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TO: Jessalynn Rintala, Environmental Program Specialist 4
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FROM: April Simpson, Alaska Administrative Code Coordinator 
Office of the Lieutenant Governor

DATE: October 9, 2026

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Environmental Conservation

Department of Environmental Conservation regulations re: Repeal of laser protection standards (18 AAC 85.670, .730)

Attorney General File:	2026200187
Regulation Filed:	10/9/2026
Effective Date:	11/8/2026
Print:	260, January 2027

cc with enclosures: Legislation, Regulations, and Legislative Research Section
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October 8, 2026

The Honorable Nancy Dahlstrom
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State of Alaska
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Re: Approval and Submission of Regulations for Filing
18 AAC 85.670, .730: DEC - Repeal of laser protection standards
Our file: 2026200187

Dear Lieutenant Governor Dahlstrom:

Pursuant to AS 44.62.060, the Department of Law has reviewed the enclosed regulations adopted by Department of Environmental Conservation, concerning the repeal of laser protection standards.

Our review examined each regulation for legality, existence of statutory authority, clarity, compliance with the *Drafting Manual for Administrative Regulations*, and conformance with the procedural requirements of AS 44.62.010 - 44.62.290.

Based upon this review, the Department of Law approves each regulation as to form and legality. This letter constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to accept the regulations for filing.

In the course of review, the regulations attorney made technical and conforming changes under AS 44.62.125. These changes are incorporated into the enclosed copy and do not alter the substantive effect or meaning of the regulations.

We hereby submit the regulations to you for filing under AS 44.62.040 on behalf of Department of Environmental Conservation.

Sincerely,

CORI MILLS
ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL

By: Rebecca C Polizzotto
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CC w/enclosure: Randy Bates
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ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

The attached regulations, dealing with laser protection standards in 18 AAC 85, are adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation adopts under the authority of AS 46.03.320 and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Although no public comments were received, the Department of Environmental Conservation paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Date: 10/7/2026

Signed by:

Randy Bates

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Randy Bates, Commissioner

Department of Environmental Conservation

April Simpson, for
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FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Nancy Dahlstrom, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on

October 9, 2026, at 9:10 a.m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

for April Simpson

for Nancy Dahlstrom, Lieutenant Governor

Effective: November 8, 2026.

Register: 200, January 2027.

FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, NANCY DAHLSTROM, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have
signed and affixed the Seal of the State of
Alaska, in Juneau, on May 15th, 2023.**



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Nancy Dahlstrom", is written over a horizontal dotted line.

**NANCY DAHLSTROM
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

18 AAC 85.670 is repealed:

18 AAC 85.670. Exemptions. Repealed. (Eff. 9/16/71, Register 39; repealed

11 / 8 / 2026, Register 260)

18 AAC 85.675 is repealed:

18 AAC 85.675. Exposure level limits. Repealed. (Eff. 9/16/71, Register 39; repealed

11 / 8 / 2026, Register 260)

18 AAC 85.680 is repealed:

18 AAC 85.680. General precautions. Repealed. (Eff. 9/16/71, Register 39; repealed

11 / 8 / 2026, Register 260)

18 AAC 85.690 is repealed:

18 AAC 85.690. High powered lasers. Repealed. (Eff. 9/16/71, Register 39; repealed

11 / 8 / 2026, Register 260)

18 AAC 85.700 is repealed:

18 AAC 85.700. Low-powered gas continuous wave and semi-conductor lasers.

Repealed. (Eff. 9/16/71, Register 39; am 4/9/2009, Register 190; repealed 11 / 8 / 2026,

Register 260)

18 AAC 85.710 is repealed:

18 AAC 85.710. Carbon dioxide and nitrogen gas lasers. Repealed. (Eff. 9/16/71,

Register 260, January 2027

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Register 39; repealed 11 / 8 / 2026, Register 260)

18 AAC 85.720 is repealed:

18 AAC 85.720. Precautions for outdoor use of lasers. Repealed. (Eff. 9/16/71,

Register 39; repealed 11 / 8 / 2026, Register 260)

18 AAC 85.730 is repealed:

18 AAC 85. 730. Personnel protection equipment. Repealed. (Eff. 9/16/71, Register

39; repealed 11 / 8 / 2026, Register 260)