

# Alaska Native Outreach Meeting

2023 | Q4



# Agenda

- DEC Introduction
- Meet the Directors and Divisions:
  - Air Quality
  - Environmental Health
  - Spill Prevention & Response
  - Water
- Lead Service Line Inventory
- SRF Lead Service Line Funding
- Contaminated ANCSA Lands
- Brownfields



# Our Mission

Conserving, improving, and protecting Alaska's natural resources and environment to enhance the health, safety, and economic and social well-being of Alaskans.



# Our Values

We make **Objective** decisions, based on science and facts.

We are **Accountable** for our actions and stand proudly behind our work, as individuals and as an organization.

We perform to the highest ethical standards, and produce transparent and consistent regulatory actions to show our **Integrity**.

We support and encourage **Collaboration** across programs and partners to meet challenges and further our collective mission.

We strive to provide excellent **Customer Service** both inside and outside of the organization by being professional, responsive, reliable, and respectful.



# What We Do

## Protect Human Health and the Environment

### Air Quality

- Permit industrial air emissions
- Monitor & assess air quality
- Address small & mobile air pollution sources
- Conduct inspections & ensure compliance

### Water

- Permit water discharges
- Oversee water quality standards, assessment & restoration
- Provide technical assistance
- Finance sanitation improvements
- Conduct inspections & determine compliance

### Environmental Health

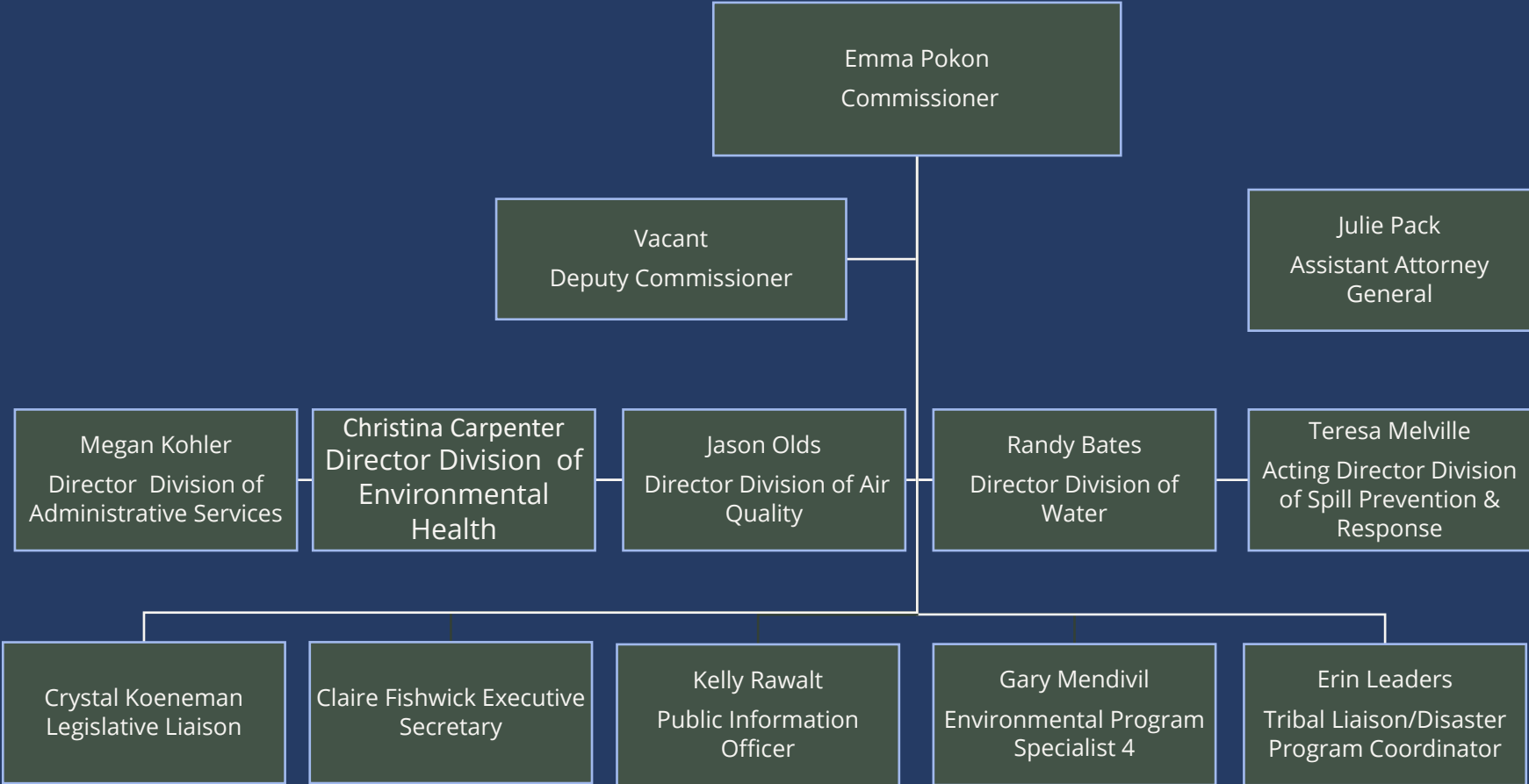
- Ensure safe food & drinking water
- Oversee landfills & pesticide applicators
- Provide animal care & importation standards
- Conduct analytical testing
- Conduct inspections & ensure compliance

### Spill Prevention & Response

- Respond to spills
- Require spill prevention & response plans
- Evaluate response drills
- Manage cleanup of contamination
- Conduct inspections & ensure compliance



# DEC Leadership



# Division of Air Quality

## Jason Olds, Director

**Mission:** Clean air is essential to every breathing moment. Clean Air ~ Healthy People.

### Core Functions:

- Air Quality Monitoring
- Air Permitting & Compliance of Industrial Sources
- Planning and Small or Mobile Sources
- Public Complaints and Enforcement
- Dust, Wildfire, and Technical Assistance



