

Compliance Cleanup Site Restoration**FY2009 Request: \$5,000,000**
Reference No: 43330**AP/AL:** Appropriation**Project Type:** Health and Safety**Category:** Public Protection**Location:** Statewide**Contact:** John Cramer**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)**Contact Phone:** (907)428-6009**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2008 - 06/30/2014**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

The Compliance Cleanup Site Restoration projects address soil and groundwater contamination issues at numerous Alaska Army National Guard facilities throughout the state. Compliance cleanup liability is estimated to be \$33.9 million. Program funds are used to investigate and cleanup contaminated sites. Projects are 100% federally reimbursable through the National Guard Bureau Army National Guard (ARNG) compliance cleanup program and effectively address the environmental compliance liabilities associated with ARNG training and facility operations on federal, state and third-party properties.

Funding:	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	Total
Fed Rcpts	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$18,000,000
Total:	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$18,000,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input checked="" 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
<u>One-Time Startup:</u>	0	0
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

Projects related to this revised program were previously executed using federal contracting resources through the United States Property and Fiscal Office for Alaska. Use of state procurement methods allow for increased contractor competition and direct state oversight and control. Five million dollars of federal funding was appropriated in Chapter 30, SLA 2007.

Project Description/Justification:

The Alaska Army National Guard (ARNG) Compliance Cleanup program is 100% federally funded by the US Army through the National Guard Bureau (NGB) Master Cooperative Agreement (MCA) ARNG Environmental Program Resources Management appendix entered into with the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs. This program addresses the cleanup of petroleum product releases that occurred in conjunction with military training and facility operations. The cleanup projects provide environmental cleanup for soil and groundwater as required by state cleanup rules (AS 46.03.740, AS 46.04.020 and 18 AAC 75). Successful program execution provides facilities that do not pose threats to human health, drinking water resources, or lands and waters of the state. These projects eliminate financial liabilities that might otherwise be attributed to the state and federal governments.

As part of the project execution, contractors are compelled to use labor, equipment, and services that are available at the location of the cleanup. The affected facilities are predominantly located in rural parts of western Alaska and provide opportunities for non-permanent employment and service provision in these communities. For facilities that may be involved in divestiture actions, site restoration allows unconditional facility transfer to local entities.

The project scoping process involves representatives from the Alaska Army National Guard, National Guard Bureau, US Army, as well as the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation. Remedial actions are selected on the basis of

several variables to include: contaminant types and concentration, potential receptors at risk, site geology and hydrogeology, availability and viability of treatment technologies, and opportunities for financial efficiencies. Cleanup costs are estimated according to US Army protocols, using auditable methods and resources. At response completion, there are no additional liabilities related to continued operations and maintenance.

Project Mission:

This project request will provide safe, sustainable facilities and training lands, directly supporting the State and Federal mission of Alaska Army National Guard while reducing the liabilities associated with managing contaminated sites. Unconditional closure of these sites will provide maximum flexibility to the command and management when making decisions related to stationing, support, and transformation.

Why is this project needed now?

The funding authority is requested to allow execution of this federal program as limited funding becomes available through the existing National Guard Bureau Master Cooperative Agreement. The current Installation Action Plan schedule aggressively programs about \$20 million in work during FY08 through FY11, but there is significant interstate competition for these resources. State contracting efficiencies will provide an opportunity to expedite performance, seek competitive pricing, and promote local capabilities.

Specific Spending Detail:

The estimated annual requirement for compliance cleanup projects beginning in state fiscal year 2009 is estimated to be approximately \$9 million and includes work at Akiak, Ambler, Bethel, Eek, Hooper Bay, Kivalina, Kwethluk, Mountain Village, Napakiak, Nightmute, Saint Mary's, Stebbins, Togiak, and Tununak. Significant cost savings are realized by grouping projects in contract awards that are geographically similar.