

Oil and Hazardous Substance First Responder Equipment and Preparedness **FY2010 Request: \$750,000**
Reference No: 46946

AP/AL: Appropriation **Project Type:** Life / Health / Safety
Category: Health/Human Services
Location: Statewide **Contact:** Larry Dietrick
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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2009 - 06/30/2010

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This CIP funds essential oil and hazardous substance first responder equipment and preparedness needs for prevention and emergency responses within Alaska. The preparedness for oil and hazardous substance spills contributes to the Department's End Result A - The Environment is Protected.

Funding:	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>	<u>FY2012</u>	<u>FY2013</u>	<u>FY2014</u>	<u>FY2015</u>	<u>Total</u>
Oil/Haz Fd	\$750,000						\$750,000
Total:	\$750,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$750,000

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

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

Other Related Projects have received prior appropriations as follows: Alaska Spill Response Depots and Corps System \$300.0 in FY04; Spill Response VHF Communications Upgrade \$300.0 in FY05; and Statewide Hazardous Materials Response \$300.0 in FY05.

Project Description/Justification:

This project provides funding to purchase spill response equipment, conduct equipment maintenance, conduct preparedness and response training for first responders and enable communities to respond to spills of oil and hazardous materials safely, rapidly and effectively at the request of the state on scene coordinator. Funding from this project will also be used to purchase specialized hazmat equipment and maintain readiness/response capabilities for six Statewide Hazardous Materials Response Teams in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Kodiak Island, Prince William Sound and Southeast Alaska. Funds will assist hazmat and local/regional response teams with equipment updates, maintenance and training that ensures effective and safe first responses to oil and hazardous substance releases at the request of the state. Funds will also be used to respond to orphan drums and spills of hazardous substances that pose a threat to the environment. Equipment purchases include emergency towing system packages that have been developed, designed and tested in Alaska to enable towing of disabled marine vessels to a safe place of refuge. Departmental response communications equipment placed in critical areas of the state that are at risk to a large release of crude oil or hazardous materials will also be upgraded. Specialized response equipment to protect critical environmentally sensitive areas from oil spills will be identified through the development of site specific response strategies and tactics. Potential places of refuge for ships in distress or in need of

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a safe refuge location to prevent loss of life or a major release of oil to the environment will also be identified with recommendations for strategically located equipment to prevent a release to the environment.