

# **State of Alaska FY2002 Governor's Operating Budget**

Department of Military and Veterans Affairs  
National Guard Military Headquarters  
Component

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### **Component Mission**

State funded leadership of Alaska's Army and Air National Guard.

### **Component Services Provided**

This component contains the Directors/ Asst. Adjutants General of the Air and Army Guard as well as the newly established National Missile Defense Project Coordinator.

The Army and Air Guard Directors/Asst. Adjutants General are responsible for ensuring that Guard units are trained and ready to perform their state mission of disaster assistance, search and rescue, community affairs projects and participation in local programs that improve the quality of life, civic pride and cultural identity.

In addition, the Army Guard Director ensures that units are trained to meet the federal mission requirements to provide security, long range communications and aviation mission support. Individual soldiers must be ready to support the U.S. Army's overseas missions.

The Air Guard Director/Asst. Adjutant General is responsible for the Air National Guard readiness to perform the federal missions to include air refueling, airlift and air rescue. Air Guard units support the U.S. Air Force overseas.

National Missile Defense (NMD) Project:

Fielding of NMD in Alaska will involve millions of dollars in new construction and related industries supporting the facilities, equipment, and personnel associated with the fielding of the system over a three to seven year period. Sustainment of the system in the out years will continue to provide jobs and produce revenue throughout Alaska. Projections indicate there will be approximately 450 new jobs associated with operating the NMD system.

There is an on-going and growing requirement to engage departments, offices, activities, contractors, and personnel involved with fielding of the NMD system in Alaska. Proactive engagement with the above entities is essential to work and coordinate a number of issues. These issues include, site location considerations for NMD, determining staffing requirements to operate and maintain the system, operating tactics, techniques and procedures, addressing environmental issues and concerns, and a host of other critical requirements to insure the system is fielded successfully in Alaska. Up to this time engagement has been extremely selective and limited due to the lack of resources and the ability to meet requirements from existing resources. NMD has now grown in intensity as the program has matured and is facing a near term deployment decision that will directly impact on Alaska. The NMD Coordinator and the project funding will permit the Commissioner of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Director of the Alaska Army National Guard to become actively engaged at a critical point in the systems development and deployment.

Examples of issues being addressed include, site location considerations, determining staffing requirements to operate and maintain the system, system operating procedures, addressing environmental issues and concerns, economic impact issues, Alaska hire issues, public information, a single state point of contact regarding the NMD initiative, and a host of other critical issues/requirements to insure the system is fielded successfully in Alaska.

### **Component Goals and Strategies**

Provide a National Guard force, which fulfills state and federal military missions and continues to educate leaders and helps build communities.

Expand the Army guard presence in rural Alaska to increase native Alaskans' opportunities to learn marketable skills and strengthen leadership abilities.

Maintain the current staffing and structure of the Army and Air National Guard during this era of down-sizing our nation's military strength by acquiring the new missions of space surveillance and security at Clear Air Station; a role in the Alaska NORAD operations center; strategic airlift; national missile defense; domestic preparedness against weapons of mass destruction; and a Pacific Theater aviation headquarters.

Improve recruitment, retention, and education levels through a partnership with the University of Alaska and full use of military education tools.

National Missile Defense Project:

- To obtain federal funding for the NMD in Alaska
- To coordinate project management issues between the Alaska National Guard, the National Defense Missile Command, Boeing Corporation, Congress, the Alaska Legislature, the Federal Administration, and the Knowles Administration.

### **Key Component Issues for FY2001 – 2002**

Air National Guard:

The United States Air Force and the Alaska Air National Guard have developed an outstanding cooperative relationship, resulting in close interaction in support of our nation's defense. Since the successful activation of the aerial refueling mission at Eielson Air Force Base in 1986 and the transfer of the rescue mission from the active duty force to the Alaska Air National Guard in 1990, the Alaska Air National Guard has continued to demonstrate the capability to undertake increased mission requirements which have provided direct benefit to both the nation and the state. This successful growth has set the stage for future opportunities. Growth in the Alaska Air National Guard is highly probable. The following examples illustrate the active initiatives being pursued/reviewed by the Alaska Air National Guard:

Transfer of the 611 Air Defense Battle Control Center is proceeding on course. Department of Defense final approval is imminent. Upon program approval, the Air Guard will begin a four-year transition process to replace almost 150 Active Component personnel with Air Guard members. After completion of the transfer, America's air defense sectors will be completely managed by the Air National Guard. This mission is still planned to encompass personnel only. All facilities and maintenance will be the responsibility of the US Air Force. This arrangement provides real growth for the Alaska Air National Guard with no associated expense for the State of Alaska budget.

Integration of the Clear Air Force Station Ballistic Missile Early Warning System is proceeding on track. U.S. Space Command and National Guard Bureau have validated operations concepts and phased personnel transition plans. This mission is vital to the future continued incorporation of the Alaska Air Guard into space operations. This initiative is currently under final review. We expect a decision for employment late in CY 2000. As with the 611th, the ANG will be responsible only for personnel. The US Air Force will perform all facilities and maintenance. As with the 611th, this arrangement provides real growth for the Alaska Air National Guard with no associated expense for the State of Alaska budget.

