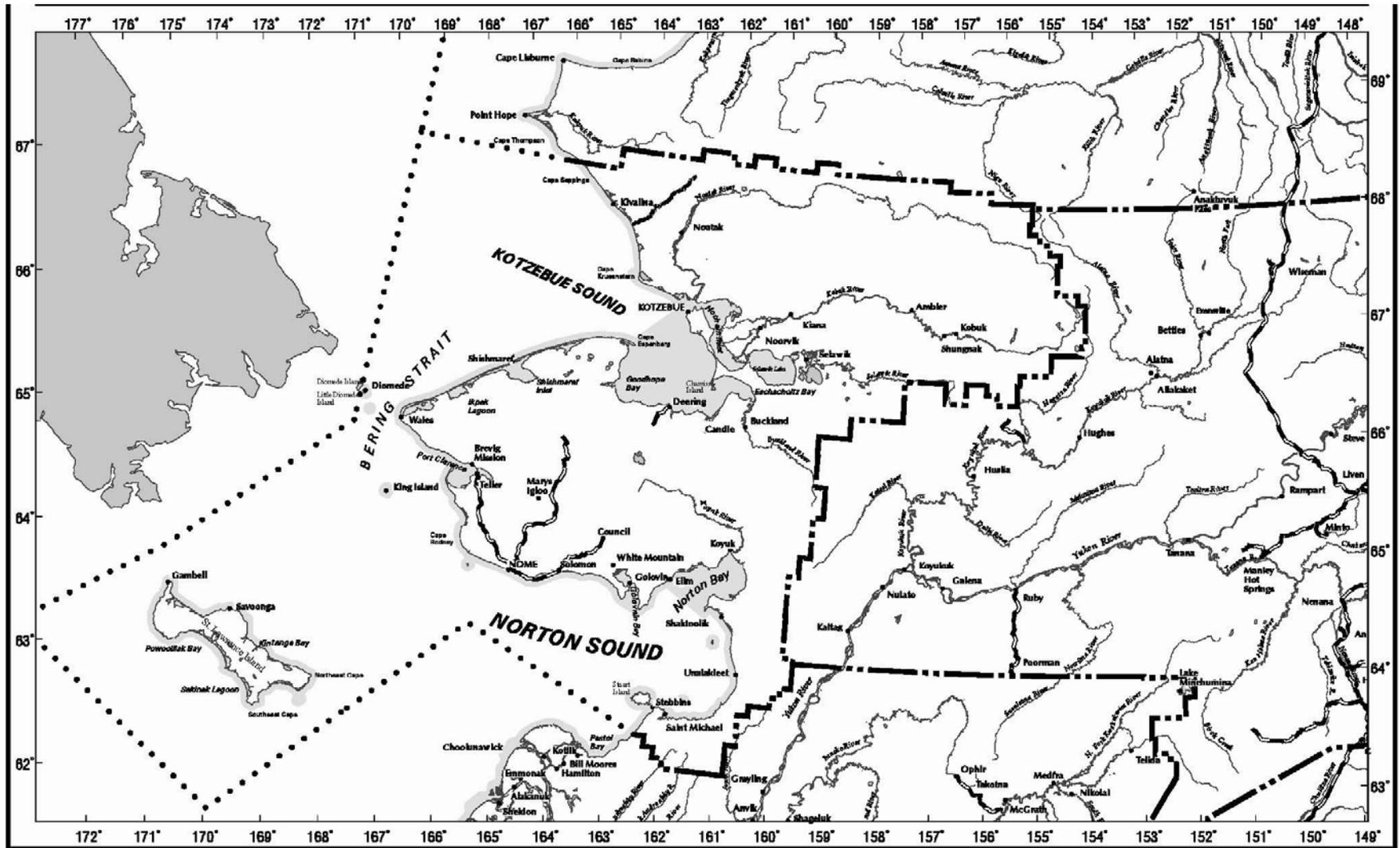




The Northwest Arctic Subarea Contingency Plan



The Northwest Arctic Subarea



Local Government and Tribal Roles in Federal/State Planning

- Tribal & Local Government Input is Critically Important to Federal/ State Plans
- Input Process includes Government to Government consultation, EPA questionnaires, and the public review process.



Federal/State Spill Response Plans

Northwest Arctic SCP:

- A – Response
- B – Regional Resources
- C – HazMat
- D - Sensitive Areas
- E – Background
- F – Scenarios
- G - Geographic Response Strategies (TBD)
- H – Specific PPORs (TBD)

Unified Plan:

- Response Organization
- Administration
- Dispersants & ISB
- Wildlife Protection Guidelines
- Statewide Resources
- Hazmat, Radiological
- Health & Safety Guidelines
- Joint Information Center
- PPOR Guidelines
- Volunteer Guidelines

Response Section

- Emergency Response Notification Lists
 - FOSC and SOSC
 - Federal and state agencies
 - Local governments and other contacts
- Unified Command structure and roles of response organizations.
- Response procedures, including:
 - Response Objectives
 - Ramp up Procedures
 - Protocols for health & safety, dispersants & *in situ* burning, and waste removal.



