

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
& PUBLIC FACILITIES
DIVISION OF DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION
BUILDINGS DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION
LEMON CREEK WOMEN'S UNIT
PROJECT NO. TBE

The Division of Design and Construction, Buildings Design & Construction, Central Region, intends to select a consultant to provide project definition and design for the Lemon Creek Women's Unit project. The services include assistance to the Client Agency in refinement of the scope of work and later, the actual design of a non-comprehensive renovation of and addition to the existing Lemon Creek Correctional Center in Juneau so as to improve program support functions, comply with terms of the Cheary Settlement, supplement existing bedspace for male inmates, and add housing space for long-term, high security women. These services are to be contracted incrementally as funding and logic allow. Existing funding for Consultant services is limited to approximately \$250,000, but the eventual cost of services may be several times that amount.

Responsibility to this solicitation must be design professionals legally registered in the State of Alaska.

Consultants will be selected according to Standard Departmental Policy and Procedures and The Alaska Statutes.

Submittals must comply with the Department's Request for Proposal. Consultants who have questions concerning this project should contact the Evaluation Committee Chairperson. Copies of the Request for Proposal are available from the Department at:

Place Distribution
4111 Avettion Drive
P.O. Box 196800
Anchorage, Alaska 99519-6800
Phone: (907)255-1874

Proposal Forms must be addressed to and received at the above office location no later than 3:00 p.m. on December 4, 1990. Proposals received after this time and date will be rejected.

The Department's Project Manager is Jerry Watkins, CDS (907)255-1519.

The Department reserves the right to reject any and all submittals.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Floodplain management

The City of Bethel, Alaska has applied for funds to establish a permanent stockpile of material available for emergency repairs to the Bethel floodwall. These funds are being provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Alaska Division of Emergency Management through a mitigation grant made available as the result of the 1989 breakup. A preliminary determination has been made that this project will have no significant impact on the environment.

Comments and requests for information should be mailed to either address listed below, and received within one month from the date of this public notice. This will be the only public notice concerning the project.

Robert C. Frazier
Federal Emergency Management Agency
Federal Regional Center
Bopmet, WASH 98021-9796

Joseph Barber
Division of Emergency Services
3501 E. Bogard Rd
Wasilla, AK 99607

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice is given that the Department of Health and Social Services, under authority vested by AS 47.05.010, proposes to amend, add, repeal and adopt regulations in Title 7 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with the Adult Public Assistance Program, to implement AS 47.25.430 - 47.25.615 as follows:

(1) 7 AAC 40.060(a) is proposed to be repealed and readopted to correct the cross reference from 7 AAC 40.420 to 7 AAC 40.410, to add (b) to clarify that an applicant who is receiving assistance must apply for SSI benefits if the applicant has a decrease in income which causes the total income to fall within SSI income standards, and that pending the SSI eligibility determination, no interim assistance benefits will be paid; to add (c) to clarify that assistance will be terminated, whether or not an appeal is filed with the Social Security Administration, if an applicant who is receiving assistance, other than interim assistance, is determined by the Social Security Administration to be ineligible for SSI for any reason other than excess income; to add (d) to clarify that an applicant may remain eligible for assistance if SSI is discontinued due to excess income.

(2) 7 AAC 40.130 is proposed to be amended to clarify that an applicant in a public institution may be eligible for assistance under 7 AAC 40.300 (Nursing home and hospital payments) or 7 AAC 40.385 (Payments for temporarily institutionalized individuals).

(3) 7 AAC 40.150(a), 7 AAC 40.190(a), and 7 AAC 40.380(a) are proposed to be amended to allow Adult Public Assistance applicants to receive interim Assistance benefits until the applicant is approved for SSI, receives an adverse SSI decision and fails to appeal it to the next appeals level,

withdrawing abandons an appeal at any level, or receives a notice of dismissal or an adverse decision from the Social Security Appeals Council.

