



NOTICE OF REVIEW

APDES Proposed Final General Permit

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)
Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program
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NOTICE OF REVIEW OF AN ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (APDES) PROPOSED FINAL GENERAL PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES

Following the close of a 60-day public notice period, DEC has prepared an APDES proposed final general permit for Mobile Exploration Facilities in State Waters in Cook Inlet. Prior to making the final decision to issue the general permit, DEC invites you to view the proposed final general permit and associated documents. You can access the proposed final general permit and associated documents at DEC's Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program web page at: <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/water/wwdp/index.htm>

Proposed Final Permit Review

Start Date: January 19, 2015

End Date: January 28, 2015

Permit No.: AKG315100

Proposed Permit Coverage:

The proposed APDES general permit AKG315100 – Mobile Exploration Facilities in State Waters in Cook Inlet (Exploration Permit) covers discharge of pollutants from mobile oil and gas exploration facilities operating in state waters. These state waters include specified areas in coastal waters north of the southern end of Kalgin Island and landward of the three nautical mile demarcation of the territorial sea. Discharges are prohibited in water less than 10 meters depth or within 4,000 meters of sensitive areas as defined by the permit and fact sheet. Based on discharges applicable to mobile oil and gas exploration activities, the following wastewater discharges are proposed to be authorized under the permit within the area of coverage:

DISCHARGE NUMBER	DISCHARGES DISCRPTION
001	Drilling Fluids and Drill Cuttings
002	Deck Drainage
003	Domestic Wastewater
004	Graywater
005	Desalination Unit Wastes
006	Blowout Preventer Fluid

007	Boiler Blowdown
008	Fire Control System Test Water
009	Non-Contact Cooling Water
010	Uncontaminated Ballast Water
011	Bilge Water
012	Excess Cement Slurry
013	Mud, Cuttings, and Cement at the Seafloor
019	Test Fluids

The proposed Exploration Permit supersedes the portion of the existing 2007 permit AKG315000 that pertains to mobile exploration. Oil and Gas exploration drilling does not typically include discharges of water flood produce water or well completion, treatment, and work over fluids. Therefore, the exploration permit does not include these discharges. Nor does the exploration permit authorize discharges from any fixed oil and gas facilities.

Determination:

The ADEC has determined to Issue the above listed general permit.

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Administrative Record:

The APDES proposed final draft Exploration Permit, fact sheet, and Ocean Discharge Criteria Evaluation, and response to comments are available for public review at the DEC offices located in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Soldotna, and Wasilla. Please contact the office of your choice to arrange for hard copies of the documents to be available for your review.

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