# Air Quality

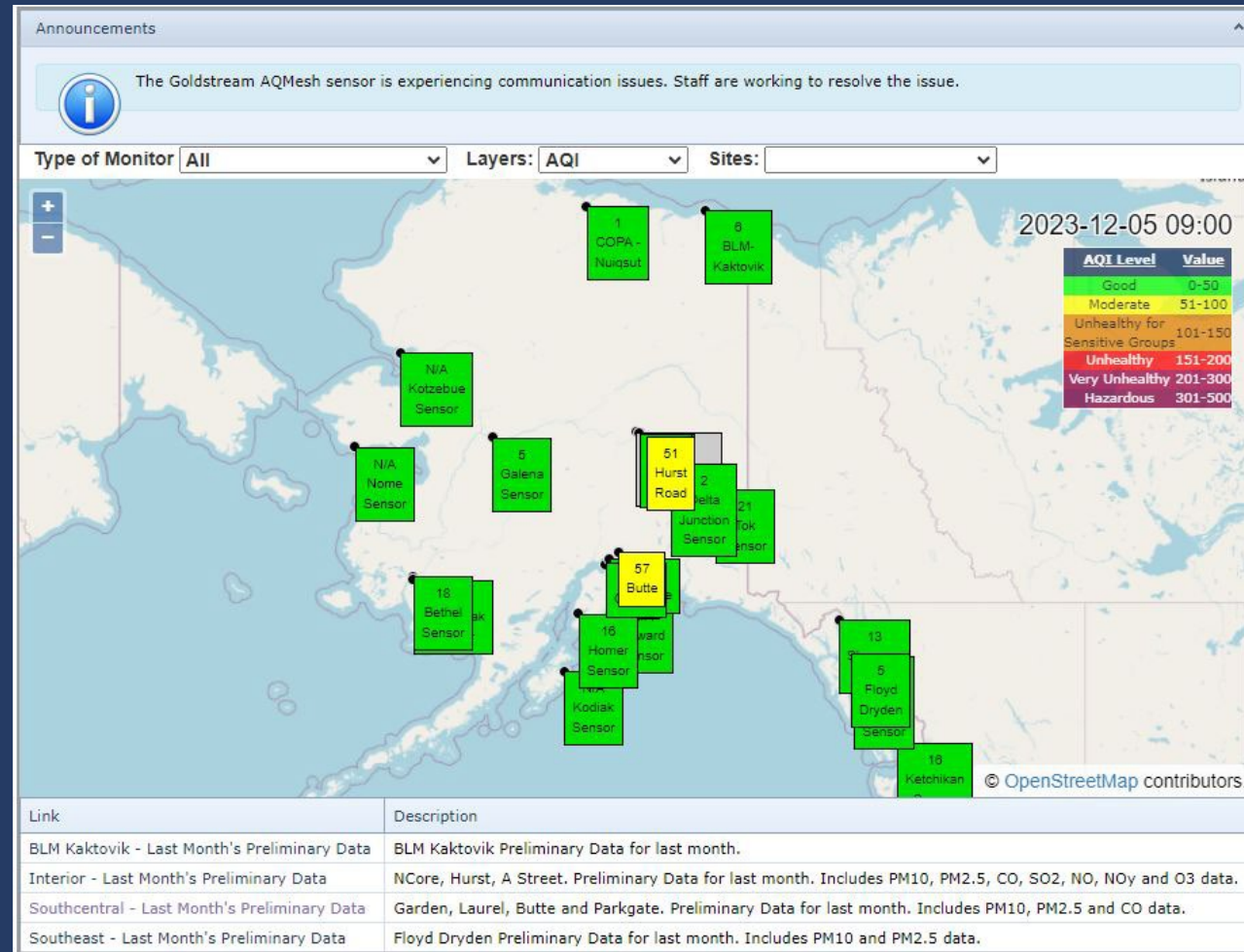
- IRA Grants
- Rural Air Pollution Monitoring
- Donlin Permitting
- Willow Permitting
- Ambler Permitting
- Pikka Permitting
- Graphite One Permitting





# Sensor Website Updates

- URL update: <https://dec.alaska.gov/air/air-monitoring/responsibilities/database-management/alaska-air-quality-real-time-data/>
- Sensor data reporting to AQI map now



# Air Quality Willow Permitting

- Conoco Philips (CPAI) Willow Air Quality Permitting
- Anticipate small, distributed power and well design sent to Alpine for processing, MG2s
- Minor Operations Center Application in hand, **public comment ~end of January**
- Litigation pending over tribal engagement with Federal Record of Decision, remanded first decision
- BLM ROD requires a new Met site (CD1 Pad), approved by DEC



# Division of Environmental Health

## Christina Carpenter, Director

**Mission:** To provide Alaskans with clear standards so that they can protect the environment and provide safe food and drinking water.

### Core Functions:

- Drinking Water
- Solid Waste & Pesticides
- Food Safety & Sanitation
- Office of the State Veterinarian
- Environmental Health Laboratory



# Division of Spill Prevention & Response

## Teresa Melville, Acting Director

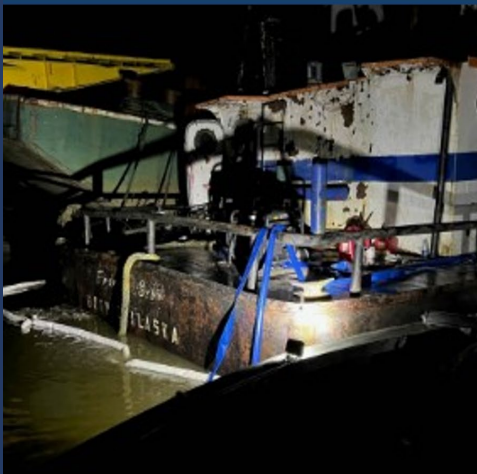


**Mission:** Prevent spills of oil and hazardous substances, prepare for when a spill occurs and respond rapidly to protect human health and the environment.



### Core Functions:

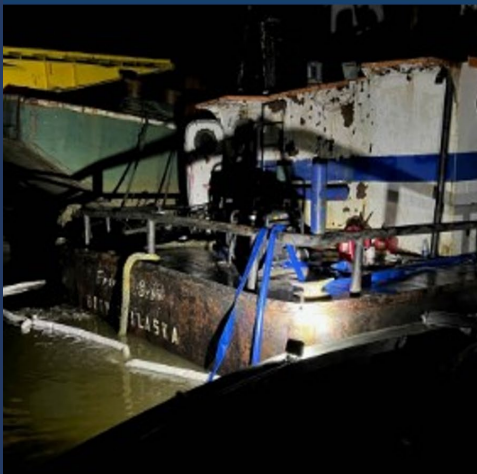
- Contaminated Sites
- Response Fund Administration
- Prevention Preparedness & Response



# Division of Spill Prevention & Response Updates



- State and Tribal Response Program (STRP) Workshop in Anchorage on November 16-17<sup>th</sup>
- 2023-2024 DEC Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup (DBAC) Services application period open from mid-November through mid-February. Apply here:  
[www.dec.alaska.gov/spar/csp/brownfields/assessment-cleanup/](http://www.dec.alaska.gov/spar/csp/brownfields/assessment-cleanup/)
- New ANCSA unit



# Division of Water

## Randy Bates, Director

### Core Functions:

- Water Quality Standards
- Water Quality Monitoring
- Permitting
- Compliance and Enforcement
- Village Safe Water
- State Revolving Fund



# Division of Water Tribal Involvement

The Division of Water provides these resources to facilitate early and effective tribal involvement

- Permit Issuance Plan
- Early Notification Letters
- Public Notice
- Tribal Website
- <https://dec.alaska.gov/water/tribal-communications/>



# Lead Service Line Inventory



EPA Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) &  
Guide for identifying & reporting lead service lines

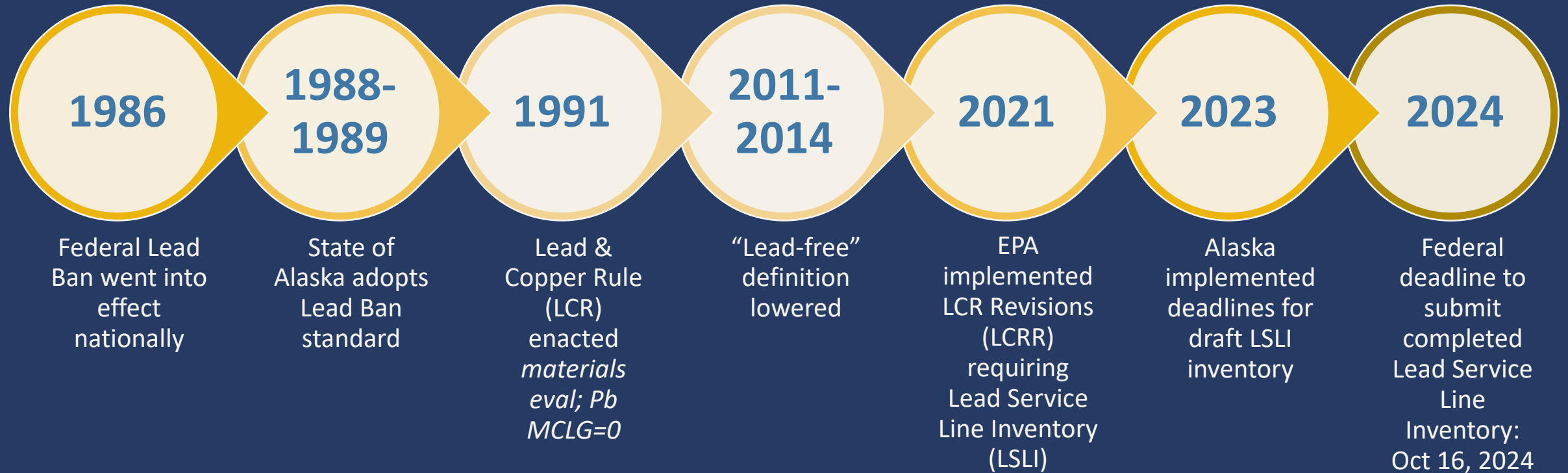
PRESENTERS: MARCI IRWIN & FEYNE EVANS

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION (DEC)