Resources Section

- **Community Profile on each town or village in the subarea**
- **Response equipment –**
 - **commercially and non-commercially available, plus spill cooperative inventories**
- **Information Directory**
- **Equipment, personnel, command centers, and communications**



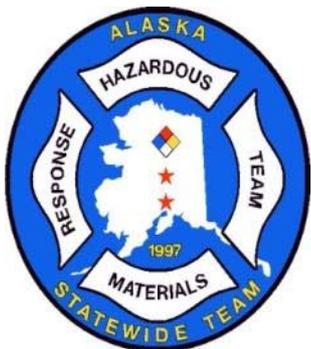
Resources Section includes:

- Airports and Air Services
- Emergency Services Managers
- Fishing Organizations
- Hospitals
- Media
- Native Organizations and Tribes
- Port Authorities
- Response Agreements
- Salvage and Towing
- Trustees for Natural Resources
- Vehicles
- Weather Service
- Useful Websites,
and much more...



Hazardous Materials Section

- Hazmat Response Protocols
- State and federal authorities, policies, responsibilities, and response capabilities
- Hazmat Risk Assessment



Sensitive Areas Section



Background Section

- **Subarea Description**
- **Regional Stakeholder Committee**
- **Federal, State Response Strategies/Priorities**
- **Spill History**
- **Oil Fate and Effects/Risk Assessment**



Scenarios Section

- **Worst Case Discharge Scenario:**
 - **Vessel:** Discharge of entire cargo in adverse weather conditions.
 - **Onshore or Offshore Facility:** Largest foreseeable discharge in adverse weather conditions.
 - **Maximum Most Probable Discharge Scenario:**
 - Based on largest recorded spill for the subarea.
 - **Average Most Probable Discharge Scenario:**
 - Based on the size of the average spill in the subarea.
- Optional Scenario:**
- **Hazmat Scenario**



Geographic Response Strategies Section

Map & Photo
Legend



Akutan Harbor viewed from the east.



EX02(a-c) viewed from the east.

-  Free-oil Containment and Recovery, Shallow Water
-  Exclusion Booming
-  Passive Recovery
-  Snare Line
-  Tidal-seal Boom



EX02(b&c) viewed from the southeast.

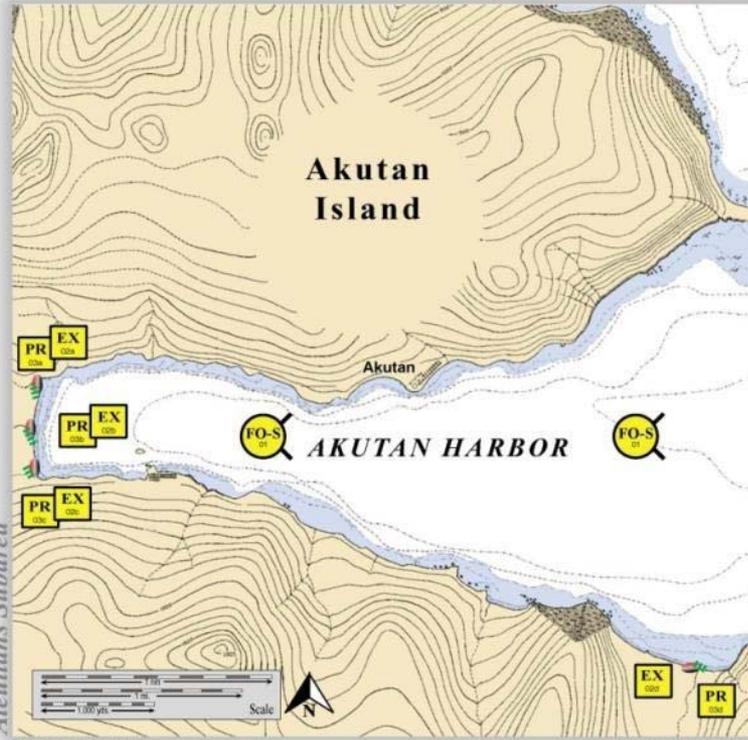


EX02(a) viewed from the southeast.

