

COOK INLET SUBAREA CONTINGENCY PLAN

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RESOURCES: PART ONE - COMMUNITY PROFILES

The following information was extracted from the Alaska Department of Community and Economic Development **Community Information Summaries (CIS)** and *The Alaska Wilderness Milepost* (7th Edition, 1993). It is provided as a quick reference to some types of available services. For complete and current information on specific communities within the subarea, visit the Alaska Department of Community and Economic Development website on the Internet at:

http://www.dced.state.ak.us/mra/CF_COMDB.htm

A. Regional Organizations

The Cook Inlet Subarea encompasses the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, the Municipality of Anchorage, and the Kenai Peninsula Borough. Regional organizations exist for all three political subdivisions. Most major organizations are listed below.

Boroughs/Municipalities:

Kenai Peninsula Borough - 144 North Binkley St., Soldotna, AK 99669, Phone 907-262-4441, Fax 907-714-2377 E-mail assemblyclerk@borough.kenai.ak.us Web <http://www.borough.kenai.ak.us>

Matanuska-Susitna Borough - 350 East Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, AK 99645, Phone 907-745-4801, Fax 907-745-9845, E-mail egray@matsugov.us Web <http://www.matsugov.us/>

Municipality of Anchorage, P.O. Box 196650, Anchorage, AK 99519, Phone 907-343-7100, Fax 907-343-4499, E-mail wwmasmc@muni.org Web <http://www.muni.org>

Regional Native Corporations:

Alaska Inter-Tribal Council, 4201 Tudor Centre Drive, Suite 220, Anchorage, AK 99508, Phone 563-9334, Fax 563-9337

Cook Inlet Region, Inc., P.O. Box 93330, Anchorage, AK 99509, Phone 274-8638, Fax 279-8836, E-mail info@ciri.com Web: <http://www.ciri.com/>

Cook Inlet Tribal Council, 3600 San Jeronimo Dr, Anchorage, AK 99508
Phone 907-793-3600, Fax 907-793-3602 E-mail citci@citci.com Web <http://www.citci.com/>

School Districts:

Anchorage School District, 5530 East Northern Lights Blvd, Anchorage, AK 99504
Phone 907-742-4312, Fax 907-742-4318, E-mail comeau_carol@asdk12.org
Web: <http://www.asd.k12.ak.us>

Chugach Schools, 9312 Vanguard Dr., #100, Anchorage, AK 99507,
Phone 522-7400, Fax 522-3399, E-mail bcrumley@chugachschoools.com
Web <http://www.chugachschoools.com/>

Kenai Peninsula Schools, 148 N. Binkley St., Soldotna, AK 99669,
Phone 262-5846, Fax 262-9132, e-mail: dpeterson@kpbsd.k12.ak.us, Web: <http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us>

Matanuska-Susitna Schools, 125 W. Evergreen, Palmer, AK 99645, Phone 746-9255, Fax 745-0194,
e-mail: KDErickson@msb.mat-su.k12.ak.us, Web: <http://www.mat-su.k12.ak.us/schdist/>

Regional Development:

Alaska Rural Development Council, UAA, 3211 Providence Dr. #205, Anchorage, AK 99508-8246,
Phone 786-4660, Fax 786-4662, e-mail: ancja@uaa.alaska.edu

Anchorage Convention & Visitors Bureau, 524 West 4th Ave., Anchorage, AK 99501-2122,
Phone 276-4118, Fax 278-5559, e-mail: acvb@alaska.net, Web: <http://www.anchorage.net>

Anchorage Economic Development Corp., 900 West 5th Ave. # 300, Anchorage, AK 99501,
Phone 258-3700, Fax 258-6646, e-mail: lcrawford@aedcweb.com, Web: <http://www.aedcweb.com/>

Bering Sea Fishermen's Association, 725 Christensen Drive, Anchorage, AK 99501,
Phone 279-6519, Fax 258-6688

Commercial Enterprise Development Corp. of AK, 1577 C Street Plaza #304, Anchorage, AK 99501,
Phone 274-5400, Fax 263-9971

Kenai Peninsula Economic Development District, P.O. Box 3029, Kenai, AK 99611,
Phone 283-3335, Fax 283-3913, e-mail: jelson@kpedd.org, Web: <http://www.kpedd.org>

Mat-Su Resource Conservation & Development, 351 West Parks Hwy. #100, Wasilla, AK 99654,
Phone 373-1062, Fax 373-1064, e-mail: matsurcd@mtaonline.net

Municipality of Anchorage, Office of Economic Development, P.O. Box 196650, Anchorage, AK 99519,
Phone 343-4804, Fax 343-4499, e-mail: ancmayor@alaska.net, Web: <http://www.ci.anchorage.ak.us>

Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference, 3300 Arctic Blvd. #203, Anchorage, AK 99503,
Phone 562-7380, Fax 562-0438, e-mail: mark_earnest@swamc.org, Web: <http://www.swamc.org/>

Housing Authorities:

Alaska Housing Finance Corp., 4300 Boniface Parkway, Anchorage, AK 99504,
Phone 330-8452, Fax 338-9218, Web: <http://www.ahfc.state.ak.us>

Aleutian Housing Authority, 4000 Old Seward Hwy. #202, Anchorage, AK 99503,
Phone 563-2146, Fax 563-3105, e-mail: jacques@aleutian-housing.com

Association of Alaska Housing Authorities, 4300 Boniface Parkway, Anchorage, AK 99504,
Phone 338-3970, Fax 338-4904, e-mail: aaha@alaska.net, Web: <http://www.alaska.net/~aaha>

Cook Inlet Housing Authority, 2600 Cordova Street #201, Anchorage, AK 99503,
Phone 907-276-8822, Fax 907-258-4957, e-mail: fperatrovich@citci.com

North Pacific Rim Housing Authority, 8300 King Street, Anchorage, AK 99518,
Phone 562-1444, Fax 562-1445, e-mail: olen@solong.com

Regional Health Corporations:

Alaska Native Health Board, 1840 Bragaw Street, Suite 220, Anchorage, AK 99508,
Phone 562-6006, Fax 563-2001

Aleutian/Pribilof Islands Association, 1131 East International Airport Rd., Anchorage, AK 99518,
Phone 276-2700, Fax 279-4351

Aleut Corporation, 4000 Old Seward Hwy. #300, Anchorage, AK 99503,
Phone 561-4300, Fax 563-4328, Web: <http://www.aleutcorp.com/>

Chugachmiut, 1840 Bragaw Street, Suite 110, Anchorage, AK 99508,
Phone 562-4155, Fax 563-2891

Eastern Aleutian Tribes, 3380 C Street Ste 100, Anchorage AK 99503,
Phone 277-1440, Fax 277-1446

Southcentral Foundation, 4501 Diplomacy, Anchorage, AK 99508
Phone 729-4955, Fax 729-4972,

B. COMMUNITY PROFILES

Please note that additional details, including historical and cultural information, are provided in the Community Profiles available on the Internet at the Alaska Department of Community and Economic Development website: http://www.dced.state.ak.us/mra/CF_COMDB.htm

The information included in the following profiles is meant to assist responders by providing the most vital contacts and useful facts available for a community. Efforts have been made to provide the most current information, but things change. Also, information is still being sought for some categories (note the blank spaces), especially those concerning a town or village's chosen priority locations for protection in case of a spill. A survey was distributed to all of the communities in the subarea requesting a list of the top five priority locations/sensitive areas that the community deemed the most important for protection if a spill should occur. All completed lists returned by the communities have been included in the respective village's community profile. The plan holders welcome any inputs that might make this a more useful and instructive document.

Be aware that most of the smaller villages have no organized fire department, volunteer or otherwise. Law enforcement varies from village to village. Some may have a city government-backed police department, though it may only consist of a chief and one officer. Most Native villages have a Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO), a position that generally receives funding through both a Native corporation and the state's Dept. of Public Safety, from which they also receive training. A few villages have a Village Police Officer (VPO) or a Tribal Police Officer (TPO), positions that are contracted directly by the local government or tribal council, respectively.

ALEXANDER CREEK

Population: 39 (1999 Alaska Dept. of Labor Estimate)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO: None

Village Police Officer (contract): None

State Troopers: None

Fire: None

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Anchorage hospitals (air travel required).

Organizations with Local Offices:

Village Corporation - Alexander Creek, Incorporated, 8126 Wisteria St., Anchorage, AK 99502,
Phone 907-243-5323, Fax 907-243-5428

Location & Climate:

Alexander is located on the Susitna River Delta, which flows into Cook Inlet, near the mouth of Alexander Creek, 27 miles northwest of Anchorage across Cook Inlet. It lies at approximately 61d 25m N Latitude, 150d 35m W Longitude. January temperatures range from 4 to 23; July can vary from 47 to 68.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Float planes provide transportation and cargo from Anchorage. The creek is often shallow, so air boats and jet-propulsion river boats are necessary for travel on the upper creek.

Airport Facilities:

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications:

Electricity: Provided by

Fuel: Gasoline, diesel, and propane.

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: A majority of homes use creek water, but many have individual wells. Outhouses are the primary means of sewage disposal - only a few homes have septic tanks. Almost 85% of homes have running water in the kitchen, but only a minority have complete plumbing.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Recreational fishing, guiding and rafting on the Alexander occur during summer months. The Alexander Lodge is the supply drop for the area. Five residents hold commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics:

Alaska Natives represent 25% of the population. Many Anchorage residents have summer vacation homes on Alexander Creek. A non-profit association is organized for community planning purposes. During the April 1990 U.S. Census, there were 28 total housing units, and 12 of these were vacant. The official unemployment rate at that time was 0%, with no jobs estimated to be in the community and no adults in the work force. The median household income was \$8,166, and 38% of residents were living below the poverty level.

Fax 279-2900, e-mail: editor@akbizmag.com, Web: <http://www.akbizmag.com>
KTUU Channel 2, 701 E. Tudor Road, Suite 220, Anchorage, AK 99503, Phone 563-3318, Fax 762-9202
KSKA Radio, 4101 University Drive, Anchorage, AK 99508, Phone 273-9435, Fax 561-1161,
e-mail: kakm2@alaska.net
KIMO Channel 13, 2700 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, AK 99507, Phone 561-8934, Fax 762-8804
KFQD, 9200 Lake Otis Parkway, Anchorage, AK 99507, Phone 349-7326, Fax 344-7013
KASH/KENI Radio, 800 East Dimond Blvd., Anchorage, AK 99515, Phone 349-6801, Fax 349-6399
KAKM TV, 3877 University Drive, Anchorage, AK 99508, Phone 273-9192, Fax 563-7070
Heartbeat Alaska, 5861 Arctic Blvd., Anchorage, AK 99518, Phone 563-9309, Fax 563-7440
Associated Press, 750 West 2nd Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501, Phone 263-7425, Fax 272-7549
UAA - Center for Economic Development, 3211 Providence Drive, Anchorage, AK 99508, Phone 786-6561,
Fax 786-6565, e-mail: anadj@acadz.alaska.edu
Reuters, P.O. Box 231672, Anchorage, AK 99523, Phone 349-4589, Fax 349-4588
KTVA Channel 11, 1007 West 32nd Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99503, Phone 273-3188, Fax 273-3186
Anchorage Press, P.O. Box 241841, Anchorage, AK 99524, Phone 561-7777, Fax 561-7737
Alaska Journal of Commerce, P.O. Box 91419, Anchorage, AK 99509, Phone 248-7454, Fax 249-1900,
e-mail: ajccedit@alaska.net
Alaska Star, 16941 North Eagle River Loop, Eagle River, AK 99577, Phone 694-1545, Fax 694-2727
Anchorage Daily News, 10001 Northway Drive, Anchorage, AK 99508, Phone 257-4323, Fax 257-4390,
e-mail: emanning@and.com
Alaska Public Radio Network, 810 East Ninth Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501, Phone 263-7416, Fax 263-7416,
e-mail: apnrhonda@aol.com
Alaska Newspapers Inc., 336 E. Fifth Ave., Anchorage, AK 99501, Phone 272-9830, Fax 272-3415,
e-mail: aknewspr@alaska.net

Other Services:

Alaska Federation of Natives, 1577 C Street #100, Anchorage, AK 99501; 907-274-3611, Fax 276-7989
Alaska Health Project, 218 E. 4th Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501; 276-2864, Fax 279-3089
Alaska Village Initiatives, 1577 C Street Plaza #304, Anchorage, AK 99501; 274-5400, email: avi@ruralak.org
Alaska Legal Services Corp, 1016 W. 6th Avenue #200, Anchorage, AK 99501; 276-6282, Fax 279-7417
Indigenous Survival International, P.O. Box 200908, Anchorage, AK 99520; 279-2511, Fax 279-6343
National Park Service, 2525 Gambell St., Anchorage, AK 99501; 257-2687
Rural CAP, P.O. Box 200908, Anchorage, AK 99520; 279-2511, Fax 278-2309
The Assoc. for Stranded Rural Alaskans, 1689 C Street, Anchorage, AK 99501; 272-0643
Rural Alaska Resources Assoc., P.O. Box 200908, Anchorage, AK 99520; 279-2511, Fax 279-2309
Alaska Native Bar Association, 1227 W. 9th Avenue #203, Anchorage, AK 99501; 258-2260, Fax 258-2260
Alaska Native Foundation, P.O. Box 100278, Anchorage, AK 99510; 561-7573, Fax 561-1494

Location & Climate

Anchorage, the largest city in Alaska, is located in southcentral Alaska at the head of Cook Inlet, approximately 3 hours flight time from Seattle, 1½ hours from Juneau. It lies at approximately 61d 13m N Latitude, 149d 53m W Longitude (Sec. 28, T013N, R004W, Seward Meridian). The area encompasses 1698 sq. miles of land and 264 sq. miles of water. The average temperatures in January range from 6 to 20 degrees; in summer, temperatures range from 50 to 70. Annual precipitation is 16 inches, with 69 inches of snowfall.

Transportation

Accessibility: Anchorage is the transportation hub for the state, served by vessel, plane, train and highway services. City bus provides local transportation Monday through Saturday from 7:40 am to 10:00 pm.

Airport Facilities: Controlled airports include the State-owned Anchorage International Airport and Lake Hood Float Plane Base, the Municipality of Anchorage's Merrill Field, and the U.S. Army and Air Force facilities. Numerous airstrips available. Fuel includes Avgas and Jet A and B.

Airline Services: Alaska Airlines; Continental; Delta; Hawaiian; Northwest; United; Aeroflot; China Airlines; Korean Air; Era Aviation; PenAir; Reeve Aleutian Airways; Ketchum Air; Rust's Flying Service

Freight: The Port of Anchorage handles 85% of the general cargo for the Alaska Railbelt area. Several barge and trucking companies are available. The Alaska Railroad connects Anchorage to Seward, Whittier and Fairbanks.

Vessel Support: Several barge companies serve Anchorage, and cruise ships stop occasionally. There is no small boat harbor, but a boat launch and mooring on the mud flats.

Facilities and Utilities

Communications: In-State Phone: GCI; ACS of Anchorage; Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI; ACS Long Distance

Internet Service Provider: ACS Internet (www.acsalaska.net); AOL (www.aol.com); Arctic.Net/TelAlaska, Inc. (www.arctic.net); AT&T WorldNet (www.worldnet.att.net); Chugach.Net (www.chugach.net); Custom CPU (www.customcpu.com); GCI (www.gci.net); Micronet Communications, Inc. (www.micronet.net); Sinbad Network Communications (www.sinbad.net)

TV Stations: KIMO; KTUU; KTVA; KTTY; KYES; KAKM (public) **Cable Provider:** GCI Cable, Inc.

Radio Stations: At least six AM and 14 FM stations, including the public radio stations of KSKA and KNBA. Please check the Yellow Pages.

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Anchorage Legislative Information Office; North Slope Borough Teleconference Center

Electricity: Privately-owned Chugach Electric Association and Anchorage Municipal Light & Power (ML&P) provide the large core area. Matanuska Electric Association serves the Eagle River and Chugiak area of Anchorage, as well as the Matanuska-Susitna Valley. In October 1997, these three utilities purchased the Eklutna Hydroelectric Facility. ML&P also owns eight electrical generating facilities. Chugach Electric owns power generating facilities from the Kenai Peninsula to the Eklutna River.

Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, 4831 Eagle Street, Anchorage, AK 99503; 907-561-1818

Chugach Electric Association Inc., P.O. Box 196300, Anchorage, AK 99519-6300; 907-563-7494

Anchorage Municipal Light & Power, 1200 East First Ave., Anchorage, AK 99501-1685; 907-279-7671

Fuel: All types of fuel available.

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (total capacity): Municipal Light & Power (24,900 gals); Defense Fuel Supply Point (Elmendorf); Alaska Railroad Corp. (72,000); U.S. Army/Ft. Richardson (736,700); AFSC/Signature Flight Support/Port of Anchorage (23,100,000); Chevron USA Products Co. (382,600)

Housing: numerous hotels, motels and B&Bs, plus one hostel. Please check the Yellow Pages.

Services: The Municipality

Water & Sewage: Water is diverted from three primary sources. Lake Eklutna supplies 35 million gallons per day; Ship Creek Reservoir supplies 24 million gallons per day; and deep wells supply another 20 million gallons per day. Water is treated and piped throughout the municipality -- the Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility maintains 670 miles of transmission and distribution mains. Most homes are served by the piped wastewater system. The John M. Asplund Wastewater Treatment Facility, built in 1972, provides primary treatment of 35 million gallons of wastewater each day. Effluent is discharged into Cook Inlet. Approximately 15,000 homes use individual wells and septic systems. Eagle River and Girdwood are served by tertiary treatment facilities.

Miscellaneous: Piped natural gas is available from ENSTAR Natural Gas Company and is the most prevalent and cost-effective home heating method. The Municipality and privately-owned companies collect refuse for deposit into the Anchorage Regional Landfill. The municipality collects hazardous wastes and waste oil. The privately-owned Anchorage Recycling Center collects cans, metal, paper and newspaper. There are 93 schools located in the community, attended by 49,772 students.

Spill Response Support

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Potential Command Posts:

Anchorage EOC/Emergency Mngt – 343-1400

ADMVA/DES, SECC (Ft Richardson) – 428-7000

MSO - USCG Anchorage – 271-6700

ADEC, Anchorage Office – 269-3063

Potential Staging Areas:

Airport – Director's Office: 266-2529; Environmental Dept.: 266-2519

National Guard Armory – Air: 428-6085; Army: 428-6041

Other government facilities –

Local Spill Response Equipment:

Community Response Agreement in place with Municipality of Anchorage. The ADEC Warehouse (344-7380) and Cook Inlet SCP: Resources, part one

ADEC office (269-3063) have spill response equipment stored. CISPRI has staged equipment – skimmer, boom, storage – at the Williams and Chevron Terminals.

Economy

Anchorage is the center of commerce for the state. Oil and gas industries, finance and real estate, transportation, communications, and government agencies are headquartered in Anchorage. Numerous visitor and tourist facilities and services are available. Over 8,500 military personnel are stationed at Fort Richardson and Elmendorf AFB. Seasonal factors contribute to a fluctuating, though low, unemployment rate. In 2009, 671 residents held commercial fishing permits; most permit-owners fish in Bristol Bay, Kodiak, or Cordova.

Culture & Demographics

Construction began in 1914 on a federal railroad from the port of Seward, 126 miles south of Anchorage, through the coal fields of Interior Alaska, to the gold claims near Fairbanks, 358 miles to the north. The midpoint construction headquarters was Anchorage, which provided the furthest north and best anchorage for supply vessels. By July of 1915, thousands of job seekers and opportunists had poured into the area, living in a tent city on the banks of Ship Creek near the edge of the present downtown. The City of Anchorage was incorporated in 1920. From 1939 to 1957, major military impacts and government construction of roads, airports and harbors throughout Alaska contributed to the growth of Anchorage. The Port was completed by the early 1960s. The Greater Anchorage Area Borough was formed on Jan. 1, 1964. The Good Friday earthquake in 1964 destroyed a large part of the city. During the 1970s, the development of the Prudhoe Bay oil fields and the Trans-Alaska Pipeline brought rapid growth to Anchorage; population, office space and housing tripled within a ten-year period. In 1975, the City and Borough governments were unified, along with the cities of Girdwood and Glen Alps, into the Municipality of Anchorage. As Alaska's largest city, Anchorage has a history of cultural diversity; approximately 11% of the population is Alaska Native or part Native. Many residents participate in nearby recreational and subsistence activities. Anchorage has over 162 parks, including 10 large reserves, and multiple recreation facilities. The George Sullivan Sports Arena, Alaska Performing Arts Center, Egan Convention Center and many other facilities provide entertainment and conference opportunities, and maybe suitable for response command centers.

ANCHOR POINT

Population: 1,772 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO: None

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough/Anchor Point Volunteer Fire & Rescue; Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include Anchor Point Clinic (235-5284). The clinic is a qualified Emergency Care Center Auxiliary health care is provided by Anchor Point Volunteer Fire & Rescue Inc. (235-6700/2427) or South Peninsula Hospital in Homer (235-8101).

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Anchor Point Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 610, Anchor Point, AK 99556, Phone 907-235-2600, Fax 907-235-2600, E-mail info@anchorpointchamber.org
Web <http://www.anchorpointchamber.org/>

Location & Climate:

The community is located on the Kenai Peninsula at the junction of the Anchor River and its north fork, 14 miles northwest of Homer. It lies at approximately 59d 46m N Latitude, 151d 49m W Longitude (Sec. 04, T005S, R015W, Seward Meridian). Anchor Point is located in the Homer Recording District. January temperatures range from 4 to 22; July temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage.

Airport Facilities: Nearby Homer offers an airport.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: State Ferry access and docking and boat launching facilities available at Homer.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: In-State Phone: ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider: XYZ.net/ACS (www.xyz.net)

TV Stations: KAKM; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA

Radio Stations: KPEN-FM

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Homer Legislative Information Office

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Anchor Point Roadhouse/RV; Anchor River Inn; Grandma Alaska's Place; Our Front Porch B&B; Owl's Next RV/Tent Park; Eagle Crest RV Park & Cabins; Kyllonen's RV Park; Grubstake Manor B&B; Iliamna Mountain View B&B; Whispering Winds B&B

Services:

Water & Sewage: Most residents have individual wells, septic tanks and complete indoor plumbing. A new well, water treatment plant and water distribution mains were recently installed in an area serving five homes. The community has requested funding to expand the water system to the school, homes and businesses along the Sterling Highway. The school well has been shown to contain lead, and some area wells are contaminated with benzene. The Anchor Point Safe Water Corp. has formed to seek funding for development of a safe water system.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 166 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Many residents work in Homer in a variety of positions. The community caters to the sport-fishing industry, and several lodges provide services. A small sawmill helps to process timber from various borough sites. In 2002, 84 residents held commercial fishing permits. The North Pacific Volcano Learning Center will be built in Anchor Point; it is scheduled for completion in 2002.

Culture & Demographics:

In the summer of 1778 Captain James Cook and crews of the Resolution and Discovery sailed into the Inlet looking for a Northwest Passage, and gave Anchor Point its name after losing a kedje anchor to the awesome tidal currents. A post office was established in 1949. Anchor Point has a Visitor's Center, a Chamber of Commerce, the Two Rivers Coalition, a newly-formed organization to examine watershed and other local issues, and a weekly newspaper, "The Anchor Pointer."

BIG LAKE

Population: 3,331 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services

Police: None

VPSO: None

State Troopers: State Troopers Post (892-6521)

Fire: Borough Fire/Big Lake Ambulance Service (892-7750)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Big Lake Ambulance Service (373-8800/745-4811); Valley Hospital in Palmer (746-8600) or Anchorage Hospitals; Houston Ambulance Service; Valley Transport Service; Wasilla Ambulance Service.

Organizations with Local Offices

Chamber of Commerce - Big Lake Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 520067, Big Lake, AK 99652, Phone 892-6109, Fax 892-6189, e E-mail infor@biglakechamber.org
Web <http://www.biglakechamber.org>

Community Non-Profit - Big Lake Community Council, P.O. Box 520931, Big Lake, AK 99652-0931
Phone 907-892-6723, Fax 907-892-6724, E-mail biglakecommunitycouncil@yahoo.com
Web www.biglakecommunitycouncil.com

Location & Climate

Big Lake is a community on the shore of Big Lake, 13 miles southwest of Wasilla and 18 miles north of Anchorage, in the Chugach Mountains. It lies at approximately 61d 33m N Latitude, 149d 52m W Longitude (Sec. 28, T017N, R003W, Seward Meridian). January temperatures range from 4 to 23; July can vary from 47 to 68.

Transportation

Accessibility: Big Lake is accessible from the George Parks Highway. Several boat launches are available for recreational purposes.

Airport Facilities: A State-owned 2,435' gravel airstrip is also available.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: Matanuska Telephone; ACS Long Distance

Internet Service Provider: Core Communications (www.corecom.net); Custom CPU (www.customcpu.com);
MTA Online (www.mtaonline.com)

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA; KYES

Radio Stations: All Anchorage stations **Cable Provider:** Rogers Cablesystems of Alaska

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association

Fuel: Gasoline, diesel, and propane.

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Klondike Inn Resort; Big Lake Motel; Dollar Lake Lodging; Big Lake South State Recreation site

Services:

Water & Sewage: 85% of homes have individual water wells and septic systems, with complete plumbing. The schools and Big Lake shopping mall also have individual well systems. The remainder of residents haul water and use outhouses.

Spill Response Support

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy

Most of the year-round Big Lake residents are employed in the Palmer/Wasilla area or at businesses serving the community. There are several lodges on the lake to support summer recreational boating and fishing activities. Unemployment is relatively low. Thirteen residents hold commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics

Early inhabitants were the Athabascan Dena'ina Indians. Around 1899, the Boston and Klondike Company made the first sled trail north into the Talkeetna Mountains from Knik via Big Lake. Homesteaders in 1929 and after World War II settled Big Lake. Materials were transported from Pittman railroad station over eleven miles of rough trail. By 1959, a number of lodges and several children's camps were operating on the lake and at least 300 cottages and camps were owned by individuals. Lake-front lots became accessible in the 1960s and 1970s, with the expansion of roads and power. In June 1996, the "Miller's Reach" wildfire destroyed more than 37,500 acres in the Big Lake and Houston area, including 433 buildings and homes valued at \$8.9 million. Low housing costs, the semi-rural lifestyle, and a 45-minute commute to Anchorage have supported growth in the Mat-Su Valley. Big Lake has numerous vacation and weekend homes owned by Anchorage residents. Boating and fishing are extremely popular on the lake during the summer months.

BUTTE

Population: 3,255 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire/Butte Ambulance Service

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Butte Ambulance Service (373-8800/745-4811), Valley Hospital in Palmer (746-8600) or Anchorage Hospitals.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Community Non-Profit - Butte Community Council, P.O. Box 4201, Palmer, AK 99645-4201
Phone 907-745-2467, Fax 907-764-6426, E-mail courtney@ieec.org Web <http://buttecc.org/>

Location & Climate:

Butte is located in the Talkeetna Mountains south of Palmer in the Mat-Su Borough. It lies at approximately 61d 31m N Latitude, 149d 00m W Longitude. Butte is located in the Palmer Recording District. The average temperatures in January range from 6 to 14; in July, 47 to 67. Annual precipitation is 16.5 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Butte lies along the Glenn Highway. Railroad and other means of transportation are also accessible in nearby Palmer.

Airport Facilities: A public airstrip is available, owned and operated by the Butte Airman's Association.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES

Radio Stations: All Anchorage stations

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association

Fuel: Gasoline, diesel, and propane.

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: Most homes in Butte have individual water wells, septic systems and complete plumbing. Butte Elementary School and the local trailer court and cafe also have individual wells.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 334 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

The majority of Butte residents are employed in the Palmer/Wasilla area or Anchorage. A few small businesses serve local needs.

Culture & Demographics:

Athabascan Dena'ina Indians traveled through the Butte area on a winter trail from Eklutna up the Knik River to the Copper River. A large Dena'ina village called "Hutnaynut'l," or "burnt over," existed in the Bodenburg area; the first farm was homesteaded in 1917 by John Bodenburg. In 1935, 25 tracts were settled in the Butte area by the Matanuska Colonists, around "Camp 10" along Bodenburg Loop Road. More land was settled after World War II. Several saw mills operated between 1940 and 1970. Butte is a suburb of Palmer; there is no organized local community.

CHASE

Population: 35 (2008 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO: None

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Sunshine Community Health Center in Talkeetna; Talkeetna Ambulance Service (373-8800/745-4811); Valley Hospital in Palmer (746-8600) or Anchorage Hospitals.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Community Non-Profit - Chase Community Council, P.O. Box 349, Talkeetna, AK 99676-0349
Phone 907-733-3038

Location & Climate:

Chase is located on the east bank of the Susitna River, 9 miles north of Talkeetna in the Mat-Su Borough. It lies at approximately 62d 27m N Latitude, 150d 06m W Longitude. Chase is located in the Talkeetna Recording District. January temperatures range from 4 to 23; July can vary from 47 to 68.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The railroad will drop travelers at the head of a trail leading into Chase. There is no direct road access, except from the George Parks Highway to nearby Talkeetna.

Airport Facilities: The nearest airport is at Talkeetna.

Airline Services: The nearest airport is at Talkeetna.

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES

Radio Stations: KTNA-FM

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by individual generators. There is no central electrical system.

Fuel: Gasoline, diesel, and propane.

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: One-third of homes have individual water wells, septic systems and complete plumbing. The remaining two-thirds haul water and use outhouses.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Chase residents are devoted to self-sufficiency, living a subsistence lifestyle supplemented by public assistance payments.

Culture & Demographics:

Chase derives its name from Nancy Chase, the daughter of R.D. Chase, who was a special disbursing agent for the Alaska Engineering Commission at Anchorage. In 1919, the railroad station at mile 236.2 of the Alaska Railroad was originally named "Nanchase." A creamery was constructed at nearby Curry in 1927. This created a market for milk produced in the Matanuska Valley. Most of the butter was sold through hotels operated by the Alaska Railroad. In 1933, the creamery equipment was transferred to the Matanuska Experiment Station in Palmer. Several State land disposals in the 1970s and 1980s brought settlers into the area. Residents lead a self-reliant lifestyle, based on hunting, fishing and gardening. There is no local school; children are home-schooled or attend Talkeetna area schools.

CHICKALOON

Population: 277 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough/Sutton Volunteer Fire Dept

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Sutton Volunteer Fire Dept.; Valley Hospital (746-8600) in Palmer or Anchorage Hospitals.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Village Corporation - Chickaloon-Moose Cr. Native Ass., Inc., P.O. Box 1105, Chickaloon, AK 99674, Phone 745-0707, Fax 745-7154

Village Council - Chickaloon Village Traditional Council, P.O. Box 1105, Chickaloon, AK 99674, Phone 745-0707, Fax 745-7154, E-mail cadmin@chickaloon.org Web <http://www.chickaloon.org>

Community Non-Profit - Chickaloon Community Council, P.O. Box 1145, Chickaloon, AK 99674-1145 Phone 907-746-4494, E-mail fbarker@ak.net Web www.chickalooncommunitycouncil.org

Location & Climate:

Chickaloon is located on the Chickaloon River, on the Glenn Highway, 26 miles northeast of Palmer in the Talkeetna Mountains. It lies at approximately 61d 47m N Latitude, 148d 28m W Longitude (Sec. 25, T020N, R005E, Seward Meridian). Chickaloon is located in the Palmer Recording District. The temperatures in January range from 6 to 14; in July, 47 to 67. Annual precipitation is 16.5 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Chickaloon is accessible by the statewide highway system.

Airport Facilities: A private airstrip is nearby at Jonesville Mine.

Airline Services:

Freight: Goods are most often brought in from the Palmer/Wasilla area or Anchorage.

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: In-State Phone: Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI

Internet Service Provider: MTA Online (www.mtaonline.com)

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES **Radio Stations:**

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association.

Fuel: Gasoline, diesel, and propane.

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: King Mountain Lodge; Chickaloon B&B; Fireweed Mountain Lodge; Long Rifle Lodge

Services:

Water & Sewage: Approximately 75% of households have individual water wells and septic tank systems; most homes are plumbed. Chickaloon residents are concerned about the affects of development

of the Wishbone Hill coal mine on the area's water resources.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 61 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Local retail businesses and government provide the majority of employment - some positions are in the Palmer/Wasilla area, while others travel to the North Slope. Subsistence is an important activity for both native and non-native residents. There is high local interest in agricultural activities. Several guides cater to a variety of recreational activities. One resident holds a commercial fishing permit.

Culture & Demographics:

Ahtna and Dena'ina Athabascan Indians have occupied this territory for centuries. Traditionally, Chickaloon territory was a center of trade for copper, sheep, and goats from the north and salmon, beluga, and fur seals from the south. The Ahtna, and formerly the Dena'ina, Athabascans of Chickaloon traveled extensively within the Copper River and Cook Inlet areas. The Chickaloon River was named after Chief Chiklu, the last Dena'ina chief in this area. What is now the community of Chickaloon was once a primary fishing camp of Chickaloon Village. Nay'dini'aa Na' is the Ahtna name for the original settlement of Chickaloon Village on the north bank above the mouth of the Chickaloon River. During the Russian fur trading era, Ahtna transported pelts from the Dena'ina along the Matanuska River to Copper Fort in the east. The Chickaloon River was named after Chief Chiklu. An 1898 army exploration party located a vein of high-quality coal near the Chickaloon River. The deposits were hard to reach, and there was little interest in them until a railroad was built to Interior Alaska. During the winter of 1913-1914, an Alaskan freighter named Jack Dalton used the frozen Matanuska River to haul the first test coal from the Chickaloon coal deposits. When construction of the Alaska Railroad was approved in 1914, the plan included a spur line to the Chickaloon coal field. From 1915 to 1922, the U.S. Navy sponsored a coal mining boom in Chickaloon drainage, which had a negative impact on Chickaloon Village, especially with respect to their once-valued fishing camp. At the same time, it provided an opportunity for jobs and the development of Chickaloon. Coal mining also took place in the area around Sutton, at the Wishbone Hill Naval Coal Reserve, Coal Creek, and Carbon Creek. Like so many other Alaska mining towns, Chickaloon grew quickly and almost as quickly declined. By 1925, the navy had halted coal development in Chickaloon, and the land reverted to public domain and was opened to homesteaders by 1958. A federally-recognized tribe is located in the community and 17% of the population are Alaska Native or part Native. Chickaloon is comprised of two settlements: Chickaloon Native Village and the non-Native area represented by the Chickaloon Community Council. Residents are extremely proactive regarding subsistence and sovereignty issues. Subsistence is an important activity for both Athabascan and non-Native residents.

