

CWA 401 Water Quality Certification Request

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Details

Site: POA-2000-00658

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Form Input

Form Instructions

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Instructions for filling out the 401 Prefiling Meeting Request Form are located on the Alaska DEC website at the link below.

[401 Prefiling Meeting Request Form Instructions](#)

Agents: For Delegation of Authority to act on behalf of the applicant in processing the application, use the following form, have signed, and upload with application.

- [Delegation of Authority - 401 Application](#)

Contact Information (1 of 1)

Required Contacts

The following **Contact Roles are REQUIRED**. Please select the appropriate role(s) for each contact and complete the contact details. Multiple role(s) may be assigned to each unique individual.

- **Applicant** (Responsible Party)
- **Billing Contact**

Contact Role(s)

Applicant

Billing Contact

Contact

Prefix

NONE PROVIDED

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[NO COUNTRY SPECIFIED]

Project / Facility Site Info

Identify the applicable federal license or permit

A copy of the federal permit or license application is required to be submitted with the request for the water quality certification. (18 AAC 15.130, 18 AAC 15.180)

Federal Agency

Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

Permit License Number (ex. USACE: POA-XXXX-XXXX; FERC: FERC-xxxx-xxxx; EPA: AK#####)

POA-2000-00658

Project Name or Title

POA-2000-00658

Primary Receiving Waterbody Name

NONE PROVIDED

Estimated Project Dates (+/- 30 days)

Project Estimated Start Date	Project Estimated End/Completion Date
04/15/2025	11/30/2025

Approximate date(s) when any Discharge(s) may commence (+/- 30 days)

Description	Discharge Estimated Start Date	Discharge Estimated End Date
Fill	06/01/2025	07/31/2025

Project Description (Nature of Activity, include all features)

Fill of two small wetland areas (0.3 acres) with clean gravel and rock

Project Purpose (Describe the reason(s) for discharge)

To make site usable.

Is any portion of the work already complete?

No

Description of current activity site conditions

Gravel uplands have been filled, leaving out two isolated islands that need to be filled once USACE permitting is complete.

Relevant Site Data, Photographs that Represent Current Site Conditions, or other Relevant Documentation

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Current site conditions from summer 2024 uploaded

Is this a linear project? (i.e., utility line, road, etc.)
No

Project Address
US SURVEY 3295
PORTAGE, AK 99587

Visit the link below to help with conversion between DMS and Latitude/Longitude
[DSM - Lat/Long converter](#)

Project Location
60.83016,-148.97988

Visit the following link if you need to convert the lat/long to get the **PLSS information**
[Converter for Section, Township, and Range](#)

PLSS Location (Public Land Survey System)

State Tax Parcel ID	Borough/Municipality	Meridian	Section	Township	Range
NONE PROVIDED	Municipality of Anchorage	Seward	31	09n	003e

Directions to Site
Drive south of Girdwood on the Seward Highway, just past the Alaska Railroad Portage Station, the first driveway on the right just before crossing the first Portage Creek Bridge. If you reach the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center you have drove too far.

Federal Agency Contact (1 of 1)

Have you been working with anyone in the Federal Agency?
Yes

Federal Contact Role
USACE

Federal Agency Contact

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US Army Corps of Engineers
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Dredge Material to be Discharged

Is dredging involved?
No

Tier Analysis

A tier analysis is comprised of a layered approach to determine the need for testing the dredge material to aid in generating

physical, chemical, toxicity and bioaccumulation information, but not more information than is necessary to make factual determinations. The tier analysis is a series of tiers (I ♦ IV) or levels of intensity (and cost) of investigation. It is necessary to proceed through the tiers only until information is sufficient to make factual determinations, no further testing is required.

- **Tier I - Site Evaluation and History.** The initial tier (Tier I) uses readily available, existing information (including all previous testing). For certain dredge materials with readily apparent potential for environmental impact (or lack thereof), information collected in Tier I may be sufficient for making factual determinations.
- **Tier II - Chemical Testing** is concerned solely with sediment and water chemistry.
- **Tier III - Biological Testing (bioassay and/or bioaccumulation testing)** is concerned with well-defined, nationally accepted toxicity and bioaccumulation testing procedures.
- **Tier IV - Special Studies** allows for case-specific laboratory and field testing, and is intended to for use in unusual circumstances.

For more information regarding a Tier analysis, see below references

- [EPA Inland Testing Manual](#)
- [USACE Seattle District Civil Works DMMP User Manual](#)

Fill Material to be Discharged

Will Fill Material be Discharged?

Yes

For fill material, identify the material source

Portage Pit

Types of material being discharged and the amount of each type (cubic yards)

Type	Cubic Yards
Clean Rock Fill	1,066

Surface area in (acres or linear feet) of wetlands or other waters filled

Surface Area	Units
0.3	Acres

Discharge Location Information (1 of 1)

Identify the location and nature of any potential discharge that may result from the proposed project and the location of receiving waters

Discharge Location ID (001, 002, 003, - increment by one)

001

NOTE: if you have a receiving water that is Wetlands, just enter the generic term "Wetlands". Do not enter "Wetlands of Tanana River", for example.

Please select 'Other' if your waterbody is not in the list below.
You can start typing the name of the waterbody to filter the list.