Geographic Response Strategies for Aleutians Subarea

Akutan Island, AEB-03

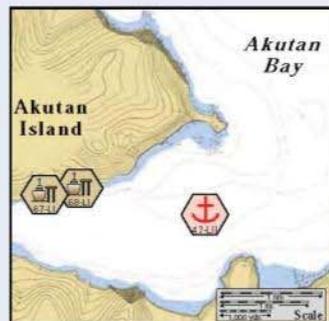
Center of map at 54° 08.10' N Lat., 165° 43.80' W Lon.



Geographic Response Strategies Section

ID	Location and Description	Response Strategy	Implementation	Response Resources	Staging Area	Site Access	Resources Protected (months)	Special Considerations
AEB-03-01 	Akutun Harbor Nearshore waters in the general area of: Lat. 54° 07.4 N Lon. 165°44.2 W	Free-oil Recovery Maximize free-oil recovery in the offshore & nearshore environment of Akutun Harbor depending on spill location and trajectory.	Deploy free-oil recovery strike teams upwind and up current of Akutun Harbor. Use aerial surveillance to locate incoming slicks.	Deploy multiple free-oil recovery strike teams as required to maximize interception of oil before it impacts sensitive areas.	Akutun Harbor.	Via marine waters Chart 16532-1	Same as AEB-03-02	Vessel master should have local knowledge. Use extreme caution, shoal waters with numerous reefs and rocks.
AEB-03-02 	Akutun Harbor a. Lat 54° 08.02 N Lon. 165°49.36 W b. Lat 54° 07.92 N Lon. 165°49.39 W c. Lat 54° 07.64 N Lon. 165°49.39 W d. Lat 54° 06.77 N Lon. 165°44.39 W	Exclusion Exclude oil from impacting the identified stream and intertidal area in Akutun Harbor.	Deploy anchors and boom with sluffs (class 6) at high tide. Place 100 ft. sections of tidal-seal boom across each stream mouth on the beach behind the storm berm. Tend throughout the tide.	Deployment Equipment 400 ft tidal-seal boom 4 ea. small anchor systems 16 ea. anchor stakes Vessels 1 ea. class 3 2 ea. class 6 Personnel/Shift 7 ea. vessel crew Tending Vessels 1 ea. class 3/4 2 ea. class 6 Personnel/Shift 5 ea. vessel crew	Vessel platform or Akutun Harbor.	Via marine waters Chart 16532-1	Fish- intertidal spawning- salmon (May-Sept) Birds- Seabird nesting Marine mammals- otters Human use- Subsistence, commercial fishing Habitat- marsh, exposed tidal flats, gravel beaches, sheltered rocky shoreline	Site not surveyed. Title 41 permitting required from ADNR. Tested: not yet
AEB-03-03 	Akutun Harbor Stream Locations a. Lat. 54° 08.02 N Lon. 165°49.36 W b. Lat. 54° 07.92 N Lon. 165°49.39 W c. Lat. 54° 07.64 N Lon. 165°49.39 W d. Lat. 54° 06.77 N Lon. 165°44.39 W	Passive Recovery Place passive recovery boom at each end of the exclusion booms that extend across the stream.	Once the exclusion booms are deployed, place and anchor 25 ft. snare line or sorbent boom in the upper boom/shore interface on each end. Replace as necessary to maximize the recovery.	Deployment Equipment 200 ft snare line or sorbent boom 16 ea. anchor stakes Vessels/Personnel/Shift Same as AEB-03-02 Tending Vessels/Personnel/Shift Same as AEB-03-02	Vessel platform.	Via marine waters Chart 16532-1	Same as AEB-03-02	Vessel master should have local knowledge. Use snare line for persistent oils and sorbent boom for non-persistent oils.

Potential Places of Refuge Section



Akutan Harbor.



Akutan Bay, Hot Springs Bay, and Lost Harbor.



Chernofsky Harbor.



