



“The mission of the Council is to represent the citizens of Cook Inlet in promoting environmentally safe marine transportation and oil facility operations in Cook Inlet.”

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Status Report of 2014-2019 Council Priorities

- Achieved changes and amendments to OPA 90 to improve CIRCAC funding formula
- Completed a comprehensive Cook Inlet Navigation Risk Assessment
- Established a Cook Inlet Harbor Safety Committee (a priority recommendation of the Navigation Risk Assessment).
- Based on our 2012 Position Paper and information compiled in the Cook Inlet Navigational Risk Assessment, called for a Cross-Inlet pipeline to replace crude oil tankers transporting oil from Drift River (project completed 2019)
- Initiated a Cook Inlet Pipeline Infrastructure Risk Assessment (obtained funding and initiated first steps)
- Compiled detailed habitat data for all shorelines in our areas of concern; continued integration with Alaska ShoreZone and AOOS; and actively facilitating use of ShoreZone imagery and data in oil spill planning and response
- Working with Alaska Ocean Observing System (AOOS) to make CIRCAC data more available and integrated with other spatial data; examples include the integrated layers in the Cook Inlet Response Tool, the Geographic Response Information Database (GRID), and compilation of Cook Inlet oceanographic and contaminant data for on-line access (ongoing).

Several Council priorities have not been as successfully addressed due, in part, to tighter funding opportunities for projects not possible through our OPA 90-mandated funding. These include Obtaining funding for non-OPA 90 activities and developing a sustained program to collect and integrate biological and chemical data in the Cook Inlet region.

