

REVISED
NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE
REGULATIONS OF THE
ALASKA OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (AOGCC) proposes changes to Title 20, Chapter 25 of the Alaska Administrative Code, with regard to hydraulic fracturing. Specifically, the AOGCC proposes to amend 20 AAC 25.005, 20 AAC 25.280 and 20 AAC 25.990 and add a new section, 20 AAC 25.283, in order to define hydraulic fracturing, require notice to nearby owners and operators prior to commencement of hydraulic fracturing, require water sampling and analysis, require disclosure of hydraulic fracturing fluids, increase wellbore integrity and assure containment of hydraulic fracturing fluids:

The AOGCC proposes to add regulations governing hydraulic fracturing applications, operations, and reporting, including requirements for:

1. notification of landowners, surface owners, and operators within one-quarter mile of the wellbore trajectory;
2. pre and post hydraulic fracturing water well water sampling and analysis;
3. disclosure of the chemical makeup of hydraulic fracturing fluids;
4. wellbore integrity;
5. containment of hydraulic fracturing fluids;
6. casing and cementing; and
7. disclosure of the intent to use a well for hydraulic fracturing on an application for a permit to drill.

For a copy of the proposed regulation changes, contact Jody Colombie at (907) 793-1221 or go to www.aogcc.alaska.gov.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission at 333 West 7th Avenue, Suite 100, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. Additionally, the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission will accept comments by facsimile at (907) 276-7542 and by electronic mail at www.doa.alaska.gov/ogc/. All written comments must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on April 1, 2013.

The public hearing currently scheduled for February 5, 2013 at 9:00 am has been **VACATED** and rescheduled for April 4, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. Oral or written comments also may be submitted at a hearing to be held on April 3, 2013, at 333 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. The hearing will begin at 9:00 am and may be extended to accommodate those present before 9:30 a.m. who did not have an opportunity to comment.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this hearing, please contact Jody Colombie at (907) 793-1221 no later than April 2, 2013 to ensure that any necessary accommodation can be provided.

After the public comment period ends, the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission will

either adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action on them. The language of any final regulation may be different from the proposed regulation. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected.

Statutory Authority: AS 31.05.030

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 31.05.030

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation change is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

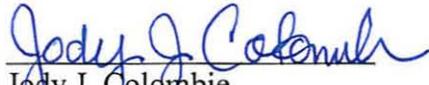
DATE: January 11, 2013


Cathy P. Foerster, Chair, Commissioner

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION
(AS 44.62.190(d))

1. Adopting agency: Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.
2. General subject of regulation: hydraulic fracturing.
3. Citation of regulation: 20 AAC 25.005, 20 AAC 25.280, 20 AAC 25.283, and 20 AAC 25.990.
4. Reason for the proposed action: compliance with revised state statute what revised statute, though we were doing this to make more specific the requirements for approval of fracturing operations.
5. Appropriation/Allocation: Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.
6. Cost of implementation to the state agency: There will be no increased cost.
7. The name of the contact person for the regulations:

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8. The origin of the proposed action: Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission staff.
9. Date: January 11, 2013

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