(4) 7 AAC 40.250 is proposed to be repealed because income and resources of a parent are no longer deemed to be available to any Adult Public Assistance applicant and the section is proposed to be reinserted to comply with the Supplemental Security Income program in the treatment of an alien sponsor's income and resources in determining the income and resource eligibility of an Adult Public Assistance alien applicant.

(5) 7 AAC 40.260(a), 7 AAC 40.280(a), 7 AAC 40.300(b), and 7 AAC 40.320(f) are proposed to be amended to delete cross references to 7 AAC 40.250 which is proposed to be repealed in paragraph (4) above.

(6) 7 AAC 40.270 is proposed to be amended to reflect the current applicable resource limits, that non-excludable resource can not exceed the resource limit at any time on the first day of a calendar month, and to delete cross references to 7 AAC 40.250.

(7) 7 AAC 40.310(c) is proposed to be amended to reflect the current income standards and to delete cross references to 7 AAC 40.250.

(8) 7 AAC 30.340 is proposed to be repealed because it references exclusions from the income available to an applicant under 7 AAC 40.250 which is proposed to be repealed in paragraph (4) above.

(9) 7 AAC 40.350(2) is proposed to be amended to delete cross reference to 7 AAC 40.340 which is proposed to be repealed in paragraph (8) above.

(10) 7 AAC 40.360(a) is proposed to be amended to clarify that applicants who apply for SSI must apply for other benefits as required by the Social Security Administration.

(11) 7 AAC 40.370 is proposed to be amended by adding a new subsection (d) to provide that individuals who have been receiving interim assistance benefits will receive retroactive Adult Public Assistance benefits when Supplemental Security Income benefits are approved if the Adult Public Assistance benefit is greater than the interim assistance benefit. No overpayment will occur if the Adult Public Assistance benefit is less than the interim assistance payment or if Supplemental Security Income benefits are denied by the Social Security Administration solely on the basis of no disability or blindness.

(12) 7 AAC 40.380(a) is proposed to be amended to delete reference to 7 AAC 40.380(c), which is proposed to be repealed because health warrants are no longer issued for the first month of Adult Public Assistance benefits.

(13) 7 AAC 40 is amended by adding a new section (7 AAC 40.385) to provide for continued for Adult Public Assistance benefits to recipients who enter a public or medicare-approved medical institution, expect to stay less than 90 days, and need to maintain a home or living arrangement to which they plan to return.

(14) 7 AAC 40.390 is proposed to be amended to increase the institutional personal needs nursing home and hospital allowance from \$70 to \$75 per calendar month. A new subsection (b) has been added to clarify that a patient as referred to in this section does not include an individual who is temporarily institutionalized and eligible for assistance under 7 AAC 40.385.

(15) 7 AAC 40.420(a) is proposed to be amended to reflect the correct code of federal regulations citation.

(16) 7 AAC 40.400 is proposed to be amended by adding a new paragraph defining "long-term care facility".

Notice is also given that any person interested may present written statements or arguments relevant to the proposed action by writing to Kim Ingram, Regulations Specialist, Division of Public Assistance, P.O. Box H, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0640, so that they are received no later than December 14, 1990. This action is not expected to require an increase in appropriation.

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Copies of the proposed regulation may be obtained by writing to the Division of Public Assistance, P.O. Box H, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0640.

The Department of Health and Social Services, upon its own motion or at the instance of any interested person, may, after the deadline stated above, adopt proposals within the scope of this notice without further notice or may decide to take no action on them.

Date: Nov. 7, 1990

Myra M. Munson, Commissioner
Dept. of Health & Social Services
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice is given that the Department of Health and Social Services, under authority vested by AS 47.25.990(a)(1) and AS 47.05.010(2), proposes to amend, add, and repeal regulations in Title 7 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with the Food Stamp Program, to implement AS 47.25.975 - 47.25.990 as follows:

(1) 7 AAC 46.010 is proposed to be amended to clarify that federal regulations at 7 C.F.R. 271 - 7 C.F.R. 274 are adopted by reference, including subsequent changes.

