



The Alaska Affordable Energy Strategy Program Fact Sheet and Status Update (November 6, 2015)

Program Background: In 2014, the Alaska Legislature passed a provision in the AKLNG legislation that directed the Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) to prepare a plan and recommendations to the Legislature on infrastructure needed to deliver affordable energy to areas of the state that will not have direct access to a North Slope natural gas pipeline. This effort is referred to as the Alaska Affordable Energy Strategy (AkaES) and it, and any associated recommendations for legislation, are due to the Legislature by Jan. 1, 2017.

Program Progress since October 23:

- Met on multiple occasions with GINA-led team responsible for programming the data and community energy infrastructure project evaluation model to provide guidance and explanations for their effort
- Worked to provide data and estimates to the contractors leading the LNG study—first deliverables schedule revised due to related data collection.
- Continued internal projects on data collection, program evaluations, O&M, and utility rates.
- Continued to work to finalize U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Planning Assistance to States agreement between AEA and USACE.
- Held AkaES Technical Advisory group meeting.
- Scheduled the next meeting for AkaES Advisory Group for November 19th.
- Processed RSA for work to be performed by the Dept. of Labor and Workforce Development to investigate the impact of energy costs on community out-migration. The project is being led by ISER.

Expected Progress during the Next Two Weeks:

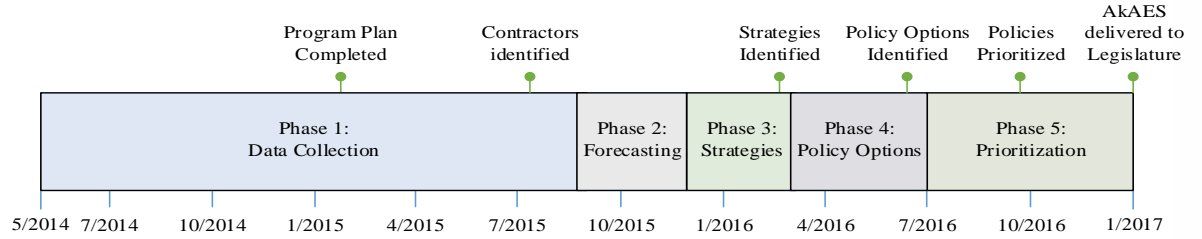
- Continue coordinating with AEA's regional energy planning contractors on data collection and economic analysis.
- Finalize contract with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for studying the potential of building new, strategically located regional fuel depots to decrease the delivered cost of fuel to communities.
- Continue to coordinate internal AEA work on the AkaES.
- Receive first estimates of community energy consumption from GINA-led modeling effort

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