The Alaska Air National Guard is continuing to track the federal initiative to purchase new C-17 aircraft and locate them in Alaska under the control of the Air National Guard. Federal monies have been provided to Headquarters, Pacific Air Forces, to perform a feasibility study for basing options. The Air Guard is participating with the Hawaii and Mississippi Air National Guards to identify issues and concerns with a potential deployment of C-17's to Alaska.

Army National Guard:

A key issue of the Army National Guard is to adequately train and prepare for the Weapons of Mass Destruction threat and develop Alaska Rapid Assessment Initial Detection Team.

Congress provided for up to 27 RAID teams to mitigate and respond to the WMD threat facing America. The Alaska Army National Guard initially received a 100% federally funded RAID team consisting of 2 full time personnel and 20 part time personnel. In the FY-2000 Federal Appropriation legislation, the Alaska Army Guard received authorization for a fully staffed RAID team with 22 full time federally funded personnel.

The RAID team is programmed to be trained and fully functional by FY-01.

Presently, DMVA has identified the resource needs to prepare the unit for activation. We will proceed to identify and train the 20 part-time personnel approved over the next two years. The RAID (heavy) detachment will be located within the Anchorage National Guard Readiness Center.

#### National Missile Defense (NMD):

The United States is pursuing a National Missile Defense system to protect the United States from accidental ballistic missile launch or limited launch by a rogue nation. The NMD system that is in the process of being developed and possibly fielded in the future is a major factor in the Homeland Defense initiative. Accordingly, the Homeland Defense mission is an Army National Guard mission. If the NMD system is fielded in Alaska, the Alaska Army National Guard would staff a significant number of positions and would operate the system.

A presidential decision is expected regarding the fielding of NMD in June 2000. Considerable technological challenges must be met to begin fielding a NMD system. Fielding could begin as early as FY01 with initial operational capability in FY2005.

Alaska Army National Guard personnel are engaged with the programmatic aspects of the NMD program, particularly in the areas of staffing, force structure, quality of life issues and stationing.

The Alaska Army Guard has obtained a federally funded full-time authorization for an Action/liaison officer to work Army peculiar NMD issues on a full time basis. Alaska Guard personnel are participating and involved in the NMD simulations and tests being conducted for command and control in Colorado Springs, CO. To date they have participated in multiple successful simulations.

### **Major Component Accomplishments for FY2000**

The Alaska Air National Guard completed a successful KC-135 avionics conversion that modernized outdated navigational and flight instruments. The KC-135's of the 168th Air Refueling Wing also operated mishap-free from Fairbanks International Airport and Ft Wainwright Army Airfield during the closure of the Eielson AFB runway this summer. The 210th Rescue Squadron continued international rescue diplomacy with participation in Arctic SAREX 2000 in St. Petersburg, Russia. This dynamic yearly joint exercise continues to build understanding and teamwork between the United States, Russia, and Canada. Next year's SAREX will be held in Alaska. The 210th Rescue Squadron and the Rescue Coordination Center also participated in 289 rescue missions resulting in 100 lives saved. Alaska Air National Guard units also completed their first round of deployments in support of the Air Force Air Expeditionary Forces (AEF). In true Alaskan style, all of the Air Guard's flying units will be deployed at the same time to Europe and the Middle East during the fall of 2000.

### **Statutory and Regulatory Authority**

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### **Key Performance Measures for FY2002**

**Measure: No loss of life associated with AKANG SAR tasked missions.**  
*(Developed jointly with Legislature in FY1999.)*

#### **Current Status:**

No lives lost as of November 2000. In FY00 1576 hours were flown to support 923 rescue sorties, 126 lives were saved and 64 assists were performed, with no lives lost during any of the rescues.

**Benchmark:**

Maintain mission readiness in search and rescue (SAR) operations, which results in increased responsiveness and zero loss of life in rescue operations.

**Background and Strategies:**

The Alaska Air National Guard (AKANG) operates the 11th Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (RCC) and the 210th Rescue Squadron. These two entities provide the highest level of SAR coordination and response in the United States. Because of the vast area and ruggedness of Alaska, activities of the AKANG operations are high. Both the RCC and 210th are designated as federal units assigned against federal military missions. However, the majority of operational missions are conducted in support of state SAR requirements.

Alaska is a rugged state with a significantly higher than average percentage of population that is involved in civil aviation. Additionally, Alaska is a popular tourist destination for visitors that seek a wilderness experience. Because of this, Alaska has a much higher rate of incidents that require SAR than any other state in the nation. The AKANG RCC and 210th Rescue Squadron serve a valuable purpose in providing an essential safety factor.

