

# Office of Project Management and Permitting

A Coordination Framework  
for Permitting Energy Projects in Alaska

## Program Benefits:

- The Office of Project Management & Permitting (OPMP) assigns a Project Coordinator to each project to serve as the primary points-of-contact for all project permitting needs.
- OPMP Project Coordinators seek permitting efficiencies by reducing duplication, enhancing coordination, and facilitating effective communication between state and federal agencies and the applicant.
- Coordination aligns project timelines with state permitting requirements.

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## Keys to Program Success

### Proven track record working with industry, regulators, and the public:

- OPMP implements multi-agency permit coordination through the State Permitting Team to secure consistent, defensible, transparent, and timely permit decisions.
- OPMP Project Coordinators facilitate meetings between regulatory agencies and project applicants to ensure effective communication and to identify and resolve issues quickly during prioritized review processes.

### Coordinated engagement and consultation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review process:

- OPMP represents the State of Alaska as a formal cooperating agency under NEPA, and coordinates engagement by state agencies to review the proposed activities and alternatives, develop technical comments, and present a consolidated State of Alaska position to assist the lead federal agency in developing the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

### Directed resources through project coordination agreements:

- OPMP provides coordination services defined by agreement with the project applicant and Alaska Statute 38.05.020(b)(9) and maintains reimbursable service agreements with regulatory agencies. Project applicants reimburse OPMP for eligible expenses associated with the coordinated permitting process.