DRINKING WATER PROGRAM



# Lead & Copper Rule (LCR) Timeline - LSLI



1988: pipes and pipe fittings could not contain more than 8.0% lead

1988: solder & flux is lead-free if it contains not more than 0.2% lead

2014: pipes, pipe fittings, plumbing fittings, and fixtures are lead-free if wetted surfaces contain not more than a weighted average of 0.25% lead

# Lead Service Line Inventory in Alaska

LCR applies to all Community water systems (CWS) & Non-Transient Non-Community (NTNC) water systems

~300 PWS (less than 10 connections), 748, 0%

~300 PWS, 30930, 22%

Next 20 largest PWS, 32165, 22%

AWWU, 59801, 42%

Fairbanks (GHU & CU), 9489

Juneau, 9836, 7%

Estimated total # service connections: 143,000

406

CWS

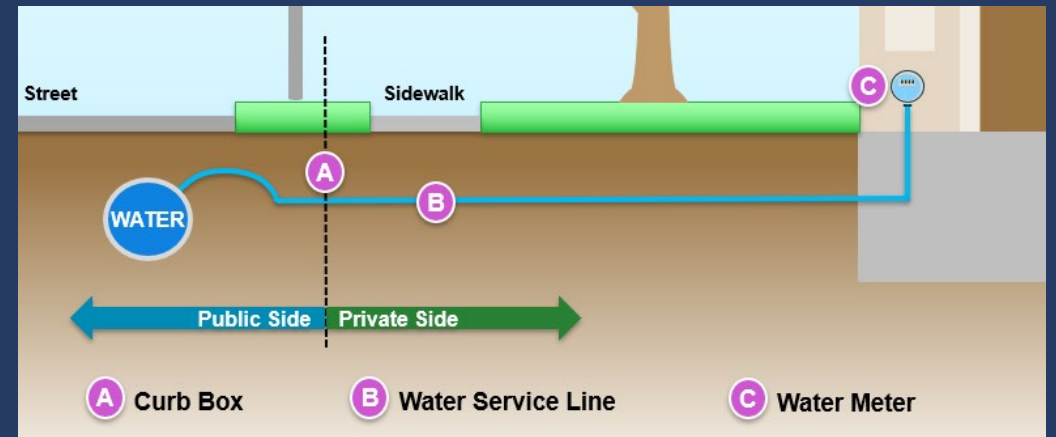
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NTNC

Total = 626 systems

# Required Service Line Inventory Elements

- ✓ All service lines
- ✓ **Unique identifier:** Address or GPS coordinate for each line (other method if approved by DEC)
- ✓ **Pipe material type:** public and private side material type if different ownership, and overall classification
  - Lead
  - Galvanized Requiring Replacement (GRR)
  - Non-lead
  - Unknown
- ✓ **Method(s) of Determination**



## Additional Inventory Elements

- ✓ **Information to support LCR sampling site determination**
  - Building internal plumbing material(s)
  - Dates of install/major renovation
  - POE/POU treatment devices
  - Building usage- Single/multi-family residential, school, child-care facility...
- ✓ **Additional service line information**
  - Other components that could contain lead
  - Size of service line piping
  - Installation / repair dates- After Lead Ban ( January 1, 1990 )



# Methods of Service Line Determination:

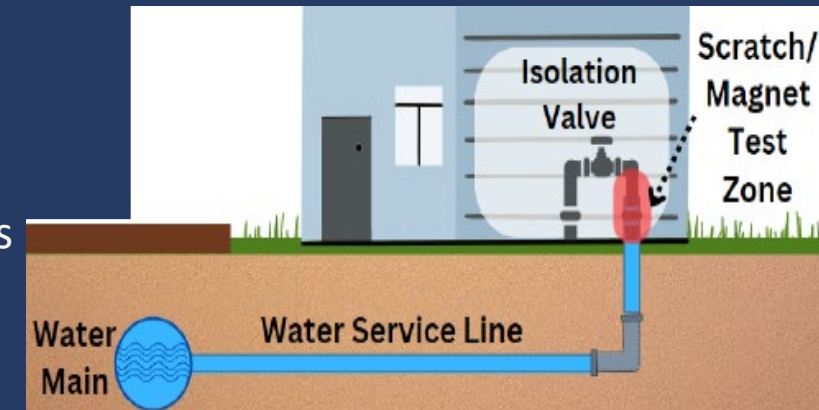
## Documentation review: (\* CFR 141.42, 141.84(a)(3) & (5))



- Previous materials evaluations
- Water system records (tap cards/service line installs, as-builts, record drawings, master plans, SOPs)
- Construction records (plumbing/building codes or permits associated with construction of the structure)
- Inspection records (repairs to service lines, meters/BFP, customer complaints)
- DEC Drinking Water Program paper or electronic files - if needed & available

## Visual onsite inspections

- Conducted by PWS staff or building customer with PWS review/validation
- PWS needs to ensure on site personnel understand how to determine where service line enters the building & how to identify material types
- Most PWS requiring photographs, scratch/magnet tests



## Other

- Obtain DEC approval

# Submittal & Review of Inventory

Completed, detailed inventory for each PWS will be due **October 16, 2024**

To help ensure PWS is on track for final deadline, please observe the following due dates:

- PWS serving over 10,000 people:
    - ✓ Plan outlining how PWS plans to complete LSL Inventory were submitted by June 1, 2023
    - Draft Inventory due by ***July 24, 2024***
  
  - PWS serving between 3,300 - 10,000 people:
    - Draft Inventory due by ***April 24, 2024***
  
  - PWS serving less than 3,300 people:
    - PWS with single service connection: Draft inventory due by ***November 1, 2023***
    - Between 2-25 service connections: Draft inventory due by ***January 24, 2024***
    - More than 25 service connections: Draft inventory due by ***April 24, 2024***
- ❖ *Please note that all LSLI will be reviewed by DEC staff*

Unknown Service Line Investigation and Lead/GRR Replacement Plan - will be due **October 16, 2024**



# Lead Service Line Inventory Submittal

Inventory must be entered into the DEC GIS Mapping Inventory tool, on the State-provided inventory template, or a compatible template pre-approved by DEC

<https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/dw/lcrr/>

**State of Alaska**  
**Service Line Inventory Template Introduction**  
 Date last updated: May 26, 2023

**What is the purpose of this template?**  
 To help water systems comply with the service line inventory requirements of the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR). This template was adapted from the EPA's August 4, 2022 "Inventory Template" found on their website at <https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/revised-lead-and-copper-rule>

**How is the template organized?**

The **worksheets** in this template are color coded:

- Yellow sheets are instructions and background.
- Dark blue sheets are templates for the PWS.
- Light blue sheets are an alternate version if PWS (or customer) owns the entire service line.
- Green sheets are related to GIS mapping.