CLAM GULCH

Population: 166 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (262-4792/4453)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Central Peninsula Hospital (262-4404) in Soldotna.

Organizations with Local Offices: None

Location & Climate:

Located on the Kenai Peninsula, Clam Gulch lies on the Sterling Highway 24 miles south of the City of Kenai. It lies at approximately 60d 14m N Latitude, 151d 23m W Longitude (Sec. 29, T002N, R012W, Seward Meridian). Clam Gulch is located in the Kenai Recording District. January temperatures range from 4 to 22; July temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage and beyond.

Airport Facilities: Nearby Kenai offers an airport and docking facilities.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: Nearby Kenai offers an airport and docking facilities.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel: Gasoline, diesel, and propane.

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Clam Shell Lodge; Clam Gulch Lodge/B&B; Scenic View RV Park

Services:

Water & Sewage: Many homes use individual wells and septic systems. However, nearly one-third are deriving water from a central watering point or water delivery. Over half of all homes use privies, and more than one-half are fully plumbed.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

A lodge and post office are in Clam Gulch. The Kenai area economy provides a variety of employment opportunities. In 2009, 31 residents held commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics:

Reported in 1947 by Barnes and Cobb of the U.S. Geological Survey, it was named after the Clam Gulch ravine. A post office was established in 1950. Clam Gulch is best characterized as a geographic location rather than a community. It is a roadside development with a primarily non-Native population.

COHOE

Population: 1,332 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (262-4792/4453)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Central Emergency Services (262-4792/4453) and Central Peninsula Hospital in Soldotna.

Organizations with Local Offices: None

Location & Climate:

Cohoe is located on the Kenai Peninsula on the Kasilof River, 13 miles south of the City of Kenai on the Sterling Highway. It lies at approximately 60d 22m N Latitude, 151d 18m W Longitude. Cohoe is located in the Kenai Recording District. January temperatures range from 4 to 22; July temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage and beyond. Nearby Kenai offers an airport and docking facilities.

Airport Facilities:

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom **Internet Service Provider:**

TV Stations: KAKM; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA

Radio Stations: KCZP-FM; KSRM-AM; KWHQ-FM

Cable Provider: **Teleconferencing:**

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel: Gasoline, diesel, and propane.

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Cohoe Lodge; Private campground on Madsen Road; Crooked Creek RV Park

Services:

Water & Sewage: Approximately 60% of homes use individual water wells and septic tank systems and are fully plumbed. The remaining residents haul or have water delivered and use privies. Many homes in the area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

The economy of the Kenai area is diverse: oil and gas processing, timber, commercial and sport fishing, government, retail businesses and tourism-related services provide employment.

Culture & Demographics:

Victor Holm constructed a cabin in Coho in 1890 after sailing from Finland to Alaska to make his home. The cabin and many of Holm's handmade items still remain; the cabin is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Coho was originally an agricultural settlement where a post office was established in 1950. Coho is best characterized as a roadside geographic location, rather than a community.

COOPER LANDING

Population: 344 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers: State Troopers Post (595-1233)

Fire: Borough/Cooper Landing Rescue (595-1364); Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (262-4792/4453)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Cooper Landing Rescue (595-1648/1800); Central Peninsula Hospital (262-4404) in Soldotna or Seward General Hospital (224-5205).

Organizations with Local Offices:

Community Non-Profit - Cooper Landing Community Club, P.O. Box 508, Cooper Landing, AK 99572, Phone 595-1248, e-mail: painter@arctic.net

Location & Climate:

Cooper Landing is at the west end of Kenai Lake on a stretch of the Sterling Highway, 30 miles northwest of Seward in the Chugach Mountains. It lies at approximately 60d 29m N Latitude, 149d 50m W Longitude (Sec. 29, T005N, R003W, Seward Meridian). Cooper Landing is located in the Seward Recording District. January temperatures range from 4 to 22; July temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage and beyond.

Airport Facilities: Kenai offers air transportation. The State-owned Quartz Creek Airport provides a 2,200' gravel runway, and float planes may land at Cooper Lake

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: Kenai offers docking facilities. . A privately-owned boat launch is available.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Interior Telephone Co./TelAlaska

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; Interior Telephone

Internet Service Provider: Arctic.Net/TelAlaska, Inc. (www.arctic.net)

TV Stations: ARCS; KTUU **Radio Stations:** KSRM-AM; KWHQ-FM; KUAC-FM

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Kenai Legislative Information Office

Electricity: Provided by Chugach Electric Association.

Fuel: Gasoline, diesel, and propane.

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Kenai Princess Lodge; Sunrise Inn; Hamilton's Place/RVs; Red Salmon Guest House; The Miller Homestead; Gwin's Lodge & Restaurant; Alaskan Sourdough B&B; Kenai Princess RV Park;

Alpine Trout Fitters Motel

Services:

Water & Sewage: Two-thirds of homes use individual water wells and septic tank systems and are completely plumbed. The school has its own well water system. The remainder haul or have water delivered, and use privies. Many homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 37 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

ECONOMY:

The economy of the area is diverse. Tourism-related employment and seasonal businesses provide the majority of employment. The 70-room Kenai Princess Lodge accommodates Princess cruise ship passengers and other tourists. Chugach Electric Association and the School District are significant employers. In 2009, four residents held commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics:

Between 1848 and 1851, a Russian engineer found gold in the area, but Cooper Landing was named for Joseph Cooper, a miner who re-discovered gold here in 1884. In 1900, the Census found 21 miners and 1 wife living at Cooper Creek. The Riddiford Post Office began operations in 1924, and the Riddiford School opened in 1928. In 1938, a road was constructed to Seward. In 1948, a road to Kenai was opened, and by 1951, residents could drive to Anchorage. The Cooper Lake Hydroelectric Facility was constructed in 1959-60. The Cooper Landing Community Club, first formed in 1949, is involved extensively in local development issues and is an advocate for residents' concerns. The population of the area nearly doubles each summer to support tourism businesses and activities.

CROWN POINT

Population: 77 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Central Peninsula Hospital (262-4404) in Soldotna or Seward General Hospital (224-5205).

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Crown Point is on the Kenai Peninsula on the Seward Highway and at mile 24.5 of the Alaska Railroad. It lies 22 miles north of Seward in the Chugach Mountains, at approximately 60d 26m N Latitude, 149d 22m W Longitude. Crown Point is located in the Seward Recording District. January temperatures range from 4 to 22; July temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Seward and Sterling Highways provide access to Anchorage and beyond

Airport Facilities: Nearby Kenai and Seward both provide airport and docking facilities.

Airline Services:

Freight: Nearby Kenai and Seward provide access through their airport and docking facilities.

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KTBV; KTUU; KTVA

Radio Stations:

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Seward Electric System.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Crown Point Lodge

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes use individual water wells and septic tank systems. The remainder of residents haul or have water delivered, and use privies. Over two-thirds of homes are fully plumbed, and many in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Transportation services, timber, and retail businesses provide the majority of employment in Crown Point.

Culture & Demographics:

U.S. Geological Survey agents reported a railroad station called "Trail Lake Station" at this site in 1912. Crown Point is primarily an extended roadside area, rather than a clearly-defined community, and includes approximately 40 homes near Kenai Lake.

EKLUTNA

Population: 384 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Municipality of Anchorage

Incorporation Type:
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: Anchorage Police Dept. (911/786-8500)

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Anchorage Fire Dept.

Medical: Eklutna EMS/Health Clinic

Organizations with Local Offices:

Village Corporation - Eklutna, Incorporated, 16515 Centerfield Dr. #100, Eagle River, AK 99577, Phone 907-696-2828, Fax 907-696-2845, E-mail receptionist@eklutnainc.com Web <http://www.eklutnainc.com>

Village Council - Native Village of Eklutna, 26339 Eklutna Village Rd., Chugiak, AK 99567-6339, Phone 907-688-6020, Fax 907-688-6021, E-mail nve@eklutna-nsn.gov Web <http://www.eklutna-nsn.gov>

Location & Climate:

Eklutna is located at the head of the Knik Arm of Cook Inlet, at the mouth of the Eklutna River, 25 miles northeast of Anchorage. It is within the boundaries of the Municipality of Anchorage. It lies at approximately 61.454528° North Latitude and -149.354478° West Longitude. (Sec. 24, T016N, R001W, Seward Meridian.) The average temperatures in January range from 6 to 14; in July, 47 to 67. Annual precipitation is 16.5 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The village lies on the Glenn Highway between Anchorage and Palmer, and therefore has ready access to a variety of transportation services in those communities.

Airport Facilities: Two privately-owned airstrips are located in the area.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: In-State Phone: Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI; ACS Long Distance; Matanuska Telephone

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KIMO; KTUU; KAKM; KTBY; KYES; KTVA **Radio Stations:** All Anchorage Stations

Cable Provider: GCI Cable, Inc. **Teleconferencing:** Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: Water system operator: Eklutna Utilities Inc. Private washeteria operator. Piped water system and community well source. Sewer system operator: Municipality of Anchorage. Individual septic tanks and a sewage lift station.

Miscellaneous:

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

The Eklutna Power House supplies hydroelectric power to Anchorage. Local residents are most likely to find employment in the urban area of nearby Eagle River or Anchorage.

Culture & Demographics:

The Eklutna area was the site of many Athabascan Indian villages as long as 800 years ago. Today's residents are descendants of the Danaina tribe. Russian Orthodox missionaries arrived in the 1840s, and later a railroad station was built in 1918. The Eklutna Power House supplies hydroelectric power to Anchorage. Eklutna Cemetery, dating back to 1650, became a historical park in the 1980s and consists of a small museum and gift shop, prayer chapels, two Russian Orthodox churches, and the cemetery that is still used today. More than 100 brightly-colored "spirit houses" are on the burial ground, a custom that combines Athabascan and Russian Orthodox practices. A federally recognized tribe is located in the community -- the Native Village of Eklutna, which is an Athabascan village with a subsistence lifestyle; approximately 65 residents are members of the Eklutna Village.

FOX RIVER

Population: 604 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire/Rescue/EMT

Medical: South Peninsula Hospital (235-8101) in Homer.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Fox River is located on the north shore of Kachemak Bay, 24 miles northeast of Homer at the end of the Sterling Highway. It lies at approximately 59d 48m N Latitude, 150d 59m W Longitude. Fox River is located in the Homer Recording District. January temperatures range from 4 to 22; July temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides road access to Anchorage.

Airport Facilities: Kenai's airport and docking facilities are available to communities on the Peninsula.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: Kenai's airport and docking facilities are available to communities on the Peninsula.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA

Radio Stations:

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes are connected to a piped water system from Homer and use individual septic tank systems. 75% of households are fully plumbed. The remainder of residences haul or have water delivered, and use privies. Several homes in this area are used for summer recreation only.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Wood, fiberglass and aluminum boats, handbags and canvass bags for fishermen are manufactured at Fox River. The school also provides employment, and many residents commute to Homer for jobs..

Culture & Demographics:

Fox River was reported by Dall of the U.S. Geological Survey in 1895, and may have been named for Theodore Fox, Vice President of North Pacific Mining and Transportation Company, which operated in Kachemak Bay in 1894.

FRITZ CREEK

Population: 1,818 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire/Rescue/EMT

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by South Peninsula Hospital (235-8101) in Homer.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Fritz Creek lies 7 miles northeast of Homer on the north shore of Kachemak Bay, off the Sterling Highway. It lies at approximately 59d 41m N Latitude, 151d 22m W Longitude. Fritz Creek is located in the Homer Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides road access to Anchorage and beyond.

Airport Facilities: Nearby Homer offers an airport.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: Nearby Homer offers docking facilities, and a State Ferry landing.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA

Radio Stations:

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes haul or have water delivered, or use individual well water. Most have individual septic systems for sewage disposal; the remainder use privies. Approximately 65% of households are fully plumbed. Almost one-fourth of the homes are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There are 2 schools located in the community, attended by 204 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Nearby Homer offers fishing, fish processing and a relatively diverse economy. Unemployment is low. In 2009, twelve residents held commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics:

The local name was first reported in 1904 by R.W. Stone of the U.S. Geological Survey. Fritz Creek is best characterized as a geographic location rather than a community.

FUNNY RIVER

Population: 796 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police:

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire:

Medical: Health care is available at Central Peninsula Hospital (262-4404) in Soldotna and Central Emergency Services 262-4792/4453).

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Funny River Chamber of Commerce, HC 1 Box 1424, Funny River, AK 99669, Phone 262-0879, Fax 262-8414

Location & Climate:

Funny River is located on the Kenai Peninsula, approximately 15 miles east of Soldotna along the Kenai River, from River Mile 29 to 45. It lies at approximately 60.482680° North Latitude and -150.84631° West Longitude. (Sec. 7, T004N, R009W, Seward Meridian.) Funny River is located in the Kenai Recording District. Average winter temperatures range from 4 to 22; summer temperatures average from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Soldotna and Kenai airports serve local air traffic. The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage and other destinations.

Airport Facilities: Soldotna and Kenai airports

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Assoc./AEG&T.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: Occupied houses use individual water wells and septic tank systems or privies. Many homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There is no school in Funny River; 61 students are bused to Soldotna area schools.

In Funny River, there is a grocery store, several fish camps, fishing services, and lodges. A resort, with public beach and boat ramp, is located on Brown's Lake.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Most Funny River residents who are employed commute to Soldotna, Kenai and Nikiski, where they work in retail businesses or service operations associated with the oil or tourism industries. There are several farms in the area with cattle or pack horses, and one alpaca ranch. Sport fishing is the major attraction in this area of the peninsula.

Culture & Demographics:

Funny River is the local name of a nearby stream, first published in 1904 by the U.S. Geological Survey. Homesteading and farming expanded to the Funny River area during the late 1950s and early 1960s. Funny River Road originated as a bulldozed trail from Soldotna to the homesteads, and was upgraded to a gravel-surfaced road in the mid-1960s. There is no school in Funny River; the 61 students are bused to Soldotna area schools. The community is primarily non-Native, however, a large portion of the land in this area is owned by Alaska Native corporations. The Central Peninsula Sports Center in Soldotna offers an ice rink, racquetball courts, and meeting facilities.

GIRDWOOD

Population: 1,817 (2000 U.S. Census)
Borough Located In: Municipality of Anchorage

Incorporation Type: In Anchorage
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: Anchorage Police Dept. (911)

VPSO:

State Troopers: State Troopers Post (783-0972)

Fire: Girdwood Fire/EMS & Fire Station (783-2511)

Medical: Alternate health care by Girdwood Fire & Rescue (783-2511); Alyeska Ski Patrol (seasonal 754-2271/2131); various Anchorage hospitals.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Community Non-Profit - Girdwood Community Council, P.O. Box 870390, Girdwood, AK 99587, Phone 272-8401, Fax 907-274-3698, e-mail: hbcf@micronet.net

Media - Turnagain Times, P.O. Box 1044, Girdwood, AK 99587, Phone 907-783-1135, Fax 907-783-1136, e-mail: times@chugach.net

Location & Climate:

Girdwood is located on Turnagain Arm, in the Municipality of Anchorage, 35 miles southwest of downtown Anchorage. The area is accessed by the Seward Highway. Girdwood is bordered on three sides by the Chugach State Park and Chugach National Forest. (For a detailed map, go to: <http://www.muni.org/Services/Departments/Com/Research/maps/girdwood.gif>.) It lies at approximately 60.941670° North Latitude and -149.16667° West Longitude. (Sec. 19, T010N, R002E, Seward Meridian.) The average temperatures in January range from 8 to 21 degrees; in July, average temperatures range from 51 to 65. Annual precipitation is 80 inches, including 69 inches of snowfall.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Seward Highway and the Alaska Railroad connect Girdwood to Anchorage, Seward, Whittier, and Fairbanks.

Airport Facilities: Girdwood has a gravel airstrip that measures 2,088' long by 73' wide. Controlled airports in the Anchorage area include the State-owned Anchorage International Airport and Lake Hood Float Plane Base, the Municipality's Merrill Field, and U.S. Army and Air Force facilities.

Airline Services:

Freight: The Port of Anchorage handles 85% of the general cargo for the Alaska railbelt area. Several barge and trucking companies are available.

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of Anchorage

Long-Distance Phone:

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KIMO; KTUU; KAKM; KTBY; KYES; KTVA

Radio Stations: Many Anchorage Stations

Cable Provider: Alyeska Cable Company

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Chugach Electric Cooperative.

Fuel: Gasoline

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Alyeska Resort

Services: Most commercial services available.

Water & Sewage: In 1991, the Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility acquired two privately-owned water systems that served the developed area east of Glacier Creek, and upgraded the quality of service in Girdwood. This included connecting the two systems, installing 37,000 feet of replacement and new water lines with fire hydrants, and the installation of control structures to provide uniform pressures throughout the system. Two production wells now supply the system and fill a one million gallon reservoir. Daily production is 94 million gallons of treated water. The Girdwood Wastewater Facility is a tertiary (three stage) treatment plant. In 1997 it was upgraded to handle 0.60 mgd and was equipped to expand and double treatment capacity in future years. It discharges an effluent nearing drinking water quality into Glacier Creek.

Miscellaneous:

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Local employment includes the school, business, and leisure and hospitality services, including the Alyeska Resort and the Westin Alyeska Prince Hotel. It is Alaska's most popular ski resort area. Several artists live in the area. Some residents commute to Anchorage. In 2009, 34 Girdwood residents held commercial fishing permits. There are many seasonal-use homes in Girdwood.,.

Culture & Demographics

Named for James Girdwood, who staked a claim at Crow Creek in 1896, the Girdwood post office was established in 1907. In 1951, the Seward Highway was completed, linking Anchorage to the Kenai Peninsula. The City of Girdwood was formed during the 1960s, but the community was unified with the City of Anchorage and the Greater Anchorage Area Borough into the new Municipality of Anchorage in 1975. Girdwood is classified as a highway town/subregional center. Residents enjoy a rural lifestyle; Girdwood is home to the Alyeska Ski Resort and is frequented by Anchorage and Kenai residents during winter months and tourists during summer months.

HALIBUT COVE

Population: 27 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire/Rescue/EMT

Medical: Kachemak Ferry or flight to Homer. Auxiliary health care is provided by Air transport to South Peninsula Hospital (235-8101) in Homer.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Halibut Cove is in the Kachemak Bay State Park on the Kenai Peninsula. It lies 12 miles southeast of Homer on the south shore of Kachemak Bay. It lies at approximately 59d 37m N Latitude, 151d 14m W Longitude . Halibut Cove is located in the Homer Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: There is no road access to Halibut Cove. Boats and float planes are the primary means of transportation.

Airport Facilities:

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: The State Ferry serves nearby Homer.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: ARCS

Radio Stations: KWVV-FM; KGTL-AM; KPEN-FM; KBBI-AM

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Quiet Place Lodge (296-2212); Halibut Cove Cabins (296-2214)

Services: Restaurant

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes haul water from a central source or have water delivered; about 20% use individual water wells. Half of all residences have individual septic systems and are fully plumbed. Many homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Many residents are self-employed artists; others work in seasonal construction jobs. In 2009, six residents held commercial fishing permits. It is a sightseeing spot for boaters from Homer. A local restaurant operates during summers.

Culture & Demographics:

The Cove was named by W.H. Dall of the U.S. Coast & Geodetic Survey in 1880. Between 1911 and 1928, Halibut Cove had 42 herring salteries and a population of over 1,000, according to one resident. From 1928 to 1975, the population stayed around 40, mostly fishermen. Halibut Cove residents include many artists. There is a local community association. The summer population grows to around 160.

HAPPY VALLEY

Population: 561 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire/Rescue/EMT

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by South Peninsula Hospital (235-8101) in Homer.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Happy Valley lies on the west coast of the Kenai Peninsula on the Sterling Highway, 22 miles northwest of Homer, on Happy Valley Creek, at approximately 59d 56m N Latitude, 151d 44m W Longitude. Happy Valley is located in the Homer Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides a route to Anchorage and the statewide highway system.

Airport Facilities: Nearby Homer offers an airport.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: Nearby Homer offers a harbor and dock, and State Ferry landing.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KTBV; KTUU; KTVA

Radio Stations:

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes use individual water wells and septic tank systems. The remainder of residences haul or have water delivered, and use privies. 60% of homes are fully plumbed. Many homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Happy Valley has a roadhouse economy. Many of its residents work in the larger communities of the southern Kenai Peninsula or commute to Alaska's oil regions or to seasonal construction jobs.

Culture & Demographics:

The Happy Valley area is a roadside geographic location.

HOMER

Population: 5,551 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: 1st Class City
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: City Police Dept. (within city limits) 235-3150

VPSO:

State Troopers: State Troopers Post (235-8239)

Fire: City Volunteer Fire Dept./EMS; City Search & Rescue (235-3155).

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include South Peninsula Hospital (235-8101). Auxiliary health care is provided by Homer Volunteer Fire Dept./EMS (235-3155/3150), private practices.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Homer Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 541, Homer, AK 99603, Phone 235-7740, Fax 235-6557, E-mail info@homerak.org Web <http://www.homerak.org>

City - City of Homer, 491 East Pioneer Ave., Homer, AK 99603, Phone 235-8121, Fx 235-3140,

E-mail clerk@ci.homer.ak.us Web <http://www.ci.homer.ak.us>

Electric Utility - Homer Electric Assoc., 3977 Lake Street, Homer, AK 99603, 235-8551, Fx 235-3313
Web <http://www.homerelectric.com/>

Media - Homer News, 3482 Landings Street, Homer, AK 99603; Phone 235-7767, Fx 235-4199,
E-mail news@homernews.com

Media - KBBI, 3913 Kachemak Way, Homer, AK 99602, 907-235-2357, Fx 235-7721

Location & Climate:

Homer is located on the north shore of Kachemak Bay on the southwestern Kenai Peninsula. The Homer Spit, a 4.5-mile long bar of gravel, extends from the Homer shoreline. It is 227 road miles south of Anchorage, at the southern-most point of the Sterling Highway, at approximately 59d 38m N Latitude, 151d 33m W Longitude (Sec. 19, T006S, R013W, Seward Meridian). Homer lies in the maritime climate zone. During the winter, temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches, including 55 inches of snow.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Homer is accessible by the Sterling Highway to Anchorage, Fairbanks, Canada and the lower 48 states. It is often referred to as "The End of the Road," because it lies at the terminus of the Sterling Highway.

Airport Facilities: The State owns and operates the Homer Airport, with a 6,700' asphalt runway and float plane basin, and a seaplane base at Beluga Lake. There are 4 additional private landing strips in the vicinity.

Airline Services: ERA Aviation; Southcentral Air; Kachemak Air Service; Bald Mountain Air; Beluga Lake Float Plane Service; Homer Air; Maritime Helicopters

Freight:

Vessel Support: The deep-water dock can accommodate 30-foot drafts, and 340-foot vessels. There is a boat harbor with moorage for 750 vessels, and a 5-lane boat launch ramp. The Alaska Marine Highway and local ferry services provide water transportation.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI; ACS Long Distance **Cable Provider:** GCI Cable, Inc.

Internet Service Provider: ACS Internet (www.acsalaska.net); Custom CPU (www.customcpu.com); GCI (www.gci.net); XYZ.net/ACS (www.xyz.net)

TV Stations: KAKM; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA

Radio Stations: KWVV-FM; KGTL-AM; KPEN-FM; KBBI-AM

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Legislative Information Office

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association. Homer Electric Assoc. operates the Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Plant and is part owner of the Alaska Electric Generation & Transmission Cooperative, which operates a gas turbine plant in Soldotna. It also purchases electricity from Chugach Electric.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity): Alaska Oil Sales (4 @ 43,000 gals.); PMS (5 @ 50,000 gals.); Petro Marine Services (180,000)

Housing: Land's End Resort; Best Western Bidarka Inn; Driftwood Inn & RV Park; Alaska's Pioneer Inn; Bay View Inn; Heritage Hotel-Lodge; Tutka Bay Lodge; Seaside Farms; Ocean Shores Motel; Billikin; numerous B&Bs; Homer Spit Campground/RV Park; Land's End RV Park; Ocean View RV park; Island Watch B&B

Services: Taxis: Maggie's; Chux; Annie's. **Car Rental:** National; Polar; Hertz

Water & Sewage: Over 90% of homes are fully plumbed. Water is supplied by a dam and 35-acre reservoir at Bridge Creek, is treated, stored in a 500,000-gallon tank, and piped to the majority of homes in the City. The system provides 2 million gallons per day. The City has asked for state funding to develop a 1-million-gallon water tank. Others residents use individual wells or have water delivered to home tanks. City sewage is piped to a deep shaft sewer treatment plant; capacity is 880,000 gallons per day.

Miscellaneous: There are eight schools located in the community, attended by 1,557 students. Refuse is collected by Peninsula Sanitation, a private firm, and hauled to the borough-operated Homer landfill and balefill. The city participates in recycling and hazardous waste disposal programs.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Homer is primarily a fishing, fish processing, trade and service center, and enjoys a considerable seasonal tourist industry. Approximately 10 cruise ships dock in Homer each summer. Sport fishing for halibut and salmon contributes significantly to the economy. In 2009, 549 area residents held commercial fishing permits. The fish dock is equipped with cold storage facilities, ice manufacturing, and a vacuum fish-loading system. The Alaska Islands and Ocean Visitor Center is popular for tourism and also serves as the headquarters for the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge and Kachemak Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve. The National Park Service maintains a regional office. Government and health care are major employers. During summer months, the population swells with tourists, as well as students and others seeking fishery employment.

Culture & Demographics:

The Homer area has been home to Kenaitze Indians for thousands of years. In 1895 the U.S. Geological Survey arrived to study coal and gold resources. Prospectors bound for Hope and Sunrise disembarked at the Homer Spit. The community was named for Homer Pennock, a gold mining company promoter, who arrived in 1896, built living quarters for his crew of 50 on the Spit and mined the beach sands along Cook Inlet, from Homer to Ninilchik. The Homer post office opened shortly thereafter. In 1899, Cook Inlet Coal Fields Company built a town and dock on the Spit, a coal mine at Homer's Bluff Point, and a 7-mile-long railroad which carried the coal to the end of Homer Spit. Various coal mining operations continued until World War I, and settlers continued to trickle into the area, some to homestead in the 1930s and 40s, others to work in the canneries built to process Cook Inlet fish. Coal provided fuel for homes, and there is still an estimated 400 million tons of coal deposits in the vicinity of Homer. The City government was incorporated in March 1964. After the Good Friday earthquake in 1964, the Homer Spit sunk approximately 4 to 6 feet, and several buildings had to be relocated. While commercial and sport fishing are the center of the economic activity, Homer has a large community of artists.

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HOPE

Population: 151 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire/Rescue/EMS

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Hope/Sunrise EMS (782-3174/3630); Central Peninsula Hospital (262-4404) in Soldotna or Anchorage Hospitals.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Hope lies on the northern end of the Kenai Peninsula, on the south shore of the Turnagain Arm of Cook Inlet. The community lies on the 17-mile Hope Highway, northwest of the Sterling Highway, near the mouth of Resurrection Creek, at approximately 60d 55m N Latitude, 149d 38m W Longitude (Sec. 33, T010N, R002W, Seward Meridian). Hope is located in the Seward Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Hope is accessible by a 16-mile road off the Sterling highway. Nearby Anchorage and the Kenai area offer a variety of transportation services.

Airport Facilities: A state-owned 2,000' long by 90' wide gravel airstrip is available.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of Anchorage; GCI

Long-Distance Phone: GCI

Internet Service Provider: None

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA

Radio Stations: All Anchorage stations

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Chugach Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Henry's One Stop; Bear Creek Lodge; Coeur d'Alene Campground; Porcupine Campground

Services:

Water & Sewage: Approximately one-fourth of homes use individual water wells and septic tank systems, and are fully plumbed. The school operates its own well water system. Many homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 18 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

ECONOMY:

The school and local retail businesses provide the only employment in Hope. Some mining activities continue today. A small sawmill is used by the community. One resident holds a commercial fishing permit.

Culture & Demographics:

"Hope City" was a mining camp for Resurrection Creek, established in 1896; the Hope post office began operating in 1897. Portions of the town were destroyed in the 1964 earthquake. There are two community associations. Many of the homes are vacation or weekend get-a-ways for Anchorage and Kenai residents. Tourism peaks in the summer.

HOUSTON

Population: 1,664 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: 2ND Class City
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None.

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: City Volunteer Fire Dept. (892-6457); Borough Ambulance

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Houston Ambulance Service (373-8800/745-4811); Valley Hospital (746-8600) and Mat-Su Regional Medical Center in Palmer.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Houston Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 356, Houston, AK 99694,
Phone 907-892-6812, Fax 907-892-6813, E-mail houstonakchamber@hotmail.com

Web <http://www.houstonakchamber.com>

City - City of Houston, P.O. Box 940027, Houston, AK 99694-0027, Phone 892-6869, Fax 892-7677

E-mail clerk@houston-ak.gov Web <http://www.houston-ak.gov>

Location & Climate:

Houston is located north of Wasilla in the Mat-Su Borough, 29 miles north of Anchorage. It lies on the George Parks Highway, at mile 174.9 of the Alaska Railroad, at approximately 61d 38m N Latitude, 149d 50m W Longitude (Sec. 21, T018N, R003W, Seward Meridian). Houston is located in the Palmer Recording District. January temperatures average 4 to 23, with highs to 38 and lows to -32. July average temperatures range from 47 to 68, with highs to 81 degrees.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Houston lies on the road system and the railroad. Air services are available nearby or at Anchorage International Airport

Airport Facilities: A privately-owned turf airstrip is located in Houston.

Airline Services: Alaska Explorers & Fishermen

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI; Matanuska Telephone

Internet Service Provider: ACS Internet (www.acsalaska.net); GCI (www.gci.net); MTA Online (www.mtaonline.com)

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTUU

Radio Stations: KADX-FM; KJHA-FM; KQEZ-FM; KRPM-FM

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Houston Motor Inn & RV Park; Miller's Place; Alaska Explorers B&B; Little Susitna River Campground; Nancy Lake State Recreation site

Services:

Water & Sewage: 60% of residents have individual wells, septic tanks, and complete plumbing. The school uses its own well water system. The remainder haul water and use outhouses. A number of homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There are 2 schools located in the community, attended by 727 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

ECONOMY:

Residents are employed in the nearby Wasilla/Palmer area, and some commute to Anchorage. In 2009, one resident held a commercial fishing permit. Houston is a popular fishing center for anglers on the Little Susitna River and area lakes, and there are businesses that perform hospitality services.

Culture & Demographics:

Herning Trail (now Willow Creek Sled Trail) was used for freighting supplies to the Willow Creek Mining District. "Houston Siding" was first listed on a blueprint map of the Alaska Railroad in 1917. A railroad spur was constructed to the Janios & Athens coal mine, which supplied coal to Anchorage and the LaTouche Mining Co. in Prince William Sound. In the mid-1920s, the Heaven brothers operated a mink farm at mile 60. In 1953-54, gravels roads and power lines were extended west of Wasilla, and Houston was quickly settled. In 1966, Houston became an incorporated city. In June 1996, the "Miller's Reach" wildfire destroyed more than 37,500 acres in the Houston and Big Lake area, including 433 buildings and homes valued at \$8.9 million. Houston is home to a number of popular recreation sites, including Bonnie Lake, Finger Lake and Long Lake. There are several community organizations, such as Mid-Valley Seniors and the Homesteaders Community Center.

JAKOLOF BAY

Population: 40 (2000 U.S. Census)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire/Rescue/EMT

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Flight to South Peninsula Hospital (235-8101) in Homer.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Jakolof Bay is on the Kenai Peninsula, in the Kachemak Bay State Park, 6.5 miles northeast of Seldovia, at approximately 59d 28m N Latitude, 151d 32m W Longitude. Jakolof Bay is located in the Seldovia Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: There is no road access to Jakolof Bay.

Airport Facilities: A 1,000' long by 35' wide public gravel airstrip is available.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider: ACS Internet (www.acsalaska.net)

TV Stations:

Radio Stations:

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes haul water and use privies. A few residents have individual wells and septic systems. One-third of homes are fully plumbed. Many homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Local businesses and timber provide the majority of employment. Oyster farming occurs in the area. A university research center is located nearby as well.

Culture & Demographics:

The local name was first reported in 1915 by the U.S. Geological Survey.

KACHEMAK

Population: 430 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: 2ND Class City
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: City Contract to Homer Police Dept.

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: City Contract to Homer Volunteer Fire/EMS (235-3155/3150)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by South Peninsula Hospital (235-8101) in Homer; Homer Volunteer Fire Dept./EMS (235-3155).

Organizations with Local Offices:

City - City of Kachemak, P.O. Box 958, Homer, AK 99603, Phone 235-8897, Fax 235-8854,
E-mail: kachemak@xyz.net

Location & Climate:

Kachemak is on the East Road, adjacent to Homer, on the Kenai Peninsula. It is on the northern shore of Kachemak Bay, approximately 59d 35m N Latitude, 151d 52m W Longitude (Sec. 23, T006S, R013W, Seward Meridian). Kachemak is located in the Homer Recording District. Winter temperatures average 14 to 27; summer temperatures typically range from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage and beyond. Homer offers an airport, harbor/dock, and State Ferry access.

