

APPENDIX I
State Of Alaska
Statewide Responsibility, Compliance and Activation Procedures

This Appendix to the State of Alaska State EAS Plan was prepared by the State of Alaska State Emergency Communications Committee in cooperation with other State and Federal agencies.

Responsibility

The State of Alaska, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, Division of Emergency Services (DES) is responsible for the Statewide Activation of the State of Alaska's Emergency Alert System Plan. To ensure statewide activation of this plan, DES is responsible to maintain the equipment necessary to provide the initial alert message to those primary up-link stations identified in Appendix G.

Authority

Alaska Statute 26.23.170

Specific Statewide Activation Procedures

DES is responsible to author and maintain a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the Statewide Activation of the State of Alaska Emergency Alert System Plan. This SOP will provide detailed procedural guidance and appropriate checklists for activation of a statewide alert of the EAS plan. A copy of the SOP will be provided to the Chair, SECC, State of Alaska and to the SECC National Weather Service member. Changes to this SOP will be numbered and provided to the Chair, SECC, State of Alaska within one (1) working day after revision. The Chair, may make distribution of changes to this SOP at Chair's discretion.

Compliance

State statutes offer some protection from liability for public officials and emergency managers who conscientiously try to address emergency preparedness and emergency response situations. Failure to use the Statewide Activation Plan and the aforementioned DES SOP may result in liability for actions taken that are not outlined in these documents. FEMA CPG 1-41, Section II, Para. B, addresses compliance issues associated with not following guidance as outlined in emergency plans.

Only procedures contained in the Statewide EAS Plan will be used for a Statewide Activation of the EAS Plan.