

**Hazardous Material Response Capabilities for Local Government**

**FY2001 Request: \$200,000**  
**Reference No: 32582**

**AP/AL:** Appropriation  
**Category:** Health/Human Services  
**Location:** Statewide  
**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)  
**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2000 - 06/30/2001

**Project Type:** Health and Safety  
**Recipient:** Statewide  
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**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

DEC is obligated by statute to respond to hazardous material (hazmat) releases statewide and may satisfy this requirement through local hazmat teams. Expansion of local response capabilities to other communities outside of Anchorage and Fairbanks throughout Alaska.

<b>Funding:</b>	<u>FY2001</u>	<u>FY2002</u>	<u>FY2003</u>	<u>FY2004</u>	<u>FY2005</u>	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>Total</u>
Oil/Haz Fd	\$200,000						\$200,000
<b>Total:</b>	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input type="checkbox"/> On-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

**Operating & Maintenance Costs:**

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	0
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**

Hazardous Material Response Capabilities for Local Government has received prior appropriations of 500.0 in FY98 and 300.0 in FY99.

**Project Description/Justification:**

DEC continues to develop and expand an in-state hazardous materials (hazmat) response team that can respond to an incident anywhere in Alaska. DEC is obligated by statute to respond to hazmat releases throughout the state, and may either satisfy this responsibility through contracts with persons or municipalities or elect to establish and maintain this capability within DEC. As part of its implementation of local response agreements with Fairbanks and Anchorage, DEC will continue to fund equipment, preparedness and training costs for the existing hazmat teams in these two communities, building on their present capabilities. This will enable them to respond outside their present jurisdictions and thus provide expanded coverage throughout Alaska. These funds will be used to conduct drills and exercises, acquire training, purchase additional response equipment, and replenish expendable equipment items to support statewide hazmat response preparedness. Funds will also be used to support preparedness costs in those communities with DEC community spill response agreements in place. Southeast Alaska lacks the capability to respond to extremely hazardous substance releases although the chemical risk profile for this region is higher than many other parts of Alaska. This region also lacks a core team upon which such a capability can be built. Funds will also be used to strengthen the local capability in other areas of the state to provide interim protection until a hazmat team is on-scene. For this reason local capability is being developed for Southeast Alaska with backup from the Anchorage or Fairbanks hazmat teams.