

PROGRAM 6 – Beach Monitoring

DEPARTMENT OF Environmental Conservation

I. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The Beach Monitoring Program, under the Federal Clean Water Act, is to assist coastal regions in developing/implementing or enhancing programs for monitoring and notification for coastal recreation waters adjacent to beaches or similar points of access that are used by the public.

II. PROGRAM PROCEDURES

The funding for this program is Federal Assistance Listing Number (ANL) 66.472 Beach Monitoring and Notification Program Implementation Grants. These funds are one hundred percent Federal and there are no state funds contributed.

Each year entities must submit a grant application to DEC. A team of evaluators reviews the applications and determines the amount of each subaward. The Beach Grant Program is administered as a subsidiary of the Alaska Clean Water Actions (ACWA) Program.

After application review and determination, a grant offer is made to the sub-awardee. Division of Water makes payments based upon the payment schedule established for each ACWA grant. This payment schedule is included within the grant agreement. The assigned DEC Project Manager provides technical assistance and oversees the project. After the project is complete, receipt of deliverables is confirmed, a final reconciliation of all expenses is performed, and the grant is closed.

III. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS AND SUGGESTED AUDIT PROCEDURES

This is a Federal Program where State funds may be used as Federal match. Auditors should follow the same procedures as if this were a Federal Single Audit for the State Match portion of expenditures.