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\$400,000 in Alaska Clean Water Actions grants available
Local organizations sought to help improve State's high priority water bodies

January 4, 2011—More than \$400,000 is available for clean water projects through the Alaska Clean Water Actions (ACWA) grants, the Department of Environmental Conservation announced today. Each year, DEC along with its ACWA partners, the Departments of Natural Resources and Fish and Game, solicits proposals for clean water projects to be funded through ACWA grants. The funds are granted to local communities and citizens groups for projects that monitor and restore Alaska's targeted high priority water bodies.

"ACWA grants have very positive impacts on water quality and aquatic habitat throughout Alaska," said Lynn Kent, DEC's Director of Water. "We encourage local governments, Native groups, and watershed councils to apply for grants that address priority water body needs."

One priority for this year's grants is the use of green infrastructure or natural structures in urban areas to reduce stormwater pollution.

For more information about the ACWA grants priorities and the solicitation, visit DEC's website at: www.dec.state.ak.us/water/acwa/acwa_index.htm

The solicitation opens January 4, 2011. All applications must be submitted on-line by 4:30 p.m., February 22, 2011.