

Alaska Regional Response Team (ARRT) Regional Stakeholder Committee (RSC) Task Force

- The ARRT Tri-Chairs are standing up a Task Force to make recommendations on a draft Regional Stakeholder Committee (RSC) Job Aid.
- A Regional Stakeholder Committee is an optional Incident Command System (ICS) organizational element available to the Unified Command to help facilitate robust information flow between interested stakeholders and Unified Command organization who is responsible for managing an incident.
- Job Aids are not policy, they help promote consistency in processes, and incident-specific circumstances may result in modifications to approach to use of an RSC
- The ARRT Tri-Chairs seek Task Force members from a broad range of representation: Federally Recognized Tribes, local, state, and federal government, and any interested stakeholders, including, but not limited to, non-governmental organizations and industry throughout the state.

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Background

- The current description of the Regional Stakeholder Committee in the Alaska Regional Contingency Plan (RCP), Arctic and Western Alaska Area Contingency Plan (ACP) and Prince William Sound ACP originates from the Unified Plan, Annex B. The Alaska RCP and the four ACPs superseded the Unified Plan in the fall of 2018.
- Overall, the current RSC language is inconsistent among the Alaska RCP and the four ACPs
- The current RSC language is inconsistent with current incident management principles. Specifically, the current description:
 - was written before the 1995 updates to the National Contingency Plan and the 2004 adoption of the NIMS Incident Command System (ICS); and
 - includes elements that are not currently accepted practice.
- *The Job Aid will be helpful to:*
 - 1) *Public Information Officers or Liaison Officers - to advise them on how best to support an RSC (in a spill large/complex enough to warrant the formation of an RSC) and*
 - 2) *RSC members - to inform them on their roles and responsibilities and the RSC's general function and purpose.*

Guidelines

- **Task Force Membership:** shall be broad and include, at a minimum, ARRT member agencies, federally recognized tribes, local, state, and federal governments, and general stakeholders, including interested non-governmental and industry organizations throughout the state
- **Task Force Mission:** Provide recommendations for the RSC Job Aid to the ARRT Tri-Chairs for consideration
- **Task Force Chairs:** ARRT Coordinators (ADEC, USCG, and EPA)
- **Task Force Work Practices:** The RSC Task Force will work on a consensus basis and collaboratively create a Job Aid that describes the function and use of an RSC (organization, roles, responsibilities, and work practices). If the Task Force cannot reach consensus, options may be presented to the ARRT Tri-Chairs for consideration and decision.
- **Final Product:** The RSC Task Force will create a draft Job Aid using input from all Task Force members and provide to the ARRT Tri-Chairs for consideration. The ARRT Tri-Chairs will review, modify if needed, and finalize the Job Aid.