Solicitation for Public Input – Division of Community and Regional Affairs Regulatory Revisions

Notice of Public Scoping Under Administrative Order 360 for possible Division of Community and Regional Affairs Regulations Changes to 3 AAC 57-3 AAC 190 (Made In Alaska program, Local Boundary Commission, Municipal Land Trust program, Shared Revenue programs, and Bulk Fuel loan program.

Background. In response to Administrative Order 360, the Division of Community and Regional Affairs is soliciting written and oral comments from affected industries, community organizations, and the general public regarding regulations and materials incorporated by reference affecting the Made in Alaska program, the Local Boundary Commission, the Municipal Land Trust program, all state shared revenue programs, and the bulk fuel revolving loan fund program.

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

The Division of Community and Regional Affairs 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, for example reducing the time required to apply for a license, permit, or benefit;
- 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 15, 2025. Written comments may be sent to the Divison of Community and Regional Affairs at 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 16, Anchorage, Alaska, 99501, or by electronic mail to dcra.regs@alaska.gov,

or through the Alaska Online Public Notice System, by accessing this notice on the system and using the comment link.

Oral comments. Oral comments may be submitted via a telephonic hearing to be held on October 30, 2025 at 10 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

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There will not be in-person attendance provided at the hearing site, so please prepare to share your oral comments by telephone or Zoom only. The hearing is scheduled from 10:00am to 12:00pm and priority will be given to commenters on the line before the beginning of the hearing. The hearing may be extended to accommodate those on the line before 11:30am who did not have an opportunity to comment.

When submitting written or oral comments, you are encouraged to:

- 1. Identify yourself and your association (if applicable)
 - a. Ex. "My name is Nancy Thompson, and I am based in Anchorage"
- 2. On which regulation(s) and subsection(s) are you providing input?
- 3. Why should this regulation be changed?
- 4. How does your suggestion for change in #3:
 - a. clarify existing regulatory obligations;
 - b. reduce costs for the public, industry, or government;
 - c. improve or streamline procedures, application requirements, and review processes, for example reducing the time required to apply for a license, permit, or benefit;
 - d. reduce administrative burdens:
 - e. streamline permitting procedures;
 - f. improve communication procedures;
 - g. provide greater transparency with respect to standards, decision-making, and rationales for application processing; or
 - h. clarify interagency roles

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Jedediah Smith at jedediah.smith@alaska.gov or at 907-269-4559 not later than October 22, 2025, to ensure that any necessary accommodation can be provided.

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 our Agency Regulatory Liaison, Sara Chambers at sara.chambers@alaska.gov, or at 907-465-2144. More information is also available on our website at https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/dcra/

The Division of Community and Regional Affairs 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 Division of Community and Regional Affairs 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 Division of Community and Regional Affairs keeps a list of individuals and organizations interested in its regulations. Those on the list will automatically be sent a copy of all of DCRA's notices of proposed regulation changes.

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: https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Default.aspx.