The **cells** in this template are also color coded:

- Gray cells are background or instructions.
- Light blue cells are fillable cells for systems.
- Aqua cells are the required fields in the **Detailed Inventory** worksheet.
- Green cells are background/placeholder fields for GIS schema.

**Template Organization**

Worksheet Type	Worksheet Name	Description
Background	Instructions	Contains detailed instructions for systems.
	Classifying SLs	Summarizes requirements for classifying the entire service line when ownership is split (when the system owns a portion and the customer owns a portion).
Templates for Water Systems	PWS Information	For systems to document basic system information, as well as provide documentation on how they met the public accessibility requirements.
	Inventory Methods	For systems to document the methods and resources they used to develop and update their inventory.
	Inventory Summary	For systems to provide a summary of their service line inventory, including information on ownership, inventory format, and the number of service lines for each of the four required materials classifications.
	OR	Systems can enter the totals into this worksheet or automatically generate totals based on information in the <b>Detailed Inventory</b> worksheet.
	Alternate version: Inventory Summary - All 1 Owner	The alternate version "Inventory Summary-All 1 Owner" can be used for systems where the entire service line has one owner. Totals will automatically update from the corresponding "Detailed Inventory-All 1 Owner"
	Detailed Inventory	PWS can track materials for each service line in their distribution system. Each row equals one service line connecting the water main to the customer's plumbing.

Introduction | Instructions | Classifying SLs | PWS Information | Inventory Methods | Inventory Summary



# Lead Service Line Inventory Submittal

## Option #1 – Excel based template

Detailed Inventory				Purpose: Track materials for each portion of the service line in the distribution system. This sheet is for services lines with split ownership.																						
PWS Name: <i>enter PWS Name</i>		PWSID: <i>enter PWSID</i>		Each row represents one service line connecting the water main to the customer's plumbing. Systems can customize by adding columns. Columns with aqua shading are required; overall classification status is autocalculated. Columns with green shading are also autocalculated.																						
Date Last Updated:				See the Instructions worksheet for detailed instructions. Examples in rows 9 - 16 can be deleted by the PWS. This sheet is formatted for approximately 10,000 entries.																						
Location Info - Address or GPS location (one)				PWS-Owned Portion										Customer-Owned										Entire Service Line Material Classification		
Unique ID #	Street Address	Additional Identifier if needed	GPS Longitude	Utility-Owned Service Line Material	Utility side service line ever Lead?	Service Line Installation Year	Service Line Size	Basis of Material Classification	Service Line Material Field Verified?	Method (if Field Verified)	Date (if Field Verified)	Notes	Utility Asset ID	Customer-Owned Service Line Material	Service Line Installation Date	Service Line Size	Basis of Material Classification	Service Line Material Field Verified?	Date (if Field Verified)	Notes	Customer Asset ID	Utility Status	Customer Status	Entire Service Line		
Recommended for each service line.	If you cannot use address or GPS, contact AK DEC.		<a href="#">ArcGIS web app link</a>	PWS-Owned Service Line If "Non-Lead Other", describe in Notes field (Column N)	Was line ever previously Lead?	Year when service line was installed or replaced (estimated) 1/1/yyyy	Diameter in inches	Select option from drop down list. If "Other," describe in the Notes field	Select Yes or No	Select option from drop down list. If "Other," describe in the Notes field	(Approximate) date of field verification	Document additional relevant information	Optional	If "Non-Lead Other", describe in Notes field (Column V)	Year when service line was installed or replaced (estimated) 1/1/yyyy	Diameter in inches	Select option from drop down list. If "Other," describe in Notes field	Select Yes or No	Approximate date of field verification or date that record was updated	Document additional relevant information	Optional	Used for DEC-GIS mapping	Used for DEC-GIS mapping	The four required classifications of Lead, Galvanized-Replacing, Non-Lead, or Unknown		
occur	address	location		utilmaterial	everlea	utilinstalld	itldiam	utilsource	utilverific	utilverifmeth	utilverifdat	utilnotes	utilasse	custmaterial	custinstalld	stdiam	custsource	custverified	custverifda	custnotes	custasse	utilstatu	custstatu	bothsidesstatus		
1	1234 Test St., City, AK, Zip Code	West Bldg		Galvanized	yes	7/1/2001	1/2	Installed after 1989-AK lead ban	Yes	Customer self-identification	12/4/2020			Galvanized	7/1/2001	1/2	Installed after 1989-AK lead ban	Yes	4/1/2024			Non-lead	GRR	Galvanized-Replacing		
2		Flat House	-149.66873	Non-Lead - Copper	No	7/1/1980	2	Installation record	No					Non-Lead - Copper	7/1/1980	2	Installation record	Yes	9/10/2020			Non-lead	Non-lead	Non-Lead		
3	907 Water Avenue, City, AK, Zip Code			Non-Lead - HDPE	No	7/1/1989	3	Diameter is 3 inches or more	No					Non-Lead - HDPE	7/1/1989	3	Field inspection only (no records)	Yes	8/1/2018			Non-lead	Non-lead	Non-Lead		
4	907 Water Avenue, City, AK, Zip Code	East Building		Galvanized	yes	7/1/1978	2	Previous materials evaluation	No					Galvanized	7/1/1978	2	Field inspection only (no records)	Yes	8/8/2020			Non-lead	GRR	Galvanized-Replacing		
5	67 Children's Place, City, AK, Zip Code			Lead-lined galvanized	No	7/1/2015	3/4	Installed after 1989-AK lead ban	No					Non-Lead - Copper	7/1/2015	3/4	Installed after 1989-AK lead ban	No				Lead	Non-lead	Lead		
6		Sand House	-157.46363	Lead-lined galvanized	Unknown	7/1/1955	2	Installation record	Yes	Excavation	8/8/2023			Non-Lead - Stainless Steel	7/1/1955	2	Interpolation/statistical analysis	No				Lead	Non-lead	Lead		
7	123 System Ave., City, AK, Zip Code	Main building		Unknown - Material Unknown	Unknown	7/1/1985	1	Repair / replacement record	Yes	CCTV Inspection	6/4/2024			Galvanized	7/1/1960	1	Field inspection only (no records)	Yes	1/15/2023			Unknown	GRR	Galvanized-Replacing		
8	123 System Ave., City, AK, Zip Code	Annex on south side of property		Galvanized	Unknown	7/1/1985	1/2	Repair / replacement record	Yes	CCTV Inspection	6/4/2024			Galvanized	7/1/1960	1/2	Field inspection only (no records)	Yes	1/15/2023			Non-lead	GRR	Galvanized-Replacing		

Other Potential Sources of Lead			Interior Building Information to Assign Tap Monitoring Tiering									
Is there a Lead Connector?	Lead Solder in the Service Line?	CIP mains, fittings, or equipment that may contain Lead	Building Type	Point-of-Entry or Point-of-Use Treatment?	Copper Pipes with Lead Solder installed before 1990/AK Lead Ban	Building premise plumbing	Estimated date range installed / renovated	Notes (other plumbing material(s), elementary or secondary, POE/POU, etc.)	LCR Sampling Site?			
Lead gooseneck or pigtail where water main connects to service line	Select Yes, No, or Don't Know	i.e., lead joints in cast iron water main; backflow preventer or meter containing lead						Information about the building interior piping, i.e. premise plumbing, helps identify lead tap monitoring locations, as well as fulfill expected public education / monitoring at schools and child care facilities.				
leadconnec	leadsold	otherfittings	buildingtype	pointofent	copperwithlea	remise_plum	estimated_da	int_building_notes	ampling			
No	No		Single family	No	No	Plastic-mixed	1990 - 2014	PVC and PEX	Yes-current			
			Multi						Yes-			

<https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/dw/lcrr/>



# Lead Service Line Inventory Submittal

Option #2 – Lead Safe Portal tool

<https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/dw/>

<https://ak-lsli-adec.hub.arcgis.com/>

Lead-Safe Alaska   Lead Service Line Office Viewers   Lead Service Line Editors

## Lead-Safe Alaska Portal

Taking action to reduce risk and keep our State safe

Working to reduce lead exposure in Alaska's Public Water Systems

If your public water system is participating in Lead-Safe Alaska Portal, you can help provide your water system with the information needed to complete an inventory of their service lines.