(2) 7 AAC 46.021(a)(2) is proposed to be repealed because this is no longer a state option. Prior federal regulations at 7 C.F.R. 273.2(9)(9)(i) gave the state the option of requesting wage information from the Social Security Administration or from agencies administering unemployment compensation laws. The state opted to request wage information from agencies administering unemployment compensation laws. The federal regulations now require states to use information obtained through the Income and Eligibility Verification System to verify the eligibility and benefit level of the applicant and participating households.

(3) 7 AAC 46.021(a)(2)(i) is proposed to be repealed because this is no longer a state option. Prior federal regulations at 7 C.F.R. 273.6(a)(2) gave the state an option to either require an individual to apply for a social security number through the state agency or allow the individual to choose between applying through the state agency or the Social Security Administration. The state opted to allow the individual to choose whether to apply for a social security number through the state agency of the Social Security Administration. The federal regulations now require the state to complete the application for a social security number.

(4) 7 AAC 46.021(a)(2)(i), 7 AAC 46.021(a)(2)(ii), 7 AAC 46.021(a)(3) and 7 AAC 46.021(b) are proposed to be amended to update citation references to Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations and miscellaneous amendments to conform to federal regulations.

(5) 7 AAC 46.021(a)(3)(i) is proposed to be repealed because it repeats 7 AAC 46.021(a)(2). Prior federal regulations at 7 C.F.R. 273.6(b)(3)(i) gave the state the option to establish separate standard allowances for utilities or to establish a single standard allowance. The state opted to establish a single standard allowance. The federal regulations changed 7 C.F.R. 273.6(b)(3)(i) to 7 C.F.R. 273.6(b)(3) and now allow the state to only establish a standard utility allowance as prescribed in 7 C.F.R. 273.6(b)(3)(i). 7 C.F.R. 273.6(b)(3)(ii) options covered in 7 AAC 46.021(a)(2).

(6) 7 AAC 46.021(a)(3)(ii) is proposed to be repealed because it is no longer a state option. Prior federal regulations at 7 C.F.R. 273.11(a)(3) gave the state an option of adjusting a household's food stamp benefit level to reflect cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) mass changes in accordance with procedure in 7 C.F.R. 273.12(a)(2) or as noted in 7 C.F.R. 273.12(a)(3)(i). 7 C.F.R. 273.12(a)(3)(i) directed states with adequate computer capabilities to follow the procedures in 7 C.F.R. 273.12(a)(2). The state had adequate computer capabilities and therefore selected to follow the

procedures in 7 C.F.R. 273.12(a)(2) which allowed the state agency to recompute food stamp benefits to be effective in the same month as the public assistance change if the state had at least 30 days advance change, or make the food stamp change effective no later than the month following the month in which the public assistance change was made if the state did not have sufficient notice.

7 C.F.R. 273.12(a)(3)(ii) allowed states without adequate computer capabilities to reflect COLA mass changes at quarterly scheduled re-certifications or conduct desk reviews to effect the changes within 120 days.

The federal regulations now require monthly reporting households to report the COLA changes on the appropriate monthly report but are not required to report three types of changes outside the monthly report. The state agency is required to handle such information provided on the monthly report in accordance with its normal procedures. Households not subject to monthly reporting shall not be responsible for reporting these changes. The state agency is required to automatically adjust a household's food stamp benefit level and reflect the change no later than the second statement issued to nonmonthly reporting households after the month in which the change becomes effective.

(7) 7 AAC 46.021(a)(4)(i) is proposed to be amended to comply with changes under 7 C.F.R. 273.18(f) and, under state option, collect over-allowances and offset over-allowance claims against reduced benefits owed to a household if the household currently contains an adult member who was in another household at the time an over-allowance occurred.

(8) 7 AAC 46.021(a)(3)(ii) is proposed to be amended to correct punctuation.