Air Guard strategy to reach our goal is to build upon the successes of the past year, to include developing a closer relationship with both federal and state agencies which rely on AKANG services for SAR. The AKANG plans to improve the effectiveness of SAR in Alaska by realigning the RCC with the 176th Wing to provide greater efficiencies between that unit and the 210th Rescue Squadron. Increased interaction with Alaska Division of Emergency Services and the Alaska State Troopers will provide an ability to harness a more rapid response for state contingencies. In addition, as the United States Coast Guard (USCG) further reduces SAR operations in Alaska, the AKANG will be prepared to undertake those missions formerly handled by the USCG. Finally, increasing international activities that provide economic benefit to the state will be pursued, such as was accomplished with the SAR exercise operation in Seward between US, Canadian, and Russian SAR experts.

**Measure: Military efficiency and readiness ratings.**

*(Added by Legislature in FY2000 version.)*

**Current Status:**

The National Guard will meet its mission.

**Benchmark:**

The military efficiency and readiness ratings are specified by the Department of Defense.

**Background and Strategies:**

We report back to the Department of Defense. These reports are classified and cannot be published.

**Measure: The average response time for emergencies.**

*(Added by Legislature in FY2000 version.)*

**Current Status:**

The Alaska Air National Guard Rescue Coordination Center (RCC) serves as the coordinating agency for aviation-related search and rescue. Aircraft are available to respond from 3 locations in the state. The 210 Rescue Squadron maintains rescue-ready assets at Kulis ANG Base in Anchorage and at Eielson AFB near Fairbanks. The 68th Medical Detachment, US Army Alaska, also maintains a response asset. The rescue assets are tasked with the primary mission of support search and rescue of military aircraft in the state. Because of this Federally funded mission, response time for RCC-controlled assets varies. Three response postures exist. Short response can launch within 30 minutes of notification. Medium response can launch within 1 hour and 45 minutes from notification. Long response will launch no later than 3 hours and 30 minutes from notification.

**Benchmark:**

This varies by incident.

**Background and Strategies:**

The RCC mission is federal. A side benefit to the state is the availability of the 24-hour capabilities of the RCC. National Guard and Active air assets can be used in support of state search and rescue as outlined in federal and

state guidelines. Response times are designed primarily for federal missions. However, assets in short, medium, or long response postures can also launch for state missions. As long as air rescue assets respond within the appropriate window, response times are not tracked.

**Measure: The number of persons assisted.**  
*(Added by Legislature in FY2000 version.)*

**Benchmark:**

This varies by incident.

**Background and Strategies:**

The National Guard stands by and is ready to respond to incidents when called upon. The Air Guard is prepared to perform Search & Rescue Missions in Alaska and stand by in support of our nation's defense. The Army Guard ensures that units are trained to meet the federal mission requirements to provide security, long range communication and aviation mission support.

All 613,000 Alaskans and indirectly all US citizens are covered under the umbrella of the National Guard.

**Measure: The amount and value of property protected.**  
*(Added by Legislature in FY2000 version.)*

**Current Status:**

We recommend this measure be dropped.

**Status of FY2001 Performance Measures**

	<i>Achieved</i>	<i>On track</i>	<i>Too soon to tell</i>	<i>Not likely to achieve</i>	<i>Needs modification</i>
• No loss of life associated with AKANG SAR tasked missions in FY2001.		X			
• Military efficiency and readiness ratings			X		
• The average response time for emergencies.			X		
• The number of persons assisted.			X		
• The amount and value of property protected.			X		

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**Component Financial Summary**

*All dollars in thousands*

	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor
<b>Non-Formula Program:</b>			
<b>Component Expenditures:</b>			
71000 Personal Services	190.0	290.8	305.2
72000 Travel	25.3	30.0	21.3
73000 Contractual	5.0	3.0	3.0
74000 Supplies	0.0	2.4	2.4
75000 Equipment	0.0	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
<b>Expenditure Totals</b>	<b>220.3</b>	<b>326.2</b>	<b>331.9</b>
<b>Funding Sources:</b>			
1004 General Fund Receipts	220.3	326.2	331.9
<b>Funding Totals</b>	<b>220.3</b>	<b>326.2</b>	<b>331.9</b>

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**Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2002**

A new state federally funded position will be requested through proposed legislation for the NMD project.

**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>
<b>FY2001 Authorized</b>	<b>326.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>326.2</b>
<b>Adjustments which will continue current level of service:</b>				
-Year 2 Labor Costs - Net Change from FY2001	5.7	0.0	0.0	5.7
<b>FY2002 Governor</b>	<b>331.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>331.9</b>

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**Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions			Personal Services Costs	
	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor		
Full-time	3	3	Annual Salaries	240,990
Part-time	0	0	COLA	5,664
Nonpermanent	0	0	Premium Pay	0
			Annual Benefits	67,887
			<i>Less 2.97% Vacancy Factor</i>	<i>(9,341)</i>
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Total Personal Services</b>	<b>305,200</b>

**Position Classification Summary**

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Division Director	2	0	0	0	2
Nat Missile Defens Coordinator	1	0	0	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>