[Water Service Line Material and Interior Plumbing Survey](#)

Alaska's Service Lines by the Numbers



# Public Accessibility Requirements

## Inventory results must be publicly accessible

- ❖ Each Lead or GRR service line requires the locational identifier be publicly accessible.
  - Unknown and Non-Lead service lines must be reported individually with location identifier to the State; recommended to make them publicly available in the interest of transparency.
  - If no Lead, GRR, or Unknown service lines, PWS may use a written statement, in lieu of the inventory, declaring the distribution system has no Lead, GRR, or Unknown service lines. Statement must include description of all applicable sources described in 141.84(a)(3), (5), and (6) used to make determination.
- ❖ DEC's online GIS portal/database & map is intended to assist PWS's with public accessibility.
  - Community PWS must include instructions in Consumer Confidence Report on how to access LSLI.
  - PWS serving more than 50,000 people must make inventory available online.
  - For consumers that do not have internet access, PWS should have another method of providing inventory info in addition to the online DW Program map.
- ❖ The LSLI is a living document - every PWS will need to update as new or additional information is obtained

# Public Notification (PN) Requirements

Required within 30 days of completing LSL Inventory, annually, & to new customers upon hookup until only non-lead service lines remain in system.

- ❖ PWS must provide PN to all customers with Lead, GRR, or **Unknown** service lines via mail or another approved method
  - PN must include service line material classification, lead health effects language, steps to reduce lead exposure in drinking water
  - If LSL/GRR include opportunities for service line replacement, & if Unknown include opportunities to verify service line material
  - Notice & certification of delivery must be submitted to DEC no later than July 1 (for previous year)
  
- ❖ Community Water Systems - Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)
  - Include instructions on how to access its inventory
  - Non-lead CWS's must also include a statement they have no LSL's in their CCR\*
  - Failure to complete/submit LSL Inventory requirements, related PN's, or other applicable violations must be reported in the CCR

\*Per 40 CFR 141.84(a)(9)-(10) and 40 CFR 141.153(d)(4)(xi)

## WELCOME



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Our mission is to protect public health by ensuring that all people have access to safe drinking water. We work with public water systems (PWS) to help them remain in compliance with state and federal drinking water regulations to prevent waterborne disease outbreaks and exposure to other drinking water contaminants.

If you need to contact us, please dial 907-269-7656 or 1-866-956-7656 (if you are calling outside of Anchorage). For after-hours and emergency calls, please dial 907-451-2138. Visit our Contact page to contact our Drinking Water Program staff directly.

- CONTACT US
- DRINKING WATER WATCH
- SOURCE PROTECTION MAP
- SOC MONITORING WAIVERS
- REGULATIONS
- WATER SERVICE LINE INVENTORIES**

### DW Information

General information on drinking water and DW Program

### Water System Operators

Resources for water system operators including forms, regulations, and training

### Engineering

Resources for engineering plan submittal and review

### Sanitary Surveys

Resources for sanitary survey inspectors on training, PWS survey list, and ESS

### Drinking Water Protection

Resources for protecting drinking water sources

### DW Laboratories

Information on Compliance Monitoring Data Portal and Certified laboratory lists

## QUICK LINKS

- Drinking Water Forms
- Drinking Water Publications
- Enforcement Targeting Tool (ETT)
- How to take a sample
- PWS Monitoring Summary Information
- PWS Emergency Preparedness
- Well Decommissioning BMPs (PDF)
- Private Water Systems BMPs (PDF)
- Private Water Wells
- PWS Coronavirus Resources
- **Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR)**
- Revised Gravel/Rock Extraction BMP Manual
- Water Rights - link to DNR website
- Recommendations for Projects near a PWS Source (PDF)

## Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR)

The purpose of the LCRR (part of the Safe Drinking Water Act) is to protect public health by minimizing lead and copper levels in drinking water.

### WATER SERVICE LINE INVENTORIES

Recent revisions require that all Community and Non-Transient, Non-Community public water systems must compile an inventory to identify the materials used for each water service line. The inventory must include all service lines connected to the PWS distribution system, regardless of ownership status. The material of the entire service line must be included, from the main to where the line enters the building.

**The goal of this effort** is to either ensure there are no lead materials in the water system, or to find out where lead may be located, so that it can then be removed and replaced.

Water systems throughout Alaska have the option to upload their water service line inventory results to our **Lead-Safe Alaska Portal**. The portal website (<https://ak-lsli-adec.hub.arcgis.com/>) shows a live summary of Alaska's progress on the lead service line inventory and allows you to see the material classification of service lines already submitted to the State.

### Forms and Guidance

### Deadlines for Inventory

### Identifying Materials

### Forms and Guidance

- Alaska Inventory Form - GIS Version
- Alaska Inventory Form - Excel Version (XLS)
- Alaska DEC Drinking Water Guidance Document (PDF)
- EPA Guidance Document (PDF) [↗](#)
- Alaska LSLI Quick Reference Guide (PDF)
- EPA Fact Sheet for Developing and Maintaining a Service Line Inventory, June 2023 (PDF) [↗](#)
- EPA Guidance Document for Small Water Systems (PDF) [↗](#)

### Outreach Documents

- Consumer Outreach Door Hanger (PDF)
- Consumer Outreach Flyer (PDF)
- Interior Plumbing Flyer/Questionnaire (PDF)
- Step-by-Step Instructions for Consumers (Print) (PDF)
- Step-by-Step Instructions for Consumers (Portal) (PDF)
- Step-by-Step Instructions for CWS (PDF)
- Step-by-Step Instructions for Small PWS/NTNC (PDF)

## RESOURCES/TRAINING

### EPA:

- [Lead and Copper Rule Revisions Service Line Inventory Guidance](#) [↗](#)
- [Basic Information about Lead in Drinking Water](#) [↗](#)

### ASDWA Webinars:

- [Registration for ASDWA Webinar Series on Implementation Tools and Best Practices for LSLI and LSLR](#) [↗](#)

### Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Collaborative:

- [Introduction to Lead and Lead Service Line Replacement](#) [↗](#)
- [EPA's Revised Lead and Copper Rule: Key Requirements & Opportunities](#) [↗](#)

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# Customer Outreach – Service Line

<https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/dw/lcrr>

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Alaska Lead-Safe Portal

## Service Line Information

### Identify Water Service Line Material

Use the link below to help determine the material of your water service line.

<https://www.lslr-collaborative.org/identifying-service-line-material.html>

### Water Service Line Material\*

Based on the appearance, testing, or existing records, please select the appropriate material of your water service line.

-Please select- ▼

### Water Service Line Install Date

Please provide the install date of your water service line. If you do not know the install date, please provide the year the home or building was built.