Airport Facilities: See Homer.

Airline Services: In Homer

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider: XYZ.net/ACS (www.xyz.net)

TV Stations: KAKM; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA

Radio Stations: KWVV-FM; KPEN-FM

Cable Provider: GCI Cable, Inc.

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association. Homer Electric Assoc. purchases electricity from Chugach Electric in Anchorage and distributes it to communities on the west side of the Kenai Peninsula.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Bear Creek B&B; Kachemak Kiana B&B; Brigitte's Bavarian B&B; Seaside Farm; Hotels in Homer

Services: Airline, Taxi, and Car Rental service in Homer

Water & Sewage: Residents haul water, have water delivered to home storage tanks, or have individual wells and/or cisterns. The City of Homer provides some homes with piped sewer, and the remainder use individual septic tank systems or privies. Approximately 75% of households are fully plumbed. Some homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

ECONOMY:

Nearby Homer offers a variety of employment opportunities. There are few businesses within the city boundaries; supplies and services are provided by Homer.

Culture & Demographics:

According to W.H. Dall of the U.S. Coast & Geodetic Survey, "Ka" means water, "chek" means cliff, and "mak" is a suffix meaning high, great or large. It is a Native name, first published in 1847 on a Russian Hydrological chart. The city was incorporated in 1961.

KALIFORNSKY

Population: 7,495 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (262-4792/4453)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Central Emergency Services (262-4792/4453) and Central Peninsula Hospital (264-4404) in Soldotna.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Kalifornsky is located on the Kenai Peninsula on the east shore of Cook Inlet. This area lies on Kalifornsky Beach Road, and is not locally considered a community. It lies off the Sterling Highway, 10 miles south of the City of Kenai, at approximately 60d 25m N Latitude, 151d 17m W Longitude. Kalifornsky is located in the Kenai Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage and the statewide road system.

Airport Facilities: See Kenai.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: See Kenai.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA

Radio Stations: KWHQ-FM; KPEN-FM; KWVV-FM; KDLL-FM; KZXX-AM

Cable Provider: GCI Cable, Inc.

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: All homes are connected to individual water wells and septic tank systems and are fully plumbed. The schools also have well systems. Many houses in this area are used only seasonally

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 438 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Kalifornsky Beach Road is well-traveled by Kenai River sport fishing enthusiasts. The economy of the area is diverse: oil and gas processing, timber, commercial and sport fishing, government, retail businesses and tourism-related services provide employment.

Culture & Demographics:

The village of Kalifornsky was first noted in 1916 by the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey. The family name "Kalifornsky" is attributed to a Dena'ina Indian who worked at the Fort Ross colony in California between 1812 and the 1820s; "Kali" means fishermen. Peter Kalifornsky, now deceased, was born in the village and was the last fluent speaker of the Lower Cook Inlet dialect of the Dena'ina language.

KASILOF

Population: 536 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO: None

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (262-4792/4453)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Central Emergency Services (262-4792/4453) and Central Peninsula Hospital in Soldotna.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Kasilof is located on the east shore of Cook Inlet on the Kenai Peninsula. It lies on the Sterling Highway, 12 miles south of the City of Kenai, at approximately 60d 23m N Latitude, 151d 17m W Longitude (Sec. 24, T003N, R012W, Seward Meridian). Kasilof is located in the Kenai Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides a route to Anchorage.

Airport Facilities: The State owns and operates the 2,165' gravel airstrip, and there are three additional private airstrips in the vicinity. Kenai has an airport.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: There is a boat launch at the Kasilof River. Kenai has docking facilities.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA; KYES

Radio Stations: KWHQ-FM; KPEN-FM; KWVV-FM; KDLL-FM; KZXX-AM

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Kasilof Riverview Lodge; Crooked Creek RV Park; Kasilof River State Recreation site; Johnson Lake State campground; Tustemena Lodge

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes use individual water wells and septic tanks and are fully

plumbed. The school operated its own well water and treatment system.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 153 students. A refuse transfer site is available at mile 110.4 Sterling Highway in Kasilof.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

The economy of the Kenai area is diverse: oil and gas processing, timber, commercial and sport fishing, government, retail businesses and tourism-related services provide employment. In 2009, 122 Kasilof residents held commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics:

Kasilof was an agricultural settlement of Kenaitze Indians, which grew around a stockade built by the Russian Kolomin of the Lebedef-Lastochkin Company. A partial excavation of the area in 1937 found 31 well-preserved houses. Kasilof is a geographic location on the Kenai Peninsula, rather than a community. Most residents now are non-Native.

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

Population: 53,602 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In:

Incorporation Type: 2nd Class Borough
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services: See information provided for each community within the borough.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Borough - Kenai Peninsula Borough, 144 North Binkley St., Soldotna, AK 99669, Phone 262-4441, Fax 262- 2377, E-mail assemblyclerk@borough.kenai.ak.us Web <http://www.borough.kenai.ak.us>

Economic Development - Kenai Peninsula Tourism Marketing Council, 150 N. Willow St., Suite 42, Kenai, AK 99611, Phone 283-3850, Fax 283-2838, e-mail: info@kenaipeninsula.org, Web: <http://www.kenaipeninsula.org>

Regional Development - Kenai Pen. Econ. Dev. District, P.O. Box 3029, Kenai, AK 99611, Phone 283-3335, Fax 283-3913, E-mail tjorgerson@kpedd.org, Web: <http://www.kpedd.org>

School District - Kenai Peninsula Schools, 148 N. Binkley St., Soldotna, AK 99669, Phone 262-5846, Fax 262-9132, e-mail: dpeterson@kpbsd.k12.ak.us, Web: <http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us>

Services/Other - Kenai Peninsula Resource Conservation & Development, P.O. Box 800, Kenai, AK 99611, Phone 283-7443, Fax 283-8158

Location & Climate:

The Kenai Peninsula Borough is comprised of the Kenai Peninsula, Cook Inlet and a large unpopulated area northeast of the Alaska Peninsula. The Borough includes portions of the Chugach National Forest, the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, The Kenai Fjords National Park, and portions of the Lake Clark and Katmai National Park. The twin Cities of Kenai and Soldotna are the population centers of the Borough, approximately 65 air miles south of Anchorage. The area encompasses 16078.9 sq. miles of land and 5585.4 sq. miles of water. January temperatures range from 4 to 22; July temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The borough is accessible by the Sterling Highway to Anchorage and points beyond.

Airport Facilities: See individual communities for airport information

Airline Services: Scheduled and charter airlines and helicopter services are provided.

Freight: Ocean-going freighters are tendered at the City dock.

Vessel Support: The State Ferry serves Homer.

Facilities & Utilities:

This information is available on a community basis. Communities located within the Borough include: Anchor Point, Clam Gulch, Cohoe, Cooper Landing, Crown Point, Fox River, Fritz Creek, Halibut Cove, Happy Valley, Homer, Hope, Jakolof Bay, Kachemak, Kalifonsky, Kasilof, Kenai, Moose Pass, Nanwalek, Nikiski, Nikolaevsk, Ninilchik, Port Graham, Primrose, Ridgeway, Salamatof, Seldovia, Seward, Soldotna, Sterling, and Tyonek.

Miscellaneous: There are 40 schools located in the community, attended by 10,158 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Potential Command Posts:

- Community hall, etc. –
- School –

Potential Staging Areas:

- Airport –
- National Guard Armory –
- Other government facilities –

Local Spill Response Equipment:

- Community Spill Response Agreement in place with Kenai Peninsula Borough.
- Nearshore response barge (550 barge) located in Seldovia.

Economy:

The borough economy is diverse. Off-shore oil and gas production in Cook Inlet and downstream production primarily take place north of Kenai. In-state, out-of-state, and overseas travelers visit the Kenai Peninsula for sportfishing and other recreational activities. Other important economic sectors include commercial fishing and fish processing. In 2009, 1,407 borough residents held commercial fishing permits, which allow fishing for salmon, cod, halibut, and other species. Varied and large retail centers have developed in the Soldotna and Kenai area.

Culture & Demographics:

The Kenaitze Indians (Dena'ina) have occupied the Peninsula historically. The City of Kenai was founded in 1791 as a Russian fur trading post. In the early 1900s cannery operations and construction of the railroad spurred development. It was the site of the first major Alaska oil strike, in 1957, and has been a center for exploration and production since that time. The borough was incorporated as a second-class borough in 1964. The Kenai River is a major sport fishing location for Anchorage residents and tourists. The river is world renown for trophy king and silver salmon, so the Peninsula is well-traveled by sportsmen during summer months.

KENAI

Population: 7,115 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Home Rule City
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: City Police Dept. (283-7879)

VPSO: None

State Troopers: State Troopers Post (283-8590)

Fire: City Fire Dept./EMS (283-7666); Civil Air Patrol; Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (262-4792/4453)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Kenai Fire Dept./EMS (283-7666/4136); Central Emergency Services (262-4792/4453) and Central Peninsula Hospital (262-4404) in Soldotna.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Kenai Chamber of Commerce, 402 Overland, Kenai, AK 99611, Phone 283-7989, Fax 283-2230, E-mail info@kenaichamber.org Web <http://www.kenaichamber.org>

City - City of Kenai, 210 Fidalgo Ave., St. 200, Kenai, AK 99611, Phone 283-7535, Fax 283-3014, E-mail: cfreas@ci.kenai.ak.us, Web: <http://www.ci.kenai.ak.us>

Economic Development - Kenai Visitors & Convention Bureau, 11471 Kenai Spur Hwy., Kenai, AK 99611, Phone 283-1991, Fax 283-2230, e-mail: kvcb@alaska.net, Web: <http://www.visitkenai.com/>

Media - Peninsula Clarion, P.O. Box 3009, Kenai, AK 99611, Phone 283-7551, Fax 283-3299, E-mail clarion@alaska.net Web <http://www.peninsulaclarion.com>

Village Corporation - Kenai Natives Assoc., Inc., 215 Fidalgo Ave. #203, Kenai, AK 99611, Phone 283-4851, Fax 283-4854

Village Council - Kenaitze Indian Tribe, P.O. Box 988, Kenai, AK 99611, Phone 283-3633, Fax 283-3052, E-mail kenaitze@alaska.net Web <http://www.kenaitze.org/>

Location & Climate:

Kenai is located on the Kenai Spur Highway along the western coast of the Kenai Peninsula, fronting Cook Inlet, and on the western boundary of the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge,. It is approximately 65 air miles and 155 highway miles southwest of Anchorage via the Sterling Highway, at approximately 60d 33m N Latitude, 151d 16m W Longitude (Sec. 05, T005N, R011W, Seward Meridian. Winter temperatures range from 4 to 22; summer temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Kenai is accessible by the Sterling Highway to Anchorage, Fairbanks, Canada and the lower 48 states.

Airport Facilities: The City-owned Kenai Municipal Airport provides a 7,575' asphalt runway, a 1,000' turf strip, a float plane strip, and helicopter service. A Flight Service Station is available. Float plane facilities are also available at Island Lake and Arness Lake. There are five additional privately-owned airstrips in the vicinity.

Airline Services: ERA Aviation; Southcentral Air (freight); Alaska West Air; Justin Tyme Air Service; Kenai Air Alaska; Kenai Aviation; White's Air Service; 4W Air

Freight:

Vessel Support: The Kenai City Dock and boat ramp are located near the mouth of the Kenai River. There are also a number of private commercial fish processing docks, but no boat moorage.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: GCI; ACS Long Distance

Internet Service Provider: ACS Internet (www.acsalaska.net); Arctic.Net/TelAlaska, Inc.

(www.arctic.net); Chugach.Net (www.chugach.net); Core Communications (www.corecom.net); Custom CPU (www.customcpu.com); Peninsula Internet (www.kenai.net)

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA; KYES

Radio Stations: KWHQ-FM; KPEN-FM; KWVV-FM; KDLL-FM; KZXX-AM

Cable Provider: GCI Cable, Inc.

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Kenai Peninsula Legislative Information Office

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association. Homer Electric Assoc. operates the Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project and is part owner of the Alaska Electric Generation & Transmission Cooperative, which operates a gas turbine plant in Soldotna. It also purchases electricity from Chugach Electric.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity): City (15,000 gals.); Alaska Oil Storage (162,000); Ward Cove Packing (17,500)

Housing: Katmai Hotel; Kenai King's Inn; Uptown Motel; Kenai Merit Inn; Harborside Cottages; Alicia's Eagle Rock Lodge; Daniels Lake Lodge; Tanglewood B&B; Summit Lake Lodge; Overland RV Park; Betty's RV Park; Beluga Lookout RV Park

Services: Taxis: Inlet Transportation; AAA/AK Cab; **Car Rental:** Budget; Avis; Hertz; National; Kenai Chrysler Center

Water & Sewage: Water is supplied by three artesian wells, is treated and piped to 75% of households. A fourth well is under construction. Sewage is piped and receives secondary treatment. The remaining 25% of households use individual water wells and septic systems.

Miscellaneous: Natural gas from Enstar is primarily used for home heating purposes. There are 6 schools located in the community, attended by 1,590 students. The borough landfill is located in nearby Soldotna, at mile 110.4 Sterling Highway.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

In 1965, offshore oil discoveries in Cook Inlet fueled a period of rapid growth. Kenai has been a growing center for the oil and gas industry since that time, providing services and supplies for Cook Inlet's oil and natural gas drilling and exploration. Tesoro Alaska's oil refining operations and the now-closed Unocal urea plant are located in north Kenai. Both in-state and out-of-state visitors, especially for sport fishing along the Kenai River, provide a significant tourism industry. Other important economic sectors include sport, subsistence and commercial fishing, fish processing, timber and lumber harvesting, agriculture, transportation services, construction and retail trade. Approximately 222 area residents hold commercial fishing permits. The largest employers are the borough school district, Peak Oilfield Services, Tesoro Alaska, the borough, and Central Peninsula General Hospital. Logging of spruce bark beetle-killed timber is a growing industry in the area.

Culture & Demographics:

Prior to Russian settlement, Kenai was a Dena'ina Athabascan Indian village. Russian fur traders first arrived in 1741, at which time, about 1,000 Dena'ina lived in the village of Shk'ituk't, near the River, and the traders called the people "Kenaitze," or "Kenai people." In 1791, a fortified Russian trading post, Fort St. Nicholas, was constructed for fur and fish trading, the second permanent Russian settlement in Alaska.

In 1849, the Holy Assumption Russian Orthodox Church was established. A post office was established in 1899. Through the 1920s, commercial fishing was the primary activity. In 1940, homesteading enabled the area to develop. The first dirt road from Anchorage was constructed in 1951. In 1957, oil was discovered at Swanson River, 20 miles northeast of Kenai - the first major Alaska oil strike. The city was incorporated in 1960. In 1965, offshore oil discoveries in Cook Inlet fueled a period of rapid growth. Kenai has been a growing center for oil exploration, production and services since that time. Alaska Natives represent 12% of the population; a federally recognized tribe is located in the community – the Kenaitze Indian Tribe.

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KNIK-FAIRVIEW

(formerly Knik, and not to be confused with **Knik River** – see below)

Population: 13,824 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services

Police: None

VPSO: None

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire Dept (376-3559)

Medical: Auxiliary health care provided by Valley Hospital clinic in Wasilla (352-2888) or hospital in Palmer (746-8600) or Anchorage Hospitals. Local emergency service is provided by volunteers.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Village Corporation - Knikatnu, Incorporated, P.O. Box 872130, Wasilla, AK 99687,
Phone 907-376-2845, Fax 907-376-2847, E-mail knikcorp@gci.net

Village Council - Knik Tribal Council, P.O. Box 877885, Wasilla, AK 99687, P.O. Box 871565, Wasilla, AK 99687 Phone 907-373-7991, Fax 907-373-2161, E-mail kniktribe@mtaonline.net

Community Non-Profit - Friends of Old Knik, HC30 Box 5480-B, Knik, AK 99654; 907-373-1102
Web <http://www.knik.org/>

Community Non-Profit - Knik-Fairview Community Council, P.O. Box 877476, Wasilla, AK 99687-7476; Phone 907-373-4670, E-mail jkward@gci.net

Knik River - Community Non-Profit - South Knik River Community Council, HC 02 Box 7691-I, Palmer, AK 99645-9710; Phone 907-746-6414

Location & Climate:

Knik-Fairview is on the northwest bank of the Knik Arm of Cook Inlet, 37 road miles northwest of Anchorage in the Mat-Su Borough. It lies south of Wasilla, Big Lake and Meadow Lakes, off of Knik-Goose Bay Road and Fairview Loop Road, at approximately 61.540780° North Latitude and -149.59373° West Longitude. (Sec. 24, T016N, R003W, Seward Meridian.) Average temperatures in January range from -28 to 39; in July, 44 to 83. Annual precipitation is 16.5 inches, including 48 inches of snowfall.

Knik-Fairview is separate from the community of **Knik River**, population 654, which is along the south side of Knik River, at the southern border of the Mat-Su Borough along the Old Glenn Highway and Knik River Road, at approximately 61.470970° North Latitude and -148.86064° West Longitude. (Sec. 24, T016N, R003W, Seward Meridian.)

Transportation:

Accessibility: The George Parks Highway, Glenn Highway, and other local roads connect the area to Anchorage, the remainder of the state and Canada.

Airport Facilities: Ten private airstrips are in the vicinity

Airline Services: The Wasilla and Palmer airports provide scheduled commuter and air taxi services. Float planes land at Wasilla Lake, Jacobsen Lake and Lake Lucille.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc. **Long-Distance Phone:** AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider: **Cable Provider:** **Teleconferencing:**

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES **Radio Stations:** Some Anchorage ones available

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Lake Lucille Mat-Su borough Park Campground; Settlers Bay Lodge

Services:

Water & Sewage: Most households use individual water wells, septic systems and are fully plumbed. There are several privately-operated piped systems. Many homes have access to piped natural gas for heating. The Borough landfill in Palmer is used, and private refuse collection is available

Miscellaneous: There are 2 schools located in the community, attended by 820 students.

Note: for **Knik River**, most homes use individual wells and septic systems. There are a few private piped systems; some residents haul water and use outhouses. The Eklutna Power Project is located in the community. The Borough provides a refuse transfer site in Butte. Electricity is provided by Matanuska Electric Association. There are no state operated schools located in the Knik River community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Agriculture and gravel extraction occur locally. Most residents are employed in Palmer, Wasilla or Anchorage in a variety of retail, services, city, borough, state, or federal government positions.

Culture & Demographics:

Knik is a Dena'ina (Tanaina) Athabascan Indian name meaning "fire," which originally applied to several villages at the head of Cook Inlet. A Russian Orthodox mission was in Knik as early as 1835. The primary village was listed as "Kinik" in the 1880 U.S. Census. Gold found in Interior Alaska in 1908 brought prospectors and supplies to disembark at Knik. Construction of the Iditarod Trail brought mail from Knik to Nome and shipments of gold by dog team to meet the boat at Knik. At its peak between 1913 and 1915, the town was home to 500 people during the summer and 1,000 during the winter. For awhile, more Dena'ina lived in Knik than did white settlers and miners. When the Alaska Railroad bypassed Knik in 1915, most residents relocated to Anchorage and Wasilla. Camp 13 of the Matanuska Colony, with 6 farms, was established along Fairview Road in 1935. Land was also homesteaded by veterans after World War II and the Korean War. Most of the historic docks and commercial district were destroyed in the 1960s when Knik-Goose Bay Road was constructed. This community is relatively large, with nearly 2,600 homes. Knik, a check-point for the Iditarod Sled Dog Race, is called the "Dog Mushing Center of the World." High-school students are bused to Wasilla. Low housing costs, the semi-rural lifestyle, and a tolerable commute to Anchorage have supported new growth in this portion of the Mat-Su Valley.

LAZY MOUNTAIN

Population: 1,446 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Valley Hospital (746-8600) in Palmer.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Community Non-Profit - Lazy Mountain Community Council, P.O. Box 696, Palmer, AK 99645
Phone: 745-5420; 745-6962, Fax: 907-745-5420, E-mail jsykes@ak.net Web <http://lazymountaincc.org>

Location & Climate:

The community lies at the foot of 3,720' Lazy Mountain, 5 miles northeast of Palmer in the Mat-Su Borough, at approximately 61d 37m N Latitude, 148d 57m W Longitude. Lazy Mountain is located in the Palmer Recording District. The average temperatures in January range from 6 to 14; in July, 47 to 67. Annual precipitation is 16.5 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The community has access to the Glenn and George Parks Highways, and transportation is available for private or chartered aircraft nearby.

Airport Facilities:

Airline Services:

Freight:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES

Radio Stations:

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: Approximately 90% of homes have individual water wells and septic systems, and are fully plumbed. A safewater source is available for hauling.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community; students are bused to schools in Butte or Palmer.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Locals are employed in a variety of positions in the nearby Palmer/Wasilla area. Vegetables, grain, hay, and potatoes are grown; a number of "U-Pick" farms exist in the area.

Culture & Demographics:

Around 1900, "Palmer's Upper House," a boat-accessible trading post, was located on the east side of the Matanuska River, just upriver from today's Matanuska River Bridge on the Old Glenn Highway. George Palmer's store catered to Dena'ina Athabascans who traded with the Ahtna from Copper River. The area was homesteaded as early as 1915, when the railroad brought employment. Lazy Mountain Children's Home operated from 1947 until the early 1960s. At one time, the Mat-Su Borough established a ski lift and warm-up hut at the Lazy Mountain Recreation Area, but it has since been dismantled.

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

Population: 84,314 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In:

Incorporation Type: 2nd Class Borough
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services: See individual communities.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Borough - Matanuska-Susitna Borough, 350 East Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, AK 99645, Phone 745-4801, Fax 745-9845, e-mail: ccb@msb.co.mat-su.ak.us, Web: <http://www.co.mat-su.ak.us/>

Economic Development - Matanuska-Susitna Convention & Visitors Bureau, HCO-1, Box 6166J21, Palmer, AK 99645, Phone 746-5000, Fax 746-2688, e-mail: matsucvb@alaska.net, Web: <http://www.alaskavisit.com/>

School District - Matanuska-Susitna Schools, 125 W. Evergreen, Palmer, AK 99645, Phone 746-9255, Fax 745-0194, e-mail: KDErickson@msb.mat-su.k12.ak.us, Web: <http://www.mat-su.k12.ak.us/schdist/>

Location & Climate:

The Borough is comprised of the lush farmlands of the Matanuska and Susitna Valleys, approximately 42 miles northeast of Anchorage. It lies at approximately 61d 36m N Latitude, 149d 06m W Longitude. The area encompasses 24693.6 sq. miles of land and 538.8 sq. miles of water. The average temperatures in January range from 6 to 14; in July, 47 to 67. Annual precipitation is 16.5 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The area accesses both the Glenn and George Parks Highways.

Airport Facilities: A local municipal airport supports private and chartered services.

Airline Services: Commercial airlines serve the nearby Anchorage International Airport

Freight: The Alaska Railroad connects Palmer to Whittier, Seward or Anchorage for ocean freight delivery.

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

This information is available on a community basis. Communities located within the Borough include: Alexander Creek, Big Lake, Butte, Chase, Chickaloon, Houston, Knik, Lazy Mountain, Meadow Lakes, Palmer, Skwentna, Sutton, Talkeetna, Trapper Creek, Wasilla, and Willow.

Miscellaneous: There are 30 schools located in the community, attended by 12,669 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

ECONOMY:

The economy is diverse, and residents are employed in a variety of retail, professional, and government occupations. Top employers are Mat-Su schools, Valley Hospital, Wal-Mart, Carrs/Safeway, and Fred Meyer. About one-third of the borough's labor force commutes to Anchorage for employment. In 2009, 285 borough residents held commercial fish permits.

Culture & Demographics:

By 1920, gold, coal mining, and construction of the Alaska railroad sustained the local population. The Matanuska Valley was settled by homesteaders who led an agricultural lifestyle in the 1930s. Construction of the statewide road system and the rich farmlands fueled population growth. Today, Borough residents enjoy a more rural lifestyle close to metropolitan Anchorage. Low housing costs, the rural lifestyle, and a reasonable commute to Anchorage for employment and services has made the Mat-Su Borough one of the fastest growing areas of Alaska in recent years.

MEADOW LAKES

Population: 7,319 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire Dept.

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Valley Hospital (746-8600) in Palmer.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

The community is located along Meadow Lakes, a 10-mile long lake between the Little Susitna River and the Alaska Railroad, 5 miles northwest of Wasilla off of the George Parks Highway. It lies at approximately 61d 37m N Latitude, 149d 38m W Longitude. Meadow Lakes is located in the Palmer Recording District. January temperatures range from 4 to 23; July can vary from 47 to 68.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The area is connected to the statewide highway system from the George Parks Highway.

Airport Facilities: A 1300' by 200' turf runway can be used in the summer time only. Nearby Palmer and Wasilla offer air service. Float planes can access Meadow Lake.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: In-State Phone: Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES

Radio Stations:

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: Approximately 80% of homes use individual water wells, septic systems, and are fully plumbed; the remainder haul water from a safe source and use outhouses. A large number of homes in the area are for seasonal use.

Miscellaneous: There are 2 schools located in the community, attended by 628 students. Refuse is collected by a private firm or hauled to the borough landfill in Palmer.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

The Wasilla/Palmer area and Anchorage employ individuals in a wide variety of federal, state, local and private sector jobs.

Culture & Demographics:

The area has served as a transportation corridor since around 1906, when the first of the trails leading out of Knik to the Gold Mines in the Willow Creek Mining District, the Carle Wagon Road, was constructed. This is now the Wasilla-Fishhook Road. In 1917, Pittman was established on the Alaska Railroad at Mile 166.5, and a water station was added in 1920. Homesteaders settled the area after World War II, and the area continued to develop after a Department of Natural Resources land disposal during the mid-1960s. Low housing costs, the semi-rural lifestyle, and employment in Palmer, Wasilla and Anchorage have supported growth in the Mat-Su Valley.

MOOSE PASS

Population: 189 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough/Moose Pass Vol. Fire/EMS (288-3666/8665); Moose Pass Fire Hall

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Moose Pass Volunteer Fire/EMS (288-3666/8665); Seward General Hospital (224-5205) or Central Peninsula Hospital (262-4404) in Soldotna.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Moose Pass is located 26 miles north of Seward on the Kenai Peninsula. It is on the southwest shore of Upper Trail Lake, off the Seward Highway, at mile 29.3 of the Alaska Railroad, at approximately 60d 29m N Latitude, 149d 22m W Longitude. Moose Pass is located in the Seward Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Seward and Sterling Highways provide access to Anchorage.

Airport Facilities: Nearby Seward offers an airport. Seaplanes land at Summit Lake.

Airline Services: Scenic Mountain Air

Freight: Nearby Seward offers a railroad, harbor/dock facilities.

Vessel Support: Nearby Seward offers a harbor/dock facilities and State Ferry access.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Interior Telephone Co./TelAlaska

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI

Internet Service Provider: Seward Internet Services (www.seward.net)

TV Stations: ARCS

Radio Stations: KSWD-AM; KYAK-AM; KFQD-AM

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Chugach Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Moose Pass RV Park; Trail Lodge; Summit Lake Lodge

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes use individual water wells and septic tank systems; over 50% of households are fully plumbed. The school operates its own water system. The remainder of residences haul or have water delivered, and use privies. Many homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 18 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

The State Division of Forestry and local businesses provide most employment. The community is not within an easy commute of either Seward or Kenai. In 2009, two residents held commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics:

The community was first named in 1912 as a station on the Alaska Railroad. The name is reportedly derived from a mail carrier's team of dogs that in 1903 had considerable trouble gaining the right-of-way from a moose. A post office was established in 1928.

NANWALEK

(nan-WAH-leck); formerly English Bay

Population: 226 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: Chugach Alaska Corp.

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO: (State VPSO currently vacant) (281-2274)

State Troopers:

Fire:

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include Nanwalek Health Clinic (281-2250/2251). Auxiliary health care is provided by Nanwalek First Responders & Clinic (281-2250).

Organizations with Local Offices:

Village Corporation - English Bay Corporation, P.O. Box KEB, Homer, AK 99603, Phone 281-2252, Fax 281-2252

Village Council - Native Village of Nanwalek, P.O. Box 8028, Nanwalek, AK 99603-6628, Phone 281-2252, Fax 281-2252, e-mail: Nanwalek@smtp.ak.bia.gov

Location & Climate:

Nanwalek is located at the southern tip of the Kenai Peninsula, 10 miles southwest of Seldovia and east of Port Graham, at approximately 59d 21m N Latitude, 151d 55m W Longitude (Sec. 35, T009S, R016W, Seward Meridian). Nanwalek is located in the Seldovia Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 60. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Nanwalek is not accessible by road. Boats are the primary means of transportation locally.

Airport Facilities: A State-owned 1,850' gravel airstrip is available.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: The State ferry provides service to nearby Seldovia.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland **Long-Distance Phone:** AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider: None **TV Stations:** None locally **Cable Provider:** None

Radio Stations: KSRM-AM; KWHQ-FM; KBBI-AM; KGTL-AM

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: Water is derived from a surface stream and is treated; a new surface water source is under development. Nanwalek has a piped water and sewer system which serves all homes in the village; most are completely plumbed. The village needs a larger water storage tank, water treatment, new water and sewer mains, new fire hydrants, and a landfill expansion.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 69 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

The school, subsistence activities, and summer employment at the Port Graham cannery provide income. Six residents hold commercial fishing permits. The community is working on a project to reestablish the local sockeye run, which has been very low in recent years.

Culture & Demographics:

Originally the site of a Russian Trading Post called Alexandrovsk, the village was later called "Odinochka," meaning "a person living in solitude." A Russian Orthodox Church was built in the community in 1870. In 1930, a replacement Church was constructed, and it is a designated national historic site. In 1991, locals changed the community name of English Bay to Nanwalek, meaning "place by lagoon." Many of the current residents are of mixed Russian and Sugpiaq (Alutiiq) lineage. Villagers speak Sugtestun, a dialect of Eskimo similar to Yup'ik.

A federally recognized tribe is located in the community -- the Native Village of Nanwalek, and 93% of the population is Alaska Native or part Native; it is a traditional Alutiiq village. Subsistence activities are a large part of the culture. The sale of alcohol is banned in the village, although importing and possession are allowed.

NIKISKI

(nih-KISS-kee); formerly Nikishka

Population: 4,465 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None.

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough/Nikiski Fire Dept./EMS/Rescue (776-8400); Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (283-4388/776-8400)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Nikiski Fire Dept./EMS/Rescue (283-4388/776-8400) and Central Peninsula Hospital (262-4404) in Soldotna.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - North Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 8053, Nikiski, AK 99635, Phone 283-7862, Fax 776-5122

Location & Climate:

Nikiski, also known as Port Nikiski and Nikishka, is located on the Kenai Peninsula, 9 miles north of the City of Kenai, off of the Sterling Highway, at approximately 60d 44m N Latitude, 151d 19m W Longitude (Sec. 02, T006N, R012W, Seward Meridian). Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage.

Airport Facilities: Nearby Kenai offers an airport. There are two private airstrips in the vicinity, one owned by Shell Oil Company

Airline Services: Rediske Air

Freight:

Vessel Support: Nearby Kenai offers docking facilities. The Port of Nikiski docks service offshore drilling platforms.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider: Custom CPU (www.customcpu.com); GCI (www.gci.net); Peninsula Internet (www.kenai.net)

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA; KYES

Radio Stations: KXBA-FM

Cable Provider: GCI Cable, Inc.

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Kenai Peninsula Legislative Information Office

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Lynn's Inn B&B; Moose Haven Lodge; Daniel's Lake Lodge; Bishop Creek Campground; Discovery Campground

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes use individual water wells and septic tank systems. The remainder of residences haul or have water delivered, and use privies. Almost all homes are fully plumbed. The schools operate their own well water systems.

Miscellaneous: There are 2 schools located in the community, attended by 787 students. A borough refuse transfer facility is located on Poolside Avenue.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Nikiski is the site of a Tesoro Alaska oil refinery, where Cook Inlet and some North Slope crude oil is processed into jet fuel, gasoline, and diesel. BP has constructed a natural gas to liquid fuel pilot plant in Nikiski. Agrium, Inc. recently ceased operation after once employing 500 residents at its fertilizer plant, producing 1 million tons of urea and 600,000 tons of ammonia annually. Timber, commercial and sport fishing, government, retail businesses, and tourism-related services also provide employment. In 2009, 42 residents held commercial fishing permits. Alaska Petroleum Contractors and Natchiq Inc. build modules in Nikiski to be shipped to the North Slope for oil-field service work.

Culture & Demographics:

Traditionally a Kenaitze Indian territory, the area was homesteaded in the 1940s, and grew with the discovery of oil on the Kenai Peninsula in 1957. By 1964, oil-related industries located here included Unocal, Phillips 66, Chevron and Tesoro.

NIKOLAEVSK

Population: 315 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Certified Community Volunteers & Fire Truck; Borough Rescue/EMT

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Anchor Point Fire/EMS (235-6700/2427); South Peninsula Hospital (235-8101) in Homer.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Community Non-Profit - Nikolaevsk Community Council Inc., P.O. Box 5044, Nikolaevsk, AK 99556, Phone 235-2731/4033, e-mail: ncws@alaska.net

Location & Climate:

Nikolaevsk is located on the Kenai Peninsula, inland from the Sterling Highway near Anchor Point, at approximately 59d 50m N Latitude, 151d 35m W Longitude (Sec. 23, T004S, R014W, Seward Meridian). Nikolaevsk is located in the Homer Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage.

