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<b>Administration</b>				
Office of the Commissioner	Yes	No	No	component
Administrative Services	No	No	No	Not applicable, administrative support component
State Support Services	No	No	No	Not applicable, administrative support component
<b>Building Maintenance &amp; Operations</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes; AS 37.07.020(e)</b>	Not applicable, state-owned building support RDU/component
<b>Environmental Health</b>				
Shellfish	No	Yes	Yes; AS 17.20	746,582 Alaskans served. There are 283 permitted shellfish harvesters and dealers and countless statewide consumers. Permit holders represent the producers of the Alaskan shellfish industry, who employ numerous individuals in SE Alaska and purchase gas and equipment from local retailers.
Manufactured Food/Seafood Processors	No	No	Yes; AS 17.20	746,582 Alaskans served. There are 307 general food and 451 seafood manufacturers statewide. Food manufactured in Alaska enters the retail market and is consumed by residents. Permit holders also represent employers of Alaskan residents.
Public Facilities	No	No	Yes; AS 18.35, AS 44.46.020	This activity serves all Alaskans that utilize or have contact with individuals that utilize public facilities, which include 108 permitted pools and spas and 89 permitted tattoo and body art facilities statewide.
Retail Food	No	No	Yes; AS 17.20	746,582 Alaskans served. There are 4,590 permitted retail facilities under the State's jurisdiction. These retail facilities include grocery stores and restaurants, as well as retail and food service facilities that are also associated with food processing operations.
Drinking Water	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.03.020	746,582 Alaskans served. There are 1,405 regulated public water systems statewide comprised of non-transient (residences, schools, hospitals) and transient (restaurants, hotels, campgrounds) systems.

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Solid Waste	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.03.020, AS 46.03.100	746,582 Alaskans served. There are 265 permitted facilities statewide, and an additional 36 rural landfills working with the program to facilitate proper landfill best management practices.
Pesticides	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.03.020, AS 46.03.320, AS 46.03.330	746,582 Alaskans served. There are 8,210 registered pesticides and a variety of active permits, including 12 that are focused on aquatic pest eradication.
Shellfish and Food Safety Testing	No	Yes	Yes; AS 17.20	746,582 Alaskans served. All food for human consumption produced, harvested, and/or sold in Alaska is subject to testing in the event of a foodborne illness outbreak. The EH Lab also performs regulatory testing on food products manufactured, produced, and/or distributed under the authority of the DEC Food Safety & Sanitation program and the Office of the State Veterinarian.
Lab Certification	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.03.020	746,582 Alaskans served. This activity serves all Alaskan residents that drink water from a public water system (including "transient" water system, such as restaurants) and/or consume dairy products manufactured by an Alaskan dairy.
Dairy Program	No	Yes	Yes; AS 17.20.005	This activity serves all Alaskan residents who consume dairy products from the two Alaskan dairies which employ a total of six families. Both operations also sell or purchase feed to/from other Alaska farms.
Animal Health & Traceability	No	No	Yes; AS 03.05.011, AS 03.55.100	746,582 Alaskans served. All domestic animals and livestock entering the state must be evaluated by a veterinarian and declared disease free. This protects all residents and wildlife populations from diseases.

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Fish Tissue Testing	No	No	No	746,582 Alaskans served. Alaskan seafood provides an essential food source high in protein and nutrients. Alaskans, especially those living in rural areas, eat considerably more wild fish than people in other parts of the U.S. The commercial seafood industry is Alaska's largest exporter, generating \$3.2 billion worth of exports and employing 9% of Alaskan workers in 2011.
Air Quality	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.14.010, AS 46.14.020, AS 46.14.030	746,582 Alaskans served. The Division of Air Quality partners with both urban and rural communities throughout the state to monitor air quality, work with local governments to assess and clean the air, and responding to complaints or concerns. The Division's primary role is to reduce air pollution from both the private and public sector. The program has roughly 1,500 active permits with industry and a high volume of technical support and interaction with the public.
Division of Spill Prevention and Response				
Prevention, Preparedness, Response	No	No	Yes; AS 46.08.030 and AS 46.08.040	746,582 Alaskans served. PPR is responsible for regulating 756 active statewide facilities and non-tank vessels that are all required to have proof of financial responsibility in the event of a release. There are currently 138 active contingency plans and 244 non-tank vessel plans on file. In FY2018 there were 2,004 new spills across the state and 2,045 spills were closed. Each spill has the potential to directly impact many Alaskans.
Contaminated Sites	No	No	Yes; AS 46.08.030 and AS 46.08.040	746,582 Alaskans served. In FY2018 there were 2,304 active contaminated sites and 5,376 closed sites statewide. Each site has the potential to directly impact many Alaskans.
Response Fund Administration	No	No	Yes; AS 46.08.070, AS 46.08.040 (a)(2)(B)(i)	Not applicable, administrative support program
Division of Water				

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Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (APDES) Permitting	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.03.020, AS 46.03.100	746,582 Alaskans served. Approx. 5,500 permitted entities (oil and gas, mining, seafood, etc.) which employ an unknown number of Alaskans. In addition, approximately 300,000+ Alaskans are directly served by APDES regulated municipal systems.
Engineering Support & Plan Review	No	No	Yes; AS 46.03.020, AS 46.03.100	699,325 Alaskans served. Approx. 2,500+ wastewater systems are reviewed annually. There are an estimated 40,000 septic systems statewide.
APDES & Discharge Compliance	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.03.020, AS 46.03.100	746,582 Alaskans served. Approx. 140 compliance inspections are completed annually, ranging from small placer mines up to large oil & gas production facilities. These facilities employ an unknown number of Alaskans, and activities impact environments downstream. Dozens of public complaints are investigated annually.
Surface Water Standards Assessment and Restoration	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.03.020, AS 46.03.050, AS 46.03.070	Approx. 555,000 Alaskans served. 20-25 community grants and projects annually cover waters damaged by urban and industrial development areas; 3-5 regulatory projects per year statewide; and a 5-year regional survey of transboundary watersheds in Southeast.
Cruise Ship	No	No	Yes; AS 46.03.460	The program monitors 50 registered passenger vessels and conducts over 1,500 inspections a year, checking for oil spills, proper disposal of hazardous materials, basic sanitation and health practices, and monitors air emissions from cruise ships and ferries. The program responds to citizen complaints and provides information on ship operations to other state agencies.
Village Safe Water (VSW)	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.07	Approx. 180 villages are eligible for grant funding through the VSW Program, with a combined population of approx. 50,000. 35-45 planning, design, and construction grants are awarded annually.

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Municipal Matching Grants (MMG)	No	No	Yes; AS 46.03.030	37 municipalities actively utilize the MMG program, with a population of 440,940. An average of 9 grants were awarded through SFY17. There has been no new grant funds since SFY17.
Drinking Water and Clean Water Revolving Loan Funds	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.03.032, AS 46.03.036	37 municipalities actively utilize the loan program, with a population of 440,940. An additional 22 private utilities are eligible borrowers, with a population total of 3,367. An average of 30 loans are extended annually.
Operations Assistance	No	Yes	Yes; AS 46.3	A total of 646 water systems and 84 wastewater systems serving 531,082 Alaskans are required to have certified operators. 1,476 Alaskans are currently certified. Remote Maintenance Workers provide assistance to 182 communities that serve a total of 52,000 Alaskans.