Receiving Waterbody / Wetlands Name

Wetlands

Discharge Location
60.83016,-148.97988

Other Pollutant Sources

Contaminated Site Information

Determine if your project is **within 1,500 feet** of a known Alaska DEC Contaminated Site. See the *Alaska DEC Contaminated Web Map* below. This will help you to identify if any potential pollutants/parameters of concern may be present on your project site., see DEC's website:

- [Contaminated Sites Web Map](#)
- [Contaminated Sites Database Search website](#)

Is the project within 1,500 feet of a known contaminated site?

No

Parameters of Concern that may be present in discharge

Parameter(s) of Concern

Identify the parameters of concern that may be present in your discharge from the dredge and/or fill material.

Note, **TURBIDITY** and **SEDIMENT** are routine parameters associated with dredge and/or fill activities.

Consider if other parameters may be present from past activities in the area such as contaminated site data, impaired waters or other relevant water quality data, or other parameters of concern identified during the application process.

Parameter(s)

Sediment

Turbidity

If known, describe respective concentrations, persistence, and potential impacts to the receiving water and data on parameters that may alter the effects of the discharge to the receiving water

Clean fill will be used. Non - Frost susceptible fill will typically have less than 5% fines (silt or particles smaller than #200 sieve)

Impaired Waters

An **impaired waterbody** are those listed as a **Category 4 [304(b)]** or **Category 5 [303(d)]** in the current EPA approved **Alaska's Integrated Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment Report**.

For the most recently *Approved Integrated Water Quality Monitoring And Assessment Report (Integrated Report)*, see DEC's website:

- [Integrated Water Quality Monitoring And Assessment Report https://dec.alaska.gov/water/water-quality/integrated-report](https://dec.alaska.gov/water/water-quality/integrated-report)

Does a discharge of any parameter identified above occur to an impaired waterbody?

No

If determined necessary and requested by the Department, submit sufficient and credible baseline water quality information for the receiving water which meets the requirements of 18 AAC 70.016(a)(6)(A-C).

Avoidance & Minimization BMPs and Mitigation Measures

Describe how impacts are being avoided and minimized on the project site. Include best management practices (BMPs) for sediment and erosion controls that will be implemented to minimize environmental impacts, and any methods and means proposed to monitor the discharge and the equipment or measures planned to treat, control, or manage the discharge.

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Vegetative buffer will be maintained between site and portage creek

Avoidance Measures

The project avoids development all the way up to the portage creek ohwm

Minimization Measures

The project fill is as small as possible to make a viable commercial lot.

Mitigation Measures

0.33 wetland credits have been proposed by USACE.

Social / Economic Importance

Social or Economic Importance

(18 AAC 70.016(c)(5): Provide information that demonstrates the accommodation of important social or economic development. The applicant shall complete either a social OR economic importance analysis (or both) for each affected community in the area where the receiving water for the proposed discharge is located.

Social Importance Analysis

Community services provided
Infrastructure improvements
Recreational opportunities

Economic Importance Analysis

Commercial activities
Employment, job availability, and salary impacts
Access to recourses

Describe Social and/or Economic Importance of the project

The site can provide a unique recreational experience for some of the thousands of visitors that travel the seaward highway. Currently, there is only a driveway and a small gravel pad on the uplands of the lot. The site is inadequate to provide turnaround for larger vehicles such as RVs and vehicles pulling boats. Furthermore the south half of the lot is inaccessible due to a small wetland area, 0.06 acres, which is proposed to be filled.

When developed the site can provide a wonderful outdoor experience that is easily accessible right off the highway.

Description of Social or Economic Importance, if needed

NONE PROVIDED

Comment

NONE PROVIDED

List of Other Permits or Certificates

*Would include but is not restricted to zoning, building, and flood plain permits.

Include a list of all other federal, interstate, tribal, state, territorial, or local agency authorizations required for the proposed project, including all approvals or denials already received.

Agency	Type of Approval*	Identification Number	Date Applied	Date Approved	Date Denied
USACE	wetland fill	POA-2000-00658	07/24/2024	NONE PROVIDED	NONE PROVIDED

Other Agency or Local Contacts (1 of 1)

Contact Role
OTHER_REG_CNTCT

Other Agency and or Local Contacts

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Attachments

Copy of Federal Application (USACE, EPA, or FERC, etc.)

[POA 2000-00656 Permit Drawings 7-22-2024 rev 3-12-2025.pdf - 05/18/2025 03:46 PM](#)

[POA 2000-00658 Permit Drawings 7-22-2024 rev 3-12-2025v2.pdf - 05/18/2025 03:46 PM](#)

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Figures and/or Drawings/Plan Sets. To include a map or diagram of the proposed activity site, including the proposed activity boundaries in relation to local streets, roads, and highways.

[Alternative 2 - campground and visitor center v2.pdf - 05/18/2025 03:46 PM](#)

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Document Attachments

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Delegation of Authority for Submission of Application

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- 2) in the case of a partnership, by a general partner;
- 3) in the case of a sole proprietorship, by the proprietor; and
- 4) in the case of a municipal, state, federal or other public facility, by either a principal executive officer, ranking elected official, or other duly authorized employee.

The project proponent hereby certifies that all information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. The project proponent hereby requests that the certifying authority review and take action on this CWA 401 certification request within the applicable reasonable period of time.

Agreements and Signature(s)

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Signed
By MAX SCHILLINGER on 05/18/2025 at 3:48 PM