

# ACES

Alaska's Clear and Equitable Share

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### **Community Briefing**



- Brief Overview of ACES
- Opportunity for Information and Discussion
  - Three Stations to DiscussIssues Important to ACES

# Why ACES?



- PPT is Not Stable
  - Lacks public confidence
- PPT Does Not Protect Alaska's Interests
  - State lacks necessary tools (people, information, clear rules)
  - Left loopholes (i.e. corrosion costs)
  - Does not protect state in high-cost / low price conditions
  - Does not provide equal value for explorers
- ACES is Needed for Alaska
  - Protects Alaska's Interests
  - Restores Public Confidence
  - Increases state share while preserving investment climate

#### What is ACES?



- Hybrid Tax System
  - –Net Tax Base
  - -Gross Tax Floor
- Tools to Protect the State's Interests

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- Hybrid Tax System
  - Net Tax Base
    - 25% Rate
    - Adjustments to Progressivity
    - Adjustments to Qualified Capital Credits
    - Improved credit system for explorers
    - Elimination of TIE credits (for past expenditures)
  - Gross Tax Floor (Not Additive)
    - 10% on Prudhoe Bay and Kuparuk Fields
    - Will kick in at low oil prices

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- Tools to Protect the State's Interests
  - Competitive Pay for Auditors
  - Information Needed by the State
    - Cost forecasts
    - Expenditure details in a timely manner and useful format
    - Information sharing between state agencies
    - Public disclosure of certain information
  - Clear Rules
    - Define allowable lease expenditures
    - Exclude inappropriate deductions (Corrosion / Dismantlement, Removal, & Restoration)

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  - Three Stations to Discuss Issues Important to ACES
    - Does ACES Strike a Fair Balance Between Industry and Government?
    - Can Alaska Compete with Other Oil and Gas Regions?
       (Government Take, Reserves, etc.)
    - Does ACES Preserve Alaska Investment Opportunities?
       (Oil Field Economic Modeling)
  - What Tools Are Being Added by ACES and Why Are They Needed?