MM/DD/YYYY ▼

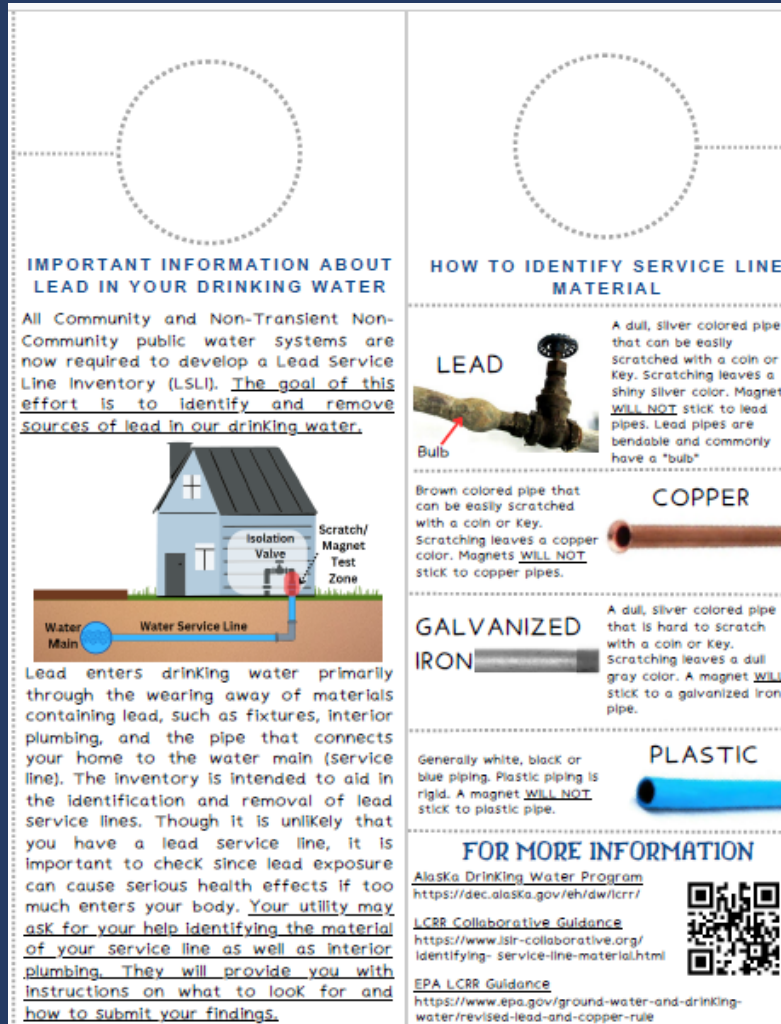
### Source of Information\*

-Please select- ▼

### Add a Photo

If possible, please provide a photo of your water service line. This will help your water system confirm whether it is non-lead or not.

Drop image here or select image 



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT LEAD IN YOUR DRINKING WATER**

All Community and Non-Transient Non-Community public water systems are now required to develop a Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI). The goal of this effort is to identify and remove sources of lead in our drinking water.

**HOW TO IDENTIFY SERVICE LINE MATERIAL**

**LEAD**  
A dull, silver colored pipe that can be easily scratched with a coin or Key. Scratching leaves a shiny silver color. Magnets WILL NOT stick to lead pipes. Lead pipes are bendable and commonly have a "bulb".

**Brown colored pipe that can be easily scratched with a coin or Key. Scratching leaves a copper color. Magnets WILL NOT stick to copper pipes.**

**COPPER**

**GALVANIZED IRON**  
A dull, silver colored pipe that is hard to scratch with a coin or Key. Scratching leaves a dull gray color. A magnet WILL NOT stick to a galvanized iron pipe.

**PLASTIC**  
Generally white, black or blue piping. Plastic piping is rigid. A magnet WILL NOT stick to plastic pipe.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Alaska Drinking Water Program  
<https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/dw/lcrr/>

LCRR Collaborative Guidance  
<https://www.lslr-collaborative.org/identifying-service-line-material.html>

EPA LCRR Guidance  
<https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/revised-lead-and-copper-rule>

## Overview- Consumer

- 1 Locate Your Service Line**  
Service line pipes are most commonly exposed where the pipe enters the building through the wall or floor. An isolation valve is generally installed at the point of entry.
- 2 Identify Service Line Material**  
Use a screwdriver, key, or coin to scratch the service line close to the floor. If the scraped area is shiny silver and a magnet does not stick to the pipe, it is a lead. If the scraped area is copper like a penny, it is a copper pipe. If the scraped area is a dull gray, and a magnet sticks to the pipe, it is galvanized steel/iron.
- 3 Take a Photo**  
Take a photo of your service line, where it enters your building. If possible, take a photo of the results of your scratch and magnet tests. You will need to submit this to your utility.

**3 Take a Photo**  
Take a few photos of your service line, where it enters your building. The photos should:

- Be well lit.
- Show the area where you did the scratch and/or magnet test.
- Show your shut off valve and water meter, if you have one.



Photo of Service Line within an Arctic Box

Photo of Service Line within a Basement

# Customer Outreach Survey - Interior Plumbing

Links to both ArcGIS and paper/pdf will be available at:  
<https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/dw/lcrr>

## Customer Service Line and Interior Plumbing Survey

Please complete the form to submit the material of your water service line.

### Resident Information

#### Public Water System Identification Number (PWSID)\*

The PWSID should be provided by your water system operator and must begin with A  
 Example: AK2234234

PWSID and operator contact information can be located here: [Drinking Water Watch \(alaska.gov\)](http://drinkingwaterwatch.alaska.gov)

First Name\*

#### Select which survey(s) you are completing.\*

Service Line
  Interior Plumbing
  Both

Submit

Powered by [ArcGIS Survey123](https://www.esri.com/en-us/arcgis/survey123)

### Interior Plumbing

- #### 1 What is Interior Plumbing?

Interior plumbing (AKA premise plumbing) refers to the pipes and fixtures on the interior of your home or building. This means the pipes supplying water to the sinks, showers, water heaters, pressure tanks, refrigerators, or other fixtures in your building.
- #### 2 Finding Your Interior Plumbing

Interior plumbing is largely found in the walls of your building. To identify the material, you must find exposed sections of pipe. You can commonly find exposed sections of pipe by your pressure tank, water heater, or under your sink.
- #### 3 Identify Interior Plumbing

Examples of materials shown: Copper, Steel, Plastic-PVC, Plastic-HDPE, and Plastic-PEX.

The color of plastic pipe is NOT an indicator of the type of plastic it is made of. The best way to identify plastic pipe is by the printed markings on the side of the pipe.<sup>4</sup>

### Interior Plumbing Questionnaire

The following information is requested to fulfill new requirements under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR). Your utility will provide instructions on how to submit this questionnaire.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address or Mile Marker: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the primary usage of this building? (circle one)

Single Family	Multi-Family/ Person	School	Child Care Facility
Child Care in Home	School/Child Care Built After 2014	Building	Other- Specify Below

If other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Does this building have Point-of-Entry (POE) or Point-of-Use (POU) Treatment?\*

Yes, POE	Yes, POU	No	Unknown
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\*POE treatment devices are located where water enters a building and before the point of use, such as a water softener. POU treatment devices are applied to a single tap, such as an under-the-sink reverse osmosis (RO) or filtration system.

What is the primary material of the Interior Plumbing in the building? (circle one)

Copper	Plastic- PEX	Plastic- PVC	Plastic- HDPE
Plastic- Mixed	Steel	Unknown	Other- Specify Below

If other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

If copper, was the solder installed before 1989?: Yes No Unknown- Likely yes Unknown- Likely no Unknown

Please circle an estimated date range of when the interior plumbing was installed or changed.

Before 1960	1960 - 1988	1989 - 2014	After 2014	Unknown
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Is this building, or has this building ever been a lead and copper sample site?

