

State of Alaska FY2009 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Environmental Conservation Air Director Component Budget Summary

Component: Air Director

Contribution to Department's Mission

Lead and direct division staff in accomplishing department results.

Core Services

Overall leadership and management of the air quality programs of the division.

Major Activities to Advance Strategies

- Manage, direct and mentor to deliver the program reforms embodied in Air Quality's mission.

FY2009 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2009 Component Budget: \$243,000

Personnel:

Full time	2
Part time	0
Total	2

Key Component Challenges

The director's office must ensure that the resources and priorities of the division are directed towards the fulfillment of the division's mission to protect air quality. Key issues for the Air Quality division will be:

- Continue to mentor the implemented air permit reform changes to ensure the reform fully achieves its goals of predictable, reliable, timely and rational permitting.
- Mentor the division's development of on-line permitting business format such that air permit application forms are available on-line, routine compliance monitoring data can be submitted on-line by permittees, and department staff have readily accessible information for making permit decisions and managing air quality.
- Participate in national forums and dialogue with EPA and other states to enhance Alaska's voice in setting national priorities and initiatives for air quality and related issues.
- Serve the DEC Commissioner and the executive sub-cabinet on Climate Change in developing a climate change strategy for Alaska as directed by the Governor by Administrative Order 238.
- Guide the collaborative work among the division, DOT/PF and local governments in developing pollution control plans for Fairbanks, Kotzebue, Bethel and other rural areas not meeting the 2006 EPA health standards for fine or coarse sized airborne particles.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2009

None.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2007

- Continued to track the implementation of the agreement with North Slope oil & gas operators to phase-in use of cleaner diesel fuel that drastically reduces sulfur dioxide air emissions from well drilling, construction and all other diesel engines in early 2009.

- Continued to guide the division in influencing EPA's actions in two key areas: 1) acquired an opportunity to further explore the Alaska specific costs and health benefits of using ultra low sulfur diesel fuel in stationary diesel engines located in hundreds of rural communities; 2) helped change EPA's proposed position to rescind a health standard for coarse sized airborne particles by compiling medical and anecdotal evidence that respiratory illnesses are disproportionately high in rural Alaska communities and research in other countries indicates a compelling link between illness and airborne particle pollution.
- Mentored department staff in working with local governments to perform studies and analysis that may enable the department to downsize or possibly eliminate the vehicle emissions inspection program (I/M testing) in Anchorage and Fairbanks while retaining clean air. Both local governments have proposed ordinances to sunset the I/M testing requirement.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 46.03; AS 46.14; 18 AAC 50; 18 AAC 52; 18 AAC 53; Clean Air Act.

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**Air Director
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2007 Actuals	FY2008 Management Plan	FY2009 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	176.4	175.8	177.7
72000 Travel	13.6	14.9	14.9
73000 Services	36.8	39.8	39.8
74000 Commodities	14.7	10.6	10.6
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	241.5	241.1	243.0
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	241.5	241.1	243.0
Funding Totals	241.5	241.1	243.0

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2007 Actuals	FY2008 Management Plan	FY2009 Governor
<u>Unrestricted Revenues</u>				
Unrestricted Fund	68515	0.1	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.1	0.0	0.0
<u>Restricted Revenues</u>				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Estimated Revenues		0.1	0.0	0.0

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2008 Management Plan to FY2009 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2008 Management Plan	241.1	0.0	0.0	241.1
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-FY 09 Health Insurance Increases for Exempt Employees	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2
-FY 09 Bargaining Unit Contract Terms: General Government Unit	1.7	0.0	0.0	1.7
FY2009 Governor	243.0	0.0	0.0	243.0

**Air Director
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions		Personal Services Costs		
<u>FY2008</u>				
<u>Management</u>	<u>Plan</u>	<u>FY2009</u>		
		<u>Governor</u>		
			Annual Salaries	121,860
Full-time	2	2	COLA	1,478
Part-time	0	0	Premium Pay	0
Nonpermanent	0	0	Annual Benefits	59,341
			<i>Less 2.73% Vacancy Factor</i>	(4,979)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	2	2	Total Personal Services	177,700

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Division Director	1	0	0	0	1
Secretary	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	2	0	0	0	2