Airport Facilities: Nearby Homer offers an airport.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: Nearby Homer offers harbor/docking facilities and a State Ferry landing.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland
Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; United Utilities
Internet Service Provider: XYZ.net/ACS (www.xyz.net)
TV Stations: KAKM; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA
Radio Stations: KWHQ-FM; KSRM-AM; KWVV-FM; KGTL-AM; KPEN-FM; KBBI-AM
Cable Provider: None **Teleconferencing:** Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: A new water treatment building, water mains and household water service lines were installed in 1997. The majority of homes are fully plumbed - 49 residents, the school and community-wide fire hydrants are connected to the water system. 80% of households use septic tanks for sewage disposal. Two subdivisions (Nahodka and Kluchevaya) are located outside of the main hub of Nikolaevsk. They have an independent water system that taps two local springs; they do not want to be connected to the new water system. The community has asked for funding to remedy failing individual septic tanks.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 131 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Many residents are employed in the Anchor Point and Homer areas , primarily in fishing and construction. The Fefelov Mercantile, a general store and post office, is the only year-round business and provides groceries, fabric, and other items. A co-op has recently been formed for Russian handmade items. Boat building also occurs. In 2009, 19 residents held commercial fishing permits. Boat building also occurs.

Culture & Demographics:

Nikolaevsk is the location of a settlement of "Russian Old Believers," whose ancestors settled in Woodburn, Oregon after the Bolshevik Revolution of 1917 forced them out of Russia. The first Old Believer settlers on the Kenai Peninsula received a grant from the Tolstoy Foundation in New York and purchased land there in 1967. The community includes Russian Orthodox, Russian Old Believers (Old Right Believers) and some non-Russian people, living in three distinct settlements. The Old Believers in this area lead a family-oriented, self-sufficient, separatist lifestyle. They use modern utilities, and food sources are from gardening, fishing, hunting, and cattle. The first school opened in 1972 and until 1980, students attended classes through the ninth grade, then began their adult lives; many students now go on to complete their education. Families are typically very large (8 to 12 children.) Traditional clothing is worn, Russian is the first language, and the church dictates that males do not shave. Boys typically marry at age 15 or 16, while girls are married at 13 or 14. As growth occurred during the 1980s and 1990s, additional settlements have developed in the area.

NINILCHIK

Population: 824 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers: State Troopers Post (567-3388)

Fire: Ninilchik Volunteer Fire Dept. (567-3929); Borough Central Emergency Services (CES)
Fire/Rescue/EMT

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include Ninilchik Health Clinic (567-3970). Auxiliary health care is provided by Ninilchik Community Ambulance Assoc. (567-3970/3323); Ninilchik Volunteer Fire Dept. (567-3929); South Peninsula Hospital (235-8101) in Homer or Central Peninsula Hospital in Soldotna (262-4404).

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Ninilchik Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 39164, Ninilchik, AK 99636, Phone 567-33571, E-mail: information@nirilchikchamber.com

Web: <http://www.nirilchikchamber.com>

Village Corporation - Ninilchik Native Association, Inc., 800 E. Dimond Blvd., Suite 3-490, Anchorage, AK 99515, Phone 344-8654, Fax 344-8684, E-mail gvo@alaska.net

Web: <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Hills/4416/links.htm>

Village Council - Ninilchik Traditional Council, P.O. Box 39070, Ninilchik, AK 99639, Phone 567-3313, Fax 567-3308, E-mail: ntc@nirilchiktribe-nsn.gov/, Web: <http://www.nirilchiktribe-nsn.gov/>

Location & Climate:

Ninilchik lies on the west coast of the Kenai Peninsula on the Sterling Highway, 38 miles southwest of the City of Kenai, and 188 road miles from Anchorage, at approximately 60d 03m N Latitude, 151d 40m W Longitude (Sec. 34, T001S, R014W, Seward Meridian). Ninilchik is located in the Homer Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage and beyond.

Airport Facilities: A State-owned 2,400' dirt/gravel airstrip is located in Ninilchik. Homer also offers an airport.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: Nearby Homer also offers harbor/docking facilities and State Ferry access. Boats are launched from Deep Creek beach.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland **Long-Distance Phone:** GCI; ACS Long Distance

Internet Service Provider: Core Communications (www.corecom.net); Peninsula Internet (www.kenai.net) **TV Stations:** KAKM; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA; KYES **Cable Provider:** None

Radio Stations: KSRM-AM; KWHQ-FM; KWVV-FM; KGTL-AM; KPEN-FM; KBBI-AM

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Big Valley Cabins; The Bluff House B&B; Double Eagle Lodge; Homestead House B&B; Hysten's Housekeeping Cottages & Camper Park; Ninilchik Cabins & Fish Camp; Ninilchik Lodge; Hysten's Camper Park; Ninilchik View State Campground; Deep Creek State Recreation Area; Inlet View Lodge & Cabins; Reel 'Em Inn; The Eagle Watch Hostel; Country Boy Campground/RVs; Heavenly Sights RV Park; Hysten's Alaskan Angler RV Park; Flying Bear Cabins/Campground/RV; Ninilchik Point Overnighter/RV

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes use individual water wells or have water delivered. Two-thirds of all residences have individual septic systems and full plumbing; others use outhouses. The school operates its own well and water treatment facility. Many homes in this area are used only seasonally. The village has requested funding to construct a piped sewer system for homes in the Old Ninilchik Subdivision. Lots are too small for both individual wells and septic systems.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 170 students. A borough refuse transfer site is located in Ninilchik, at mile 138.5 Sterling Highway.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Fishing, retail businesses, tourism, and logging comprise the majority of private sector activities in Ninilchik. Declining fish prices, fish processing, and timber harvesting have affected income opportunities. The economy of the surrounding Kenai area is diverse: oil and gas processing, commercial and sport fishing, government, healthcare, retail businesses, and tourism-related services provide employment. In 2009, 45 residents held commercial fishing permits. King Salmon fishing on Deep Creek and Ninilchik River lure thousands of sport fishermen to Ninilchik between late May and late June. Both saltwater and freshwater sport fishing occur seasonally in the area. Deep Creek Custom Packing is a major private employer.

Culture & Demographics:

The Kenai Peninsula was historically used by Dena'ina Indians for fur-farming and fishing. The Dena'ina word "Niqnilchint" means "lodge by the river." In the 1820s, the Russian American Fur Company, burdened by a number of elderly, disabled and sick employees who could not safely return to Russia, established self-sustaining retirement settlements in Alaska. The Transfiguration of Our Lord Russian Orthodox Church was constructed in 1846. In 1896, a Russian village school was built, and a post office established in 1925. The 1940s brought homesteaders to the area and in 1949 the Berman Packing Company began fish canning operations. The Sterling Highway reached Ninilchik a year later, and the current Ninilchik school built the next year.

Alaska Natives represent 17% of the population; the Village Ninilchik, a federally recognized tribe, is a traditional Athabascan Native village, although the majority of the population is non-Native. The village association is actively involved in local issues.

PALMER

Population: 5,532 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Home Rule City
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: City Police Dept. (within city limits) (745-4811)

VPSO:

State Troopers: State Troopers Post (745-2131)

Fire: City Fire Dept (745-3271); Borough Ambulance; Borough Public Safety Bldg.

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include Valley Hospital (746-8600). Auxiliary health care is provided by Palmer Ambulance Service (373-8800/745-4811); Mat-Su Borough Dive Rescue Team (373-8800); Valley Transport Service (373-8800).

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Greater Palmer Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 45, Palmer, AK 99645, Phone 745-2880, Fax 746-4164, E-mail: info@palmerchamber.org, Web: <http://www.palmerchamber.org>

City - City of Palmer, 231 W. Evergreen Ave., Palmer, AK 99645, Phone 745-3271, Fax 745-0930, E-mail: citymgr@alaska.net / jbower@palmerak.org ; Web: <http://www.palmerchamber.org>

Electric Utility - Matanuska Electric Association, P.O. Box 2929, Palmer, AK 99645, Phone 745-3231, Fax 745-9328; E-mail webmaster@matanuska.com ; Web <http://mea.coop>

Village Corporation - Montana Creek Native Assoc., HC 89, Box 520, Willow, AK 99688; 733-2337

Location & Climate:

Palmer is located in the center of the lush farmlands of the Matanuska Valley, 42 miles northeast of Anchorage on the Glenn Highway, at approximately 61d 36m N Latitude, 149d 06m W Longitude (Sec. 04, T017N, R002E, Seward Meridian). The average temperatures in January range from 4 to 21; in July, 44 to 67. Annual precipitation is 16.5 inches, with 50 inches of snowfall.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Palmer lies on the Glenn Highway.

Airport Facilities: Two paved airstrips, one at 6,009' long by 100' wide and the other at 3,617' long by 75' wide. There are seven additional privately-owned airstrips in the vicinity. Float planes may land at nearby Finger Lake or Wolf Lake.

Airline Services: Commercial airlines serve the Anchorage International Airport, but the Palmer Municipal Airport supports private and chartered services and air cargo.

Freight: The Alaska Railroad connects Palmer to Whittier, Seward or Anchorage for ocean freight delivery.

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI; ACS Long Distance; Matanuska Telephone

Internet Service Provider: ACS Internet (www.acsalaska.net); Arctic.Net/TelAlaska, Inc. (www.arctic.net); AT&T WorldNet (www.worldnet.att.net); Chugach.Net (www.chugach.net); Core Communications (www.corecom.net); Custom CPU (www.customcpu.com); GCI (www.gci.net); MTA Online (www.mtaonline.com); Sinbad Network Communications (www.sinbad.net)

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA; KYES

Radio Stations: KSKA-FM; KATB-FM **Cable Provider:** Rogers Cablesystems of Alaska

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association. Matanuska Electric Assoc. is part owner of

the Alaska Electric Generation & Transmission Cooperative, Inc., which operates a gas turbine plant in Soldotna and also purchases electricity from Chugach Electric and the Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity): Service Oil & Gas (6 @ 45,000 gals.)

Housing: Valley Hotel, Pioneer Motel and Apartments; Gold Miner's Hotel; Colony Inn; Fairview Motel; Majestic Valley Wilderness Lodge; Sheep Mountain Lodge; Motherlode Lodge; Mountain View RV Park; Town & Country RV; Homestead RV Park; Matanuska River Park; Tara Dells B&B; Pollen's B&B; Iditarod House B&B; Prickley Rose Garden Inn B&B

Services: Taxis: Several; **Car Rental:** None

Water & Sewage: Water is provided by three deep wells, is treated and stored in a million-gallon reservoir. Sewage is collected by pipe and treated in an aerated lagoon facility. The schools and Palmer Correctional Center operate individual well systems. All homes are completely plumbed.

Miscellaneous: There are 7 schools located in the community, attended by 2,699 students. The Mat-Su Borough operates the landfill outside the city limits of Palmer. A sludge disposal site is also available.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

ECONOMY:

Many residents commute to Anchorage for employment. Palmer's economy is based on a diversity of retail and other services and city, borough, state, and federal government. Some light manufacturing occurs. In 2009, 74 residents held commercial fishing permits. Palmer is home to 200 musk ox whose underwool (qiviut) is knitted into garments by Alaska Native women from several rural villages. Between 2,500 and 3,500 garments are created each year by these women and sold by an Anchorage cooperative. The 75-acre musk ox farm is also a tourist attraction. The university has an Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station Office and a district Cooperative Extension Service office here. The university's Matanuska Research Farm is also located in Palmer. The valley is renowned for the annual Alaska State Fair, where local farmers produce award-winning vegetables.

Culture & Demographics:

Two groups of Athabascans -- the Ahtna and Dena'ina -- have lived in this region for centuries. George Palmer, a trader who came to Knik in 1875, established a trading post on the Matanuska River around 1890. A railway siding was constructed in Palmer in 1916. In 1935, Palmer became the site of one of the most unusual experiments in US history: the Matanuska Valley Colony. A New Deal relief agency planned an agricultural colony in Alaska and 203 families, mostly from the upper Middle West, were invited to join the Colony, arriving in Palmer in the early summer of 1935. Although the failure rate was high, many descendants still live in the Mat-Su Valley today. The City of Palmer was formed in 1951. Construction of the statewide road system, and rapid development of Anchorage, has fueled growth in the Mat-Su valley.

PORT GRAHAM

Population: 137 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: Chugach Alaska Corp.

Emergency Services:

Police:

VPSO: State VPSO (284-2234)

State Troopers:

Fire: Port Graham Volunteer Fire/EMS (284-2224)

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include Port Graham Health Clinic (284-2241). Auxiliary health care is provided by Port Graham EMS (284-2227/2262); flight to South Peninsula Hospital (235-8101) in Homer.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Village Corporation - Port Graham Corporation, P.O. Box 5569, Port Graham, AK 99603, Phone 284-2212, Fax 284-2219

Village Council - Native Village of Port Graham, P.O. Box 5510, Port Graham, AK 99603, Phone 284-2227, Fax 284-2222, E-mail: pnorman@starband.net / PortGraham@sntp.ak.bia.gov

Location & Climate:

The community is located at the southern end of the Kenai Peninsula on the shore of Port Graham. It is nearly adjacent to Nanwalek, 7.5 miles southwest of Seldovia, at approximately 59d 21m N Latitude, 151d 49m W Longitude (Sec. 32, T009S, R015W, Seward Meridian). Port Graham is located in the Seldovia Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 14 to 27; summer temperatures vary from 45 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 24 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Port Graham is not accessible by road. There is a 4-mile trail to Nanwalek.

Airport Facilities: A state-owned 1,975' long by 45' wide dirt/gravel airstrip is available.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: The community offers docking facilities. Nearby Seldovia is served by the State Ferry system.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom **Internet Service Provider:** None

TV Stations: ARCS; KAKM **Radio Stations:** KSRM-AM; KWHQ-FM; KBBI-AM; KGTL-AM

Cable Provider: None **Teleconferencing:** Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity): Petro Marine (10 @ 70,000 gals.)

Housing: Huntsman's Tipi B&B; Fedora's B&B (284-2239)

Services:

Water & Sewage: Water is derived from a surface source, is treated and stored in a 50,000-gal. redwood tank. Port Graham has a piped water system and sewage disposal in a community septic tank. A sludge lagoon was recently completed. 66 homes and facilities are served by the system; almost 90% of households are fully plumbed. Port Graham Corporation operates the washeteria.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 15 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

A new \$4.5 million fish cannery opened on June 19, 1999; the former plant and salmon hatchery were destroyed by fire in January 1998. Locals organized funding to rebuild the facilities; insurance covered only part of the loss. The cannery provides seasonal employment for 70 Port Graham and Nanwalek residents. The hatchery will be rebuilt in a separate but adjacent building during the summer of 1999. Red salmon fry are raised for area lakes, and pink salmon are raised for the cannery. Approximately 13 residents hold commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics:

The earliest known settlers were Russians from the nearby trading post at Nanwalek. In 1850, the Russian-American Co. established a coal mine at Port Graham, but it was not economical and lasted only a few years. Port Graham became the site of a cannery and wharf and, in 1911, Aleuts from Nanwalek moved to the community many to work at the cannery. A post office operated between 1938 and 1961. The cannery burned in 1960, but rebuilt in 1968 and later sold to the village corporation in 1983. A pink salmon hatchery began operations in 1991, but in 1998, the hatchery and salmon processing plant were destroyed by fire. The hatchery and processing plant were rebuilt and re-opened in June 1999. The cannery continues to be the main economic activity in the community, employing residents of Nanwalek as well.

A federally recognized tribe is located in the community -- the Native Village of Port Graham. Alaska Natives represent 88% of the population. Port Graham is a traditional Sugpiaq village with a fishing and subsistence lifestyle.

PRIMROSE

Population: 65 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None.

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire/Rescue/EMT

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Seward General Hospital (224-5205).

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Primrose is on the Kenai Peninsula, off of the Seward Highway at mile 18.4 of the Alaska Railroad. It lies 15 miles north of Seward, at approximately 60d 20m N Latitude, 149d 20m W Longitude. Primrose is located in the Seward Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 4 to 22; summer temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Seward and Sterling Highways provide access to Anchorage and the statewide highway system.

Airport Facilities: Nearby Seward offers an airport, railroad and docking facilities.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: Nearby Seward offers docking facilities.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Interior Telephone Co./TelAlaska

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom **Internet Service Provider:**

TV Stations: **Radio Stations:**

Cable Provider: **Teleconferencing:**

Electricity: Provided by Seward Electric System.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: 65% of homes use individual water wells and septic tank systems and are fully plumbed. The remainder of residences haul or have water delivered, and use privies. Many homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

The Seward area provides employment in the transportation industry, service sector, and state government.

Culture & Demographics:

Primrose was first listed as a flag stop on the Alaska Railroad in 1919.

RIDGEWAY

Population: 2,050 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (262-4792/4453)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Central Emergency Services (262-4792/4453) and Central Peninsula Hospital in Soldotna.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Location & Climate:

Ridgeway is located on the Sterling Highway on the Kenai Peninsula, between the cities of Kenai, Soldotna and Sterling, at approximately 60d 32m N Latitude, 151d 05m W Longitude. Winter temperatures range from 4 to 22; summer temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage and the statewide road system. Kenai transportation facilities include a dock and airport.

Airport Facilities:

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations:

Radio Stations:

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:

Services:

Water & Sewage: Approximately 90% of homes use individual water wells and septic tank systems, and are fully plumbed.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

The economy of the Kenai area is diverse: oil and gas processing, timber, commercial and sport fishing, government, retail businesses and tourism-related services provide employment.

Culture & Demographics:

The area has historically been the home of Kenaitze Indians, although it was developed by non-Natives for the rich resources of the Kenai Peninsula. Alaska Natives represent 8% of the population. Ridgeway is a geographic area between two very large cities on the peninsula and most residents are non-Native.

SALAMATOF

Population: 855 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None.

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (262-4792/4453)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Central Emergency Services (262-4792/4453) and Central Peninsula Hospital (262-4404) in Soldotna.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Village Corporation - Salamatof Native Assoc., Inc., P.O. Box 2682, Kenai, AK 99611,
Phone 283-7864, Fax 283-5081; E-mail snainc@alaska.com

Village Council - Village of Salamatof, P.O. Box 2682, Kenai, AK 99611,
Phone 283-7864, Fax 283-6470

Location & Climate:

Salamatof is on the Kenai Peninsula, on the east shore of Cook Inlet at the mouth of Salamatof Creek, 5.5 miles northwest of the City of Kenai, at approximately 60d 37m N Latitude, 151d 20m W Longitude (Sec. 26, T006N, R012W, Seward Meridian). Salamatof is located in the Kenai Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 4 to 22; summer temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage and beyond.

Airport Facilities: Float planes can land at Arness Lake and Lower Salamatof. Kenai offers an airport and docking facilities.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations:

Radio Stations:

Cable Provider: GCI Cable, Inc.

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing:**Services:**

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes use individual water wells and septic tanks, and the remainder are connected to Kenai's piped water and sewer system. Almost all households are fully plumbed. Many homes in this area are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There are no state operated schools located in the community.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Salamatof is attempting to develop a lake-resort area. The economy of the Kenai area is diverse: oil and gas processing, timber, commercial and sport fishing, government, retail businesses and tourism-related services provide employment.

Culture & Demographics:

Salamatof was first reported in 1911 by the U.S. Geological Survey as a Dena'ina Indian village. A federally recognized tribe is located in the community -- the Village of Salamatof. Alaska Natives, mostly Athabascan, represent 22% of the population.

SELDOVIA

Population: 265 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: First Class City
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: City Police Dept. - 234-7883/7640; 399-1456

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: City Volunteer Fire/Rescue/Ambulance - 234-7812

Harbormaster: 234-7886

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include Seldovia Health Clinic (2347825). Auxiliary health care is provided by Seldovia Volunteer Fire & Rescue (234-7812/235-3150); flight to South Peninsula Hospital in Homer.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Seldovia Chamber of Commerce, Drawer F-A, Seldovia, AK 99663, Phone 234-7612, Fax 234-7637 E-mail president@seldoviachamber.org Web www.seldoviachamber.org

City - City of Seldovia, Drawer B, Seldovia, AK 99663, Phone 234-7643, Fax 234-7430, E-mail info@cityofseldovia.com Web <http://www.cityofseldovia.com>

Village Corporation - Seldovia Native Association, Inc., P.O. Drawer L, Seldovia, AK 99663, Phone 234-7625, Fax 234-7637 E-mail snai@snai.com Web <http://www.snai.com>

Village Council - Seldovia Village Tribe, P.O. Drawer L, Seldovia, AK 99663, Phone 234-7898, Fax 234-7637, E-mail svt@svt.org Web <http://www.svt.org/>

Location & Climate:

Seldovia is on the Kenai Peninsula across from Homer on the south shore of Kachemak Bay, a 15 minute flight. Flight time to Anchorage is 45 minutes. It lies at approximately 59d 26m N Latitude, 151d 42m W Longitude (Sec. 32, T008S, R014W, Seward Meridian). Winter temperatures in Seldovia range from 12 to 21; summers vary from 48 to 65. Annual precipitation is 34.5 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility:

Airport Facilities: A State-owned 1,845' gravel airstrip and seaplane base are available.

Airline Services: Homer Air; Southcentral Air. Direct flights are provided to Homer and Anchorage, with connections to Kodiak and Kenai.

Freight:

Vessel Support: The State Ferry System connects to Homer, where the Sterling Highway enables road access. Private tour boats are also available for passenger commutes to the mainland. A harbor and boat haul-out facilities are available.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** ACS of the Northland

Long-Distance Phone: GCI; ACS Long Distance **Cell:** ACS

Internet Service Provider: Custom CPU (www.customcpu.com); XYZ.net/ACS (www.xyz.net)

TV Stations: KAKM; KTBV; KTUU; KTVA **Radio Stations:** KPEN-FM; KWVV-FM

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Homer Legislative Information Office

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association (800-478-8551)

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity): Seldovia Fuels/Delta Western (384,000 gals.)

Housing: Gerry's Place B&B (234-7471); Seldovia Boardwalk Hotel (234-7816); Stamper's Bayview Lodge (234-7633); Harmony Point Wilderness Lodge (234-7858); Seaport Cottages; Eagle's Lair B&B

Services: Grocery (Crabpot, 234-7435); Hardware (Fuel& Lube, 234-7622); Washeteria (234-8031); Restaurants (Tidepool, 234-7502; Linwood, 2347674); Taxis (Airport/Harbor Shuttle); Car Rental (none)

Water & Sewage: Water is derived from the Fish Creek Reservoir, is treated, stored in a tank, and distributed via water mains. Sewage is piped to a community septic tank for primary treatment, then discharges to an ocean outfall. Approximately 175 homes and facilities are served by the system; all homes are completely plumbed. Individual wells have been unable to produce potable water. Funds have been requested to provide water and on-site septic tanks to the households with wells, and to protect the community ground water quality. Funds have also been requested to expand the system to areas for new development.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 47 students. A borough-operated landfill is available.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Potential Command Posts: Multi-purpose Room (capacity 100, Internet), 234-7643

Potential Staging Areas: State Ferry dock, 234-7643
Cannery property, 234-7643
Caravan staging area, 234-7802

Local Spill Response Personnel Equipment: Approximately 26 Hazwoper-qualified individuals.

Contact SOS, Spill Response Organization (234-7400) for availability of containment boom (over 2000'), Sorbent boom (150 bags), anchors (4 systems), and sorbent pads (5 bales)

Priority Areas for Protection: Seldovia Slough and the head of Seldovia Bay due to salmon spawning areas.

Economy:

Seldovia is a commercial fishing center; shellfish farming also occurs. In 2009, 46 residents held commercial fishing permits. Tourism is increasing.

Culture & Demographics:

Native residents are mixed Dena'ina Indian, Aleut and Sugpiaq Eskimo (also known as Alutiiq). The name Seldovia is derived from "Seldevoy," a Russian word meaning "herring bay." Between 1869 and 1882, a trading post was located here, and a post office established in 1898. The village developed around commercial fishing and fish processing. The City of Seldovia incorporated in 1945.

Seldovia is an Alutiiq village. Alaska Natives represent 23% of the population and a federally recognized tribe is located in the community. Commercial fishing and subsistence are an integral part of the local culture.

SEWARD

Population: 2,609 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Home Rule City
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: City Police Dept. (within city limits) (224-3338); City Jail

VPSO:

State Troopers: State Troopers Post (224-3346)

Fire: City Volunteer Fire/EMS/Ambulance (224-3345/3338); Bear Creek Fire Hall

Medical: Providence Seward Medical Center (224-5205/3490). Auxiliary health care provided by Bear Creek Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc. (224-3345/3338); Seward Volunteer Ambulance Corps (224-3987).

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Seward Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 749, Seward, AK 99664, Ph 224-8051, Fax 224-5353, E-mail visitseward@seward.net Web <http://www.seward.com>

City - City of Seward, P.O. Box 167, Seward, AK 99664, Ph 224-3331, Fax 224-4038, E-mail clerk@cityofseward.net Web <http://www.cityofseward.net/>

Media - The Seward Phoenix Log, 315 Fourth Ave, Seward, AK 99664, Phone 224-8070, Fax 224-3157 E-mail rhowell@alaskanewspapers.com Web <http://www.alaskanewspapers.com>

Village Corporation - Grouse Creek Corporation, P.O. Box 723, Seward, AK 99664, Phone 224-5902

Village Corporation - Mount Marathon Native Assoc., P.O. Box 995, Seward, AK 99664, Ph 224-3118, Fax 224-5874

Village Council - Qutekcak Native Tribe, P.O. Box 1467, Seward, AK 99664,

Ph 224-3118, Fax 224-5874; E-mail tribaladmin@qutekcak.net Web <http://www.qutekcak.net>

Location & Climate:

Seward is situated on Resurrection Bay on the southeast coast of the Kenai Peninsula, 125 highway miles south of Anchorage. Sitting at the foot of Mount Marathon, Seward is the gateway to the Kenai Fjords National Park and lies at approximately 60d 07m N Latitude, 149d 26m W Longitude (Sec. 10, T001S, R001W, Seward Meridian). Seward experiences a maritime climate. Winter temperatures average from 17 to 38; summer temperatures average 49 to 63. Annual precipitation includes 66 inches of rain and 80 inches of snowfall.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Seward is connected to the Alaska Highway system by the Seward Highway.

Airport Facilities: Two paved runways are utilized, at 4,240 and 2,300 feet.

Airline Services: FS Air; Scenic Mountain Air; Kenai Air Alaska; Alaska Aerial Tours. Daily air services and charters are available at the State-owned airport.

Freight: The Alaska Railroad provides over 1.4 billion pounds of cargo transit each year, importing cargo for the Interior and exporting coal to the Pacific Rim. A new railroad depot was completed in the fall of 1997.

Vessel Support: The Port serves cruise ships, the State Ferry, cargo barges and ocean freighters from Seattle and overseas. The small boat harbor has moorage for 650 boats, and two boat launch ramps.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Interior Telephone Co./TelAlaska

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI; ACS Long Distance

Internet Service Provider: ACS Internet (www.acsalaska.net); GCI (www.gci.net); Seward Internet Services (www.seward.net) **Cable Provider:** GCI Cable, Inc.

TV Stations: ARCS; KUAC; KYAC

Radio Stations: KSKA-FM; KWVV-FM; KPEN-FM; KFSH-AM; KPFN-FM; KSWD-AM

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Legislative Information Office

Electricity: Provided by Seward Electric System. Seward Electric System purchases power from Chugach Electric, and owns five standby diesel generators.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity): Shoreside Petroleum (6 @ 120,000 gals.); City (40,000); Other (68,000)

Housing: New Seward Best Western Hotel; Best Western Hotel Seward; Harborview Inn; Marina Motel; Breeze Inn Motel; Murphy's Motel; Van Gilder Hotel; Resurrection Roadhouse; Seward Windsong Lodge; Taroka Inn; Crown Point Lodge; Kenai Fjords Wilderness Lodge; over 30 Bed & Breakfast facilities; Bear Creek RV Park; A Creekside RV Park; City of Seward RV Park; Miller's Landing RV Park

Services: Taxis: PJ's Taxi; Independent Cab; Glacier Taxi; Seward Taxi; **Car Rental:** Hertz

Water & Sewage: Water is supplied by nine wells, and is treated and distributed throughout Seward. Sewage is collected via pipes to a secondary treatment lagoon. Almost all homes are fully plumbed.

Miscellaneous: There are 4 schools located in the community, attended by 295 students. The borough provides solid waste disposal. The borough refuse transfer facility is located on Hemlock Street in Seward.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

As an ice-free harbor and as the southern terminus for the Alaska Railroad and road link to Anchorage and the Interior, Seward has long been a transportation center. The economy has diversified with tourism, commercial fishing, ship services and repairs, oil and gas development, a coal export facility for Usibelli Mine, a State Prison, and the University of Alaska's Institute of Marine Sciences. As an ice-free harbor, Seward has become an important supply center for Interior Alaska. Tourist facilities include the new \$52 million Alaska SeaLife Center, the Kenai Fjords National Park visitor center, and the Chugach Heritage Center, which is housed in the historic train depot downtown. In 2002, 81 residents held commercial fishing permits. Over 320,000 cruise ship passengers visit Seward annually. Seward's annual Fourth of July celebration and its grueling Mount Marathon race attracts participants and visitors worldwide.

Culture & Demographics:

While sailing from Kodiak to Yakutat, Russian fur trader and explorer Alexander Baranof found unexpected shelter from a storm in Resurrection Bay and named it for the Russian feast day. The first settlers came in the 1890's, and in 1903 work began on construction of a railroad. Seward became an incorporated city in 1912. By 1960, Seward was the largest community on the Peninsula. Tsunamis from the 1964 earthquake destroyed the railroad terminal and killed several residents. Alaska Natives represent 21% of the population; Seward is primarily a non-Native community, although the Qutekcak Tribe is very active within the community.

SKWENTNA

Population: 73 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough/Lake Creek/Skwentna First Responders

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Lake Creek/Skwentna First Responders (373-8800/745-4811); air transport to Valley Hospital (746-8600) in Palmer or Anchorage hospitals.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Community Non-Profit - Skwentna Community Council, P. O. Box 24, Skwentna, AK 99667

Location & Climate:

Skwentna lies on the south bank of the Skwentna River at its junction with Eight Mile Creek, 62 miles north of Tyonek in the Mat-Su Borough, at approximately 61d 57m N Latitude, 151d 10m W Longitude (Sec. 29, T022N, R010W, Seward Meridian). January temperatures range from 4 to 23; July can vary from 47 to 68.

Transportation:

Accessibility: There is no road access from the George Parks Highway – residents are dependent upon air travel.

Airport Facilities: A State-owned 3,400' gravel airstrip is available in Skwentna or at 8 Mile Strip. A private airstrip and float plane access are located at Alexander Lake.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI

Internet Service Provider: MTA Online (www.mtaonline.com)

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES **Cable Provider:** None

Radio Stations: All Anchorage Stations

Teleconferencing:

Electricity: Provided by individual generators.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Northwoods Lodge; Barony Lodge (345-7291); Shell Lake Lodge (733-2817); Skwentna Roadhouse (733-2722)

Services:

Water & Sewage: A number of homes have individual water wells, but very few are fully plumbed. Outhouses are the primary means of sewage disposal. Nearly 90% of the homes in Skwentna are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 11 students. There is no

central electric system. Funds have been provided to purchase a community refuse incinerator, however, the community is undecided on a refuse solution. An unpermitted dump site near the airport is currently being used by several families, but most residents burn and bury their own refuse.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Employment is provided through local lodges, the post office, and the airstrip.

Culture & Demographics:

Dena'ina Athabascans have fished and hunted along the Skwentna and Yentna Rivers for centuries. In 1908, an Alaska Road Commission crew blazed a trail from Seward to Nome, going through Old Skwentna from the Susitna River to Rainy Pass. Many roadhouses were later constructed along the trail to the Innoko Mining District, including the Old Skwentna Roadhouse. Prospectors, trappers and Indians often used sled dogs to transport goods over the trail. A post office opened in 1937, an airstrip built after World War II, and in 1950, the U.S. Army established a radar station at Skwentna and a recreation camp at Shell Lake, 15 air miles from Skwentna. In the 1960s, State land disposals increased settlement.

Alaska Natives represent 7% of the population. Skwentna residents are scattered over a large area of land. It has a number of seasonal-use homes owned by Anchorage residents. There is a small local store, and residents use snowmachines or aircraft to travel to the post office.

SOLDOTNA

Population: 4,021 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: First Class City
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: City Police Dept. (within city limits) (262-4334)

State Troopers: State Troopers Post (262-4453)

Fire: Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (262-4792/4453)

Medical: Central Peninsula General Hospital (262-4404) is a qualified Acute Care facility and provides Critical Care Air Ambulance Service. Auxiliary health care is provided by Central Emergency Services (262-4792/4453). Emergency Services have highway, airport, and floatplane access. Emergency service is provided by 911 Telephone Service and paid EMS Service.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Greater Soldotna Chamber of Commerce, 44790 Sterling Hwy., Soldotna, AK 99669, Phone 262-9814, Fax 262-3566, E-mail: info@soldotnachamber.com,

Web: <http://visitsoldotna.com/chamber/>

City - City of Soldotna, 177 North Birch Street, Soldotna, AK 99669, Phone 262-9107, Fax 262-1245, E-mail: tfahning@ci.soldotna.ak.us, Web: <http://www.ci.soldotna.ak.us>

Media - KSRM, HC @ Box 852, Soldotna, AK 99669, Phone 283-5959, Fax 283-5811

Location & Climate:

Bordering the Kenai River, Soldotna is on the Kenai Peninsula, 150 highway miles south of Anchorage, at the junction of the Sterling and Kenai Spur Highways, 10 miles inland from Cook Inlet. It lies at approximately 60d 29m N Latitude, 151d 03m W Longitude (Sec. 32, T005N, R010W, Seward Meridian). Winter temperatures range from 6 to 24; summers from 45 to 66. Average annual precipitation - 17 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Soldotna Municipal Airport provides facilities for charter services and local air traffic. The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage, the George Parks and Alcan highways.

Airport Facilities: The paved runway is 5,000' in length. The Kenai Municipal Airport, located 10 miles away, offers scheduled flights and float plane facilities. Seaplanes may also land at nearby Mackeys Lakes. There are four additional private landing strips in Soldotna, and a heliport for medical emergencies at Central Peninsula General Hospital.