(9) 7 AAC 46.021(a) is proposed to be amended by adding paragraph (5) to clarify that an individual who customarily lives with others is considered to be a member of that household if the individual is a member of the household for at least part of a calendar month.

(10) All other paragraphs in 7 AAC 46.021(a) are proposed to be amended to correct punctuation to "CFR" references by adding periods "C.F.R.". Notice is also given that any person interested may present written statements or arguments relevant to the proposed action by writing to Kim Ingram, Regulations Specialist, Division of Public Assistance, P.O. Box H, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0640, so that they are received no later than December 14, 1990.

This action is not expected to require an increase in appropriation.

Copies of the proposed regulations may be obtained by writing to the Division of Public Assistance, P.O. Box H, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0640.

The Department of Health and Social Services, upon its own motion or at the instance of any interested person, may, after the deadline stated above, adopt proposals within the scope of this notice without further notice or may decide to take no action on them.

Date: Nov. 7, 1990

Myra M. Munson, Commissioner
Dept. of Health & Social Services
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DIVISION OF PIONEER'S BENEFITS DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is given that the Division of Pioneer's Benefits, under the authority of AS 47.45.100, proposes to amend regulations in Title 2 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with the Longevity Bonus Program, to implement AS 47.45.010 - 160, as follows:

after application requirements regarding allowable absences, allowable absences from Alaska, certification of residency, and proof of age and residency.

provide specific guidance for submission and review of application, notification of applicants and disqualification of applicants.

broaden the opportunity for administrative hearings and reduce the allowable time to challenge a denial of benefits from 60 days to 30 days;

replace the existing prospective payment system with a retrospective system without interruption of benefits for current recipients and with delayed initial payment for applicants.

require monthly reapplication by all recipients except those on remote status, who have three months to reapply.

incorporate existing policy regarding withholding of bonuses when a recipient has been overpaid.

specify that a recipient who fails to return monthly application will be notified of that failure.

alter the method to compute advances from Alaska and the schedule of bonus payments to be forfeited upon an absence.

incorporate existing policy regarding suspension of payments.

specify provisions for indefinite disqualifications.

expand the list of absences which allow a recipient to avoid a one-year disqualification as a consequence of extended absences, specify allowable absences during a period of disqualification, and impose time lines for responses to recipients.

favor telephone hearings over face-to-face hearings and allow the applicant to be represented by an agent and to terminate the hearing process.

incorporate existing policy regarding use of information in recipient files and ensure that information provided in confidence is not released to a recipient or to the public.

allow the signature of an authorized representative as a substitute for a personal signature in certain circumstances.

incorporate current policy regarding reimbursement of overpayment.

provide for a transition to a retrospective system, with limited interruption of benefits, and

provide for various minor changes in the administration of the program.

The purpose of this action is to clarify responsibilities and duties of the department, clarify requirements imposed of benefit recipients and the effect of various actions by recipients, delete provisions and references that no longer apply to the operation of the program, incorporate policy into regulations, and streamline administration of the program.

Notice is also given that any person interested may present oral or written statements or arguments relevant to the proposed action at hearings being held at:

The Tundra Room of the Anchorage Pioneer's Home, Anchorage, Alaska, at 9:00 a.m. on November 8, 1990.

The Recreation Room of the Fairbanks Pioneer's Home, Fairbanks, Alaska, at 9:00 a.m. on November 8, 1990; and

Room 205 of the State Capitol, Juneau, Alaska at 9:00 a.m. on November 13, 1990.

The hearings will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and might be extended to accommodate those present by 4:00 p.m. who do not have an opportunity to testify.

Testimony may be presented by teleconference on November 13, 1990 from the following Legislative Information Offices:

Anchorage, 3111 C Street, Suite 150, Stebel, 309 Willow Street.
Fairbanks, 119 N. Cushman Street, Suite 101.
Karlak-Siddons, 34832 Kaitovik Beach Road, Seldovia.
Katchikan, 352 Front Street.
Kodiak, Kodiak Plaza Building, 112 Midway Road.
Kotzebue, Eskimo Building, 303 Front Street.
Mat-Su, Kranik Building, Suite 106, 163 E. Parks Highway, Wasilla.
Nome, State Building, 2nd Floor, Front Street and Sitka, 210 Lake Street.

