

# Division of Air Quality

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Environmental Conservation
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### Air Quality's Mission

Conserve, improve, and protect Alaska's natural resources and environment and control air pollution, in order to enhance the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the state and their overall economic and social well being









#### **Core Services**

- Protect air quality
- Timely issuance of air quality permits
- Minimize pollution from stationary sources
- Conduct air quality
   assessments and identify air
   pollution concerns





#### Responsibilities

- Air Permitting
  - Title I construction and minor permits
  - Title V operating permits
  - Compliance assurance inspections
- Air Non-Point & Mobile Source
  - Partner with communities to address non-industrial air quality
  - Education and outreach
  - Community-based pollution control programs and plans
- Air Monitoring and Quality Assurance
  - Air quality monitoring network operation and audits
  - Meteorological oversight for open burn approvals
  - Air advisories





#### FY2018 Operating Budget By Fund Source

FY2018 Adjusted Base \$11,019.5

FY2018 Governor's Request \$10,510.7

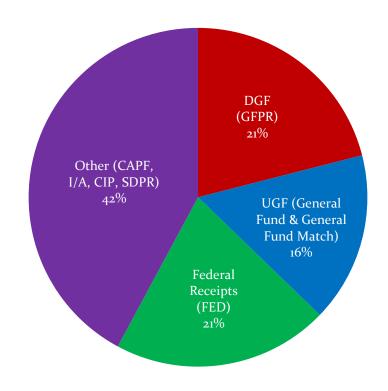
Unrestricted GF \$1,704.4

Designated GF \$2,208.4

Other State Funds \$4,429.5

Federal Receipts \$2,168.4

• 66 PCNs



(Subcommittee Book p. 36-38)



### **Budget Changes**

- Reduce UGF available for non-reimbursable services (\$160.5) UGF
- Reallocate Statutory Designated Program Receipt authority to Division of Administration (\$30.0) Other
- Reduce uncollectible Clean Air Protection Fund and Interagency receipt authority (\$318.3) Other
- Replace Clean Air Protection Fund receipt authority with General Fund Program Receipt authority (\$250.0) Other/\$250.0 DGF





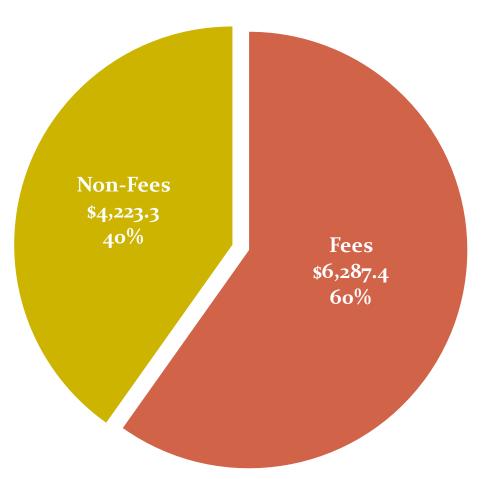
#### Recent Cost Savings & Reductions



- FY2016 UGF reduced \$37.0
  - Streamlined Air Monitoring and Quality Assurance programs
- FY2017 UGF reduced \$60.0
  - Reclassified positions down and recognized savings from senior staff retirements
- FY2017 Combined the Director's Office and Air Quality components for greater administrative efficiency
- Air Quality conducted a LEAN evaluation of the Title I permit process
  - Title I minor permits has reduced the median time for permits to go from application to public notice by 35% (from 63 days to 40 days)



## How Much is Fee-Supported?



In DEC's FY2016 Annual Fee Report per AS 37.10.050(c), Air Quality lists 34 separate fees



#### Permits & Authorizations

- Title V Permits <u>Operating permits</u> for industrial facilities
- Title I Permits <u>Construction</u> permits for industrial facilities
- Emissions
- Permit Administration
  - Pre-application assistance, application completeness review, permit preparation, compliance reviews and inspections, etc.



## Questions?