Airline Services: Clearwater Air, Inc.; Natron Air; Rotor Air Alaska, Inc.; Talon Air Service; Mavrik Air; High Adventure Air

Freight:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: In-State Phone: ACS of the Northland **Long-Distance phone:** AT&T Alascom; GCI; ACS

Internet Service Provider: ACS Internet (www.acsalaska.net); Arctic.Net/TelAlaska, Inc.

(www.arctic.net); AT&T WorldNet (www.worldnet.att.net); Chugach.Net (www.chugach.net); Core Communications (www.corecom.net); Custom CPU (www.customcpu.com); GCI (www.gci.net); Peninsula Internet (www.kenai.net); Sinbad Network Communications (www.sinbad.net)

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA; KYES **Cable Provider:** GCI Cable, Inc.

Radio Stations: KWHQ-FM; KSRM-AM; KWVV-FM; KPEN-FM; KKIS-FM; KSLD-AM

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Legislative Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association. Homer Electric Assoc. operates the Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project and is part owner of the Alaska Electric Generation & Transmission Cooperative,

which operates a gas turbine plant in Soldotna. It also purchases electricity from Chugach Electric.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Best Western King Salmon Motel & RV Park; Soldotna Inn; Riverside House; Kenai River Lodge/Motor Inn; Soldotna B&B; Posey's Kenai River Hideaway; Orca Lodge; Kenai River Retreat; Across the River RV Park; River Quest RV Park; Big Eddy Campground

Services: Taxis: AAA Alaska; Inlet; **Car Rental:** Seekins Ford; Hertz; and others.

Water & Sewage: All homes are completely plumbed. Water is derived from four wells, is treated, stored, and piped throughout the community. A new million-gallon steel tank and a second 500,000-gal. tank, built in the 1970s, now provide sufficient capacity. Piped sewage receives secondary treatment with an activated sludge process; effluent discharges into the Kenai River. Individual wells and septic tanks are used by a few households outside of the core area.

Miscellaneous: There are 10 schools located in the community, attended by 3,542 students. The borough has a Class-1 regional landfill and baling facility at mile 98.5 Sterling Highway in Soldotna. Recycling and hazardous waste disposal are available. Natural gas from Enstar is primarily used by residents for home heating.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

ECONOMY:

The area economy is highly diverse. Many Soldotna residents are employed in oil industry services for Cook Inlet oil drilling and exploration.. Oil refining operations occur north of Kenai in Nikiski. Tourism is estimated at a \$95 million per year industry on the Peninsula. The Kenai Convention and Visitors Bureau receives about 800 visitors a day during July. Other important economic sectors include sport, subsistence and commercial fishing, fish processing, government, timber and lumber, agriculture, transportation services, construction and retail trade. The Kenai River offers top trophy king salmon fishing during June and July. In 2009, 143 area residents held commercial fishing permits. Soldotna hosts the Central Peninsula General Hospital, the Kenai Peninsula Community College, the State Troopers' Headquarters, the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, and the borough and school district offices.

Culture & Demographics:

The Peninsula has historically been the home to Kenaitze Indians, and was developed by non-Natives for its rich resources, including fish, timber and oil. Soldotna was named for a nearby stream: either from a Russian word meaning "soldier" or an Indian word meaning "stream fork." The first homesteaders were World War II veterans in 1947. That same year, the Sterling Highway right-of-way was constructed from Cooper Landing to Kenai and Soldotna was the site for the bridge crossing the Kenai River. A post office opened in 1949, with stores and a community center shortly thereafter, as development continued because of Soldotna's strategic location at the Sterling-Kenai Spur Highway junction. In 1957, oil was discovered in the Swanson River region, bringing new growth and development. Soldotna was incorporated as a city in 1960. Alaska Natives represent 7% of the population.

STERLING

Population: 5,348 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Central Emergency Services (CES) Fire/Rescue/EMT (262-4792/4453)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Central Emergency Services (262-4792/4453); Central Peninsula Hospital in Soldotna.

Organizations with Local Offices: None listed.

Community Non-Profit - Sterling Community Club, P.O. Box 15 Sterling, AK 99672
Phone 907-262-9811 E-mail merkes@ptialaska.net

Location & Climate:

Sterling is located on the Sterling Highway at the junction of the Moose and Kenai Rivers, 18 miles east of the City of Kenai. It lies at approximately 60d 32m N Latitude, 150d 45m W Longitude. Sterling is located in the Kenai Recording District. Winter temperatures range from 4 to 22; summer temperatures vary from 46 to 65. Average annual precipitation is 20 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The Sterling Highway provides access to Anchorage. Nearby Kenai and Soldotna offer airports and docking facilities.

Airport Facilities: There is a 2,500' private airstrip in Sterling, and a private seaplane base at Scout Lake.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: There are two privately-operated boat launches.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Interior Telephone Co./TelAlaska

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA; KYES

Radio Stations: KWHQ-FM; KSRM-AM; KWVV-FM; KPEN-FM; KKIS-FM; KSLD-AM

Cable Provider: GCI Cable, Inc.

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Homer Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Bing Brown's Motel & RV Park; Sterling House B&B; Rivershore Fish Camp; Big Sky Charter & Fish Camp; Scout Lake Inn; Sterling Gifts & Campground; Angler's Lodge & Fish Camp; Cast Away Riverside RV Park & Cabins

Services:

Water & Sewage: Occupied houses use individual water wells and septic tank systems, and are fully plumbed. The school operates its own well water system. Many homes in this area are used only

seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 139 students. The borough provides a refuse transfer facility at mile 85 Sterling Highway.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

ECONOMY:

The community caters to the sport fishing industry and summer influx of recreational enthusiasts. The economy of the Kenai area is diverse: oil and gas processing, timber, fishing, government, retail and tourism-related services provide employment. 20 residents hold commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics:

The Kenai Peninsula has been the home of the Kenaitze Indians for hundreds of years. Sterling is a community that apparently had its name formalized in 1954 when a post office was established. An archaeological site, containing prehistoric house pits, has been discovered at the Isaac Walton Campground.

SUTTON-ALPINE

Population: 1,407 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough/Sutton Volunteer Fire/EMS/Ambulance (373-8800/745-4811)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Sutton Volunteer Fire/EMS Dept. (373-8800/745-4811) and Valley Hospital in Palmer.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Sutton Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 24, Sutton, AK 99674, Phone 745-4527, Fax 746-6359

Community Non-Profit - Alpine Civic Club & Community Council, P.O. Box 344, Sutton, AK 99674, Phone 745-1006, E-mail: gdr@mtaonline.net,

Web: <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Fields/6192/civic.html>

Location & Climate:

Sutton-Alpine is between Milepost 52 and 72 of the Glenn Highway, 11 miles northeast of Palmer in the Mat-Su Borough. The area is accessed by Chickaloon Way and Jonesville Road. It lies at approximately 61.796640° North Latitude and -148.84528° West Longitude. (Sec. 27, T019N, R003E, Seward Meridian.) The temperatures in January range from -35 to 37; in July, 45 to 85. Annual precipitation is 16.5 inches, including 50 inches of snowfall.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Sutton accesses the state highway system from the Glenn Highway. Transportation facilities are also available nearby in Palmer.

Airport Facilities: There is a 1,450' public gravel airstrip at the Jonesville Mine, owned by the Canadian Mine & Smelting Co., and two additional private strips in the area.

Airline Services: Glacier Air (Matanuska Glacier)

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom **Internet Service Provider:**

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES

Radio Stations: KNBZ-FM; All Anchorage AM stations

Cable Provider:

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Alaska Creative Adventures; River's Edge Recreation/RV Park

Services:

Water & Sewage: Occupied homes have individual water wells and septic systems, and are fully plumbed. The school operates its own well water system.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 73 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Potential Command Posts:

Community hall, etc. –

School –

Potential Staging Areas:

Airport –

National Guard Armory –

Other government facilities –

Local Spill Response Equipment:

None identified.

ECONOMY:

Alpine Historical Park, an open-air museum, features relics and historic buildings from the coal washery. The local stores, lodges, restaurant, library, post office, and school provide income. The Palmer/Wasilla area and Anchorage offer a variety of employment opportunities. In 2009, three residents held commercial fishing permits. The Palmer Correctional Center is located nearby.

Culture & Demographics:

Ahtna and Dena'ina Athabascan Indians have occupied this territory for centuries. Ahtna and Dena'ina Athabascan Indians have occupied this territory for centuries. During the Russian fur trading era, Ahtna transported pelts from the Dena'ina along the Matanuska River to Copper Fort in the east. Sutton was founded around 1918 as a station on the Matanuska Branch of the Alaska Railroad, for coal export purposes. The railroad went through Sutton to the Chickaloon Mine. The Sutton Coal Washery operated from 1920 to 1922. Sutton was the base camp for construction of the Glenn Highway from 1941 to 1945. The post office was established in 1948. Coal from the privately-owned Evan Jones mine, Jonesville and Eska mines fueled the Sutton and Palmer economies until 1968, when the military bases in Anchorage converted their power systems to oil and coal mining ceased. During the 1980s, several large tracts of land were subdivided, fueling growth. Approximately 26% of the population are Alaska Native or part Native. Middle and high school students are bused to Palmer.

TALKEETNA

Population: 894 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

State Troopers: State Troopers Post (773-2256)

Fire: Borough Fire & Ambulance

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include Sunshine Community Health Center. Auxiliary health care is provided by Talkeetna Ambulance Service (376-8800/745-4811); Valley Hospital (746-8600) in Palmer.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Talkeetna Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 334, Talkeetna, AK 99676,
Phone 907-733-2330, Fax 907-733-5051; E-mail: info@talkeetnachamber.org

Web: <http://www.talkeetnachamber.org>

Community Non-Profit - Talkeetna Community Council, P.O. Box 608, Talkeetna, AK 99676,
Phone 907- 733-2566, E-mail: trapperj@alaska.net

Village Corporation - Gold Creek-Susitna, Box 847, Gold Creek via, Talkeetna, AK 99676,
Phone 907-733-2329

Location & Climate:

Located at the junction of the Talkeetna and Susitna Rivers, it lies 120 miles north of Anchorage at mile 226.7 of the Alaska Railroad, at approximately 62d 19m N Latitude, 150d 06m W Longitude (Sec. 24, T026N, R005W, Seward Meridian). The Talkeetna Spur Road runs 14 miles east off of the George Parks Highway. January temperatures average 4 to 23; July can vary from 47 to 68.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Talkeetna is accessible by a road off the George Parks Highway.

Airport Facilities: There are two state-owned runways: one is an asphalt paved and 3,500' long by 75' wide runway; the other is a 480' long by 85' wide gravel strip. Another airstrip in the vicinity is owned by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

Airline Services: Hudson Air Service; K2 Aviation; Talkeetna Air Taxi; Doug Geeting Aviation; ERA Helicopters; McKinley Air Service; Peak Dodger Flight Service

Freight: A new Alaska Railroad depot was completed in August 1997.

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; ACS Long Distance; Matanuska Telephone

Internet Service Provider: Custom CPU (www.customcpu.com); GCI (www.gci.net); MTA Online (www.mtaonline.com)

TV Stations: ARCS; KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES

Radio Stations: KTNA-FM

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Mt. McKinley Princess Lodge; Talkeetna Motel; Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge; Talkeetna Roadhouse; Latitude 62 Lodge/Motel; Fairview Inn; Swiss-Alaska Inn; Paradise Lodge; Moose Dropping Inn B&B; Denali View B&B; H&H Lakeview Lodge/RV Park; Montana Creek Campgrounds; Talkeetna River Adventures RV Park

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of residents have individual wells, septic tanks, and complete plumbing. A piped water and sewer system is maintained by the Talkeetna Water & Wastewater Utility. The high school operates its own water system. Over 30% of homes are used only seasonally.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 90 students. Middle and high school students are bused to schools at milepost 98 in the Susitna Valley. A borough-operated refuse transfer station is located at mile 11.5 Talkeetna Spur Road. A sludge disposal site is available locally.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

ECONOMY:

As the take-off point for fishing and flightseeing trips, and a staging area for Mount McKinley climbing expeditions, Talkeetna provides air taxi, helicopter, outfitters, and related services. In 2009, nine area residents held commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics:

The Talkeetna and Chulitna Rivers join the Susitna River at Talkeetna, a Dena'ina (Tanaina) Indian word meaning "river of plenty." Talkeetna was settled as a mining town with an Alaska Commercial Co. trading post in 1896. A gold rush to the Susitna River brought prospectors to the area, and by 1910, Talkeetna was a riverboat steamer station, supplying miners and trappers in the Cache Creek, Iron Creek, and Broad Creek districts. In 1915, Talkeetna was chosen as the headquarters for the Alaska Engineering Commission building the Alaska Railroad, and the community population peaked near 1,000. World War I and completion of the railroad in 1919 dramatically decreased the population. Talkeetna has since developed as an aviation and supply base for Mount McKinley expeditions. Talkeetna is popular for its recreational fishing, hunting, boating, flightseeing, skiing and dog mushing. Local businesses provide services to Mount McKinley climbers. Several of its old log buildings are now historical landmarks, and Talkeetna was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in April 1993. State land disposals and homestead programs helped the community grow.

TRAPPER CREEK

Population: 444 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

Village Police Officer (contract):

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough Fire & Ambulance

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Trapper Creek Ambulance Service (373-8800/745-4811) and Valley Hospital (746-8600) in Palmer.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Community Non-Profit - Trapper Creek Community Council, P.O. Box 13021, Trapper Creek, AK 99683-0021, Phone 907-733-2721

Location & Climate:

Trapper Creek lies 46 miles northwest of Willow off the George Parks Highway in the Mat-Su Borough, at approximately 61d 51m N Latitude, 150d 22m W Longitude. January temperatures range from 4 to 23; July can vary from 47 to 68.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Trapper Creek is accessible from the George Parks Highway. A variety of transportation means are available in Wasilla, Palmer and Anchorage.

Airport Facilities: Several private airstrips are in the vicinity.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: ARCS; KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES

Radio Stations: KTNA-FM; KSKA-FM; KYAK-AM; KFQD-AM

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Trapper Creek Inn & General Store/RV Park; Trapper Creek Trading Post/Cabins; The Forks Roadhouse; Mary's McKinley View Lodge; McKinley Foothills B&B; North Country B&B; Denali View Chalets

Services:

Water & Sewage: The majority of occupied homes use individual wells and septic tanks. A large number of homes in this area are used only seasonally. The school operates its own permitted well water system.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 23 students. A borough refuse transfer station is located at mile 15.3 of the Parks Highway.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Subsistence and sporting activities are an integral part of the lifestyle. Some residents are retired. Those who are employed work in a variety of industries, such as education, transportation, and construction. In 2009, five residents held commercial fishing permits. A variety of transportation means are available in Wasilla, Palmer, and Anchorage. ERA Aviation operates a private heliport in Trapper Creek.

Culture & Demographics:

The area is Dena'ina Athabascan Indian territory. Once gold was discovered on Cache Creek in 1906, prospectors traveled up the Susitna River to Susitna Station, and overland past Trapper Creek to Cache Creek. In 1920, the Alaska Road Commission started construction of a wagon road to Cache Creek from Talkeetna. Federal homesteading began here in 1948. In 1959, the "Fifty-Niners," a group of settlers from Detroit, Michigan, moved to Talkeetna and then on to Trapper Creek to find homesteads. They lived in trailers and tents before building log cabins. The Parks Highway opened as far as Trapper Creek in 1967, and was completed in 1971.

Alaska Natives represent 11% of the population. Trapper Creek developed from homesteading through the 1960s, as well as some recent new subdivisions. Recreation, hunting, snowmachining, and dog mushing are popular activities.

TYONEK

Population: 166 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO: (State VPSO currently vacant) (583-2203)

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough/Village Volunteer Fire; Fire Station

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include Tyonek Health Clinic (583-2461). Auxiliary health care is provided by Tyonek Volunteer Rescue Squad (583-2201/2271); flight to Anchorage hospitals.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Village Corporation - Tyonek Native Corporation, 1689 C Street #219, Anchorage, AK 99501, Phone 272-0707, Fax 274-7125 E-mail bperatrovich@tyonek.com

Village Council - Native Village of Tyonek, P.O. Box 82009, Tyonek, AK 99682-2009, Phone 583- 2271, Fax 583-2442 E-mail tyonek@aitc.org

Location & Climate:

Tyonek lies on a bluff on the northwest shore of Cook Inlet, 43 miles southwest of Anchorage. The only community in the Kenai Peninsula Borough that is not located directly on the Peninsula, it lies at approximately 61d 04m N Latitude, 151d 08m W Longitude (Sec. 01, T011N, R011W, Seward Meridian). Winter temperatures typically range 4 to 22; summer temperatures average from 46 to 65. Temperature extremes have been recorded from -27 to 91. Average annual precipitation is 23 inches, including 82 inches of snow.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The village is not accessible by road. A local road connects to nearby Beluga. Barges deliver heavy goods to the village.

Airport Facilities: Permission is required to land at the local 3,000' gravel airstrip, owned by the Village of Tyonek, although regularly-scheduled flights are available. A State-owned 4,100' gravel airstrip is available at Nikolai Creek, and a 2,400' gravel airstrip, owned by Arco Alaska, is located at Beluga.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KYES; KAKM

Radio Stations: All Anchorage stations; KSRM-AM; KWHQ-FM

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Chugach Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity): Village (2 @ 4,000 gals.)

Housing: Village guest house

Services:

Water & Sewage: A piped water and sewer system serves the entire community -- approximately 90 homes and facilities. Water is derived from Second Lake, is treated and stored in a 175,000-gal. tank. Back-up water supplies are available from a lake near the airport. The community wants to develop a groundwater source. A small coin-operated washeteria, with one washer and dryer, is available.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 30 students.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

ECONOMY:

Subsistence activities provide salmon, moose, beluga whale, and waterfowl. In 2009, 16 residents held commercial fishing permits. Tyonek offers recreational fishing and hunting guide services. Some residents trap during winter. The North Foreland Port Facility at Tyonek is the preferred site for export of Beluga coal.

Culture & Demographics:

Tyonek is a Dena'ina (Tanaina) Athabascan Indian village. In 1778 Captain Cook observed that the Upper Cook Inlet Athabascans possessed iron knives and glass beads, likely from indirect trade with the Russians. Between 1836 and 1840, half of the region's Indians died from a smallpox epidemic. The Alaska Commercial Company had a major outpost in Tyonek by 1875 and by 1880, a total of 117 residents, including 109 Athabascans, 6 "creoles" and 2 whites. After gold was discovered at Resurrection Creek in the 1880s, Tyonek became a major disembarkment point for goods and people. A saltery was established in 1896 at the mouth of the Chuitna River north of Tyonek. In 1915, the Tyonek Reservation (also known as Moquawkie Indian Reservation) was established. The devastating influenza epidemic of 1918-19 left few survivors among the Athabascans. The village was moved to its present location atop a bluff when the old site near Tyonek Timber flooded in the early 1930s. The population declined when Anchorage was founded. In 1965, the federal court ruled that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) had no right to lease Tyonek Indian land for oil development without permission of the Indians themselves. The tribe subsequently sold rights to drill for oil and gas beneath the reservation to a group of oil companies for \$12.9 million. The reservation status was revoked with the passage of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act in 1971. Beluga, a site near Tyonek, is owned by Chugach Electric Association and provides some electricity for Anchorage. Alaska Natives represent 95% of the population; a federally recognized tribe is located in the community. Tyonek is a Dena'ina Indian village practicing a subsistence lifestyle.

WASILLA

Population: 7,245 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: 1st Class City
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: City Police Dept. (911/352-5401)

State Troopers: Anchorage Post: 248-1410

Fire: City Volunteer Fire Dept (373-8831); Trunk Road Fire Dept (745-2494);
Borough Ambulance Lakes-Bogard Road Fire Dept (745-2228); Meadow Lakes Fire Dept (376-9790)

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include Matanuska Health Care and private medical practices. Auxiliary health care is provided by Glacier View First Responders (373-8800/745-4811); Valley Hospital (746-8600), located 10 miles away in Palmer; Mat-Su Borough Dive Rescue Team (373-8800); Valley Transport Service (373-8800); and Wasilla Ambulance Service (373-8800/745-4811).

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce, 415 East Railroad Avenue, Wasilla, AK 99654; Phone 907-376-1299, Fax 907-373-2560, E-mail contact@wasillachamber.org,
Web <http://www.wasillachamber.org>

City - City of Wasilla, 290 East Herning Ave., Wasilla, AK 99654, Phone 373-9050, Fax 373-9092,
E-mail mayor@ci.wasilla.ak.us / clerk@ci.wasilla.ak.us Web <http://www.cityofwasilla.com>

Media - The Frontiersman, 5751 East Mayflower Court, Wasilla, AK 99654; 376-5225, Fax 352-2277

Regional Development - Mat-Su Resource Conser. & Dev., 351 West Parks Hwy. #100, Wasilla, AK 99654, Phone 373-1062, Fax 373-1064, e-mail: matsurcd@mtaonline.net

Location & Climate:

Wasilla is located midway between the Matanuska and Susitna Valleys on the George Parks Highway. It lies between Wasilla and Lucille Lakes (43 miles north of Anchorage, approximately a one hour's drive) at 61.58139° North Latitude and -149.43944° West Longitude. (Sec. 10, T017N, R001W, Seward Meridian.) January temperatures range from 4 to 23; July temperatures vary from 47 to 68. The average annual precipitation is 17 inches.

Transportation:

Accessibility: The George Parks Highway, Glenn Highway, and other local roads connect the city to Anchorage, the remainder of the state and Canada. The Alaska Railroad serves Wasilla on the Fairbanks to Seward route.

Airport Facilities: A city airport, with a paved 3,700' long by 75' wide airstrip, provides scheduled commuter and air taxi services. There are ten additional private airstrips in the vicinity.

Airline Services: Grasshopper Aviation; Bean Air. Scheduled commuter and air taxi services are available. Float planes land at Wasilla Lake, Jacobsen Lake and Lake Lucille. Commercial jet flights are operated out of Anchorage International Airport, approximately 50 miles away.

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: In-State Phone: Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom; GCI; ACS Long Distance; Matanuska Telephone

Internet Service Provider: ACS Internet (www.acsalaska.net); Arctic.Net/TelAlaska, Inc. (www.arctic.net);
Chugach.Net (www.chugach.net); Core Communications (www.corecom.net); Custom CPU
(www.customcpu.com); GCI (www.gci.net); MTA Online (www.mtaonline.com); Sinbad Network
Communications (www.sinbad.net)

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTBY; KTUU; KTVA; KYES

Radio Stations: KMBQ-FM **Cable Provider:** Rogers Cablesystems of Alaska

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Mat-Su Legislative Information Office

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Assoc. MEA is part owner of the Alaska Electric Generation & Transmission Cooperative, Inc., which operates a gas turbine plant in Soldotna and also purchases electricity from Chugach Electric and the Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Lake Lucille Inn; Mat-Su Resort; Alaska Kozey Cabins; Best View RV Park; Green Ridge Camper Park; The Wind Break Hotel/Cafe; Agate Inn; Alaskan View Motel; Shady Acres B&B; Susitna Dog Tours & B&B; Valley Country Store & Motel

Services: Most commercial services are available.

Water & Sewage: The majority of homes use individual water wells and septic systems, although the City operates a piped water and sewer system. Water is provided by a well at Spruce Avenue and two at Iditarod School, with a 2.3 million gallon storage capacity. Funds have been requested to develop an additional water source.

Miscellaneous: There are 15 schools located in the community, attended by 6,901 students. The borough landfill is located in Palmer. Piped natural gas is primarily used for home heating.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Approximately 30% of the Wasilla workforce commutes to Anchorage. The local economy is diverse, and residents are employed in a variety of city, borough, state, federal government, retail, and professional service positions. Tourism, agriculture, wood products, steel and concrete products are part of the economy. In 2009, 164 area residents held commercial fishing permits. Wasilla is home to the Iditarod Trail Committee and Iron Dog (snowmachine) Race.

Culture & Demographics:

Wasilla was named after a respected local Dena'ina Indian chief. In the Dena'ina Athabascan Indian dialect, "Wasilla" is said to mean "breath of air." The townsite was established in 1917 at the intersection of the Carle Wagon Road (now Wasilla-Fishhook Road) and the newly-constructed Alaska Railroad. It was a supply base for gold and coal mining in the region through World War II. The Matanuska-Susitna valley was settled by many Colony homesteaders in the 1930s. Construction of the George Parks Highway through Wasilla in the early 1970s provided direct access to Anchorage, enabling families to live in Wasilla and commute to Anchorage for employment. The city incorporated in 1974. Alaska Natives represent 9% of the population.

WHITTIER

(Note: While Whittier is not included in the Cook Inlet Subarea but in the Prince William Sound Subarea, the town is immediately adjacent to the subarea perimeter. Therefore, emergency services are listed here in the event of an incident occurring near this location.)

Population: 159 (2009 DCCED Certified)
Borough Located In: Unorganized

Incorporation Type: 2nd Class City
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: City Public Safety Dept. (472-2340)

State Troopers:

Fire: City Volunteer Fire Dept (472-2560); City Fire Hall; City Ambulance

Medical: Local hospitals or health clinics include City of Whittier Medical Clinic (472-2303). The clinic is a qualified Emergency Care Center Auxiliary health care is provided by Whittier Volunteer Ambulance Corps (472-2303/2340).

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Greater Whittier Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 607, Whittier, AK 99693, Phone 907-344-3340, Fax 907-472-2491 E-mail info@whittieralaskachamber.com

Web <http://www.whittieralaskachamber.org>

City - City of Whittier, P.O. Box 608, Whittier, AK 99693, Phone 907-472-2337, Fax 907-472-2404,

E-mail admin@ci.whittier.ak.us / commissionclerk@whittieralaska.gov Web <http://www.whittieralaska.gov>

Location & Climate:

Whittier is on the northeast shore of the Kenai Peninsula, at the head of Passage Canal. It is on the west side of Prince William Sound, 75 miles southeast of Anchorage, at approximately 60d 46m N Latitude, 148d 41m W Longitude (Sec. 24, T008N, R004E, Seward Meridian). Winter temperatures range from 17 to 28; summer temperatures average 49 to 63. Average annual precipitation includes 66 inches of rain and 80 inches of snowfall.

Transportation:

Accessibility: Whittier has an ice-free port and a 70' city dock. It is served by road, rail, the state ferry, boat and aircraft. A \$70 million road connection was completed in the summer of 2000. The railway carries passengers, vehicles and cargo 12 miles from the Portage Station, east of Girdwood.

Airport Facilities: The State-owned 1,480' gravel airstrip accommodates charter aircraft, and a City-owned seaplane dock is available for passenger transfer.

Airline Services:

Freight:

Vessel Support: A small boat harbor has slips for 360 fishing, recreation and charter vessels.

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: In-State Phone: Yukon Telephone Co.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider: Core Communications (www.corecom.net); School Only - GCI (www.gci.net)

TV Stations: ARCS; KUAC; KYAC

Radio Stations: KCHU-AM

Cable Provider: Supervision Cable TV

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network; Valdez Legislative Information Office

Electricity: Provided by Chugach Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity): Shoreside Petroleum Inc. (48,000); Department of Defense

Housing: June's Whittier B&B Suites; Anchor Inn; Sportsman's Inn; Tent/RV Park

Services:

Water & Sewage: Water is derived from wells and a reservoir. Water storage capacity is 1.2 million gallons. The entire community is served by a piped water and sewer system, and over 95% of homes are fully plumbed. The older portions of the City sewer system need replacement. Refuse is hauled out by a private contractor to Anchorage - there is no landfill. An oil and hazardous waste recycling center was completed in 1998.

Miscellaneous: There is one school located in the community, attended by 30 students. The landfill has been closed; refuse is hauled out by a private contractor to Anchorage.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

The city, school, local services, and summer tourism support Whittier. Tours, charters, and sportfishing in Prince William Sound attract seasonal visitors. In 2009, three residents held commercial fishing permits.

Culture & Demographics:

Passage Canal was once the quickest route from PWS to Cook Inlet. Chugach Indians would portage to Turnagain Arm in search of fish. A port and railroad terminus were constructed by the U.S. Army for transport of fuel and other supplies into Alaska during World War II. The railroad spur and two tunnels were completed in 1943, and the Whittier Port became the entrance for troops and dependents of the Alaska Command. The huge buildings that dominate Whittier began construction in 1948. The 14-story Hodge Building (now Begich Towers) was built for Army bachelors quarters and family housing, with 198 apartments. The Buckner Building, completed in 1953, had 1,000 apartments and was once the largest building in Alaska. It was called the "city under one roof," with a hospital, bowling alley, theater, gym, swimming pool and shops for Army personnel. Whittier Manor was built in the early 1950s by private developers as rental units for civilian employees. The port remained an active army facility until 1960; at that time, the population was 1,200. Whittier Manor was converted to condominiums in 1964; Begich Towers now houses the majority of residents, as the Buckner Building is no longer occupied. The city incorporated in 1969.

WILLOW

Population: 2,218 (2009 Estimated Population)
Borough Located In: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Incorporation Type: Unincorporated
Regional Native Corporation: None

Emergency Services:

Police: None

VPSO:

Village Police Officer (contract):

State Troopers:

Fire: Borough/Willow Volunteer Fire/EMS Dept. & Station; Borough Ambulance (495-6728)

Medical: Auxiliary health care is provided by Willow Volunteer Fire Dept., Willow Ambulance Service (373-8800/745-4811) and Valley Hospital (746-8600) in Palmer.

Organizations with Local Offices:

Chamber of Commerce - Willow Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 0183, Willow, AK 99688, Phone 495- 6800, Fax 495-5858, E-mail: mail@willowchamber.org Web: <http://www.willowchamber.org>

Community Non-Profit - Willow Area Community Organization, P.O. Box 1027, Willow, AK 99688-1027, Phone 495-6633, Fax 495-6633, E-mail chair@waco-ak.org Web <http://www.waco-ak.org/>

Location & Climate:

Willow is north of Anchorage in the Mat-Su Borough, approximately a 90-minute drive. It is located between mile 60 and 80.7 of the George Parks Highway, at approximately 61d 44m N Latitude, 150d 02m W Longitude (Sec. 08, T019N, R004W, Seward Meridian). January temperatures range from -33 to 33; July can vary from 42 to 83. Rainfall ranges from 16 to 27 inches, with 48 to 150 inches of snowfall.

Transportation:

Accessibility: From the George Parks Highway, the area has access to the statewide highway system and the transportation facilities of Wasilla, Palmer and Anchorage.

Airport Facilities: There are two public airstrips: one is a state-owned 4,400' long by 75' wide gravel airstrip at mile 69.7 Parks Highway and the other is at Dëshka Landing and owned by the Alaska Department of Natural Resources. There are five additional private strips and a seaplane base at Kashwitna Lake.

Airline Services: Willow Air Service; Sustina Air Service

Freight:

Vessel Support:

Facilities & Utilities:

Communications: **In-State Phone:** Matanuska Telephone Assoc.

Long-Distance Phone: AT&T Alascom

Internet Service Provider:

TV Stations: KAKM; KIMO; KTUU; KYES

Radio Stations: KTNA-FM; KNBZ-FM

Cable Provider: None

Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network

Electricity: Provided by Matanuska Electric Association.

Fuel:

Fuel Storage - Tank Owners (Number of Tanks and Capacity):

Housing: Willow Trading Post Lodge; Ruth Lake Lodge; Pioneer Lodge/RV Campground; Willow Island Resort/RV Park; Sheep Creek Lodge; Chandalar RV Park; Cline's Caswell Lake B&B; Camp Caswell RV Park; Susitna Landing & Campground; Alaskan Host B&B; Giggewood Lakeside Inn;

Nancy Lake B&B; Willow Winter Park B&B

Services:

Water & Sewage: Nearly all of the occupied homes in Willow use individual water wells and septic tanks, and are fully plumbed. Approximately 60% of the homes in this area are used only seasonally. The school operates its own water system.

Miscellaneous: There are 2 schools located in the community, attended by 150 students. A borough refuse transfer site is available on Willow-Fishhook Road, about 2 miles off the Parks Highway.

Spill Response Support:

Contact local officials to determine possibility of using community facilities.

Economy:

Many Willow residents are self-employed in a variety of businesses, including lodging, guiding and charter services, and retail stores. There are two saw mills and one prefabricated wood-building manufacturer. Some residents are employed in Palmer, Wasilla, or Anchorage. In 2009, 19 residents held commercial fishing permits. Capitol Speedway attracts stockcar racing enthusiasts from the entire state.

Culture & History:

Dena'ina Athabascan Indians have occupied this area historically, living in semi-permanent villages. The permanent community got its start when gold was discovered on Willow Creek in 1897. Supplies and equipment were brought in by boat to Knik. From there, a 26-mile summer trail went northwest, up Cottonwood Creek, and across Bald Mountain to Willow Creek. The winter sled trail went north, crossing the present line of the Alaska Railroad at Houston, and up the west end of Bald Mountain for 30 miles. This trail, dubbed the "Double Ender Sled Trail," is still being used by skiers, hunters, backpackers and snowmobile enthusiasts. The sleds then followed a trail along Willow Creek in an easterly direction, now Hatcher Pass Road. The Talkeetna Trail also passed through Willow and was used by dog teams and pack horses. Cabins to accommodate freighters and mail carriers were located at Nancy Lake, Willow and other points north. This route was the forerunner of the Parks Highway. During construction of the Alaska Railroad, surveyors, construction crews, homesteaders and other settlers came to Willow. A Railroad station house was constructed in 1920. During World War II, a radar warning station and airfield were built. The Trail's End Lodge, built in 1947, subsequently became a post office in 1948. By 1954, Willow Creek was Alaska's largest gold mining district, with a total production approaching 18 million dollars. Land disposals, homestead subdivisions, and completion of the George Parks Highway in 1972 fueled growth in the area. In 1976, Alaskans selected Willow for their new State capital site. However, funding to enable the capital move was defeated in the November 1982 election.