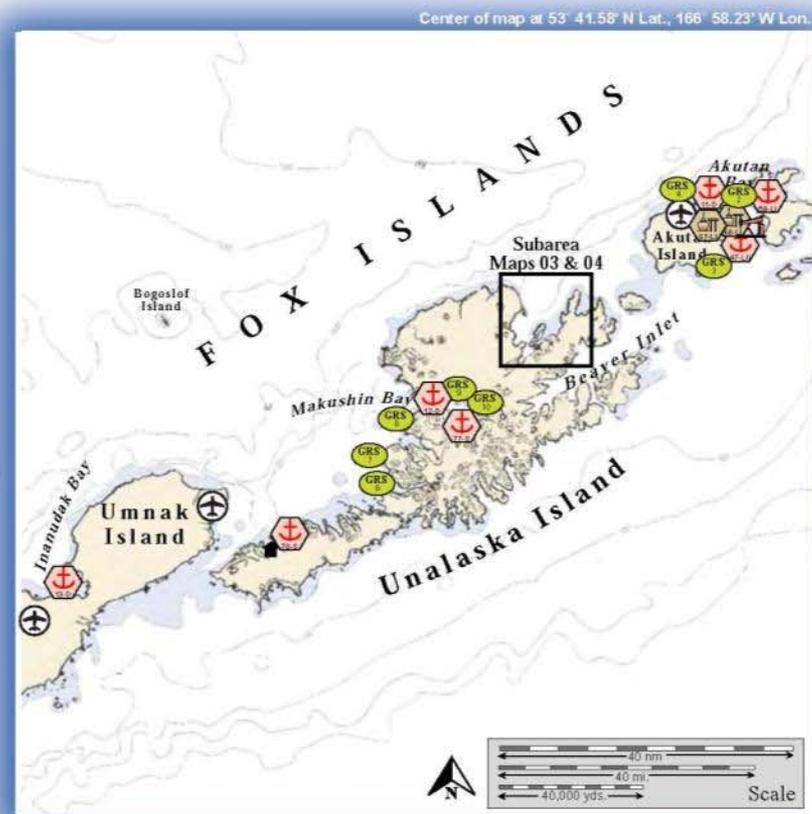
Inanudak Bay.



Makushin Bay.



Map Aleutian Subarea



This is not intended for navigational use.

Soundings in fathoms

	Anchorage		Existing GRS
	Mooring		Fish Hatchery
	Dock/pier		Private Cabins
	Crane		Public Use Cabins
	Airport		Boat Harbor

Aleutian PPOR
Map 05

Potential Places of Refuge for Aleutians Subarea

Potential Places of Refuge Section

Site Information for Aleutian PPOR Map-05

Site Considerations for PPOR Map 05 of the Aleutian Subarea										Site ID Number and Vessel Class Classification	
ID Number	Hot Springs Bay	Makushin Bay	Inarudak Bay	Akutun Harbor	Akutun City Dock	Akutun Cannery	Lost Harbor	Anderson Bay	Chernofsky Harbor		
Human Health & Safety	11-D	12-D	13-D	47-LII	67-LI	68-LI	69-LI	77-S	78-S	D = A deep draft vessel that exceeds 20,000 Gross Tons, has drafts of 25-60 ft. and ranges from 400 ft. - 1,000 ft. LGA, typical of Tankers/ Crueseships	
Communities - distances-nm	Akutun-4.5	Unalaska-45	Nikolski-1	Akutun-4.5	Akutun-0.0	Akutun-0.0	Akutun-4.5	Unalaska-53	Unalaska-73	LII = A light draft vessel of 10,000 to 19,999 Gross Tons, has drafts up to 25 ft. LGA up to 450 ft. typical of Ferry/Transfers	
Natural Resource Considerations											
Fish & Wildlife	Spawning salmon, Steller's sea lions, seals, sea otters, waterfowl concentrations, seabird and eagle nesting, shorebird concentration			Spawning salmon, seals, sea otters, waterfowl concentrations, seabird and eagle nesting			Spawning salmon, Steller's sea lions, seals, sea otters, waterfowl concentrations, seabird and eagle nesting, shorebird concentration				
Threatened & Endangered Species	Steller's Eider, sea otters and short-tailed albatross are present	Steller's sea lion, sea otters and short-tailed albatross are present	Steller's Eider, sea otters and short-tailed albatross are present				Steller's Eiders, Steller's sea lions, sea otters and short-tailed albatross are present				
Sensitive Areas	Designated as a Most Environmentally Sensitive Area (MESA 26a-ADF&G)		Not Designated		Designated as a Most Environmentally Sensitive Area (MESA 26a-ADF&G)		Designated as a Most Environmentally Sensitive Area (MESA 29a-ADF&G)		Not Designated		
Invasive Species-Rats	This area is rat-free		Rats are present		These areas are rat-free		Rats are present		These areas are rat-free		
Other Stakeholder Considerations											
Fisheries	Groundfish, herring, salmon, crab										
Historic Properties	Historic properties are present throughout this area										
Mariculture	None										
Subsistence	Salmon, marine mammals, waterfowl, crab, intertidal	None	Salmon, marine mammals, waterfowl, crab, intertidal	Salmon, marine mammals, waterfowl, crab, groundfish, intertidal				None			
Tourism/Recreation	Recreational use area- sport fishing, kayaking, excursion boats, wildlife viewing										
Waterfront Public Facilities/Parks	Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge-no facilities immediately available			Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge-no facilities immediately available, Small Boat Basin			Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge-no facilities immediately available				
Waterfront Private Facilities	None		None		Cannery facilities nearby		None				
Response and Salvage Resource Considerations											
Ability to Boom Vessel	Weather dependent										
Geographic Response Strategies	AEB-02- Lost Hbr & Surf Bay, AEB-04 Hot Springs Bay/Open Bight	AEB-09 Mouth of Makushin Bay	AEB-20 Nikolski Bay	AEB-03 Akutun Harbor	AEB-03 Akutun Harbor		AEB-02- Lost Hbr & Surf Bay, AEB-04 Hot Springs Bay/Open Bight	AEB-10 Head of Makushin Bay	None		
Closest Alternative Places of Refuge (same sized vessel)	36 nm. to 06-D Wide Bay	43 nm. to 06-D Wide Bay	61 nm. to 14-D Applegate Cove	7 nm. to 11-D Hot Springs Bay	5 nm. to 68-LI Akutun Cannery	5 nm. to 67-LI Akutun City Dock	7.5 nm. to 67-LI Akutun City Dock	43 nm. to 78-S Chernofsky Harbor	43 nm. to 77-S Anderson Bay		