Yes, currently	Yes, previously	No	Unknown
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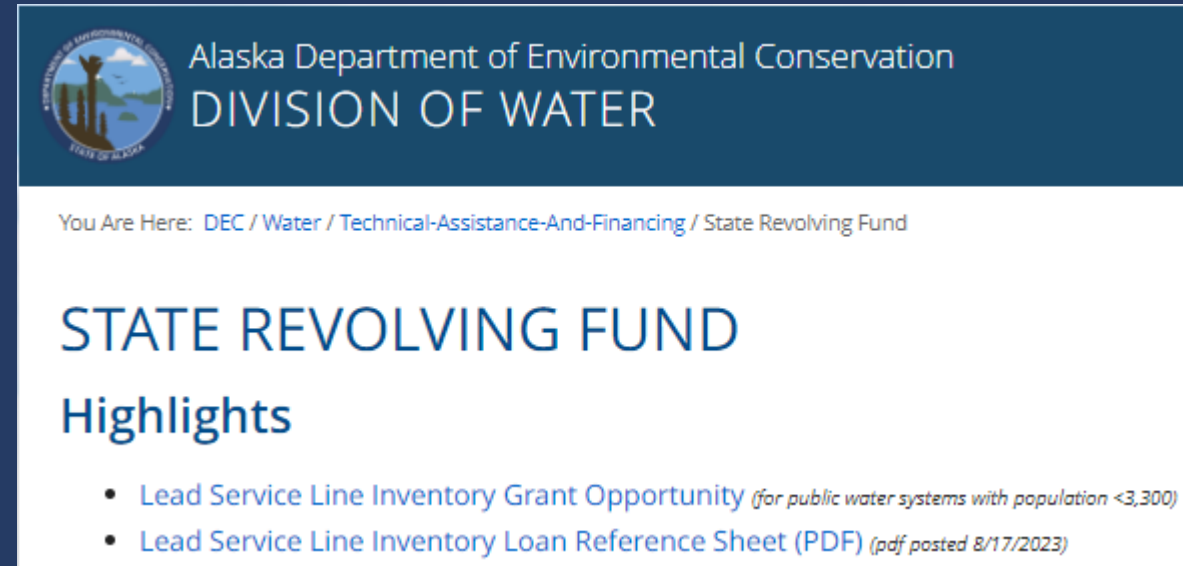
# Funding Programs

- Alaska State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program has grants and low-interest loans with a portion of forgivable principle available to conduct inventories. Funding is also available for LSL replacement.
- Grant awarded by EPA to conduct LSLI's for water systems that serve Alaska Native communities and other qualifying water systems

**Please keep in mind that if lead service lines are found: Notify DEC ASAP so we can start helping with getting funding for replacement.**

- ❖ PWS should not wait until they turn in their inventory or the federal funding may be gone.

<https://dec.alaska.gov/water/technical-assistance-and-financing/state-revolving-fund/>  
<https://dec.alaska.gov/water/oasys/>



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## STATE REVOLVING FUND

### Highlights

- [Lead Service Line Inventory Grant Opportunity](#) (for public water systems with population <3,300)
- [Lead Service Line Inventory Loan Reference Sheet \(PDF\)](#) (pdf posted 8/17/2023)

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# Additional Information/Guidance

AK Drinking Water Program LSL: <https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/dw/lcrr/>

Lead-Safe Portal: <https://ak-lsli-adec.hub.arcgis.com/>

EPA LSL Resources: <https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/planning-and-developing-service-line-inventory>

Lead Service Line Replacement Collaborative: <https://www.lslr-collaborative.org/preparing-an-inventory.html>

Association of State Drinking Water Administrators LCR: <https://www.asdwa.org/lead-and-copper-rule-lcr/>

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# SRF Lead Service Line Funding Opportunity

2023 Alaska Native Outreach Meeting





# Lead Service Line Inventory Grant

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- Maximum grant amount \$75K
- No matching funds required
- First come first served basis
- Reimbursement based



*Photo: Daily Herald*



# Who Can Apply

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- Serve a population of 3,300 or less
- Municipally owned or privately owned not-for-profit
- Community or non-profit Non-Transient Non-Community public water systems



# How to Apply

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- Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)
- Complete Application
- Submit to [dec.srfprogram@alaska.gov](mailto:dec.srfprogram@alaska.gov)



# Lead Service Line Loan

- Must be an eligible borrower
- Must be an eligible project
- 58% forgivable loan
- Completed application and supporting documents



# Contact

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## Young Ha

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Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation

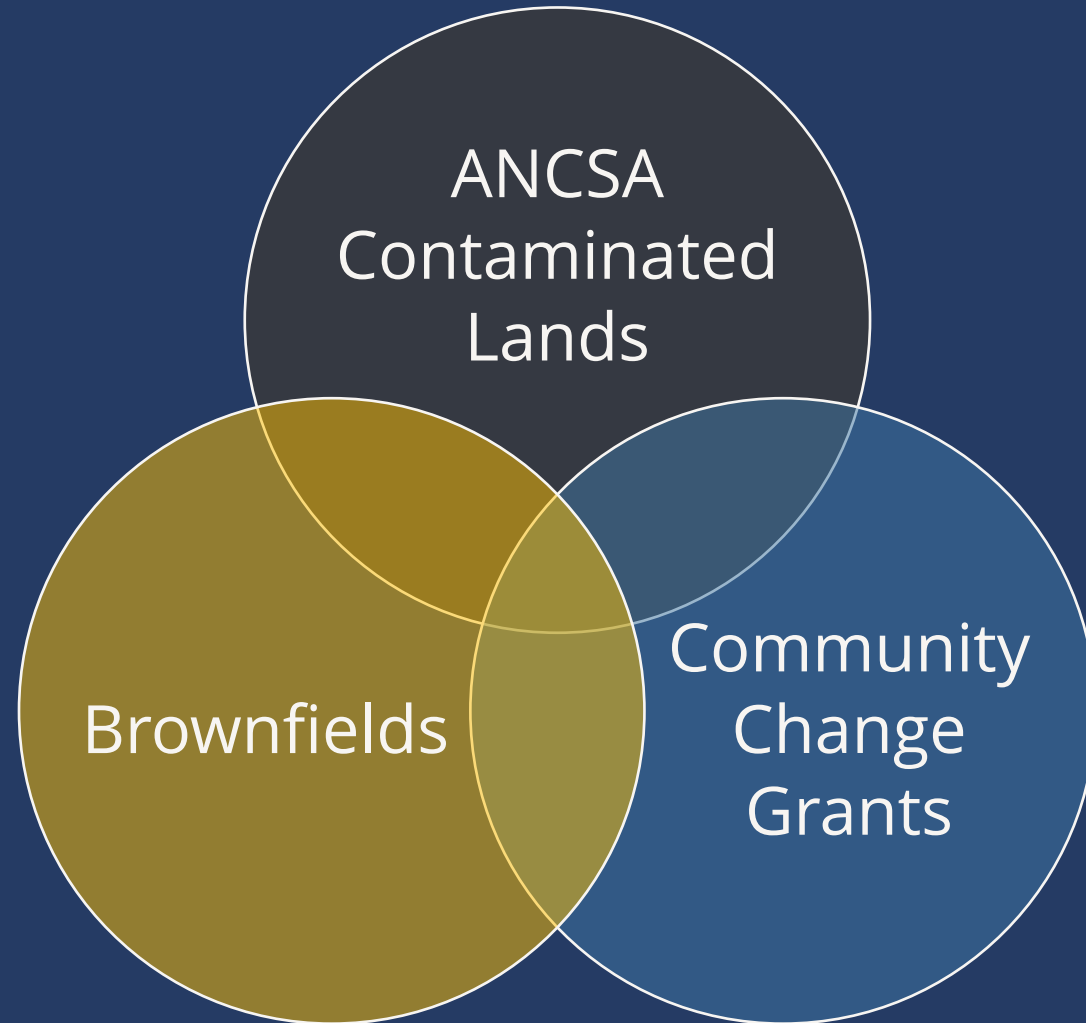
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# Contaminated Sites Program