RESOURCES: PART TWO – EQUIPMENT

This section highlights the major resources and quantities of response-related equipment that may be available for the Cook Inlet Subarea. The listing provides information on both local resources and those that may be available from outside the immediate area as a significant spill event will most likely require resources from other locations. For detailed equipment inventories for the other regions of the state, see the applicable subarea contingency plan. See the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix I: Equipment** for general information on Alaska.

Actual availability of equipment will depend upon contractual arrangements and agreements between the party owning the equipment and the party desiring to purchase or use the equipment. No prior permission or arrangement for the use of this equipment is implied or granted by the inclusion of any organization's equipment, whether federal, State, local, or privately-owned.

A. CONTACTS FOR RESPONSE EQUIPMENT

1. U.S. Government

U.S. Navy Supervisor of Salvage (NAVSUPSALV)

NAVSUPSALV has a large oil spill response and salvage cache located in Anchorage and geared at offshore response. Website:

http://www.supsalv.org/00c25_equipments.asp?destPage=00c25&pageId=25.2

Spill Response Equipment requests for NAVSUPSALV support should be made through the Alaska RRT at 907-384-2968. Refer to the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix 1** for listing of NAVSUPSALV equipment.

U.S. Navy Supervisor of Salvage (NAVSUPSALV) - Naval Sea Systems Command
1333 Isaac Hull Avenue S. E. Stop 1070
Washington Navy Yard, D.C. 20376-1070
Phone: (202) 781-1731 -- 24hr emergency phone: (202) 781-3889

Other Department of Defense (DOD) Spill Response Equipment

All requests for DOD assets shall be made through the FOSC. The FOSC will forward the request to the USCGD17 Command Center, who will liaison with ALCOM. Funding for all DOD assets will be provided through the OSLTF. If DOD assets are employed in a response, representatives from DOD shall be included in the incident command structure. Actual availability of equipment will depend upon contractual arrangements and agreements between the party owning the equipment and the party desiring to purchase or use the equipment. No prior permission or arrangement for the use of this equipment is implied or granted by the inclusion of any organization's equipment, whether federal, state, local, or privately owned.

USCG-Maintained Spill Response Equipment

The USCG owns and maintains several Conex containers equipped with spill response equipment, located throughout the subarea. Standard USCG equipment will be available for spill response in Anchorage, Homer, Dutch Harbor, as well as through other Coast Guard Marine Safety Detachments. Equipment types and inventory at these locations are similar to the types and amounts listed throughout resources section. The equipment is intended as a "first-aid" emergency response measure, and is not intended to compete with commercial sources. Requests for use of USCG pre-positioned emergency response

equipment should be made to the contact listed in the below table (primary) or the USCG Seventeenth District Response Advisory Team (DRAT) (secondary) at **463-2807**. **Current inventory can be found on D-17 DRAT website:** <http://www.uscg.mil/d17/D17Response/DRAT/DRATpage.asp>

U.S.C.G. Sector Anchorage Office and Marine Safety Detachments

Sector Anchorage

510 L Street – Suite 100, Anchorage, AK, 99501
907-271-6769 or 866-396-1361

MSD Kenai

150 North Willow – Suite 41, Kenai, AK 99611
907-283-3292 or 907-271-6769

MSD Kodiak

326 Center Ave – Suite 107, Kodiak, AK 99615
907-486-5918 or 907-271-6769

MSD Unalaska

2387 Airport Beach Rd. – Suite 102, Unalaska, AK 99685
907-581-3466 or 907-271-6769

2. Industry and Spill Cooperatives

Alaska Chadux Corporation (ACC)
2347 Azurite Court, Anchorage, Alaska
Phone: (907) 348-2365

Cook Inlet Spill Prevention and Response Inc. (CISPRI)
P.O. Box 7314, Nikiski, Alaska 99635
Phone: (907) 776-5129

Alyeska Pipeline Service Company / Ship Escort Response Vessel System (APSC/SERVS)
P.O. Box 109, Valdez, Alaska
Phone: (907) 834-6902

Alaska Clean Seas (ACS)
4720 Business Park Blvd # 42, Anchorage, AK 99503
Phone: (907) 659-2405

Southeast Alaska Petroleum Resource Organization (SEAPRO)
540 Water Street, Suite 201, Ketchikan, Alaska
Phone: (907) 225-7002

B. COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRY AND SPILL COOPERATIVE EQUIPMENT

Within the Cook Inlet region, there are spill response cooperatives with pre-existing contracts to respond to spill by member companies. These coops and several businesses in the subarea maintain spill response equipment that may be available to purchase or lease during a spill response.

1. Spill Response Cooperatives

Alaska Chadux Corp, a spill cooperative based in Anchorage, maintains an updated equipment list on their website: <http://www.chadux.com/kodiak.html>. The company can be contacted at 278-3348/3365.

Cook Inlet Spill Prevention and Response, Inc. (CISPRI), a spill cooperative based in Nikiski, on the Kenai Peninsula. For information on equipment and vessel availability, contact them at P.O. Box 7314, Nikiski, Alaska 99653; Phone: 776-5129

2. Equipment Listings

The information below is provided as an aid to enhancing any emergency search for spill response equipment. But, as always, be aware the inventories change and equipment, such as vessels, can be on assignment for out of the regions, or out of service for repairs. Because these equipment inventories vary, it is not feasible to list exact quantities of any equipment.

TUG INVENTORY				
OPERATOR	VESSEL	LOCATION	LENGTH/HP	CONTACT & PHONE
Amak Towing	Kodiak King Muzon	Kodiak False Pass (seasonal)	75'/3000 HP 86'/2200 HP	907.486.5503 907.225.8847
Crowley Marine	Various	transient		907-278-4978
Cook Inlet Tug	Glacier Wind Stellar Wind Cosmic Wind	Anchorage Anchorage Anchorage (seasonal)	65'/2200 HP 84'/3500 HP 50'/1100 HP	Carl Anderson 907-277-7611 Cell:(907)229-7249
K-Sea Transportation	Chukchi Sea Pacific Challenger Pacific Raven Pacific Freedom Nokea	Dutch Harbor Cook I, Kodiak, PWS Cook I, W-Alaska Cook I, W-Alaska Cook I, W-Alaska	96'/2250 HP 117'/3000 HP 120'/3000 HP 120'/4300 HP 110'/3000HP	Mbl: 907-360-8451 WA: 206-443-9418 FX: 206-343-0424 AK: 907-278-2725
Cook Inlet Marine	Redoubt Augustine	Homer Homer	75'/1400 HP 62'/800 HP	907-235-8086
Anderson Tug & Barge	Junior	Seward	60'/1342HP	907-224-5506
Pacific Coast Marine	Gyrfalcon	Dutch Harbor	100'/4500 HP	907-581-1664
Dunlap Towing	Saratoga James Dunlap	Dutch Harbor Dutch Harbor	64' 1000 HP	907-581-2733

A partial listing of towing companies within the state is provided above. The home ports of vessels are provided, but at anytime vessels maybe on contract at distant locations. Due to the relatively low number of in-region tug operators, it may be necessary to mobilize vessels from outside the subarea. The USCG at Sector Anchorage (271-6769) can provide additional information regarding companies capable of providing marine-towing resources. Subarea plans for other Alaska regions may provide additional references.

BARGE INVENTORY						
Location	Barge Name	Operator	Phone	Barge Type	L/B/D	Remarks
Seward	ATB 230	Anderson Tug & Barge	224-5506 (24hr)	Cargo Barge	230/60/15	To 3000 Tons
various	FOS 255	Foss Launch & Barge	274-1577 (24hr)	Petro-R	250/76/17	DC
various	FOS 256	Foss Launch & Barge	274-1577 (24hr)	Petro-R	250/76/17	DC
various	FOSS 343	Foss Launch & Barge	274-1577 (24hr)	Deck	343/76/18	FLF-A-WD
various	FOSS 286-1	Foss Launch & Barge	274-1577 (24hr)	Deck	286/76/18	FLA
Nikiski	Beaufort-21	Beaufort Marine	245-1544	Deck & Fuel	202/60/12	
various	282	SeaCoast Towing Inc.	276-2725/360-8451	Fuel	280/78/17.5	48,000bbl cap.
various	344	SeaCoast Towing Inc.	276-2725/360-8451	Fuel	330/86/21	75,000bbl cap.
various	340	SeaCoast Towing Inc.	276-2725/360-8451	Fuel	330/86/21	75,000bbl cap.
Anchorage	Rendrag	Knik Construction	245-1544	8-Portable Barge Units	10'x40'	Good Cond
Homer	Lash 200	Cook Inlet Marine	235-8086/299-1628	Deck	200/54/9	To 2000 tons
Homer	ZB 193	Cook Inlet Marine	235-8086/299-1628	Deck	180/50/9	To 1750 tons
Homer	Cottonwood	Cook Inlet Marine	235-8086/299-1628	Light utility	36/16/2.5	

WORK BOAT INVENTORY						
Location	Vessel Name	Type	Company	Phone	L/B/D	Horsepower
Homer	Fox River	Landing Craft	Dolphin Leasing	23578264	100	954
Homer	Nanuk	Landing Craft	Edwin Kilcher	235-7377	58	380
Homer	Lyra	Landing Craft	Cook Inlet Marine	235-8086/299-1628	36/11/3	200
Homer	Rama Lee	Landing Craft	Dunnings Lagoon		52	450
Seward	Flying D	Landing Craft	Marine Spec.	224-8064	84	590

BOOM INVENTORY							
Location	Owner	Type/Size	Length (FT)	LBS/FT Est.	Design Use	Phone	24-HR Contact
Kenai	USCG	10x16" Outer Harbor	2000		Containment	283-3292	283-3292
Anchorage	USCG	42" Foam Filled Ocean	5000		Containment	271-6700	271-6700
Anchorage	Unitech of AK	Various Types	7000-10,000		Containment	349-5142	349-5142
Anchorage	Port Lekanoff	6" X 18"	1500	2.0	Curtain		
Seldovia	SOS	12x16" inflatable; also, sorbent boom	300 inflatable; over 50 bags of sorbent & sweep		Containment	234-7400	

SPECIALTY EQUIPMENT

Location	Owner	Type/Size of Item	Quantity	Phone
Anchorage	Lynden Inc	12' Ore Containers	300	245-1544
Anchorage	Lynden Inc	18' Ore Containers	88	245-1544

CAMP EQUIPMENT

Location	Owner	Type/Size of Item/Quantity	Phone
Anchorage	Bering Marine	Atco 10'x56' Units; Use-Offices, Sleepers, Storage, Lavatory/Shower: 90	277-9834 248-7646
Anchorage	Bering Marine	56 Man Atco Self Contained Camp w/7 Sleepers, 1 Kitchen/Diner, 1 Lavatory, Generator Van, Water & Sewage Treatment Plant	<i>See above</i>
Anchorage	Bering Marine	24 Man Camp w/6 each Skid Mounted Units w/Lavatory, Kitchen/Diner, & Rec Room	<i>See above</i>

C. GOVERNMENT SPILL RESPONSE EQUIPMENT

Federal Spill Response Equipment

The USCG owns and maintains several Conex containers equipped with spill response equipment, located throughout the subarea. The equipment is intended as a “first-aid” emergency response measure, and is not intended to compete with commercial sources. Requests for use of USCG pre-positioned emergency response equipment should be made to the contact listed in the below table (primary) or the USCG DRAT (secondary) at 463-2807. Equipment locations and general contents are listed below. The most current inventory information can be found on the D-17 DRAT website at:

<http://www.uscg.mil/d17/D17Response/DRAT/DRATpage.asp>

Additional federal government equipment is available through the US Navy, Supervisor of Salvage (NAVSUPSALV) in Anchorage. In addition to equipment, NAVSUPSALV is the most knowledgeable and experienced federal agency in ship salvage, shipboard damage control, and diving. Requests for NAVSUPSALV support must be made through the FOOSC, the USCG District 17, or the Alaska RRT. Contact NAVSUPSALV at 384-2968 for information and instructions. Refer to the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix 1** for additional information.

CONTAINMENT BOOM INVENTORY

TYPE/SIZE	LENGTH(ft)	OWNER	LOCATION	24hr Contact
10X16" Kepner Outer Harbor Boom	2000	MSD Kodiak	ISC Kodiak-Conex	486-5918 271-6769
Tow Bridle for Kepner Boom	4 ea.	MSD Kodiak	ISC Kodiak-Conex	<i>See above</i>
22 lb. Boom Anchors w/200' line	10 ea.	MSD Kodiak	ISC Kodiak-Conex	<i>See above</i>
10x16" Kepner Harbor Boom	2000	MSD Kenai	Homer Spit-Conex	<i>See above</i>
Tow Bridles for Kepner Boom	5 ea.	MSD Kenai	Homer - Conex	<i>See above</i>
22 lb. Boom Anchors w/200' line	10 ea.	MSD Kenai	Homer - Conex	<i>See above</i>
8x12" Kepner Harbor Boom	500	SECTOR Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>
10x20" OSCAR Boom	300-50' sections	SECTOR Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>
42" Ocean Boom	5000'	SECTOR Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>
Tow Bridles/OSCAR Boom	4 ea.	SECTOR Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>
16lb. Boom Anchors w/300' line	10 ea.	SECTOR Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>
8'x8'x8.5' boom containers	10 ea.	SECTOR Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>
Texas Petrel Barrier	1250'	N. Fuel Pier	ISC Kodiak	487-5320
American Marine Boom	750'	N. Fuel Pier	ISC Kodiak	487-5320
Texas Petrel Barrier	1300'	S. Fuel Pier	ISC Kodiak	487-5320
American Marine Boom	750'	S. Fuel Pier	ISC Kodiak	487-5320
Kepner Sea Curtain (6"x12")	2000'	S. Marg Pier	ISC Kodiak	487-5320
Kepner Sea Curtain (6"x12")	1500'	Nyman's Spit	ISC Kodiak	487-5320
Kepner Sea Curtain (6"x12")	2000'	Crash Boat	ISC Kodiak	487-5320
Kepner Sea Curtain (6"x12")	7200'	Building 12	ISC Kodiak	487-5320
Kepner Sea Curtain (3"x6")	2000'	Building 12	ISC Kodiak	487-5320

VESSEL OF OPPORTUNITY SKIMMER SYSTEM (VOSS) INVENTORY

Type/Size	Volume/Quantity	Owner	Location	24hr Contact
Auger Screw Pump Weir Skimmer (VOSS)	2 total 180gpm/300gpm	SECT Anch.	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	271-6769 866-396-1361
Prime Mover (VOSS)	2 total - 800 GPM	SECT Anch.	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>
45' Boom Outrigger 3 sections each (VOSS)	2 total	SECT Anch.	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>
100'Hyde Boom (VOSS)	2 total	SECT Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>
Portable Davits (VOSS)	2 total	SECT Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>
28,000G Inflatable Barges	2 total (VOSS)	SECT Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>

SORBENT MATERIALS

Type/Size	Quantity	Owner	Location	24hr Contact
Sorbent Pads (Type 156)	40 bales*	MSD Kenai	Homer Spit	283-3292
Sorbent Boom	20 bales*	MSD Kenai	Homer Spit	283-3292
5" Sorbent Boom	40 bales*	SECTOR Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	271-6769 866-396-1361
Sorbent Pads (Type 156)	50 bales*	SECTOR Anch	Anchorage/Ft. Rich	<i>See above</i>

*Inventory may vary on a daily basis

State/Local Spill Response Equipment

ADEC has identified over forty strategic locations throughout Alaska for the pre-placement of spill response equipment caches and has worked with local communities to position them. In the Cook Inlet Subarea, Conexes with response equipment have been positioned in Anchorage, Palmer, Kenai and Seldovia.

The ADEC Prevention and Emergency Response Program provides additional information on local spill response equipment containers, as well as links to a location map and Conex inventories at their website:

http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/local_resp.htm

Emergency Towing System (ETS)

Following several incidents in the Unalaska Island vicinity, the Mayor of Unalaska, in cooperation with the ADEC, the U.S. Coast Guard, the marine pilots association, and other organizations, launched an initiative in 2007 to pre-position an Emergency Towing System (ETS) at Dutch Harbor. The ETS consists of a towline capable of towing a distressed vessel, a messenger line to assist in deploying the towline, a line-launcher, a buoy, and chaffing gear. The ETS may be deployed to a disabled ship from the stern of a tugboat or airdropped to the deck of the ship via helicopter. Two ETS have been purchased and positioned in Unalaska to cover most vessel needs that may occur in the Aleutian Islands. ADEC has also purchased and positioned an ETS in Kodiak, and is in the process of acquiring additional ETS packages for other locations in Alaska, including Sitka.

In December of 2010, an emergency in the Aleutian Islands called for the deployment of the larger of the ETS packages stationed in Dutch Harbor. The freighter M/V *Golden Seas*, en route from Vancouver, Canada to the United Arab Emirates, lost its turbocharger power while in the Bering Sea, north of Adak, during a winter storm. Fighting strong winds with an engine running at less than one-fifth normal speed, the vessel was in peril of going aground. Fortunately, the *Tor Viking II*, an ocean-going tug, was anchored in Dutch Harbor and available to assist the stricken vessel. In 40'-50' seas, the tug was able to set up a tow with the *Golden Seas* by using the ETS that had been stationed in Unalaska, and the *Tor Viking II* brought the vessel safely into the shelter of Dutch Harbor. Without this ETS, it is unlikely the tow would have been successful completed.

The ETS procedures manual is available at <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/SPAR/perp/aiets/home.htm>.

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A. AIRPORTS and AIR SERVICES

The tables on the following pages provide information on airports, landing areas, and air companies in the Cook Inlet Subarea. The websites listed below can offer a much wider array of information and airport details, including, in some cases, diagrams and aerial photos. For current runway status, refer to the latest edition of the AK Supplement to the NOAA flight information publication. Additional local information may be available by checking specific community information located in *Part One- Community Profiles* of this section.

WEBSITES PROVIDING AVIATION/AIRPORTS INFORMATION

At the Air Line Data for the Well Informed website, by Data Base Products, information and links (often to www.airnav.com) are provided for airports, including seaplane landing spaces, throughout the State of Alaska: www.airlinedata.com

The airnav.com website offers information and useful details on various airport aspects and services availability: www.airnav.com/airports/

The *GCR & Associates, inc.* website provides unedited information with data derived from the National Flight Data Center FAA Airport Master Record (Form 5010): www.gcr1.com/5010web/

The Alaska DOT provides rural airport information, including a link to diagrams and aerial photos of selected airports: www.dot.state.ak.us/stwdav/index.shtml

The Federal Aviation Administration Alaska Region website offers airport diagrams and aerial photographs: www.alaska.faa.gov/airports/alaskan_airports_5010_information.htm

PUBLIC AIRPORTS/LANDING STRIPS WITHIN COOK INLET SUBAREA				
Location	Runway Length (feet)	Runway Composition; Lighting	Emergency Fuel	Remarks; Airport Manager Phone
Anchorage Ted Stevens International (Anchorage)	11,580	Asphalt; Lights	100, 100LL, A, A1	Attended; 266-2525
Campbell (Anchorage)	5,000	Gravel		Attended; 267-1248
Lake Hood (Anchorage)	4,540	Water/Ice	100,115, 80, A, B	Attended; 266-1400
Lake Hood Strip (Anchorage)	2,200	Gravel	100LL	Attended; 266-2429
Merrill Field (Anchorage)	4,000	Asphalt; Lights	100, Jet A	Attended; 343-6303
Anchor Point	2,500	Gravel		Private, unattended; 235-0789
Big Lake	2,435	Gravel	100LL	Attended; 745-2159
Birchwood	4,010	Asphalt; Lights	100LL	Attended ; 333-2411
English Bay	1,850	Gravel		Unattended; 235-8872
Fire Island	2,800	Gravel		Unattended; 269-1138
Girdwood	2,090	Gravel		Unattended; 783-2232
Homer Muni	6,700	Asphalt; Lights	100LL, A, B	Attended; 235-8872
Homer-Beluga Lake SPB	3,000	Water/Ice	100	Unattended; 235-8872
Hope	2,000	Gravel		Unattended; 269-5672
Jakolof Bay	1,000	Gravel		Unattended
Kasilof	2,165	Gravel		Unattended; 262-5762
Kenai Muni	7,575	Asphalt; Lights	100LL, A	Attended; 283-7951
Kenai Muni Heli	100	Gravel; Lights		Private – Unattended
Lawing	2,200	Gravel		Unattended; 262-5762
Ninilchik	2,400	Gravel		Unattended; 262-5762
Palmer Muni	6,000	Asphalt; Lights	A1, B	Attended; 745-3271
Palmer Muni Heli	50	Gravel; Lights		Unattended
Port Graham	1,975	Gravel		Unattended; 235-8872
Portage	3,000	Gravel		Unattended
Portage Creek	1,920	Gravel	None	Unattended; 842-5111
Quartz Creek (Cooper Landing)	2,200	Gravel		Unattended; 262-5762
Seldovia	1,845	Gravel		Unattended; 234-7818
Seldovia SPB	2,000	Water/Ice		Unattended
Seward	4,420	Asphalt; Lights	100LL, A	Unattended; 262-5762
Sheep Mountain	2,270	Gravel		Unattended; 269-0782
Skwentna	3,400	Gravel	100LL	Unattended; 269-0782

Public Airports/Landing Strips within Cook Inlet Subarea (continued)				
Location	Runway Length (feet)	Runway Composition; Lighting	Emergency Fuel	Attendance Remarks; Airport Manager Phone
Skilak BLM Heli	40	PSP		Unattended; 272-1561
Soldotna	5,000	Asphalt; Lights	100LL, A	Unattended; 262-9107
Summit	3,840	Gravel		Unattended; 768-2355
Talkeetna	3,500	Gravel; Lights	100LL, B, B+	Attended; 733-2278
Tyonek	4,100	Gravel		Private, unattended; 279-8622
	3,000	Gravel		Private; attended; 583-2201
Wasilla	3,700	Asphalt		Unattended; 373-9055
Wassila Lake	4,000	Water/Ice		Unattended
Whittier	1,480	Gravel		Unattended; 783-2232
Willow	4,400	Gravel	100LL	Unattended; 495-6286

Note: The above listing is primarily public airports within the Cook Inlet Subarea. There are numerous private airports in the towns of Anchorage, Big Lake, Homer, Kenai, Palmer, Soldotna, Sterling, Talkeetna, Wasilla, and Willow that are not included in this list. Refer to the above website for a statewide listing of private airports.

Aircraft Companies Available for Transportation – Anchorage				
Company	Contact	Phone	Location	Aircraft /Capabilities
Air Cargo Express	Todd Petersen	243-0009 800-242-0009	Anchorage	C-46 and DC-6 cargo charter service
Alaska Airlines		800-252-7522	Anchorage	Regular jet service to Anchorage from Lower 48
AK Air National Guard	Lt Col Graybeal	249-1105 249-1131	Anchorage	(8) C-130H; (4) C-130; (6) HH-60
AK Army National Guard	Col Stigar Lt Col Kidrick Lt Col Williams	428-6331 428-6325 428-6310	Ft. Richardson Elmendorf AFB	(2) UH-60L (8) C-23, (1) C-12
Dept of Defense	ALCOM/3 rd Wg Command Post	552-3000	(ALCOM) Elmendorf AFB	C-130s, CH-47D, UH-60, UH-1P, C-12
ERA Aviation, Inc.		248-4422	Anchorage	Regular passenger service to Kenai Peninsula
ERA Aviation/Alaska Airlines Partnership		243-3322 800-225-2752 800-252-7522	Anchorage	Scheduled passenger/freight service throughout Southcentral Alaska
ERA Helicopters	Lash Larew	248-4422	Anchorage	Passenger & cargo service
Evergreen Helicopters of Alaska, Inc.	Tom Freeburg	257-1500	Anchorage	Bell-205, -206, -212; BO-105; AS 350
F.S. Air	Dispatch	248-9595 800-478-9595	Anchorage	Charter service, HAZMAT transporter; Lear 35/25, (2) Metro III, (2) Merlin III, Navajo
Great Northern Airlines		243-1968	Anchorage	Daily service to Seldovia; charter service
Lynden Air Cargo		243-6150 880-926-5703	Anchorage	Regional cargo transport – scheduled & charter service
Northern Air Cargo	Murray Fitzhugh	243-3331 800-727-2141	Anchorage	DC-6 and B727 charter service; HAZMAT transporter
Rusts Flying Service		243-1595	Anchorage	CE-206, Beaver, single-engine Otter
Security Aviation		248-2677	Anchorage	24-hour charter, HAZMAT transporter; CE-310, CE-Citation, Conquest, Navajo

Aircraft Companies Available for Transportation – Kenai Peninsula				
Company	Contact	Phone	Location	Aircraft /Capabilities
Beluga Lake Float-Plane	Jon Berryman	235-8256	Homer	CE-185; Beaver
Kenai Aviation		283-4124	Kenai	BE-58; (2) CE-206
High Adventure Air Charter		262-5237	Soldotna	CE-185; (2) Beaver; CE-206; Navajo Chieftan; Piper Super Cub
Kachemak Air Service, Inc.		235-8924	Homer	Single-engine Otter
Kenai Float-Plane Service, Inc.		283-4117	Kenai	CE-180; CE-207; Super Cub; Seneca
Maritime Helicopters, Inc.		235-7771	Homer	Bell-206
Rediske Air	William Rediske	776-8985	Nikiski	Cessna 207
Scenic Mountain Air	Laura Kingsford	288-3646	Moose Pass	Cessna 206 on floats

Aircraft Companies Available for Transportation – Mat-Su Valley				
Company	Contact	Phone	Location	Aircraft /Capabilities
AK Bush Float Plane Service	Elbert Sturgis	733-1693	Talkeetna	CE-206
Christian Pilots Assn. of AK, Inc.		495-6785	Willow	Maule-M6
Doug Geeting Aviation		733-2366	Talkeetna	CE-185
Lee's Air Taxi/Guide Service		822-3343	Palmer	CE-180, Beaver, Super Cub
Meekin's Air Service		745-1626	Palmer	Super Cub
Susitna Air Service		495-6789	Willow	
Talkeetna Air Taxi		733-2218 800-533-2219	Talkeetna	(3) CE-185

B. BIRD and WILDLIFE RESPONSE

The **Unified Plan, Annex G “The Wildlife Protection Guidelines for Alaska”** is the primary reference for bird and wildlife response under this plan. *(This includes guidance for determining how to deal with oiled- or potentially-oiled wildlife.)*

A detailed table of contents is included at the beginning of the guidelines. Listed below are a few frequently referred to sections:

- Appendix 1 – Factors that Must Be Considered when Determining when to Begin and End a Wildlife Capture and Treatment Program
- Appendix 16 -- State and Federal Permits and/or Authorizations Required for Hazing, Collecting, or Holding Live Animals *(This includes permits required for wildlife response activities)*
- Appendix 21 -- Entities in Alaska with Equipment and Materials Stockpiled for Deterring Unoiled Wildlife and Capturing and Treating Oiled Wildlife
- Appendix 24 – Oil Spill Response Checklist: Wildlife Hazing
- Appendix 25 – Oil Spill Response Checklist: Wildlife Capture, Transportation, Stabilization, and Treatment
- Appendix 26 – Contact Information for Wildlife Resource Agencies: Migratory Birds, Marine Mammals, and Terrestrial Mammals

Wildlife response activities must be authorized and permitted by appropriate federal and/or State wildlife resource agencies. As noted above, Appendix 26 of the Wildlife Protection Guidelines includes wildlife resource agency contact information by wildlife species. Federal and State wildlife resource agencies include the U.S. Department of the Interior – Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Department of Commerce – National Marine Fisheries Service, and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

All questions and requests for guidance should be directed to the primary resource agencies:

Alaska Dept of Fish and Game 267-2541; 267-2813; 267-2446

National Marine Fisheries 586-7235, 271-5006

US Dept. of the Interior 271-5011

US Fish and Wildlife Service Contact DOI, listed above

C. CONTRACTORS: BOA and TERM

Federal Basic Ordering Agreement (BOA) Contractors: The U.S. EPA and U.S. Coast Guard maintain Basic Ordering Agreements (BOAs) with contractors for providing services, supplies, and equipment to contain, cleanup, and/or mitigate the harmful effects of spilled petroleum products and hazardous substances during emergencies. Only authorized Contracting Officers or the FOSC may issue Delivery Orders under a BOA. Requests for information regarding BOAs should be made through the FOSC.

State Term Contractors: ADEC maintains “term” contracts with several companies and consulting firms for providing needed expertise and assistance during responses to oils spills and hazardous substance releases. These contracts can be activated by the issuance of a Notice To Proceed by the ADEC Contract Manager or the SOSC. Refer to the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix III, Tab X** for a listing of the companies holding a term contract with the State of Alaska.

D. HISTORIC PROPERTIES PROTECTION

Guidance for how to ensure that preparedness and emergency response activities take historic properties protection into account is provided in the *Alaska Implementation Guidelines for Federal On-Scene Coordinators for the Programmatic Agreement on Protection of Historic Properties during Emergency Response under the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan*. This Alaska RRT-approved document is available on the Alaska RRT website at www.akrrt.org/AK_IPG.pdf. For example, Attachment 5 of the guidelines outlines the procedure for Federal On-Scene Coordinators (FOSCs) to determine when to activate a Historic Properties Specialist following an oil discharge or hazardous substance release.

Questions about historic properties preparedness and response activities should be directed to:

Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of History and Archaeology:
State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) 269-8721

U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance 271-5011

Also, refer to the **Unified Plan, Annex M** for historical and cultural resource information.

E. EMERGENCY SERVICES/MANAGERS

Emergency phone numbers for police, fire, and medical for each town and village in the subarea are listed together in the *Response Section* and individually by village at the beginning of this section in *Part One – Community Profiles*.

Alaska State Troopers

- "B" Detachment - Anchorage – for Anchorage vicinity: 269-5641
- "C" Detachment - Soldotna – for Homer to Portage: 262-4453
- Palmer – for Mat-Su Borough: 733-2256

Statewide listing of emergency managers is available in the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix III, Tab T**. The following table lists local emergency managers for the Municipality of Anchorage, the Kenai Peninsula Borough, and the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

Local Emergency Managers		
Location/Borough	Point of Contact	Phone Number
Municipality of Anchorage	Office of Emergency Management	267-4904
Kenai Peninsula Borough	Office of Emergency Management	262-4910
Matanuska-Susitna Borough	Dept. of Public Safety	373-8800

F. FISHING FLEETS and ORGANIZATIONS

The majority of the below-listed organizations were extracted from the Alaska Fisherman's Journal, January 1993, Vol. 16, No. 1. The referenced document provides a brief description of each organization and the focus of their membership and activities. [Note: All phone numbers are area code 907 unless otherwise listed.]

<u>Organization/Location</u>	<u>Telephone Number</u>
Alaska Crab Coalition..... Seattle, WA	(206) 547-7560
Alaska Draggers Association..... Kodiak, AK	486-3910
Alaska Marketing Association..... Seattle, WA	(206) 784-8948
Alaska Sportfishing Association..... Anchorage, AK	561-1461
Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association..... Soldotna, AK	283-5761
Cook Inlet Seiner's Association..... Homer, AK	235-2656
Homer Charter Association..... Homer, AK	235-7477
Kenai River Sports Fishing Association..... Soldotna, AK	262-8588
Kenai Peninsula Fishermen's Association..... Soldotna, AK	262-2492
Kvichak Setnetters Association..... Anchorage, AK	276-4771
North Pacific Fishing Vessel Owner's Association..... Seattle, WA	(206) 285-3383
North Pacific Longline Association..... Seattle, WA	(206) 282-4639
Northern District Setnetters Association..... Anchorage, AK	276-8222
United Cook Inlet Drift Association..... Kenai, AK	283-3600
United Fishermen of Alaska..... Juneau, AK	586-2820
United Fishermen's Marketing Association..... Kodiak, AK	486-3453
Women's Fisheries Network..... Seattle, WA	(206) 789-1987
Women's Maritime Association..... Seattle, WA	(206) 441-5678

For a statewide listing of **marine pilots associations**, please refer to the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix III, Tab F**.

G. GOVERNMENT CONTACTS & INFORMATION

Federal

All pertinent emergency response contact information for U.S. government offices is provided at the beginning of this plan in the *Response Section*.

For questions specifically concerning this plan and federal involvement, contact the following:

EPA, Alaska Area Planner: *Phone: 271-3414; Fax: 271-1274*

USCG Sector Anchorage, Contingency Planner: *Phone: 271-6700; Fax: 271-6751*

State

All pertinent emergency response contact information for State of Alaska government offices is provided at the beginning of this plan in the *Response Section*.

For questions specifically concerning this plan and State involvement, contact the following:

ADEC, Prevention & Emergency Response Program: *Phone: 269-7682 or 269-7683 Fax: 269-7648*

Local

Local government information can be found by consulting *Part One – Community Profiles* of this section.

Information on Native organizations and Tribal governments can be found in the community profiles, as well as in this part at subpart *N. Native Organizations and Federally-Recognized Tribes*.

For general information concerning the development of this plan and specific government involvement, please refer to the *Background Section* of this plan.

H. HOSPITALS

In the Cook Inlet Subarea, only Anchorage, Homer, Palmer, Seward, and Soldotna have hospital facilities. Most of the smaller towns and villages offer medical care through a clinic. Check individual towns and villages in *Part One - Community Profiles* to see what may be available. For oil or chemically contaminated victims, check immediately with hospital for any pre-decontamination requirements.

Below is a listing of the major hospitals and clinics within the subarea.