Stakeholders for PPOR Map 05 of the Aleutian Subarea		Physical and Operational Characteristics for PPOR Map 05 of the Aleutian Subarea										
Year-2007	Contact	ID Number	Hot Springs Bay	Makushin Bay	Inarudak Bay	Akutun Harbor	Akutun City Dock	Akutun Cannery	Lost Harbor	Anderson Bay	Chernofsky Harbour	
Akutun Corporation	Director		11-D	12-D	13-D	47-LII	67-LI	68-LI	69-LI	77-S	78-S	
Aleut Corporation	President	Location	54°10.84'N 165°51.04'W	53°45.43'N 168°57.68'W	53°17.68'N 168°25.87'W	54°07.74'N 165°44.03'W	54°07.09'N 165°46.70'W	54°08.00'N 165°46.43'W	54°13.55'N 165°36.78'W	53°40.03'N 166°50.61'W	53°23.92'N 167°30.89'W	
Aleutians East Borough	Mayor	Maximum Vessel Size	Deep draft, greater than 20,000 Gross Tons				Light draft-II, 10,000 to 19,999 Gross Tons		Light draft-I, 300 to 9,999 Gross Tons			Shallow draft, 300 Gross Tons or less
Alaska Dept of Fish & Game	Resource Manager	Type of Berthing	Anchorage				Dock			Anchorage		
Alaska Department of Natural Resources	Natural Resource Manager	Contact	N/A									Mayor 907.274.7556 Facility Manager 907.898.2211
Dept of the Interior-Regional Environmental Officer		Navigational Approach	Approach from NE	Approach from W	Approach from the NW	Approach from the E	Approach from the E		Approach from the W	Approach from the NW	Approach from the NE	
Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge	Environmental Officer	Minimum Water Depth	20 Fathoms in swing area	36 Fathoms in swing area	30 Fathoms in the swing area	20 Fathoms in the swing area	30 Feet at the dock face	30 Feet at the dock face	60 Feet in the swing area	53 Fathoms in the swing area	60 Feet in the swing area	
Aleut Marine Mammal Commission	Director	Maximum Water Depth	22 Fathoms in swing area	38 Fathoms in swing area	20 Fathoms in the swing area	32 Fathoms in the swing area	30 Feet at the dock face	30 Feet at the dock face	22 Fathoms in the swing area	58 Fathoms in the swing area	13 Fathoms in the swing area	
City of Akutun	Mayor	Maximum Vessel Draft	60 ft.	60 ft.	600 ft.	35 ft.	28 ft.	450 ft.	25 ft.	2800 ft.	1200 ft.	
Ounalaska Corporation	CEO	Swing Room/Dock Face	3000 ft.	2800 ft.	6000 ft.	2500 ft.	350 ft.	1200 ft.	2800 ft.	1200 ft.	1200 ft.	
Native Allotments	Dept of the Interior-Regional Environmental Officer	Bottom Type	Mud, Sand	Mud, Hard	Sand	Mud	Mud	N/A	Mud, Sand	Mud	Mud	
		Docks/Piers	Nearest Alt. Dock 09-D Dutch Harbor APL Dock				Nearest Alt. Dock 68-L Akutun Cannery		Nearest Alt. Dock 67-L Akutun City Dock	Nearest Alt. Dock 67-L Akutun City Dock	Nearest Alt. Dock 61-LI Light Cargo Dock	
		Moorings	Nearest Mooring - Wide Bay 06-D									
		Anchorage	Nearest Alt. Anchorage-06-D Wide Bay	Nearest Alt. Anchorage-14-D Applegate Cove	Nearest Alt. Anchorage-11-D Hot Springs Bay	Nearest Alt. Anchorage 69-LI Lost Harbor		Nearest Alt. Anchorage 47-LI Akutun Harbor	Nearest Alt. Anchorage-79-S Chernofsky Harbor	Nearest Alt. Anchorage-77-S Anderson Bay		
		Prevailing Winds	Summer-southwest through northwest winds are common. Winter- winds occur from all directions.									
		Currents	Local currents are tidally influenced. All passes in the subarea have significant currents									
		Tides	Mean High Water-3.6 (Higher- 4.0) Mean Low Water- 1.3 (Lower- -2.5)	Mean High Water-3.6 (Higher- 4.0) Mean Low Water- 1.3 (Lower- -2.5)	Mean High Water-3.3 (Higher- 3.7) Mean Low Water- 1.1 (Lower- -2.5)	Mean High Water-3.7 (Higher- 3.9) Mean Low Water- 1.3 (Lower- -2.5)	Mean High Water-3.7 (Higher- 3.9) Mean Low Water- 1.3 (Lower- -2.5)			Mean High Water-3.6 (Higher- 4.0) Mean Low Water- 1.3 (Lower- -2.5)	Mean High Water-3.5 (Higher- 3.8) Mean Low Water- --- (Lower- -2.5)	
		Sea Conditions	Exposed to seas from N-S	Exposed to seas from S-W	Exposed to seas from N-W	Exposed to seas from N-W	Exposed to seas from SE-SW			Exposed to seas from SW-W	Sheltered from extreme sea states	
		Shelter from Severe Storms	Sheltered from storms from S-NW	Sheltered from storms from NW-S	Sheltered from storms from N-SW	Sheltered from storms from S-N			Sheltered from storms from NW-SW	Sheltered from all but extreme storms		
		Fog	Fog is common during all seasons									
		Sea ice	Sea ice unlikely									

