## Notice of Public Hearing STATE OF ALASKA ALASKA OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## RE: Solicitation for Public Input – Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Regulatory Revisions

Notice of Public Scoping Under Administrative Order 360 for possible Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (AOGCC) Regulation Changes in 20 AAC 25.

**Background.** In response to Administrative Order 360, the AOGCC is soliciting written and oral comments from affected industries, community organizations, and the general public regarding regulations and materials incorporated by reference in 20 AAC 25.

The AOGCC is undertaking this solicitation process to ask the public for ideas, suggestions, and input before the AOGCC drafts or proposes any specific regulation amendments or repeals for public review.

The AOGCC's mission is to protect the public interest in exploration and development of Alaska's valuable oil, gas, and geothermal resources through the application of conservation practices designed to ensure greater ultimate recovery and the protection of health, safety, fresh ground waters and the rights of all owners to recover their share of the resource.

Without compromising the safety of oil and gas drilling in Alaska or impacting the mandatory federal requirements for the Underground Injection Control (UIC) program that are contained within AOGCC regulations, the AOGCC is particularly interested in specific ideas for regulatory change that may:

- clarify existing regulatory obligations;
- reduce costs for the public, industry, or government;
- improve or streamline procedures, application requirements, and review processes;
- reduce administrative burdens;
- streamline permitting procedures;
- improve communication procedures;
- provide greater transparency with respect to standards, decision-making, and rationales for application processing; or
- clarify interagency roles.

Written comments. Written comments must be received by November 28, 2025 at 4:30pm. Written comments may be sent to AOGCC Special Assistant, Samantha Coldiron at <a href="mailto:samantha.coldiron@alaska.gov">samantha.coldiron@alaska.gov</a> or AOGCC, at 333 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501.

**Public meeting.** Oral or written comments may also be submitted at a hearing to be held on November 20, 2025, at 10am in the AOGCC hearing room located at 333 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501. Before the start of the hearing, AOGCC Commissioners may limit the time allotted for each person providing oral testimony, as reasonably necessary to conclude the hearing

in the time provided. Members of the public may also participate in the meeting and provide oral comments by calling (907) 202 7104 Conference ID: 109 081 567#. Anyone who wishes to participate remotely using MS Teams video conference should contact Ms. Coldiron at least two business days before the scheduled public hearing to request an invitation for the MS Teams.

If, because of a disability, special accommodations may be needed to comment or attend the hearing, contact Samantha Coldiron at <a href="maintain:samantha.coldiron@alaska.gov">samantha.coldiron@alaska.gov</a> or (907) 793-1223 no later than November 13, 2025.

Please note that input provided in response to this solicitation will be subject to inspection, copying, and distribution as public records under AS 40.25.110 - 40.25.220. Please do not include any confidential information in written or oral comments.

**Questions.** For questions or more information, contact, AOGCC Special Assistant, Samantha Coldiron at <a href="mailto:samantha.coldiron@alaska.gov">samantha.coldiron@alaska.gov</a> or (907) 793-1223.

The AOGCC is not currently proposing any specific regulation change and there are no draft regulations prepared for public comment under the Administrative Procedure Act at this time. If the AOGCC undertakes revisions to these regulations, there will be an additional opportunity to comment on the proposed regulation changes that are released for public review and comment under the Administrative Procedure Act.

The AOGCC has a listserv that individuals and organizations interested in its regulations can subscribe to. Those on the listserv will automatically be sent a copy of all of the AOGCC's notices of proposed regulation changes. To be added to or removed from the list, visit <a href="https://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/aogcc\_public\_notices">https://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/aogcc\_public\_notices</a>, giving your name, and your e-mail address.

Individuals can also sign up to receive automated notifications of all State of Alaska notices, including public notice for regulation changes, by subscribing to the Alaska Online Public Notices System: <a href="https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Default.aspx">https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Default.aspx</a>.

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