

Request for Information (RFI)

RFI #2025-DOTPF-PublicFacilities-RegReform

Regulations Reform Recommendations – Public Facilities (17 AAC 50)

Introduction

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is requesting information from stakeholders, industry representatives, and interested parties on potential reforms to State regulations contained in 17 AAC 50 and 17 AAC 55. The purpose of this RFI is to gather constructive input to inform potential amendments or repeals that improve efficiency, clarity, and public benefit.

Background Information

On August 4, 2025, Governor Mike Dunleavy issued [Administrative Order 360](#), directing State agencies to identify outdated, unnecessarily burdensome, or unclear regulations and propose reforms to improve government efficiency and public service.

DOT&PF manages public facilities including rest areas, maintenance stations, and other public-use transportation infrastructure. Regulations govern access, use, maintenance responsibilities, and permitted activities as well as local control of such public works. DOT&PF seeks recommendations that:

- Modernize regulatory requirements in line with current industry practices.
- Reduce unnecessary administrative burdens while maintaining safety and compliance with federal requirements.
- Improve clarity and usability of regulations for the public, regulated entities, and DOT&PF staff.
- Support economic development and long-term sustainability.

Response Information

Interested parties are invited to submit written recommendations addressing one or more of the following:

1. Specific regulation citations you recommend be amended or repealed, with explanation of the issue and suggested solution.
2. Opportunities for modernization to align with federal standards, technological advancements, or industry best practices.

3. Process improvements or administrative changes to improve regulatory outcomes.
4. Any other ideas to streamline compliance while supporting safety, environmental stewardship, and economic vitality.

Responses to this RFI are for informational purposes only. DOT&PF will not award a contract from this RFI, nor will it be financially responsible for any preparation costs incurred. Non-response does not preclude participation in future rulemaking or solicitations.

Submission Requirements

- Responses can be submitted via dot.regs@alaska.gov, ideally clear and concise to be actionable. Alternatively, mailing recommendations is also available at the address indicated.
- Include your name, organization (if applicable), contact information, and any supporting documentation.
- Reference “Public Facilities Regulations Reform RFI” in the subject line.
- Comments provided should relate to, and specifically cite, the portion of regulation under [17 AAC 50](#) and [17 AAC 55](#).

Deadline for Responses: September 15, 2025, 4:00 p.m. Alaska Time. Alaska DOT&PF will consider comments filed after this date to the extent practicable.

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17 AAC 50 (article and section reference links)

- [Sec. 17 AAC 50.010. Construction of public buildings accessible to persons with physical disability.](#)

17 AAC 55 (article and section reference links)

- [Sec. 17 AAC 55.010. Application by municipality for local control of public works.](#)
- [Sec. 17 AAC 55.020. Agreements for local control of state public works projects.](#)
- [Sec. 17 AAC 55.030. Selection of design and construction contractors.](#)
- [Sec. 17 AAC 55.040. Payments to the municipality.](#)
- [Sec. 17 AAC 55.050. Termination of local control agreement by department for cause.](#)
- [Sec. 17 AAC 55.060. Termination of local control agreement by department for convenience of state.](#)
- [Sec. 17 AAC 55.070. Inspection, audit, and maintenance.](#)
- [Sec. 17 AAC 55.900. Definitions.](#)