NOTE: Sensitive resource information can be found on other maps which can be accessed through the sensitive area section of the Aleutian Subarea Contingency Plan - <http://www.akia.com/212181/aleut.htm>

Key Federal/State Plans

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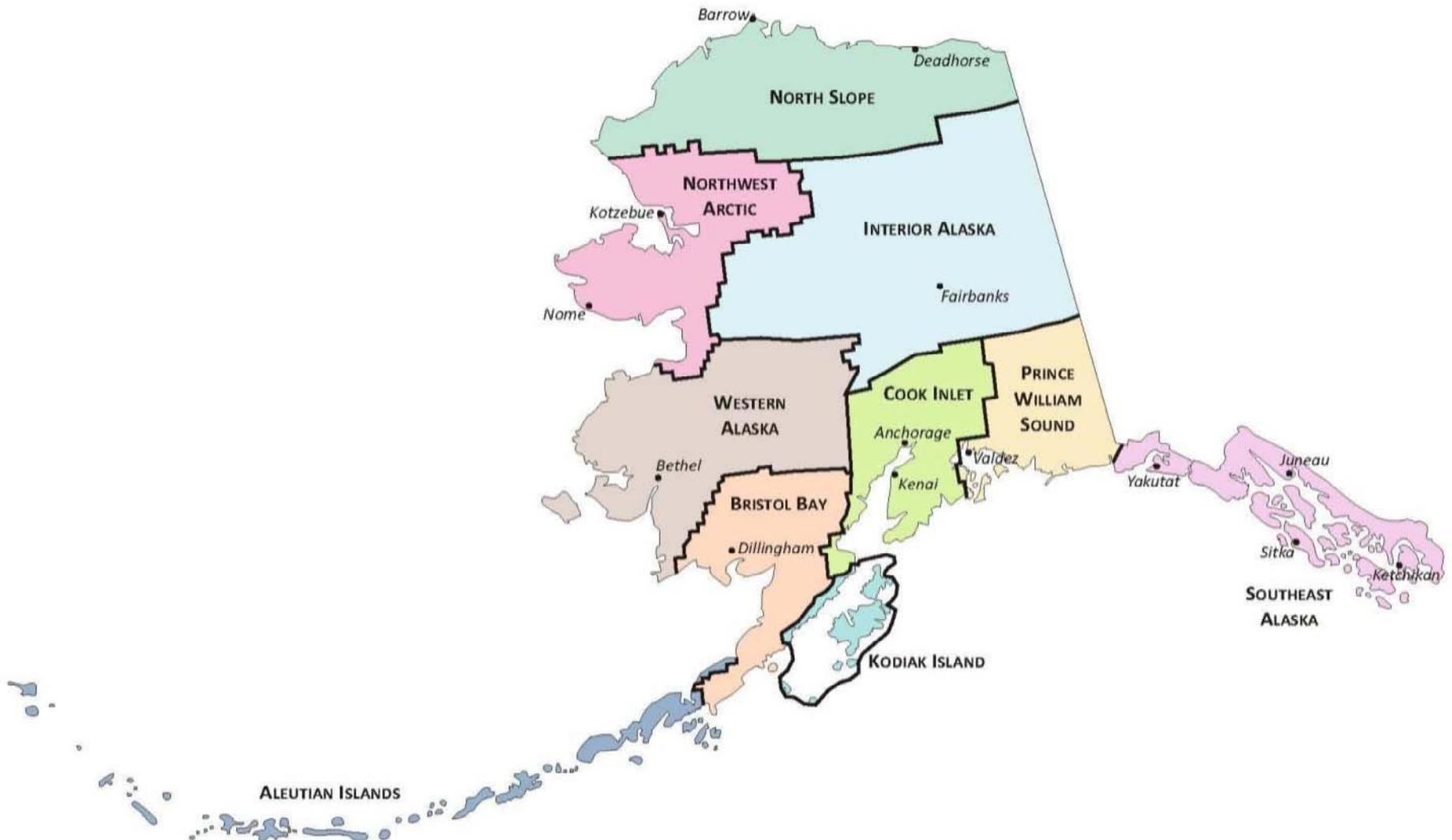
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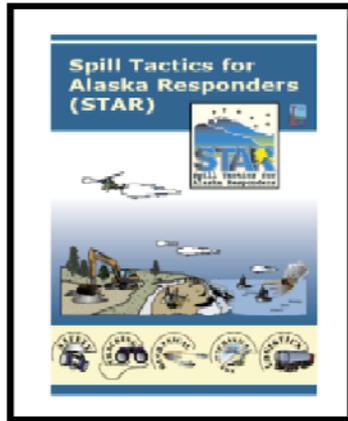
