

# Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation

*Division of Air Quality*

## Fact Sheet: Air Quality Proposed Regulation Changes

- Wood stoves stay – other municipal plans stay in place as well.
- The public process is designed for as much public input as possible.
  - 125 days to comment
  - Learn more at four open houses (three in Fairbanks, one in North Pole)
  - Submit written comments electronically online or by mail, fax, email
  - Public hearing to receive oral comments
  - Design models/peer review will be conducted on the ADEC plan to see how it will meet federal compliance
- State Implementation Plan (SIP) comes after regulation public comment period. SIP will outline specifics to get the Fairbanks North Star Borough into compliance. Examples include:
  - Solid fuel (wood and coal) heating device change outs, removal, repair program
  - Expansion of natural gas availability for space heating
  - Public education – benefits of using dry wood, best burning practices, efficient heating devices
  - State regulations
- We are confident, working with the public and partners, we can achieve Environmental Protection Agency compliance.



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