

State of Alaska FY2002 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Environmental Conservation
Solid Waste Management
Component

Component: Solid Waste Management

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Component Mission

Work cooperatively with municipalities, private businesses, and industrial companies to help improve environmental management and protection at Alaska's landfills.

Component Services Provided

- Review permit applications, including plans for operations, monitoring, management, construction, and closure; issue permits for solid waste treatment and disposal facilities; and review results of monitoring results that facilities submit to us.
- Conduct inspections of landfills to verify their compliance with permit conditions and regulations.
- Make site visits to small towns and villages to provide practical, hands-on advice that can help them better manage their solid waste.
- Stay in touch with owners of closed landfill sites to ensure they are taking suitable actions to prevent contamination.

Component Goals and Strategies

- 1) PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH AND PROPERTY VALUES BY IMPROVING THE WAY SOLID WASTE IS MANAGED STATEWIDE.
 - Inspect facilities according to a priority schedule based on facility risk and compliance history.
 - Provide on-site technical assistance to operators of small landfills to improve solid waste management.
 - Enter into partnership arrangements with regional health organizations to hold operator training sessions in regional transportation hubs to encourage improvements in the management of village landfills.
 - Develop a state solid waste management plan that will outline broad goals and identify solid waste management strategies that may be effective in different areas of the state.
 - Support pilot regionalization projects as a way to ensure better and more cost-effective solid waste management in small communities.
 - Expand the use of fact sheets and training information posted on the division's web page as a cost-effective way to provide technical assistance to communities and industry.
- 2) IMPROVE OUR PROGRAM'S EFFECTIVENESS BY CONTINUING TO IMPROVE CUSTOMER SATISFACTION THROUGH OUTREACH AND POSITIVE INTERACTIONS.
 - Hold annual meetings of the Solid Waste Advisory Group to assure that we hear permittees' views and create a forum for communities to help each other.
 - Make additional use of general permits, permits by rule, and other mechanisms to streamline permitting. This will allow staff to spend more time in the field providing direct technical assistance to operators.
 - Develop and use feedback form to solicit input from permittees on how we are doing.
 - Develop changes to our fee system to comply with legislation passed in 2000.
 - Solicit ideas from interested parties to weigh the need for future regulatory changes with the desire for a stable, consistent regulatory program.

Key Component Issues for FY2001 – 2002

Long-term improvements in solid waste management have been extremely difficult to sustain at smaller facilities. We plan on reducing staff resources spent on permitting in favor of additional inspections and on-site technical assistance. We feel that technical assistance rather than permitting may achieve better results at small landfills. As part of the effort to seek long-term improvements, we will be using existing resources to develop a state solid waste

management plan that will outline broad state goals and solid waste management strategies that may be effective in different regions of the state.

Major Component Accomplishments for FY2000

Outlined issues and initiated discussions on how to make long-term improvements in solid waste management in Alaska.

Began work on a state solid waste management plan.

Held the third Solid Waste Advisory Group meeting to obtain feedback from our municipal waste permit holders on our program efforts, and share information about effective solid waste management techniques for small communities.

Worked with the Governor's office to secure an Alaska-specific amendment to the FAA Reauthorization Bill. A provision in the bill would have prohibited general aviation airports within six miles of a landfill - something that would have been impossible for most Alaska communities to comply with.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 44.46.020, AS 44.46.025, AS 46.03.100-120, AS 46.06.021, 18 AAC 60

Solid Waste Management
Component Financial Summary

All dollars in thousands

	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	702.9	839.3	840.6
72000 Travel	54.9	69.5	69.5
73000 Contractual	104.3	209.6	284.8
74000 Supplies	11.0	25.5	25.5
75000 Equipment	12.6	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	885.7	1,143.9	1,220.4
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	26.1	27.0	27.0
1004 General Fund Receipts	602.9	671.0	755.4
1005 General Fund/Program Receipts	256.5	433.6	438.0
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	0.2	0.0	0.0
1053 Investment Loss Trust Fund	0.0	11.0	0.0
1108 Statutory Designated Program Receipts	0.0	1.3	0.0
Funding Totals	885.7	1,143.9	1,220.4

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2001 Cash Estimate	FY2002 Governor	FY2003 Forecast
Unrestricted Revenues						
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues						
Federal Receipts	51010	26.1	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0
Interagency Receipts	51015	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General Fund Program Receipts	51060	256.5	433.6	313.6	438.0	438.0
Statutory Designated Program Receipts	51063	0.0	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0
Restricted Total		282.8	461.9	341.9	465.0	465.0
Total Estimated Revenues		282.8	461.9	341.9	465.0	465.0

Solid Waste Management**Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2002**

No significant change in service anticipated.

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2001 Authorized to FY2002 Governor**

All dollars in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2001 Authorized	1,115.6	27.0	1.3	1,143.9
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Convert Special FY2001 Labor Cost Fund Sources to GF	1.3	0.0	-1.3	0.0
-Year 2 Labor Costs - Net Change from FY2001	1.3	0.0	0.0	1.3
Proposed budget increases:				
-HB 361 Second Year Increase	75.2	0.0	0.0	75.2
FY2002 Governor	1,193.4	27.0	0.0	1,220.4

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Personal Services Information

Authorized Positions			Personal Services Costs	
	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor		
Full-time	12	12	Annual Salaries	648,966
Part-time	0	0	COLA	9,155
Nonpermanent	0	0	Premium Pay	0
			Annual Benefits	202,844
			<i>Less 2.37% Vacancy Factor</i>	(20,365)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	12	12	Total Personal Services	840,600

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Analyst/Programmer IV	1	0	0	0	1
Environ Conserv Mgr III	0	0	1	0	1
Environmental Spec I	0	0	1	0	1
Environmental Spec II	1	1	0	0	2
Environmental Spec III	2	1	1	0	4
Environmental Spec IV	1	1	1	0	3
Totals	5	3	4	0	12