The teleconference network will be available from 9:00 a.m. to noon on November 13, 1990 and might be extended to accommodate those present by noon who do not have an opportunity to testify. In addition, written statements or arguments may be sent to the Division of Pioneer's Benefits, to be received no later than November 30, 1990.

This action is not expected to require net increased appropriations to the Longevity Bonus program but are expected to increase Medicaid costs as follows: FY 91, \$53,500; FY 92, \$264,000; FY 93, \$325,200; FY 94, \$402,000.

Copies of the proposed regulations may be obtained by writing to:

Division of Pioneer's Benefits
Department of Administration
Box 01,
Juneau, AK 99811-0011
Telephone 465-4400
FAX: 465-4100

The Department of Administration at the hearing or after it, will either adopt these or other proposed actions with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action on them.

Date: 9/25/90

Frank S. Bester, Commissioner
Department of Administration
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AKUTAN CORPORATION 14(c)(1) & (2) LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO OCCUPY LAND CONVEYED TO AKUTAN CORPORATION AS OF DECEMBER 18, 1971 FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES PURSUANT TO ANCSA SECTION 14(c) (1) AND (2)

- 1. PRIMARY PLACE OF RESIDENCE (HOME);
Individuals who have already received deeds to their homes need not apply again.
2. PRIMARY PLACE OF BUSINESS
3. SUBSISTENCE CAMPSITES
4. NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

LANDS CONVEYED TO AKUTAN CORPORATION ARE LOCATED ON AKUTAN, AKUV, AVAN, TAMAR, POA, BOOTOK AND UBERGA ISLANDS.

PLEASE CONTACT AKUTAN CORPORATION AT GENERAL DELIVERY, AKUTAN, ALASKA 99553 OR (STDP) BY THE CORPORATION OFFICE IN AKUTAN TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION AND LOOK AT THE MAP SHOWING OWNERSHIP BOUNDARIES.

APPLICATION WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL NOVEMBER 30th, 1990

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NOTICE OF UTILITY TARIFF FILING

THE ALASKA UTILITIES COMMISSION hereby gives notice that ALASCOM, INC. (Alascom) a long lines telecommunications utility, has filed a tariff (Tariff no. 98A) in Docket U-90-68 which would govern the terms, conditions, and rates offered to wholesale customers.

In Docket U-90-68, Alascom proposes a tariff which is similar in structure to the National Exchange Carrier Association tariff employed for interstate access services. Alascom's switched access rate element. Only a transport rate would apply to Alascom's non-switched services. Alascom would also apply one transport rate in those areas where facilities based competition was permitted, and a second rate where such competition was prohibited. The rates that Alascom proposes to charge are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Service Type and Rate. Includes Switched and Special Access Rates, and transport rates for switched and non-switched services in different facility duplication scenarios.

Detailed information may be obtained from Alascom whose address is 210 East Bluff Road, P.O. Box 196807, Anchorage, Alaska 99519-6807. The filing may be inspected at the office of the Alaska Public Utilities Commission. The Commission's address is 1016 West Sixth Avenue, Suite 400, Anchorage, Alaska 99501.

Any interested person may file a statement of view favoring or opposing this tariff filing the Alaska Public Utilities Commission. While comments will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, they will not serve to make the person a party to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a petition to intervene in accordance with 5 AAC 48.110 of the Alaska Administrative Code.

To assure the Commission consideration of comments or petitions prior to final decision on this matter, they must be filed by December 7th, 1990. Any comments filed with the Commission should clearly affirm that the interested person has filed a true copy of the statement with Alascom.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska this 7th day of November, 1990

T.S. Mursinski II
Executive Director
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