# Contaminated ANCSA Lands

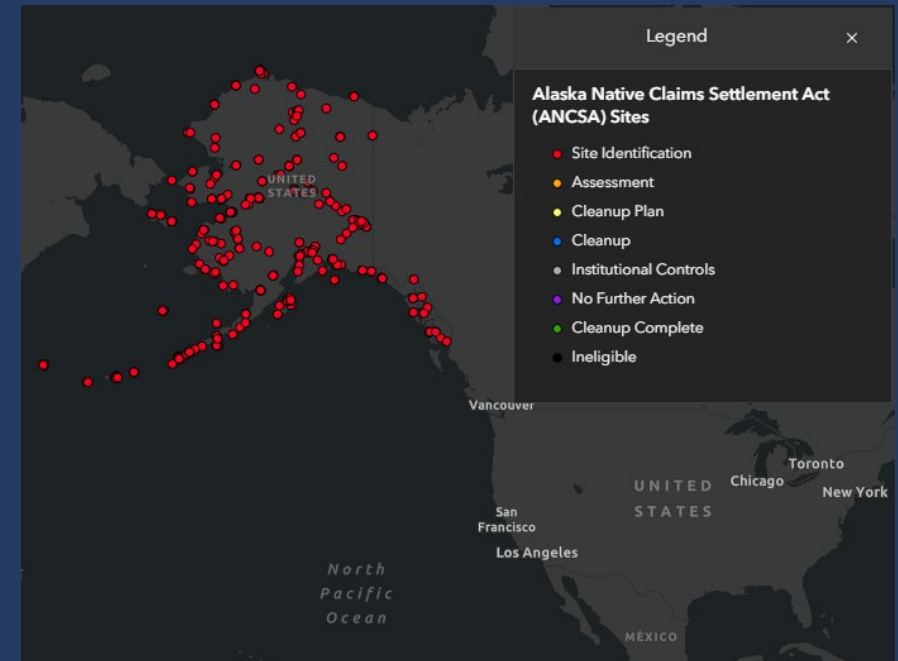
- Estimated 1400 contaminated sites conveyed
- Federal and State programs to address this injustice
- Key Criteria:
  - Contaminated
  - On ANCSA land
  - Pre-conveyance



White Alice Communication Site  
Northeast Cape St. Lawrence Island

# DEC ANCSA Program: Identifying Sites

- New program started this October
- DEC-administered process
  - No formal application
  - Landowner permission needed for site access
- Data to be incorporated into EPA inventory (Common Operating Picture)





# Cleanup Funding: EPA Cooperative Agreements

- \$18 million currently available
- ANCs, Tribes, Alaska Native non-profits all eligible
- Application process through EPA
- Technical assistance available from DEC, ANVCA, ANTHC



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# DEC Brownfields

## *What are Brownfields?*

Property, the expansion, redevelopment, or **reuse** of which may be complicated by the presence or **potential** presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant

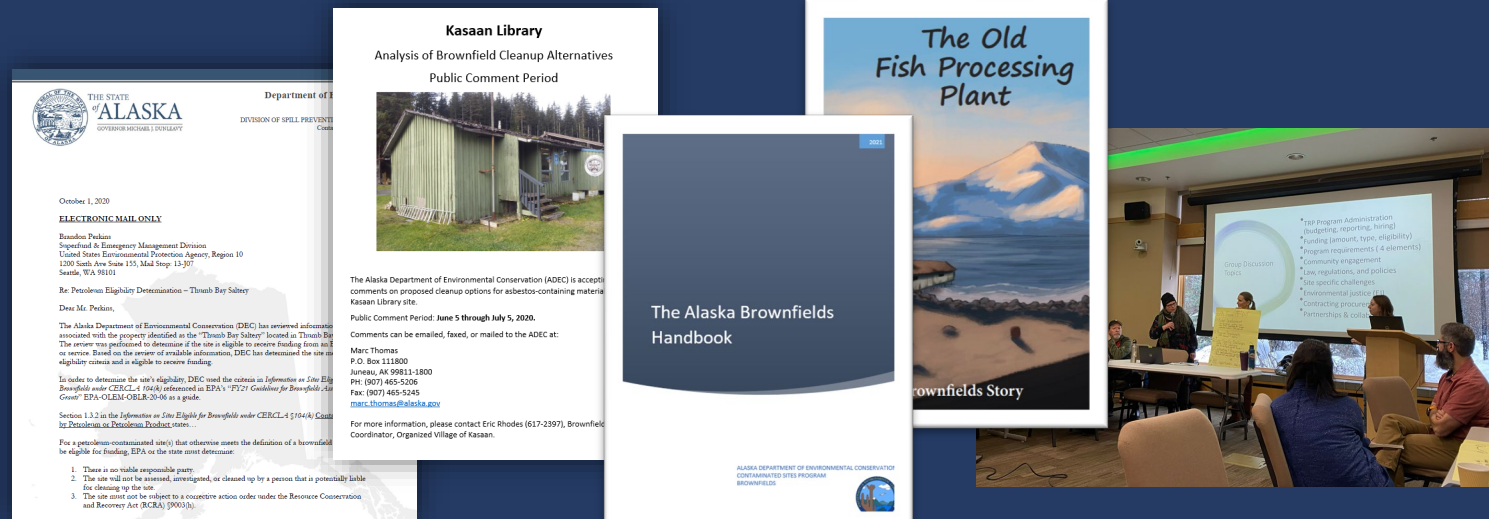
- Abandoned tank farms
- Old schools
- Old canneries
- Former shooting ranges
- Former drycleaners
- Former gas stations
- Mine sites
- Rural dump sites



# DEC Brownfields

## How can DEC Brownfields help?

- Assisting Alaska stakeholders apply for grants
- Providing regulatory guidance
- Providing and facilitating community outreach and training
- Providing site-specific technical assistance and assessment and cleanup services



# DEC Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup (DBAC) Services

**Application Period Open Nov. 15, 2023 – Feb. 15, 2024**

- Competitive Statewide
- Types of Services:
  - Phase I/Phase II Environmental Site Assessments
  - Hazardous Building Materials Surveys
  - Cleanup Planning
  - Asbestos Abatement
  - Soil/Groundwater Cleanup
  - Reuse Planning
- Usually, 6-7 projects per year
- Projects range from \$25,000 to \$125,000



# EPA Climate Justice Community Change Grants

**Application Period Open Until Nov. 21, 2024**

- \$150 million designated for Alaska Native Villages
- Requires partnership with Community Based Organizations
- Three focus areas:
  - ANCSA contaminated lands
  - Pollution reduction
  - Climate resilience



# Links:

- DEC ANCSA :
  - [Nick.Waldo@Alaska.gov](mailto:Nick.Waldo@Alaska.gov)
  - <https://dec.alaska.gov/spar/csp/anca>
- DEC Brownfields: <https://dec.alaska.gov/spar/csp/brownfields/assessment-cleanup/>
- EPA ANCSA Application: <https://www.epa.gov/r10-tribal/contamination-anca-conveyed-lands>
- EPA Community Change Grants: <https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-community-change-grants-program>



# Questions?