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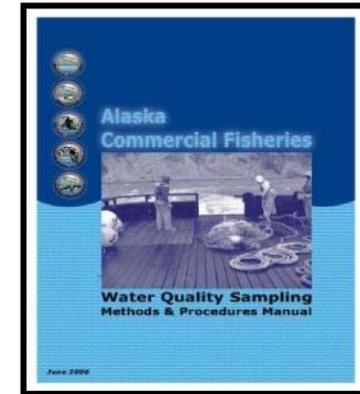
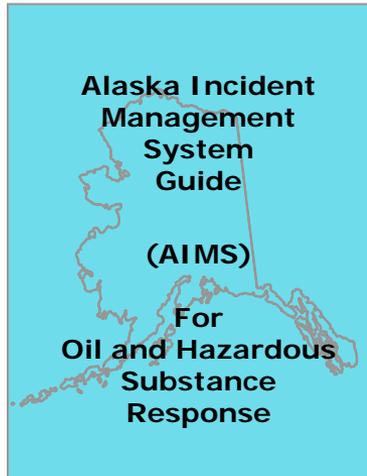
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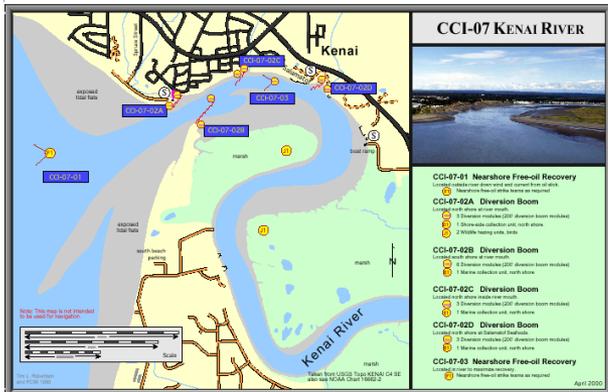
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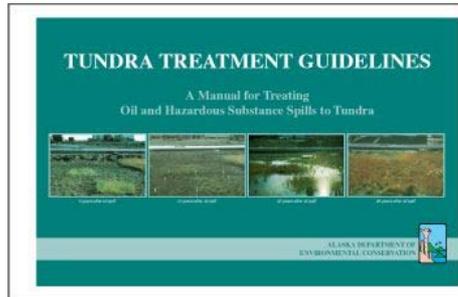
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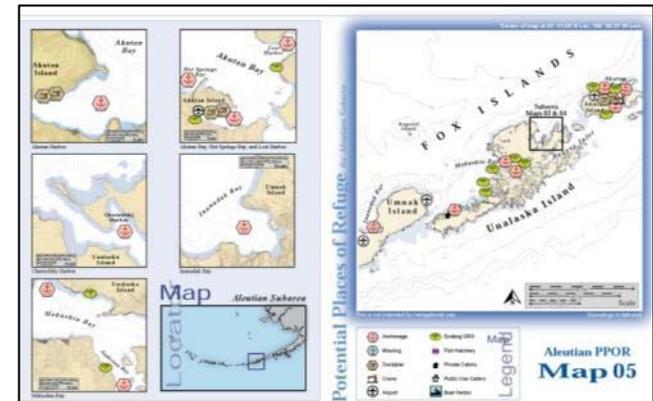
Fisheries/
Water Sampling