HOSPITALS WITHIN THE COOK INLET SUBAREA				
Facility	Location	Capacity	Phone Number	
Alaska Native Medical Center	Anchorage	140 beds / major hospital	563-2662	
Alaska Regional Hospital	Anchorage	238 beds / major hospital	276-1131	
Providence Hospital	Anchorage	341 beds / major hospital	562-2211	
US Air Force Elmendorf AFB Hospital	Anchorage	50 beds / most major capabilities (60 additional under construction)	552-2748	
Central Peninsula General Hospital	Soldotna	62 beds / treat, stabilize, transfer to Anchorage	262-4404	
Kenai Health Center (part of Central P.G. Hospital)	Kenai	Limited / treat, stabilize, transfer to Soldotna or Anchorage	283-4495	
Seward General Hospital	Seward	35 beds / most major capabilities	224-5205	
South Peninsula Hospital	Homer	22 beds / treat, stabilize, transfer to Anchorage	235-8101	
Mat-Su Regional Medical Center	Wasilla	75 beds / major hospital	861-6000	

I. INTAKE WATER-USE FACILITIES

Refer to the **Sensitive Areas Section** of this plan for specific water intake and use facilities.

J. Not used

K. Not used

L. LABORATORIES

Refer to the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix III, Tab K** for a statewide listing of laboratories.

M. MEDIA

Wire Services

<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>FAX</u>
Associated Press www.ap.org 750 W 2nd Ave, Suite 102, Anchorage, AK 99501	272-7549	274-2189
Reuters www.reuters.com 810 E. 9th Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501	349-4588/229-9242	349-4589

Newspapers

<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>FAX</u>
Anchorage Daily News (D) www.adn.com Box 14900, Anchorage, AK 99514	257-4301	258-2157
Chugiak-Eagle River (Star) (W) 16941 Eagle River Loop, Eagle River, AK 99577	694-2727	694-1545
Frontiersman (2xW)..... 1261 Seward Meridian, Suite F, Wasilla, AK 99687	376-3289 (Anchorage 694-6318).....	373-2258
Homer News (W) 162 West Pioneer Avenue, Homer, AK 99603	235-7767	235-4199
Homer Tribune (W) 4105 Kachemak Way, Homer, AK 99603	235-3714	235-3716
Peninsula Clarion (D, m-f)..... P.O. Box 3009, Kenai, AK 99611	283-7551	283-3299
Seward Phoenix Log (W)..... P.O. Box 89, Seward, AK 99664	224-8070	224-3157

Note: (D) - daily newspaper (W) - weekly newspaper (M) - monthly newspaper

<u>Address</u>	Television <u>Phone</u>	<u>FAX</u>
KTUU-TV (Channel 2) www.ktuu.com 630 W. 4th Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99510	762-9202	563-3318
KTBY-TV (Channel 4) www.ktva.com 1840 Bragaw, Suite 101, Anchorage, AK 99508	274-0404	264-5180
KYES-TV (Channel 5) www.yestv5.com 3700 Woodland Dr. Suite 800, Anchorage, AK 99517	248-5937	339-3889
KAKM-TV (Channel 7) www.kakm.org 3877 University Drive, Anchorage, AK	563-7070	273-9192
KTVA-TV (Channel 11) www.ktva.com P.O. Box 2200, Anchorage, AK 99510	273-3186	273-3188
KIMO-TV (Ch. 13) www.aksuperstation.com .. 2700 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, AK 99507	561-1313	561-8934

<u>Address</u>	Radio <u>Phone</u>	<u>FAX</u>
KBYR-AM..... P.O. Box 10-2200, Anchorage, AK 99510	278-5216/274-5297	272-5297
KNBA-FM www.knba.org 719 E. 11 th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99501	258-8880	258-8803
KSKA-FM www.kakm.org 4101 University Drive, Anchorage, AK 99508	561-1161	273-9435
Clear Channel Radio www.clearchannel.com .. 800 E. Dimond Blvd, Anchorage, AK 99515 (manages KENI, KGOT, KYMG, KASH, KBFX, KTZN)	522-1515	743-5186
KENI-AM www.650keni.com 1777 Forest Park Drive, Anchorage, AK 99503	522-1515/522-0650	743-5186
Anchorage Media Group 301 Arctic Slope Ave, Anchorage, AK 99518 (manages KFQD, KHAR, KEAG, KBRJ, KWHL, KMXS)	344-9622	349-7326
KFQD-AM (newsroom) www.KFQD.com 9200 Lake Otis Parkway, Anchorage, AK 99507	522-0750	275-2292
KBBI-AM www.kbbi.org 215 E. Main Court, Homer, AK 99603	235-7721	235-2357
KGTL-AM/FM P.O. Box 103, Homer, AK 99603	235-7551	235-6683
KTNA-FM www.ktna.org Second Ave. Talkeetna, AK 99676	733-1700	733-1781

N. NATIVE ORGANIZATIONS AND FEDERALLY-RECOGNIZED TRIBES

Also Refer to *Part One - Community Profiles* of this Section.

Regional Native Corporations and Organizations:

Alaska Inter-Tribal Council, 4201 Tudor Centre Drive, Suite 220, Anchorage, AK 99508,
Phone 563-9334, Fax 563-9337

Cook Inlet Region, Inc., P.O. Box 93330, Anchorage, AK 99509,
Phone 274-8638, Fax 279-8836, E-mail info@ciri.com Web: <http://www.ciri.com/>

Cook Inlet Tribal Council, 3600 San Jeronimo Dr, Anchorage, AK 99508
Phone 907-793-3600, Fax 907-793-3602 E-mail citci@citci.com Web <http://www.citci.com/>

Refer to the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Tab I** for a complete listing of Native corporations in the state.

Village Corporations

Alexander Creek, Incorporated
8126 Wisteria St.
Anchorage, AK 99502
Phone 243-5323, Fax 243-5428

Kenai Natives Assoc., Inc.
215 Fidalgo Ave. #203
Kenai, AK 99611
Phone 283-4851, Fax 283-4854

English Bay Corporation
P.O. Box KEB
Homer, AK 99603
Phone 281-2252, Fax 281-2252

Montana Creek Native Assoc.
HC 89, Box 520
Willow, AK 99688
Phone 733-2337

Salamatof Native Assoc., Inc.
P.O. Box 2682
Kenai, AK 99611
Phone 283-7864, Fax 283-5081

Grouse Creek Corporation
P.O. Box 723
Seward, AK 99664
Phone 224-5902

Chickaloon-Moose Cr. Native Assn., Inc.
P.O. Box 1105
Chickaloon, AK 99674
Phone 745-0707, Fax 745-7154

Knikatnu, Incorporated
P.O. Box 872130
Wasilla, AK 99687
Phone 376-2845, Fax 376-2847

Ninilchik Native Association, Inc.
800 E. Dimond Blvd., Suite 3-490
Anchorage, AK 99515
Phone 567-3603/562-8654, Fax 567-1077

Port Graham Corporation
P.O. Box 5569
Port Graham, AK 99603
Phone 284-2212, Fax 284-2219

Seldovia Native Association, Inc.
P.O. Drawer L
Seldovia, AK 99663
Phone 234-7625, Fax 234-7637

Mount Marathon Native Assn
P.O. Box 995
Seward, AK 99664
Phone 224-3118, Fax 224-5874

Gold Creek-Susitna
 Box 847
 Gold Creek via Talkeetna, AK 99676
 Phone 907-733-2329

Tyonek Native Corporation
 1689 C Street #219
 Anchorage, AK 99501
 Phone 272-0707, Fax 274-7125

The Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development located in Anchorage (563-1073) maintains a complete listing of villages and village corporations associated with the Municipal Lands Trustee (MLT) Program.

Federally Recognized Native Tribes In The Cook Inlet Subarea:

The following are the Federally-Recognized Native Tribes in the Cook Inlet Subarea (Source: Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs). Visit the Alaska Regional Response Team's (ARRT) website for a link to the Federally-Recognized Native entities in Alaska:

<http://www.akrrt.org/links.html>

Federally-Recognized Native Tribes in the Cook Inlet Subarea			
Tribe	Address	Phone	Fax
Chickaloon Native Village	P.O. Box 1105, Chickaloon, AK 99674	745-0749	745-0763
Native Village of Eklutna	26339 Eklutna Village Road, Chugiak, AK 99567	688-6020	688-6021
Kenaitze Indian Tribe	P.O. Box 988, Kenai, AK 99611	283-3633	283-3052
Knik Tribal Council	P.O. Box 871565, Wasilla, AK 99687	373-7991	373-2161
Nanwalek IRA Nanwalek	P.O. Box 8028, Nanwalek, AK 99603	281-2274	281-2252
Ninilchik Traditional Village Council	P.O. Box 39070, Ninilchik, AK 99639	567-3313	567-3308
Port Graham Village Council	P.O. Box 5510, Port Graham, AK 99603	284-2227	284-2222
Tribal Council of Salamatof	P.O. Box 2682, Kenai, AK 99611	283-7864	283-6470
Seldovia Village Tribe	Drawer L, Seldovia, AK 99663	234-7898	234-7865
Native Village of Tyonek	P.O. Box 82009, Tyonek, AK 99682	583-2201	583-2442

O. ORGANIZATIONS: ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH, VOLUNTEER

Environmental

Refer to the ENVIRONMENTAL INTEREST GROUPS (statewide) listing in the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix III, Tab M** for a statewide listing of environmental organizations.

Health

Refer to the ENVIRONMENTAL INTEREST GROUPS (statewide) listing in the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix III, Tab M** for a statewide listing of health organizations.

RCACs

Prince William Sound Regional Citizens' Advisory Council
750 West 2nd Ave., Suite 100, Anchorage, AK 99501-2168
907-277-7222/800-478-7221 24-hr phone: 907-263-8817 fax: 907-277-4523

Cook Inlet Regional Citizens' Advisory Council
910 Highland Ave., Kenai, AK 99611
907-283-7222/800-652-7222 fax: 907-283-6102

Volunteer

Refer to the VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS section in the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix III, Tab R** for a statewide listing of applicable organizations.

P. PORT AUTHORITIES, HARBOR MASTERS, and MARINE PILOTS

Port Authorities & Harbor Masters:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
Anchorage	Port Director	343-6200
Homer	Harbormaster	235-3160
Kenai	Harbormaster	283-7535
	Direct line to dock (summer only)	283-9538
Kodiak	Harbormaster	486-8080
Seldovia	Harbormaster	234-7886
Seward	Harbormaster	224-3138
Whittier Harbormaster	472-237

Marine Pilot Associations:

There are two marine pilot associations in the Cook Inlet Subarea. A statewide listing of marine pilot associations is available in the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix III, Tab F**.

<u>Organization/company</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Alaska Marine Pilot Service and Dispatching	Anchorage	248-2436
Southwest Alaska Pilots Association	Homer	235-8783

Q. Not used

R. RESPONSE AGREEMENTS

State and Local

Community Spill Response Agreements: The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation has Community Spill Response Agreements (CSRA) with over forty boroughs and municipalities across Alaska. The CSRA allow ADEC to reimburse local governments for spill response activities undertaken at the request of the SOSOC. (ADEC can activate a “generic” agreement in emergency response situations to allow for the reimbursement of communities that lack a signed CSRA.) In the Kodiak Subarea, ADEC has signed agreements with Akhiok, City of Kodiak, Larsen Bay, Port Lions, Ouzinkie, and Old Harbor.

Local Spill Response Equipment Containers: ADEC has identified over forty strategic locations throughout Alaska for the pre-placement of spill response equipment caches and has worked with local communities to position them. In the Kodiak Subarea, through a joint effort with the borough, conexas with response equipment have been positioned in the City of Kodiak and in the villages of Akhiok, Larsen Bay, Port Lions, Ouzinkie, and Old Harbor. Additionally, ADEC has placed an equipment container at the City of Kodiak.

The ADEC Prevention and Emergency Response Program provides additional information on local spill response equipment containers, as well as links to a location map and conex inventories at their website:

http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/local_resp.htm

Hazardous Materials Response: Since few communities have the financial or personnel resources to maintain a Level A/Level B hazardous materials response team, ADEC has entered into agreements with the Municipality of Anchorage and the Fairbanks North Star Borough to have their hazmat teams respond to incidents outside of their jurisdiction when practicable. Further information on these agreements and other Hazmat response assets can be found in the *Hazmat Section* of this plan.

State and Federal

State and federal agencies have signed agreements supporting the cooperative efforts they will take with each other during an emergency response to an oil spill or hazmat release. These agreements can establish jurisdictional boundaries, outline responsibilities, clarify roles, and/or specify conditions of support. Copies of these Memorandums of Understanding and Memorandums of Agreement can be found in the **Unified Plan, Annex K**.

S. SALVAGE & TOWING COMPANIES

Salvage & Diving:

Company	Location	Contact Phone Number	BOA?	Capabilities
Alaska Divers and Underwater Salvage	Anchorage	907 694-0515	No	Diving and salvage
American Marine Corporation	Anchorage	907 562-5420	No	Diving and salvage
Black Dolphin Divers	Seward	907 224-3462	No	Dive capability only
Borton Divers	Anchorage	907 274-1110	No	Dive capability only
C & C Aquatics	Homer	907 235-2415	No	
Four Seasons Boat Service	Seward	907 224-2628	No	
Marine Solution Services	Anchorage	907 344-7000	Yes	Dive capability only
Storm Chasers Inc.	Seward	907 224-3536	No	

Towing:

The USCG at MSO Anchorage maintains a list of companies capable of providing marine towing resources. The following is a sample of companies in the Cook Inlet Subarea.

Company	Location	Contact Phone Number
Anderson Tug & Barge Company	Seward	907 224-5506
Bering Marine Corporation	Anchorage	907 248-7646
Cook Inlet Marine	Homer	907 235-8086
Cook Inlet Tug & Barge	Anchorage	907 277-7611
Crowley Marine Services	Anchorage	907 278-4978

T. NATURAL RESOURCE TRUSTEE EMERGENCY CONTACTS

The current listing of emergency contacts for the State and federal Natural Resources Trustees is on the Alaska Regional Response Team website at <http://www.akrrt.org/members.shtml>.

For Tribal Trustees, refer to each subarea plan’s Resources Section, Part Three, *N. Native Organizations and Federally-Recognized Tribes* for tribal government contact information.

TRUSTEE	EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME <i>As of 10/07/2010</i>
U.S. Department of the Interior	1. Pamela Bergmann 2. Doug Mutter
U.S. Department of Commerce, NOAA	1. Ian Zelo 2. Brad Smith 3. Rebecca Hoff
U.S. Department of Agriculture, USFS	1. Ken Vaughan 2. Michael Wilcox
U.S. Department of Defense	Alaskan Command (Command Post) Elmendorf Air Force Base (Command Post) Eielson Air Force Base (Command Post) King Salmon, Galena, and Long Range Radar Stations (Command Post) U.S. Army (Fort Wainwright, Fort Greely, Fort Richardson)(Command Post)
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation	1. Bob Mattson 2. Dale Gardner
Alaska Department of Fish and Game	1. Brad Dunker 2. Will Frost 3. Megan Marie
Alaska Department of Natural Resources	1. Clark Cox 2. Adam Smith
Alaska Department of Law	1. Jennifer Schorr 2. Jennifer Currie 3. Steve Mulder

1 = Primary Contact; 2 = 1st Alternate Contact; 3 = 2nd Alternate Contact

U. Not used

V. VEHICLES

Automobiles and Trucks

Consult the local phone book/Yellow Pages for up-to-date listings of companies that commercially rent or lease trucks and automobiles.

PUMP TRUCKS (trucks capable of taking oil in tanks)

A-2 Septic	Palmer	745-7867
Northland Septic Service	Anchorage	344-7146
Town & Country Pumping	Kenai	283-7366

Also refer to **Part One: Community Profiles** for additional information that may be listed for a specific town or village, including the possibility of local heavy equipment availability.

W. WEATHER SERVICE

The National Weather Service (NWS), which is part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), can provide current and forecast weather for the marine environment, as well as the inland/coastal zones. In addition, ice reports and forecasts are available.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OFFICES, ALASKA	
Alaska Weather Line (Recorded Forecast)	458-3745; 800-472-0391 (Statewide)
Alaska Region Headquarters	271-5088
General Forecasting	266-5105
Ice Forecast	266-5138
Transcribed Aviation Weather	276-8199

NOAA/NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE INTERNET/WEB PAGES	
National Weather Service, Alaska Region	www.arh.noaa.gov
National Meteorological Center	www.nws.noaa.gov/Marine.hta
Weather Station List	www.arh.noaa.gov/obs.php
Alaska Aviation Weather Unit	aawu.arh.noaa.gov
Alaska-Pacific River Forecast Center	aprfc.arh.noaa.gov
National Ice Center	www.natice.noaa.gov

NOAA Weather Radio (NWR)

NOAA Weather Radio continuous voice broadcasts on 162.40 and 162.55 MHz can usually be received 20-40 miles from the transmitting antenna site, depending on terrain and the quality of the receiver used. Where transmitting antennas are on high ground, the range is somewhat greater, reaching 60 miles or more. The VHF-FM frequencies used for these broadcasts require narrow-band FM receivers. The National Weather Service recommends receivers having a sensitivity of one microvolt or less and a quieting factor of 20 decibels. Some receivers are equipped with a warning alert device that can be turned on by means of a tone signal controlled by the National Weather Service office concerned. This signal is transmitted for 13 seconds preceding an announcement of a severe weather warning. One can also consult the *Alaska Marine Radio Directory* for additional information.

VHF CONTINUOUS COMMERCE WEATHER BROADCASTS (NWR)

<u>Location</u>	<u>Station</u>	<u>Frequency (MHZ)</u>
Anchorage	KEC-43	162.55
Homer	WXJ-24	162.40
Seward	KEC-81	162.55

These VHF-FM radio stations are managed by the National Weather Service. Forecasts are issued at scheduled times; broadcast tapes are updated and amended as required. The broadcasts, in general, contain forecasts and warnings for the local area and nearby coastal waters, special severe weather bulletins, tsunami warnings, a description of the weather pattern as it affects Alaska, and weather reports from selected weather stations.

**COMMERCIAL BROADCAST AM AND FM RADIO STATIONS THAT
BROADCAST NWS FORECASTS AND WARNINGS**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Station</u>	<u>Frequency (KHz)</u>
Anchorage	KFQD	750
Anchorage	KHAR	590
Anchorage	KSKA	91.1 FM
Anchorage	KYAK	650
Homer	KBBI	1250
Homer	KGTL	103.5 FM
Homer	KGTL	620
Kenai	KQOK	100.1 FM
Seward	KRXA	950
Soldotna	KSRM	920

**NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE
OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

Marine weather forecasts and warnings, when issued, can be obtained by telephone as follows:

24 Hours Daily

(Recorded Telephone Marine Forecasts)

Anchorage 936-2727

Other Office Numbers

Anchorage 266-5105 (24 hours daily)
 Homer 235-8588 (10 pm - 6 am daily)

WWW. USEFUL WEBSITES

ADEC	http://www.state.ak.us/dec/home.htm
ADEC – PERP (spill updates, response links)	http://www.state.ak.us/dec/dspar/perp/
ADF&G	http://www.state.ak.us/adfg/adfghome.htm
ADMVA – DES	http://www.ak-prepared.com/
ADNR	http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/
ADNR – SHPO (archaeologists)	http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/parks/oha_web/shpo.htm
ADPS – State Trooper Posts	http://www.dps.state.ak.us/posts/asp/
Alaska Chadux Corp.	http://www.chadux.com/
Alaska Community Database (ADCED)	http://www.dced.state.ak.us/dca/commdb/CF_COMDB.htm
Alaska elected officials	http://www.gov.state.ak.us/ltgov/elections/distcom.htm
Alaska Geographic Response Strategies (home)	http://www.state.ak.us/dec/dspar/perp/grs/
Alaska GRS index map	http://www.akgrs.net/
Alaska links to Emergency Response Services	http://www.linkupalaska.com/ers/
Alaska Regional Response Team	http://www.akrrt.org/
Alaska Response Plans – Unified and Subarea	http://www.akrrt.org/plans.html
Alaska Response Maps – ESI, GRS, MESA	http://www.asgdc.state.ak.us/maps/cplans/subareas.html
Alaska Resource Library	http://www.arlis.org/
Alaska State Library	http://www.library.state.ak.us/
Alaska State Geo-spatial Data Clearinghouse	http://www.asgdc.state.ak.us/
Alaska State – home website	http://www.state.ak.us/
Alaska State Statutes	http://www.legis.state.ak.us/folhome.htm
Anchorage Municipality	http://www.ci.anchorage.ak.us/homepage/index.cfm
AnchorageLive maps and property data	http://www.resdat.com/anchliveintro.cfm
Cook Inlet RCAC	http://www.circac.org/
Daylight hours - sunrise/sunset information	http://aa.usno.navy.mil/data/docs/RS_OneDay.html
EPA – Region 10	http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/
EPA – Solid Waste and Emergency Response	http://www.epa.gov/swerrims
Invasive Species Information	http://www.fakr.noaa.gov/habitat/invasives/default.htm
National Response Center	http://www.nrc.uscg.mil/index.htm
NMFS Alaska Region	http://www.fakr.noaa.gov
Essential Fish Habitat, Info & Maps	www.fakr.noaa.gov/habitat/efh.htm
Invasive Species Information	http://www.fakr.noaa.gov/habitat/invasives/default.htm
Marine Mammal Info	www.fakr.noaa.gov/protectedresources/default.htm

NOAA	http://www.noaa.gov/
NOAA Hazmat	http://response.restoration.noaa.gov
NOAA Weather (<i>also, see page B-157</i>)	http://pafc.arh.noaa.gov/
SERC & LEPCs	http://www.ak-prepared.com/serc/
State Regulations – Title 18 AAC Index	http://www.state.ak.us/dec/title18/18aacdnl.htm
Tidelands Mapper (ADNR/ADEC)	http://tidelands.landrecords.info
US DOT – Hazmat Safety	http://hazmat.dot.gov/
USCG, District 17	http://www.uscg.mil/d17/
USCG – MSO Anchorage	http://www.uscg.mil/d17/msoank/msoank.htm
USCG – Marine Safety	http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/gmhome.htm
USCG Certificate of Financial Responsibility	http://www.cofr.npfc.gov/
USCG Port State Information Exchange (PSIX)	http://psix.uscg.mil/Default.asp
USCG Vessel Response Plans (VRP) & Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plans (SOPEP)	http://www.uscg.mil/vrp/
US Code	http://uscode.house.gov/usc.htm
US Code of Federal Regulations	http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/index.html
Yellow Pages	http://www.acsyellowpages.com/

RESOURCES: PART FOUR - LOGISTICS

Generally, outside of the major communities, support facilities and services will be limited. The deployment of limited resources will be further dependent upon the season. For instance, in some communities, response entities may have to face the flood of tourists that arrive in May and remain through August. Additionally, some services and facilities do not operate during the winter months. The Alaska Wilderness Milepost contains valuable information and should be consulted for more in-depth information for many of the remote communities.

Communities on the east side of the Cook Inlet Subarea are, for the most part, interconnected by the region's road and/or rail network. Road accessibility will allow for the rapid transport and staging of equipment and personnel resources to certain areas.

However, this network does not provide access to all coastal areas of Cook Inlet. For communities off the road or rail network, and depending upon the significance and location of the event, spill response resources will be moved to a staging location by road/air/railroad and then transferred to vessels or plane for deployment to the specific incident location.

A. EQUIPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

1. Staging Areas: Any significant response effort will require large areas for equipment delivery, inventory, repair, and temporary storage. Large port facilities exist in Anchorage, Seward, and Whittier. Anchorage has substantial warehousing and support facilities and is centrally located for a response in the Cook Inlet Subarea. Kenai and Homer have dock capabilities. Elmendorf Air Force Base and Fort Richardson offer excellent airfield staging locations and could be made available with proper coordination. In the small towns and villages, staging areas may be confined to the use of existing docking facilities. Suitable locations for command posts may be found at National Guard armories, local schools, or community halls. Specific sites that may be available may be listed in *Part One, Community Profiles* of this section by community. Always, contact local officials to check on facility feasibility and availability.

2. Air Service and Landing Sites: The *Part Three, Information Directory, Subpart A* of this section contains information on airports, as well as aircraft charter services, operating within the subarea. Additional, and more specific, information regarding airport facilities and services is contained in the Alaska Supplement, Flight Information Publication (FLIP) or at one of the websites listed in the above mentioned directory. Consult the current FLIP document or the websites to ascertain the availability of services and suitability of the runway to the type of aircraft. Also, check with FAA Flight Service in Fairbanks (474-0388, hours 8:00am-4:00pm). The **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix III** provides a listing of C-130 capable airfields throughout the state.

3. Fueling Sites: Fuel (automotive, marine, and aircraft) is available in all major communities within the region. Fueling facilities for vessels within the subarea can typically be found at any small boat harbor or marina. During a response to a spill not in the immediate vicinity of a fueling facility or in a remote location, some type of fuel depot or fuel dispensing barge will be necessary. The distance traveled and the available cargo load for aircraft may require the establishment of fuel caches. Responses in smaller communities and in remote areas may require a fuel dispensing barge or portable device (bladder, fuel trailer) on-scene to replenish vessels, equipment, and aircraft. Refer to *Part Three, Information Directory, Subpart A*, above, for the availability of aviation fuel at airports. In order to assure maximum flight times and loads, remote fueling depots may be required and established at float plane landing areas or beaches, with proper landowner and resource trustee approval. Charter air services operating within the region can provide valuable information relative to this requirement. For helicopters, deck barges can

be outfitted for refueling.

4. Maintenance Facilities: Most of the larger communities in the Cook Inlet Subarea have substantial capabilities with regard to vehicle and vessel maintenance and repair. For more information on services at a specific location, consult *Part One, Community Profiles* and/or contact local officials, such as the harbormaster.

5. Portable Restrooms: Portable restrooms (port-a-potties) for remote or extended operations must be provided since most locations within the subarea are undeveloped. Portable toilets may be located on-site for use by crews or on barges for use by boat crews working on the response. Portable restrooms should be readily available in the Cook Inlet Subarea from Anchorage, Kenai, Soldotna, Seward, and Homer. The units can be emptied into a pump truck mounted on a barge, pumped into a sewage barge, or airlifted by helicopter to a receiving site. Coast Guard approved marine sanitation devices aboard vessels or designated sewage barges provide additional options. Land-based outhouses will require permits from the State and the land managing agency or property owner, if staged on private property.

6. Boat Ramps: Boat ramps can typically be found in most developed areas along the inlet. Contact the local harbormaster or ADF&G for specific information and capabilities. Harbormaster contact information is available above in this section, in *Part Three, Information Directory, P: Port Authorities, Harbor Masters, and Marine Pilots*.

B. PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS

1. Lodging: Commercial lodging facilities are located in all the major communities within the Cook Inlet Subarea. During the summer tourist season, most lodging facilities are booked at capacity and availability will be limited. More remote communities will likely have limited lodging facilities or none at all. Some possible alternatives to traditional lodging may be the use of recreational vehicles (RVs), mobile homes, portable work camps/shelters, National Guard Armories, school gyms, etc. On-water berthing facilities for response personnel may be required. Chartered passenger vessels, constructed "hotel" barges, or US Navy vessels could possibly fill the void in available berthing (all "berthing" type vessels must meet current Coast Guard licensing requirements).

2. Transportation: The Cook Inlet Subarea's road/rail/airport network provides the capability to transport significant quantities of equipment and personnel to and from many locations within the subarea. Depending upon the incident location, personnel may need to be transferred to vessels or aircraft (fixed-wing and helicopter) for on-scene deployment. A large number of fishing vessels operate in and around Cook Inlet, Kodiak and Prince William Sound and, depending on the season and the oil spill's location, these vessels may be available for contractual use. Both Alyeska SERVS and CISPRI maintain a listing of vessels-of-opportunity and trained personnel (typically fishing vessels and crew) that might be available through the proper contractual agreements.

3. Food: A major response will require significant quantities of food and the associated equipment necessary for properly handling, storing, preparing and disposal. These tasks would require contract support from the local area as long as the requirements did not exceed local capability. Anchorage has numerous construction support organizations that could provide portable field kitchens and catering support complete with portable shelters; this support can be provided in air-transportable "packages." It is recommended that food and other basic supplies be purchased from stores most immediate to the incident, when possible. Larger responses will require purchases from vendors outside the area. High-speed vessel transport or small aircraft may be needed deliver food to on-scene personnel.

4. Clothing: Alaska's environmental conditions dictate that response personnel be equipped to operate in the harsh subarctic marine environment. Personnel must arrive on-scene with adequate clothing to begin working immediately. This includes a complete set of heavy-duty rain gear, steel-toed rubber boots,

gloves, hard-hat liner, and warm (preferably no cotton) under garments. Depending on the season, winter outerwear may also be required. Employers will be responsible for resupplying their employees with the necessary clothing.

5. Training and Safety Equipment: All responders must report with the minimum-required OSHA and State hazardous response training, as well as all required personal protective equipment (PPE). This equipment includes hard hat, safety goggles, hearing protection, gloves, personal flotation device, steel-toed boots, and possibly a respirator with cartridges. It will be the responsibility of the employer to provide documentation of the required training and to fully outfit and resupply their personnel with the necessary safety equipment. Availability and use of PPE will be confirmed by the Site Safety Officer. See the **Unified Plan, Annex H** for guidance on determining training and safety equipment requirements.

All of Alaska is “bear country.” Crews working in remote locations should be trained in how to be safe in bear habitat. Workers may need to be provided bear spray or have designated, well-trained guards with the appropriate guns as a precaution against negative man/bear encounters. These remote crews may also require one or more of the following: briefings on how to handle food residue and trash; bear resistant containers for food and perishable items; and portable electric fencing for camp security to deter bear investigations.

C. COMMUNICATIONS: General Information

Good, dependable communications between the command center and field operations is essential for an efficient spill response. For minor, short duration responses, a minimum of direct point to point communications will be needed and can normally be provided with two or more VHF marine portable radios or, possibly, with telephones. For large, extended responses covering a wide area, a communications (comms) system, set up as close to the incident as possible, will be necessary. The communications center will require telephones, facsimile machines, and possibly a single sideband/VHF-FM base station along with additional portable radios. Satellite communications may be added as required, and consideration may need to be given to installing multi-frequency scanners and continuous tape recorders.

For responses involving numerous vessels or operations distant from the command post, the communications center will have to be placed as close to the response location as feasible. The distances involved may necessitate the installation of VHF repeater stations to allow communications across greater distances. By supplementing the coverage provided by permanently-installed repeaters, portable repeaters can increase the communication range several fold depending upon where the repeaters are placed.

All spill responses will require either a simple communication schedule, which identifies when reports are to be transmitted and field crews are to report, or a full-scale communications management plan that also includes the assignment of frequencies, channels, and call signs for various operations.

Contingency planners must seriously address their communications requirements in the event of a spill. Adequate communications equipment along with a well thought-out communications plan are imperative to a coordinated response. Failure to properly command and control response resources will prove devastating to the response.

1. Telephones and Cellular Phones

Telephone support will have to be coordinated through the local telephone utility. The response requirements for telephone support may overload the capabilities of some of the remote locations resulting in delays in acquiring a suitable number of lines, and long distance service may also be severely

limited. Smaller communities may require the addition of new trunk lines for anything greater than a 50% increase in volume, which may take several days to install. Both telephones and facsimile machines should be used to reduce radio traffic congestion. Direct “hot lines” to key officials may be required if normal landlines are continuously tied up.

Cellular phone coverage in the Cook Inlet region has improved significantly in recent years. Currently, Alaska Communications Systems, AT&T Alaska, and AK Digital provide cell services. Figures 2a and 2b, below, provide a general guide for the footprint of cellular phone coverage in the Cook Inlet Subarea.

2. Telefax Machines

Dedicated incoming and outgoing fax machines should be commercially leased from local office supply companies. The number of dedicated lines and machines will depend on the size of the response. (*Table 3 lists State of Alaska portable fax machine assets.*)

3. Copiers

Dependable, high volume copiers will be required in the command center. The size of the response will dictate the number of copiers required. Having more than one copier is advisable in the event that one machine breaks down from overuse or gremlins.

4. Interpreters

With the growing influx of other cultures into Alaska, plus the possibility of foreign-flag vessels, language barriers may arise, and response staff may need the skills of an interpreter. Local hospitals and the State Troopers are the two most likely sources for the names of available interpreters.

5. Satellite Communications

The ADEC has portable, briefcase-sized satellite terminals (INMARSAT-M) and the USCG's Pacific Strike Team has available an INMARSAT TELESYSTEM (TCS-9200). These systems are capable of placing and receiving calls from anywhere in the world, including remote locations, and supporting fax and computer modem operations. The DOD and Alaska National Guard may also have portable satellite communications packages available.

D. COMMUNICATIONS: Radio Information

VHF radio communications is the primary radio band used by the State of Alaska, EPA and USCG. However, many local emergency responders utilize the UHF band. During a Unified Command response, multiple agency/government radios may need to be deployed and monitored due to the range of frequencies used by the various parties.

The ADEC maintains three communications flyaway kits statewide (one each in Fairbanks, Anchorage, and Juneau) to support on-scene operations. Each kit consists of a VHF/FM base station radio with two 12-volt batteries and supporting hardware (the radio can also operate on commercial power). In addition to the flyaway kits, ADEC has portable suitcase repeater systems which will provide extended range for on-scene communications. Two UHF suitcase repeater systems are also available, along with 48 compatible handheld transceivers. Four 100-watt portable generators can be deployed to provide power for the communications equipment.

In large spills where the responsible party is unknown or is not responsive, the contracted response organization will be required to provide the necessary communications “package.” The State of Alaska

has a mobile emergency communications system (available through the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs) that can be deployed during an emergency declared by the governor. In the initial stages of a response, this system might be available to the Unified Command but only until a separate communications system can be established. The state's system is intended for use by state agencies in emergency situations and not as a joint-use system for other response agencies/organizations. DMVA (through the Alaska National Guard) also maintains an Emergency Communications Response Team that can be mobilized to provide forward communications support in the event of a major spill incident.

