

# TAPS: Sustaining Alaska's Economic Artery

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#### TAPS is Alaska's economic artery

- AOGA: 1/3 of all Alaska's jobs, about 110,000, are attributed to the oil and gas industry.
- Fuels 1/3 of Alaska's economy.
- >90% of Alaska's unrestricted general fund revenue.
- Delivers >\$8.5 billion in revenue each year; \$24 million/day
- Annual tax payments to municipalities throughout Alaska.
- Permanent Fund of \$45 billion







#### Trans Alaska Pipeline System

- 800-mile warm-oil pipeline in cold climate.
- Arctic pipeline operated successfully for 36 years.
- 2012 throughput average: 548,000 bpd.
- 8% of U.S. domestic oil supply.
- More than 20% of west coast refinery input.
- Nationally significant infrastructure.
- Supplies Alaska refineries.





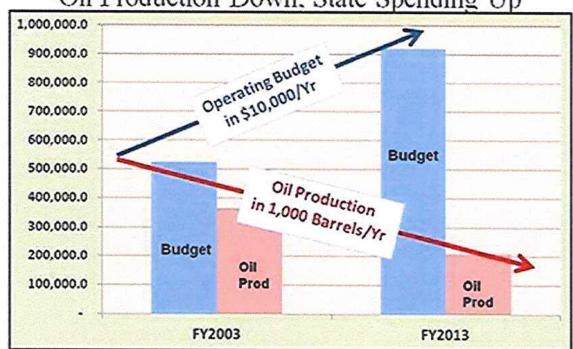
## **Greatest economic threats** to Alaska



#### Declining TAPS Throughput & Increasing Budget



Oil Production Down; State Spending Up





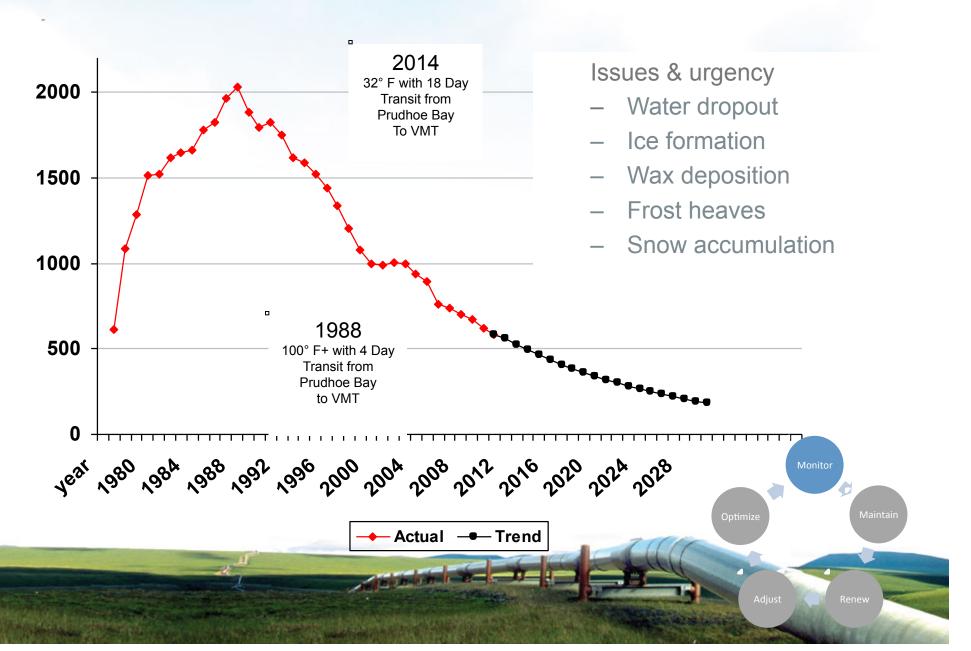
### Sustaining Alaska's economic artery







#### Monitor: Steadily declining throughput





#### **Monitor: Operations data**

- Crude oil temperature
- Equipment diagnostics
- In-Line Inspection tool data
- Digs & inspections
- Above-ground piping inspections
- Corrosion coupons
- More









#### **Maintain and Renew**

- 146 maintenance and renewal projects
- >\$300 million this year
- Similar level of maintenance and renewal in coming years







## 2013 PROJECTS The Trans Alaska Pipeline System

146 ACTIVE PROJECTS
\$300 MILLION BUDGETED

**MAINTENANCE SHUTDOWNS** 

1 four-hour

1 six-hour

**7** eighteen-hour

coming in 2014

130 anticipated projects



Belowground pipe replacement; Electrification & Automation; Tank 111 cleaning & inspection

Neat recycle work at

PS 4, 5 & 7

Ongoing belowground pipe replacement

Pig launcher/receiver at

(estimated completion 2014)

Straight pipe project at PS 10

Eliminate West Tank Farm dead leg piping at **VALDEZ** 

**MARINE TERMINAL** 



a total of & ODAFWCs 2,747,008 HOURS WORKED (1/1/13-7/8/13)

project safety specialists & environmental coordinators

Valdez

**DELIVERING EXCELLENCE** 

#### Adjust: TAPS scraper pigs







Low throughput leads to greater wax, slower pig velocities. Ongoing adjustment of pig design and protocol.





### Adjust: Colder crude oil



Recirculation at a pump station adds 7-10. Winter recirculation at PS 3, 4, 7, 9.

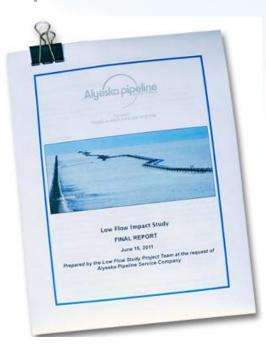


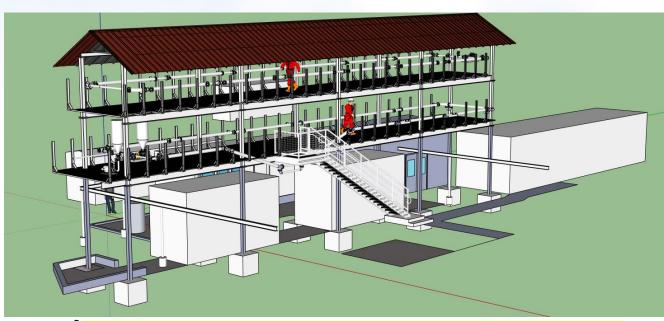
Tank top snow removal





#### Adjust: Study & test options





University of Tulsa flow loop for testing cold, dry flow.





#### **Optimize: Increase TAPS throughput**

## OFFSHORE ARCTIC

- o 27 bbo
- o 132 tcf gas
- Est. 54,000 jobs (nationwide)

#### NPR-A

- o 896 mbo
- 53 tcf gas

#### **COOK INLET**

- 599 mbo
- 19 tcf gas



## ONSHORE NORTH SLOPE

- Conventional: 5
   bbo, 35 tcf gas;
- Heavy/Viscous: 24-33 bbo;
- Unconventional: 2 bbo,12 tcf gas

#### **ANWR**

- o 10 bb0
- o 3.5 tcf gas

mbo = million barrels of oil bbo = billion barrels of oil tcf = trillion cubic feet

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