

State of Alaska FY2005 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Public Safety Alaska Fire Standards Council RDU/Component Budget Summary

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RDU/Component: Alaska Fire Standards Council

(There is only one component in this RDU. To reduce duplicate information, we did not print a separate RDU section.)

Contribution to Department's Mission

To establish training and performance standards for fire service personnel, and curriculum requirements for the certification of training programs.

Core Services

- Govern the process for the accreditation and regulation of fire service training programs.
- Govern the process for the certification and regulation of individuals who meet established performance standards.
- Provide the forum for constructive participation of all agencies and organizations with a focus in fire service training schools and programs.
- Develop and maintain a long-term strategy for the acquisition of funding for the Alaska Fire Standards Council.

End Results	Strategies to Achieve Results
<p>(1) Ensure professionalism and adequately trained firefighters in Alaska</p> <p><u>Target:</u> Increase number of certification programs. <u>Measure:</u> Number of certification programs.</p>	<p>(1) Ensure compliance with recognized training standards</p> <p><u>Target:</u> Adopt and/or develop three additional training standards for use in Alaska. <u>Measure:</u> Number of adopted training standards.</p> <p><u>Target:</u> Increase certification training classes in Alaska. <u>Measure:</u> Number of certification classes.</p> <p><u>Target:</u> Conduct review of training programs. <u>Measure:</u> Number of audits and initial reviews conducted.</p>

Major Activities to Advance Strategies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firefighter certification, fire instructor certification, fire investigator certification, and certification at other approved levels. • Review of fire service certification programs. • Development of fire service certification programs. • Coordinate fire service certification opportunities. • Field audits of current fire service programs.

FY2005 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results							
<p>FY2005 Component Budget: \$229,000</p>	<p>Personnel:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Full time</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Part time</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>2</td> </tr> </table>	Full time	2	Part time	0	Total	2
Full time	2						
Part time	0						
Total	2						

Performance Measure Detail

(1) Result: Ensure professionalism and adequately trained firefighters in Alaska

Target: Increase number of certification programs.

Measure: Number of certification programs.

Number of Adopted Certification Programs (calendar year)

Year	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	YTD Total
2002	5	0	0	0	5
2003	0	0	6	0	6

Analysis of results and challenges: The following certification programs were adopted at the February 2002 meeting: Certifying Officer, Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Instructor I, Instructor II.

The following certification programs were adopted at the September 2003 meeting: Emergency Vehicle Driver, Basic Marine, Advanced Marine, Rescue Intervention Technician, Rural Basic Firefighter, Airport Rescue Firefighter.

(1) Strategy: Ensure compliance with recognized training standards

Target: Adopt and/or develop three additional training standards for use in Alaska.

Measure: Number of adopted training standards.

Number of Adopted Training Standards (calendar year)

Year	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	YTD Total
2003	0	0	2	0	2
2004	0	0	0	0	0

Analysis of results and challenges: The following training standards were adopted at the September 2003 meeting: Rural Basic Firefighter, Rescue Intervention Technician

Target: Increase certification training classes in Alaska.

Measure: Number of certification classes.

Number of Certification Classes (by calendar year)

Year	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	YTD Total
2004	0	0	0	0	0
2005	0	0	0	0	0

Analysis of results and challenges: New measurement. Prior data is not available.

Target: Conduct review of training programs.

Measure: Number of audits and initial reviews conducted.

Review of Training Programs (by calendar year)

Year	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	YTD Total
2004	0	0	0	0	0
2005	0	0	0	0	0

Analysis of results and challenges: New Measurement. Prior data not available.

Key Component Challenges

The Alaska Fire Standards Council is currently funded with unrealizable program receipts. The legislature established an avenue for the council to receive funding through donations and an insurance tax credit. However, this is the council's only fund source at this time, and sufficient revenue has not been received to fund a full time position dedicated to the Alaska Fire Standards Council. Without a full time position, little has been done to educate the insurance companies on

this option.

Currently, there are only a few uniform performance standards for fire services personnel in the state. The public is entitled to a reasonable expectation that personnel responding to a call for emergency services are adequately trained to mitigate the emergency. The responder is entitled to a level of training that allows him or her to operate in a manner which minimizes personal risk.

Without state-established standards, the local fire and emergency services personnel are subject to National Fire Protection Association and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards. OSHA standards are largely irrelevant in many parts of the state, especially in communities that do not have paid staff, fire hydrants, or fire trucks. If funded, the council will have the authority to establish relevant standards and the council format will assure cross sectional representation as the standards are developed and adopted.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2005

FY2005 may be the first year of program operation due to non-GF funding sources that have impacted start-up.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2003

Council members were seated in FY2002 and as of November 2003, the council has held six meetings. The council has reviewed and adopted a number of training programs conducted by Fire Service Training, but without an established funding source, additional projects would be difficult to accomplish.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

Alaska Fire Standards Council (AS 18.70.320-369)

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**Alaska Fire Standards Council
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	70.2	72.9
72000 Travel	1.4	61.2	61.2
73000 Contractual	0.3	79.3	79.3
74000 Supplies	0.0	5.6	5.6
75000 Equipment	0.0	10.0	10.0
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	1.7	226.3	229.0
Funding Sources:			
1152 AK Fire Standards Council Receipts	1.7	226.3	229.0
Funding Totals	1.7	226.3	229.0

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues				
AK Fire Standards Council Receipts	51077	1.7	226.3	229.0
Restricted Total		1.7	226.3	229.0
Total Estimated Revenues		1.7	226.3	229.0

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2004 Authorized to FY2005 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2004 Authorized	0.0	0.0	226.3	226.3
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Changes to Retirement and Other Personal Services Rates	0.0	0.0	2.7	2.7
FY2005 Governor	0.0	0.0	229.0	229.0

**Alaska Fire Standards Council
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions		Personal Services Costs		
	<u>FY2004</u> <u>Authorized</u>	<u>FY2005</u> <u>Governor</u>		
Full-time	2	2	Annual Salaries	49,717
Part-time	0	0	Premium Pay	0
Nonpermanent	0	0	Annual Benefits	24,844
			<i>Less 2.17% Vacancy Factor</i>	(1,619)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	2	2	Total Personal Services	72,942

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Administrative Clerk II	1	0	0	0	1
AK Fire Stnd Cncl Admin	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	2	0	0	0	2