Response on water will generally utilize the VHF marine radio frequencies; the USCG primarily operates on these frequencies. Marine communications at the command post and aboard vessels will generally require 25 watt VHF marine radios with high gain antennas. Vessels usually monitor channel 16 and switch to other working frequencies. When aircraft are used in conjunction with on-water activities, such as directing vessel movements, VHF marine frequency radios will be required for use by the aircraft. . Due to aircraft noise, these radios are best when equipped with headsets and boom mikes. Communications with aircraft from the command post will require standard VHF frequency capability.

Response teams, whether based on small boats or the shore, will generally need portable VHF radios with 1 to 5 watts power; these radios usually have approximately 55 channels. Backup batteries, chargers, and extra radios will be required for extended response times. The responsible party or response contractor must provide adequate radios for their personnel. On the government side, ADEC has a number of portable VHF radios available for use throughout the state, and USCG Sector Anchorage has twelve handheld marine VHF radios, MSD Kenai has five, and MSD Kodiak has two. The ADEC vehicles and the USCG government vehicles (2) at Sector Anchorage also have VHF radios installed. (*Table B-1 lists State of Alaska portable radio assets.*)

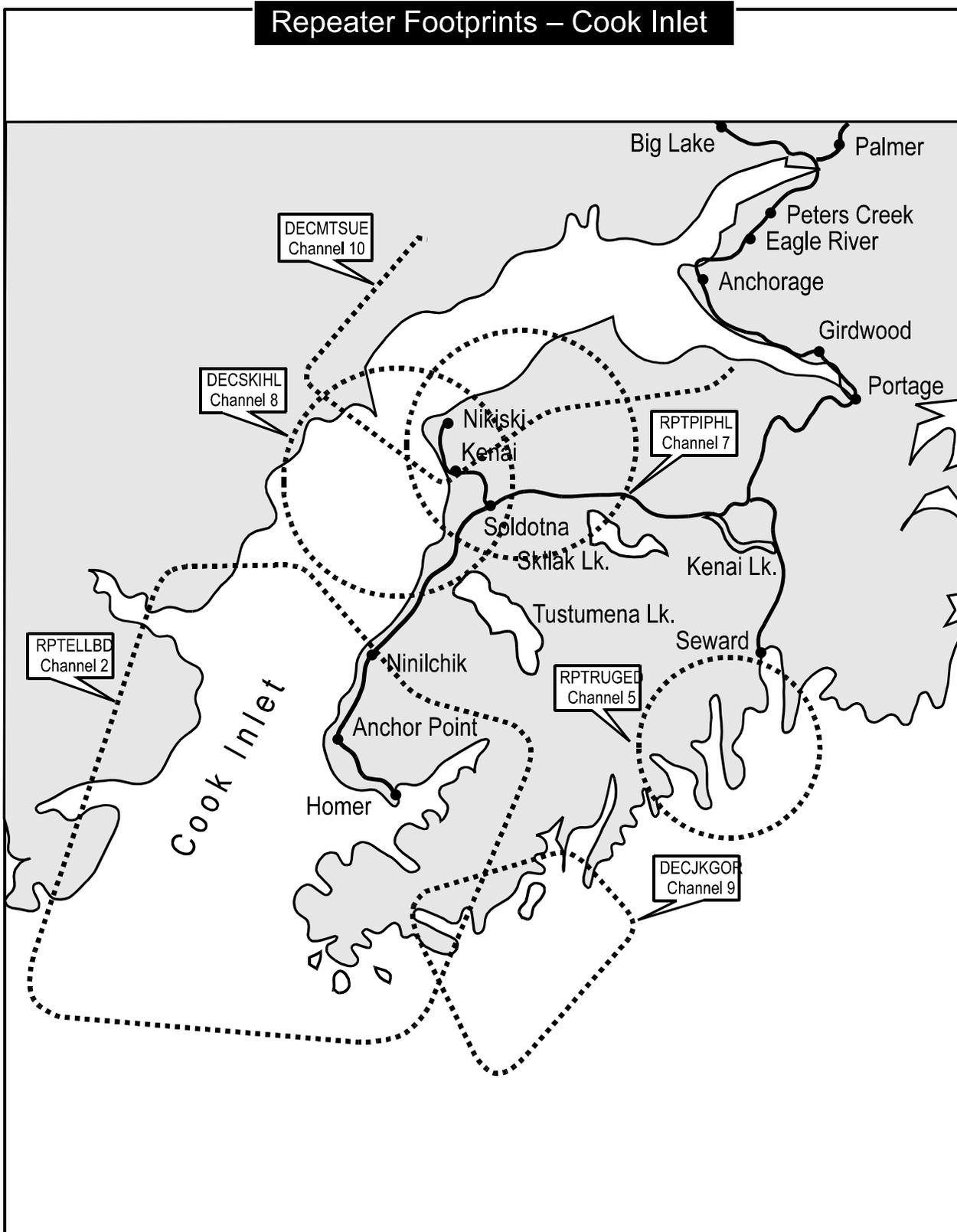
Portable communications trailers are rare in Alaska. The major spill response cooperatives have the capability to establish portable comms centers, either in flyaway kits or road-transportable units. The Department of Defense has extensive communications equipment that could conceivably be made available in the event of a significant spill. See the **Unified Plan, Annex E, Appendix II** for specific procedures for accessing DOD equipment.

The tables on the following pages, as well as the **Unified Plan, Annex E**, contain information on State and federal communication assets.

Table B-1: State of Alaska Communication Assets						
	Equipment	Quantity	Agency	Location	Contact	Phone
RADIO EQUIPMENT						
ADEC Fixed Base Station						
Portable VHF Base Stations (Fly-Away Transceivers)	Fly-Away Kit	1	ADEC	Fairbanks	NART Office	451-2126
	Fly-Away Kit	2	ADEC	Anchorage	CART Office	269-7542
	Fly-Away Kit	2	ADEC	Juneau	SART Office	465-5233
Base and Hand Held Ground-Air Radios	Handheld Radios	10	ADEC	Statewide	Jim Stevenson	344-7380
	Base Radio	1	ADEC	Valdez	John Brown	835-4698
	Handheld Radios	3	DMVA ECRT	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
	Base Radio	7	DMVA ECRT	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
VHF Marine Radios	Handheld Radios	3	ADEC	Soldotna Anchorage	Gary Folley Jim Stevenson	262-5210 344-7380
	Base Radios	2	ADEC	N/A	N/A	----
	Handheld Radios	8	DMVA ECRT	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
	Base Radios	9	DMVA ECRT	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
Handheld Portable VHF Radios	Motorola Saber III	2	ADEC	Anchorage Valdez	Harry Young John Brown	269-7542 835-4698
	Motorola Saber II	67	ADEC	Statewide	Jim Stevenson	344-7380
	Motorola Saber I, Programmable, 12 channels	22	ADEC	DEC Whse (10) Statewide (12)	Jim Stevenson Jim Stevenson	344-7380 344-7380
	Motorola P-100 Radios, 2 channels	19	ADEC	Anchorage	DEC Warehouse	344-7380
	Motorola MX-360 Radios, 6 channels	13	ADEC	Anchorage (11) Kenai (2)	DEC Warehouse Gary Folley	344-7380 262-5210
	Bendix/King Radios	4	ADEC	Anchorage (2) Fairbanks (2)	DEC Warehouse Tom DeRuyter	344-7380 451-2145
	Bendix/King Radios	25	DMVA	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
	MAXON SP2550SMX	7	DMVA	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337

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	Motorola Saber III	2	DMVA	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
	Motorola MX 360 Radios	1	DMVA	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
	Ericson GE	6	DMVA	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
			DNR			
MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT						
Auxiliary power supply (primarily for comms equipment)	Honda 1KW generators	4	ADEC	(2) Warehouse Fairbanks (1) Juneau	Jim Stevenson Tom DeRuyter Les Leatherberry	344-7380 451-2145 465-5346
	Honda 1KW generators	4	DHS&EM	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
	Northern Lights 5KW Generator	4	DHS&EM	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
	Generac, 4KW	2	DHS&EM	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
Satellite phone systems (INMARSAT)	INMARSAT-M	3	ADEC	(1) Fairbanks (1) Anchorage (1) Juneau	NART Office DEC Warehouse PERP Staff	451-2126 344-7380 465-5233
	SKY CELL	1	ADEC	Juneau	Art Pilot	465-5233
	IRRIDIUM PHONE	4	ADEC	(2) Anchorage (2) Fairbanks	Jim Stevenson Tom DeRuyter	344-7380 451-2145
	Mitsubishi, MSAT	6	DMVA	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
Interoperable radios and auxiliary power units			Volunteer fire depts.	Bayside and Womens Bay		486-8040
Portable fax machines		3	ADEC	Anchorage	DEC Warehouse	344-7380
		2	DHS&EM	Ft Richardson	Mark Johannes	428-7000 800-478-2337
Global Positioning System (GPS) Units	Marine System	6	DHS&EM	Statewide	Jim Stevenson	344-7380

FIGURE B-1 - ADEC REPEATER FOOTPRINTS - COOK INLET SUBAREA



The ADEC maintains a variety of communications equipment that will be employed during a spill incident. A system of seven fixed repeaters in the Cook Inlet Subarea allows for a wide range of VHF radio coverage. The seven repeaters and their operating frequencies are as follows:

TABLE B-2 : ADEC Fixed Repeaters – Cook Inlet Subarea			
Location	Transmit	PL Code	Receive
Mount Susitna (DECMTSUE)*	158.775	127.3	151.070
Hope (RPTHOPE)*	158.925	127.3	151.040
Gore Peak (DECJKGOR)**	154.755	114.8	159.255
Pipeline Hills (RPTPIPHL)**	159.420	103.5	151.340
Ski Hill (DECSKIHL)+	158.925	114.8	151.040
Mount Bede (RPTTELLBD)**	159.390	114.8	151.370
Rugged Island (RPTRUGED)**	154.830	127.3	159.315

Notes: * Anchorage Repeater System (repeaters are simulcast)
 ** Kenai Repeater System (repeaters are simulcast and includes the Shuyak Island repeater as well)
 + Ski Hill is a local repeater system for primary use in the Kenai/Soldotna area.

Alaska Dept. of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry – Radio Communications Assets:

The following provides an inventory of ADNR-DOF radio communications assets in the Cook Inlet Subarea. ADNR-DOF VHF and UHF repeater locations are listed in Table 4.

ADNR-DOF Southcentral Regional Office (SCRO) - Anchorage: 269-8463 Fax: 269-8931

DOF’s Southcentral Regional Office (SCRO) can transmit (Tx) and receive (Rx) on all the repeater frequencies for the region. They also have an intercom connection to the three area SCRO locations at Big Lake, Kenai, and Copper River through the State microwave system.

<u>VHF</u>				
	<u>Channel</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>RX</u>
1) KKAF Initial Attack	Channel 1	Sterling	159.270	151.265
2) AMSA Initial Attack	Channel 3	Mt Susitna	159.270	151.265
3) VCRA Initial Attack	Channel 5	Tolsona	159.330	151.325
4) Air Guard	USFS Air Guard	Cooper Mt	168.625	168.625

<u>UHF</u>				
	<u>Channel</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>RX</u>
1) AMSA/ER Warehouse	Channel 1	Mt Susitna	458.100	453.100
	& SCRO Logistics			
2) VCRA Logistics	Channel 2	Tolsona	458.350	453.350
3) KKAF Logistics	Channel 3	Sterling	458.500	453.500

KKAF = Kenai/Kodiak Area Forestry AMSA = Anchorage/Mat-Su Area Forestry VCRA = Valdez/Copper River Area Forestry

Miscellaneous

- 1) Air-Ground Ester Dome 132.45 132.45
- 2) Regional Intercom For contact to all NRO area offices.

AIR TO GROUND (Mt Susitna) 132.45 132.45
INTERCOM Intercom through the State microwave to each of the SCRO area offices (Big Lake, Kenai, and Copper River)

RTI – There is a Remote Telephone Interface (RTI) located on Mt. Susitna. This allows radios in the Anchorage area to connect with the phone system and then make phone calls. This is used by State Parks, USFS, and DOF. Each agency has 8 radios that access the system.

Intercom

All SCRO offices are connected via the State Microwave system.

Repeaters

The AMSA office has 1 UHF Repeater (Mt Susitna), and 4 VHF Repeaters (Mt Susitna, Government Peak, Byers Lake, and Site Summit). See Table 2 for information on these repeaters.

DOF Anchorage/Mat-Su Area Forestry (AMSA) - Mat-Su: 761-6300 Fax: 761-6319

The Dispatch office is located 8.2 miles down the Big Lake Cut-off at Mile 54 of the Parks Highway. The console has the following frequencies on them:

<u>Channel</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>VHF</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>RX</u>
1) Channel 3	Mt Susitna		159.300	151.295
	Simulcast w/ Byers Lake		159.345	151.280
2) 9 G Base	VFD Dispatch		154.295	154.295
3) Channel 7	Government Peak I.A.		159.345	151.280
4) Air Guard	Site Summit		168.625	168.625
		<u>UHF</u>		
5) Channel 1	AMSA Logistics		458.100	453.100
6) Channel 2	VCRA Logistics		458.350	453.350
7) Air to Ground	Mt Susitna		132.45	132.45

Kenai/Kodiak Area Forestry (KKAF) - 262-4124/762-2373 Fire: 262-5528 Fax: 262-6390

The KKAF Dispatch office is located 1.5 miles east of Soldotna city center. This office has a primary console and a Desktrak 14-channel programmable base station. The primary console has the following frequencies:

<u>VHF</u>			
<u>Channel</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>RX</u>
1) Channel 1 Sterling Initial Attack	Sterling	159.270	151.265
2) Channel 3 Mt Susitna Initial Attack	Mt Susitna	159.300	151.295
3) Desktrak	Activates the Desktrak base station (see below)		
4) USFS Air Guard	Cooper Mtn	168.625	168.625
<u>UHF</u>			
5) Channel 3 Sterling Logistics	Sterling (Simulcast with Seldovia)	458.500	453.500
6) Channel 2 Cooper Mtn Logistics	Cooper Mtn	458.100	453.100
Air to Ground		132.45	132.45

The Desktrak base station has the following frequencies:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Channel</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>RX</u>	<u>PL</u>
USFS Cooper Mtn	1	169.975	169.175	136.5
Rugged Island Link	2	159.420	151.340	103.5
	3			
CES	4	159.195	154.385	127.3
Kenai Fire Dept	5	154.355	154.355	
Nikiski Fire Dept	6	153.770	154.145	127.3
Kenai National Wildlife Refuge	7	169.550	170.100	
State Parks	8	159.435	151.430	127.3
	9			
AST Simplex	10	155.250	155.250	
AST Repeater	11	161.010	155.730	114.8
SXQ Police Dept	12	155.130	155.130	
Kenai Peninsula Borough OEM	13	155.085	154.085	127.3
Statewide EMS	14	154.295	154.295	

The KKAF Office has 3 UHF Repeaters (Sterling, Seldovia, and Cooper Mt), and 4 VHF Repeaters (all simulcast – Sterling, Seldovia, Cooper Mt, and Ninilchik). See Table 2 for information on these repeaters.

Valdez/Copper River Area Office (VCRA) - 822-5533/ 762-2372 Fire: 822-5533 Fax: 822-5539
 The Dispatch office is located 5 miles south of the junction of the Glenn Hwy and the Richardson Hwy on the Richardson Hwy at Mile 110. The console has the following frequencies:

		<u>VHF</u>		
<u>Channel</u>	<u>Location</u>		<u>TX</u>	<u>RX</u>
1) Channel 5 Tolsona Initial Attack	Tolsona		159.330	151.325
2) Air Guard USFS Air Guard (Tolsona)	Tolsona		168.625	168.625
		<u>UHF</u>		
3) Channel 2 Tolsona Logistics	Tolsona (Simulcast w/ Willow Mt)		458.850	453.350
Low Band	Parks/Fish and Game/DOF		45.00	45.04
Air to Ground			132.45	132.45
Pager	State Pager System		453.775	
Intercom	All SCRO Forestry Offices		State Microwave System	

The VCRA Office has 2 UHF Repeaters (Willow Mt and Tolsona) and 1 VHF Repeater (Tolsona). See Table 2 for information on these repeaters.

LOGISTICS: TABLE B-3 - ADNR, DIVISION OF FORESTRY REPEATERS

Channel Designation	Location	Operating Frequencies		
		Transmit	PL	Receive
Anchorage Mat-Su Area Forestry (AMSAF)				
Channel 3 (VHF)	Mt Susitna (61°28.02'N 150°44.20'W, elevation 4200') Located 33 miles NW of Anchorage (simulcast with Byers Lake Repeater, Channel 7)	159.300		151.295
Channel 7 (VHF)	Government Peak (61°44.04'N 149°17.55'W, elevation 4750') Located 12 miles NW of Palmer	159.345		151.280
Channel 7 (VHF)	Byers Lake (62°41.15'N 150°13.26'W, elevation 1216') (simulcast with Mt Susitna Repeater, Channel 3) Located mile 142 Parks Highway	159.345		151.280
Channel 7 (VHF)	Site Summit (61°15.31'N 149°31.37'W, elevation 3850') (USFS Air Guard) Located 12 miles NE of Anchorage	168.625		168.625
Channel 1 (UHF)	Mt Susitna (61°28.02'N 150°44.20'W, elevation 4200') Located 33 miles NW of Anchorage	458.100		453.100
Valdez/Copper River Area Forestry (VCRAF)				
Channel 5 (VHF) USFS Air Guard	Tolsona. (62°06.20'N 146°10.18'W, elevation 2974') Located 20 miles west of Glennallen	159.330 168.625		151.325 168.625
Channel 3 (UHF)	Willow Mt. (61°46.22'N 145°12.00'W, elevation 3200') This repeater is simulcast with Tolsona. Located 30 miles south of Glennallen	458.500		453.500
Channel 2 (UHF)	Tolsona. (62°06.20'N 146°10.18'W, elevation 2974') Located 20 miles west of Glennallen This repeater is simulcast with Ernestine.	458.850		453.350
Kenai/Kodiak Area Forestry (KKAF)				
Channel 1 (VHF)	Sterling (60°32.15'N 150°54.14'W, elevation 300') Located .5 mile W. of Robinson Loop Road. This repeater is simulcast with Ninilchik, Cooper Mtn, and Seldovia.	159.270		151.265
Channel 5 (VHF)	Ninilchik (60°00.35'N 151°42.45'W, elevation 260') Located 3.2 miles SW of Ninilchik. This repeater is simulcast with Sterling, Cooper Mtn, and Seldovia.	159.270		151.265
Channel 7 (VHF)	Seldovia (59°27.17'N 151°40.18'W, elevation 1100') Located 1.5 miles E. of Seldovia. This repeater is simulcast with Sterling, Cooper Mtn, and Ninilchik.	159.270		151.265
Channel 7 (VHF) & USFS Air Guard	Cooper Mtn (60°27.44'N 149°48.34'W, elevation 4500') Located 2 miles S. of Cooper Landing. This repeater is simulcast with Sterling, Seldovia, and Ninilchik.	159.270		151.265
Channel 1 (UHF)	Cooper Mtn. (60°27.44'N 149°48.34'W, elevation 4500') Located 2 miles S. of Cooper Landing.	458.100		453.100
Channel 2 (UHF)	Seldovia (59°27.17'N 151°40.18'W, elevation 1100') Located 1.5 miles E. of Seldovia. This repeater is simulcast with the Sterling repeater.	458.500		453.500
Channel 3 (UHF)	Sterling (60°32.15'N 150°54.14'W, elevation 300') Located .5 mile W. of Robinson Loop Road. This repeater is simulcast with the Seldovia repeater.	458.500		453.500

Figure B-2a: Cellular Phone Coverage for Southcentral Alaska

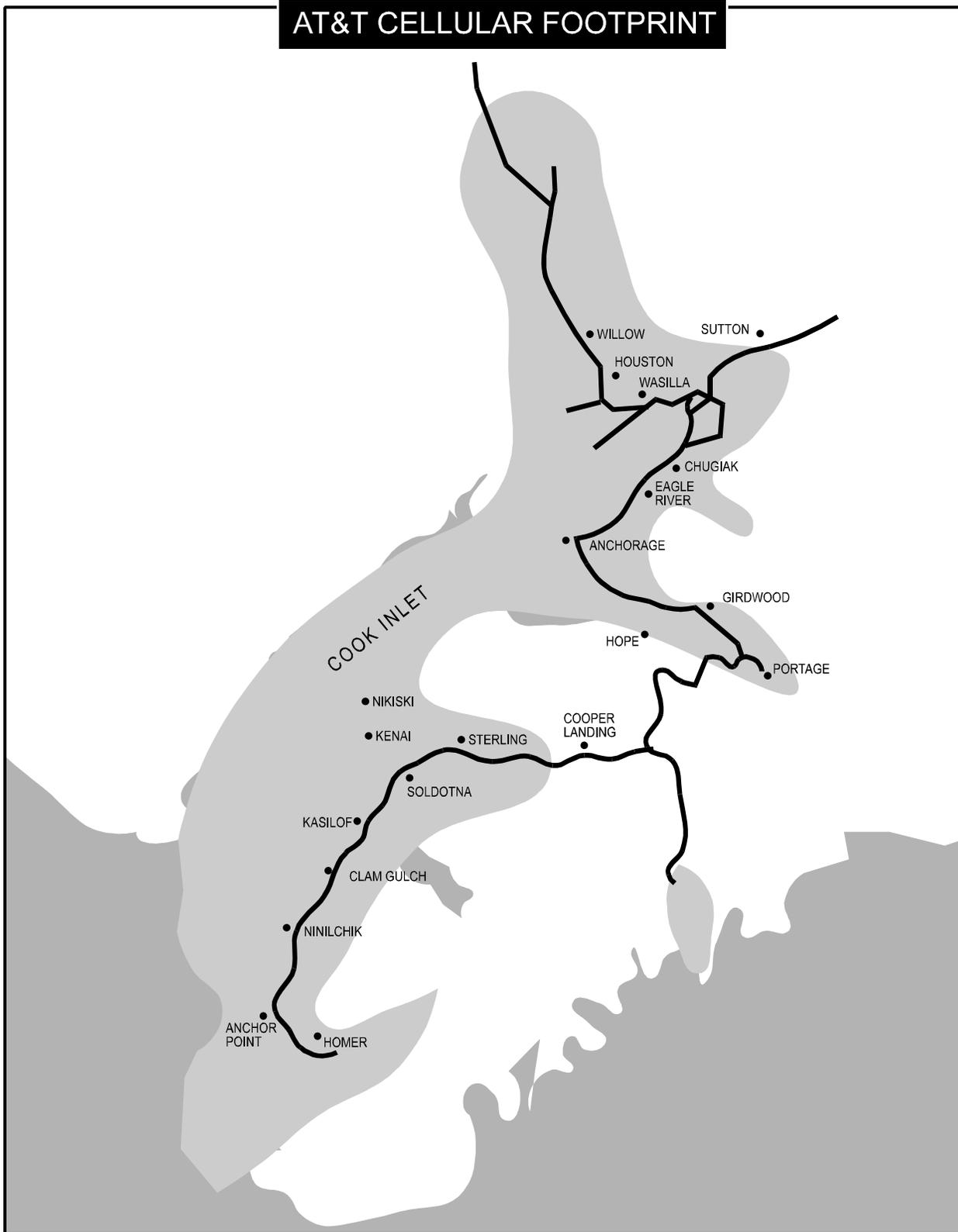
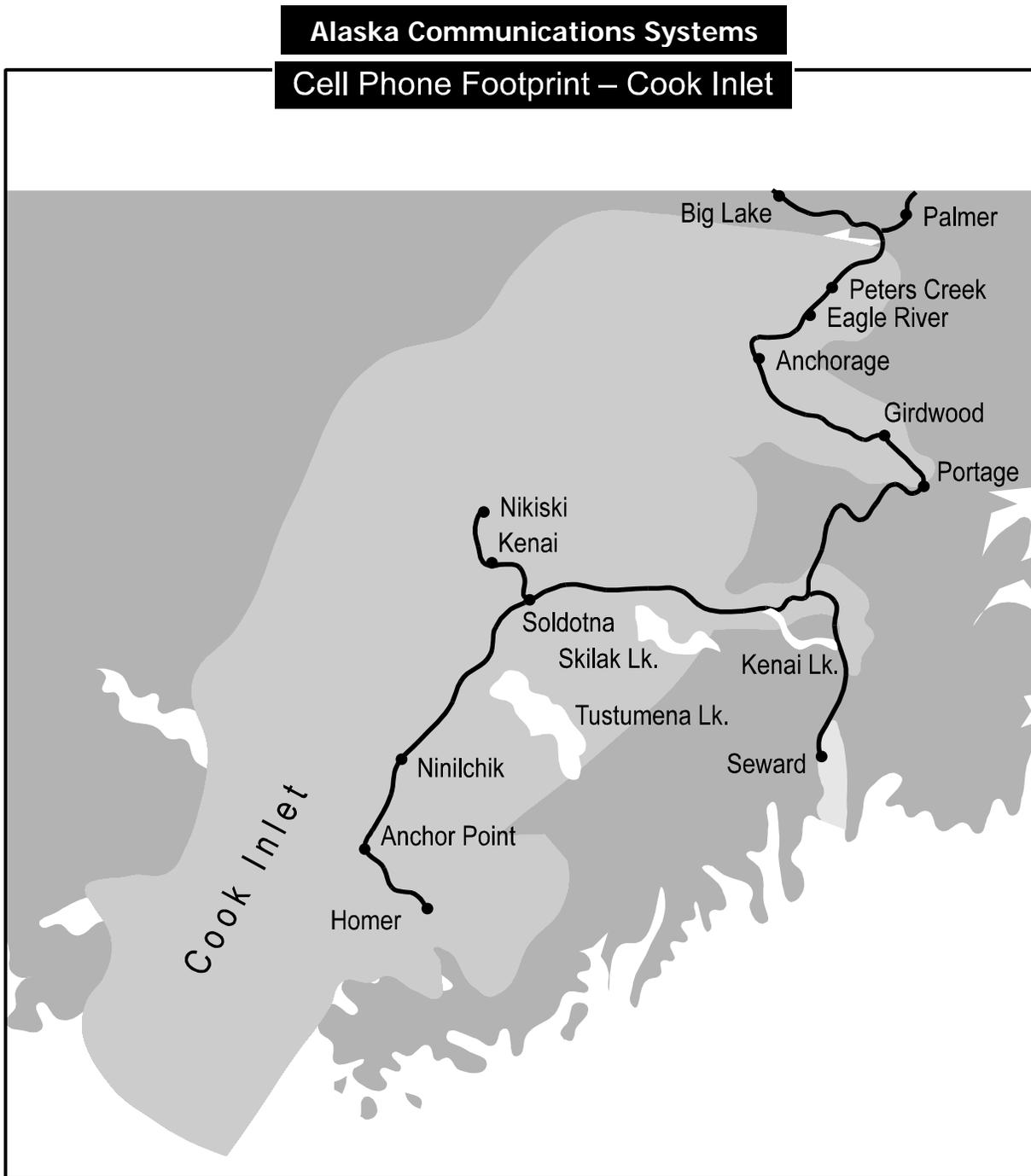


Figure B-2 b: Cellular Phone Coverage for Southcentral Alaska



ALMR System

The State of Alaska, the Department of Defense, other federal agencies in Alaska, and local municipalities have joined together in a consortium effort to design, build, and operate and maintain a fully interoperable wireless communications system in Alaska, the Alaska Land Mobile Radio Project (ALMR). The primary objective of ALMR is to provide a reliable and secure emergency communications system for all emergency responders in Alaska, especially for multi-agency responses to emergencies and critical situations.

ALMR provides first responders and public safety officials instant, effective, and private communications during everyday operation and the efficiency, security and flexibility required during emergencies for communications on demand and in real time. It is a system providing interoperable communications using disparate radios, voice communications, whether they are open or encrypted, to other users authorized to be in the same talkgroup. The software-definable radios are, to steal a phrase, “not your father’s radios.” The Project 25 (P-25), digital, Voiceover-Internet Protocol (VoIP) Very High Frequency (VHF) radios have capabilities and capacity barely imagined by first responders just a few, short years ago. Essentially, these radios are computers capable of transmitting voice and data, but can provide a number of other functions to assist the first responder carrying the radio.

Connectivity between the ALMR sites is provided by the State of Alaska Telecommunications System and the Municipality of Anchorage microwave systems, which enables ALMR users to communicate radio to radio anywhere in the ALMR coverage area, which is primarily along the road system. The current ALMR site build out and coverage footprint is primarily in the Interior, Southcentral and Southeast areas of the state.

The ALMR Help Desk is the single point of contact for ALMR Operations Management and Maintenance services. The Help Desk provides customers with problem, issue and complaint resolution. Services include account set up and update, radio checks, lost or stolen radio services, and general troubleshooting. Regular Business Hours are 8:00 am to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday After-hours (includes federal holidays): Call the Help Desk and follow the prompts to notify Motorola. An on-call technician will be notified.

Help Desk In Anchorage: 334-2567 Toll Free within Alaska: 888-334-2567
E-mail: almr-helpdesk@inuitservices.com

The State of Alaska Telecommunications System (SATS) microwave network provides the wide-area connectivity for the Alaska Land Mobile Radio (ALMR) Communications System. Therefore, ALMR primarily provides coverage along the major road system and in some portions of Southeast Alaska. Recognizing the potential need for communications outside the ALMR coverage area and SATS infrastructure, two transportable/deployable, self-contained ALMR sites were designed and built for the Department of Defense. The transportable systems are assets of Joint Task Force, Alaska. In an emergency, and when approved by the Commander Alaskan Command, the units can be deployed anywhere in the state by truck, heavy-lift helicopter, or large cargo aircraft. The Transportable Communications Systems are designed to integrate into the existing ALMR fixed infrastructure. The following is a basic description of the shelters/skids and their functions.

Communication Shelter

The Communications Shelter module is approximately 9 feet wide, by 16 feet long, by 9 feet high. It contains a five-channel RF site, satellite control interface, an unlicensed 5.8 GHz microwave radio, a central electronics bank (CEB) and a 48 VDC battery plant for eight hours run time.

Dispatch Shelter

The Dispatch Shelter is approximately 9 feet wide by 16 feet long by 9 feet high. It contains one Motorola® Gold Elite console position and a conventional UHF and VHF radios, marine band and air-to-ground radios, a MotoBridge® RGU, OMC, ACP, SIP Server, WSGU, and dispatch position.

Tower/Power Skid

The Tower/Power Skid is approximately 9 feet wide by 20 feet long and contains a 35KW self-contained diesel generator and integral fuel tank designed for three continuous days of operation at half load. It also contains a 50-foot, powered crank-up tower. It has permanently mounted antennas for the trunked RF site and two conventional frequencies.

Logistics Skid

The Logistics Skid is utilized to store ancillary equipment supporting the transportable during deployment. It also serves as a facility for maintenance operations while in the deployed state.

Contained within the Logistics Skid is the Unclassified Deployable Mesh (UDM) Network. Mesh network technology was originally developed for the military battlefield to provide instant, ad-hoc communication networks where fixed infrastructure was not available or deployable. The Mesh also provides WiFi access, security and real-time video, dedicated licensed network connectivity, and a license-free mobile broadband that is self-forming and self-healing and can deliver seamless data connections and real-time video transfers to vehicles moving at highway speeds. The Logistics Skid measures 9 feet wide, by 20 feet long, by 9 feet high.

Rapid Deployable System

The Rapid Deployable System Shelter provides a fast, easy, durable, and versatile structure for first responders, command posts, operations centers, or other remote operation uses.

E. COMMAND CENTERS

1. Location: Regardless of the spill volume, the FOSC and SOSC will initially operate from their normal offices. Likewise, the resource agency representatives will likely do the same, tho they may join one of the OSCs at their offices if space is adequate. For significant spills, these offices may prove inadequate and a joint command center will be required. For a response by CISPRI to a member company's spill, expect to use the CISPRI command center facility in Nikiski as a central location. Spills extending over a large area may require the establishment of auxiliary locations. The State Emergency Coordination Center at Fort Richardson (Camp Denali) or the Municipality of Anchorage Emergency Operations Center could also be activated for a major response operation.

2. Procedures for Establishment: For a federally-funded response, the General Services Administration (GSA) and the Seventeenth Coast Guard District will locate and contract for the command center. For Responsible Party responses, the spiller/responder will be required to provide an adequate command center.

3. Equipment: The amount of equipment to outfit the command post will be determined by the size of the response. In general, the following will be required equipment for every command post (any items not already available will be leased or purchased locally):

- Telephones and phone books
- Appropriate number of copy and facsimile machines and computer printers
- Desktop and portable computers with printers and fax/modem capability
- Internet and email access
- Office furniture
- Portable radios and marine communications base station
- Cameras and Video recording/playback capability
- Office supplies (pens, pencils, paper, flash drives, blank CDs and DVDs, etc.)
- Chart paper with easels and status boards (dry-write)
- Overhead and computer projectors
- Applicable Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) maps
- Applicable Most Environmentally Sensitive Area (MESA) maps
- Copies of any applicable industry contingency plans
- Copies of any appropriate local emergency response plans
- Copies of the Unified Plan and the Kodiak Subarea Contingency Plans
- Copies of the Alaska Incident Management System (AIMS) Guide
- Copies of the USCG Incident Management Handbook (COMDTPUB P3120.17)
- Copies of the Spill Tactics for Alaska Responders (STAR) Field Guide

F. STORAGE/DISPOSAL

The RP will be responsible for developing a waste disposal plan to provide the necessary logistical and procedural information required to ensure fast and efficient transfer of wastes from the response operations personnel to disposal facilities in compliance with existing laws and regulations. Oversight of the waste disposal plan will normally be the responsibility of the State.

An ADEC solid waste permit is required. Consult with ADEC on the landfill status and the current information on the adequacy of landfills in the Cook Inlet Subarea. Currently, no approved hazardous waste disposal sites exist in Alaska. Municipal landfills in Alaska either no longer accept oily wastes or accept only lightly oiled soils.

Additionally, refer to the **Unified Plan** for basic guidance on waste management and disposal procedures (see Annex E, Appendix VI).

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