Geographic Response Strategies



Tundra Treatment Manual



Potential Places of Refuge

Spill Tactics for Alaska Responders (STAR)



Oleophilic – Vertical Mop Recovery System

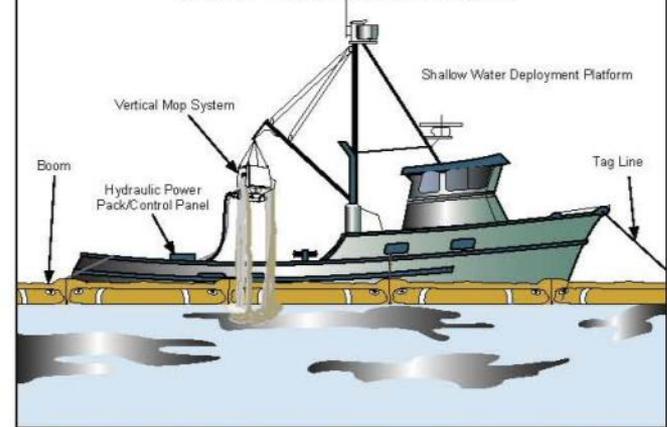


Figure MR-7. Vertical mop recovery system.

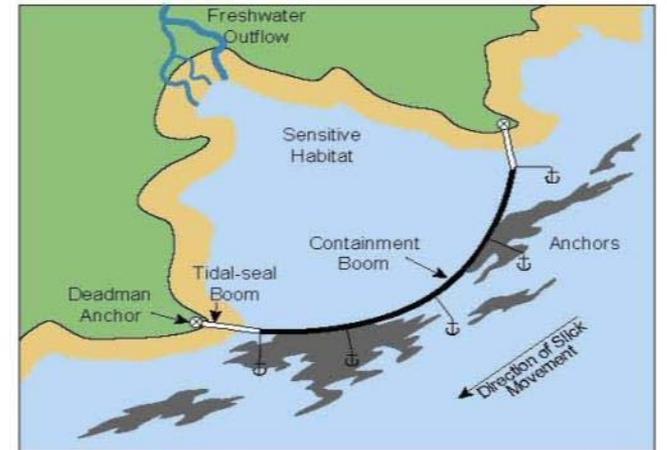


Figure EX-3. Exclusion booming configuration.

V-Boom Configuration

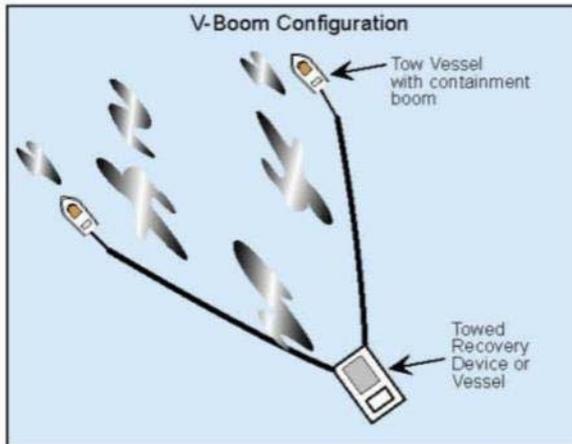


Figure FO-4. V-boom Configuration.

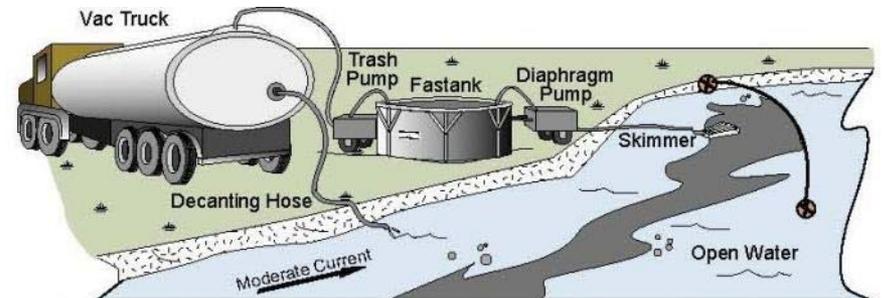


Figure SR-4. Shoreside recovery unit general configuration.



Questions/Discussion

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