Project Timeline

March 2010 to current – Technical Project Team

November 2009 to current – Site Characterization conducted

May 2010 to current – Public workshops and open houses are held, and community newsletters are published

November 2009 to current – Bottled water provided to affected homes

August 2010 to current – Installation and maintenance of in-home treatment systems and alternative water supplies

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2009 **2010** **2011** **2012**

October 2009
First detection of sulfolane off refinery property

November 2009
Started sampling of drinking water wells and quarterly monitoring of groundwater

February 2010
Agency for Toxic Substances & Disease Registry releases initial Health Consultation

March 2010
Technical Project Team developed to oversee and direct investigation and cleanup

April 2010
Interim Removal Action Plan submitted to DEC

September 2010
Garden Sampling Project completed

Interim Removal Action Plan approved

November 2010
Pilot testing of treatment systems

January 2011
New City of North Pole wells brought on-line

February 2011
First in-home treatment systems installed by FHR

May 2011
Results from site characterization activities reported to DEC

ATSDR releases final Health Consultation

August 2011
Accelerated characterization and cleanup schedule set by DEC

August 2011 to October 2011
Additional field work conducted to characterize site

December 2011
National Toxicology Program accepts DEC's nomination of sulfolane for further toxicity research, planned for 2012-2014

January 2012
Toxicity value for sulfolane developed by EPA

Health Consultation released by Alaska Department of Health and Social Services

March 2012
Pilot studies on the treatability of sulfolane in on-site groundwater initiated

Results from additional site characterization reported to DEC

May 2012
Draft On-Site Feasibility Study submitted to DEC

Draft Human Health Risk Assessment submitted to DEC