

CWA 401 Water Quality Certification Request

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Site: Galena Gravel Haul Permit

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Form Input

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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 2)

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.

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- **Billing Contact**

Contact Role(s)

Applicant

Contact

Prefix

NONE PROVIDED

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Title

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Organization Name

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Applicant

Onsite Contact

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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-1982-00194-M16 (Previous Corp Permit #)

Project Name or Title

Galena Gravel Haul Permit

Primary Receiving Waterbody Name

NONE PROVIDED

Estimated Project Dates (+/- 30 days)

Project Estimated Start Date	Project Estimated End/Completion Date
05/01/2026	12/31/2030

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

Description	Discharge Estimated Start Date	Discharge Estimated End Date
NONE PROVIDED	05/01/2026	12/31/2030

Project Description (Nature of Activity, include all features)

Gravel Haul from Yukon River at low table during the spring or fall. Exposed gravel sand bar.

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

River Run Gravel extraction during low water levels for material sales such as roads, foundations, and cement batch and delivery.

Is any portion of the work already complete?

No

Description of current activity site conditions

None at the moment, currently in permitting process

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

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Comment

NONE PROVIDED

Is this a linear project? (i.e., utility line, road, etc.)

No

Project Address

Yukon River (see attached file)

Galena, AK 99741

Visit the link below to help with conversion between DMS and Latitude/Longitude

[DSM - Lat/Long converter](#)

Project Location

64.73206769877264,-156.95388228611796

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	Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area	Kateel River	T9S	R9E	KRM

Directions to Site

Old Town Galena, along the dike (see uploaded photo)

Federal Agency Contact (1 of 1)

Have you been working with anyone in the Federal Agency?

No

Dredge Material to be Discharged

Is dredging involved?

Yes

How many acres?

10

How much volume? (Cubic Yards)

5,000.00

Is the dredging considered a new project, or maintenance?

New Project

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.

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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

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[EPA Inland Testing Manual](#)

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

Has a Tier analysis been conducted of the dredged prism?

No

Note, if marked NO; A Tier analysis may be required later upon review of the request.

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?

No

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

Surface Area	Units
0	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

Location Description

See attached Galena Permit Map 2022

Placement of Dredged/Fill material discharge

Other: River, below water table

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

Yukon River

Discharge Location

64.73181958460182,-156.95686603578028

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?

Yes

Contaminated Sites

Hazard ID#	Contaminated Site Name	Contaminant Type	Latitude	Longitude	In soil or groundwater?	CS Staff Contact
NONE PROVIDED	NONE PROVIDED	NONE PROVIDED	NONE PROVIDED	NONE PROVIDED	NONE PROVIDED	NONE PROVIDED

Describe the identified contaminated site(s) or groundwater plume within 1,500 feet

Galena Air Force Base, contact the air force for more information

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)

Turbidity
Sediment

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

Will only be extracting material for gravel sales. More info from DNR, Fish & Game, and Corp of Engineers permit applications (attached)

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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Gravel extraction only occurs during a low water table (spring or fall), no operation during high water.

Avoidance Measures

Minimal Equipment will be used. Window of operation about a month during low water

Minimization Measures

Low water table operation with minimal equipment. 2 to 3 end dumps, loader, and excavator

Mitigation Measures

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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
Public health or safety improvements
Education and training

Economic Importance Analysis

Employment, job availability, and salary impacts
Expanded leases and royalties
Commercial activities
Access to a transportation network

Describe Social and/or Economic Importance of the project

Highly important. The only local Galena company that does cement batch & delivery, foundation pilings. Also provides service for roadways and foundation pads. Also provides jobs for many residents of Galena.

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
DNR	Material Sales Contract	TBD - Awaiting for Corp Permit	02/27/2026	04/20/2026	NONE PROVIDED

Agency	Type of Approval*	Identification Number	Date Applied	Date Approved	Date Denied
Fish & Game	Permit	FH26-III-0075	02/27/2026	03/08/2026	NONE PROVIDED

Other Agency or Local Contacts (1 of 1)

Contact Role

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Attachments

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

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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.

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Delegation of Authority for Submission of Application

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- 3) in the case of a sole proprietorship, by the proprietor; and
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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)

Certification Statement

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