

ADF&G Habitat Overview

Mat-Su Salmon Symposium 2016

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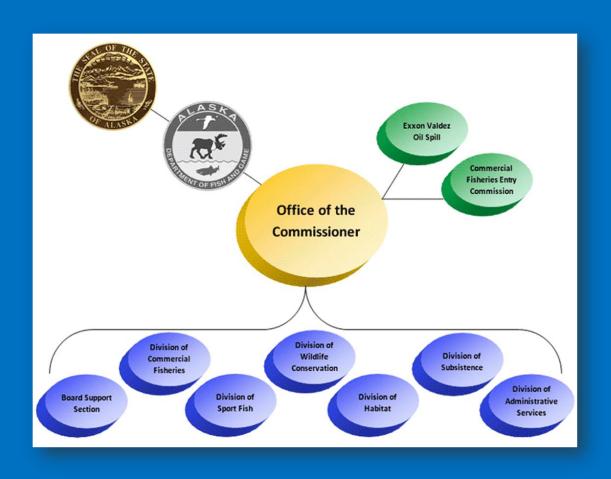
ADF&G / Habitat Legal Authority Title 16

• THE FISHWAY ACT - AS 16.05.841

ANADROMOUS FISH ACT - AS 16.05.871 and 5 AAC 95.011

• SPECIAL AREAS - 5 AAC 95.700

ADF&G Organizational Structure



Fish Habitat Permitting Process

- Applicant submits application
- Habitat Biologist reviews and consults with other divisions/departments
- May be permitted as proposed or modified during the review process

Typical Permit Stipulations

- Timing Windows
- Revegetation and stabilization
- Maintenance of fish passage
- Notification

Mitigation measures may include one or more of the actions listed below:

- Avoid the impact altogether by not taking a certain action or parts of an action.
- Minimize the impact by limiting the degree or magnitude of the action and its implementation.
- Rectify the impact by repairing, rehabilitating, or restoring the impacted environment.
- Reduce or eliminate the impact over time by preservation and maintenance operations during the life of the proposed use or activity.
- Compensate for the impact by replacing or providing substitute resources or environments.

Habitat Technical Reports

Technical Report No. 13-03

Alaska Blasting Standard for the Proper Protection of Fish

by

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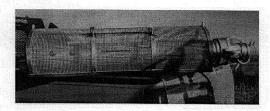
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Technical Report No. 97-8

Water Intake Structures

An Alternative to Traditional Screened-Box Enclosures For The Protection of Fish

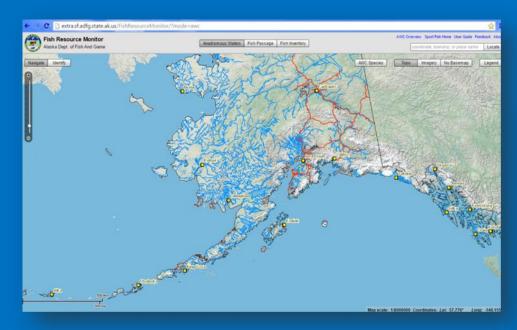


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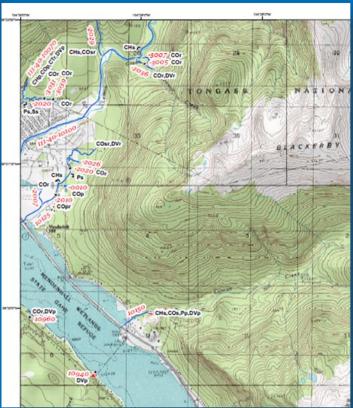


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AWC Data



- Fish Resource Monitor
- GIS Data



Public Participation in Title 16 Permits

- Before the ACMP expired, DCOM coordinated public and local input and comments on all state permits for projects within the coastal zone.
- Currently there is no statutory requirement for public notice or comments for Title 16 authorizations.

• Discussions are occurring at ADF&G, ADNR, and the Governors office regarding this issue.

Habitat Division Challenges

- Violations require a mandatory court appearance
- Development of bailable citations
- Development of a fee schedule
- Budget has reduced staff and enforcement support
- Antiquated Statutes .841 1959, .871 1963

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