Cook Inlet Oil & Gas - A 10 Minute Retrospective

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Cook Inlet’s 100+ Year Oil & Gas History

- First discovery of oil seeps by Russian explorers in the 1850’s
- First drilling on Iniskin Peninsula in early 1900’s near Oil Bay
- First commercial discovery in Swanson River in 1957
- Peak oil production in 1970: 83 million barrels
- Oil production in 2006: 6.1 million barrels
- Total oil production to date: 1.33 billion barrels
- Total gas production to date: 7.3 trillion cubic feet
- Gas production in 2006: 196 billion cubic feet
Havenstrite Rig
Iniskin Peninsula
1934
Iniskin Peninsula
1954
Swanson River 1957
AMOCO Cook Inlet Blow Out 1962
Other Significant Past Incidents

- 1987- T/V Glacier Bay spills 159,000 gallons of crude oil
- 1987- Steelhead Platform natural gas blowout & fire destroys nearly half of the platform. 1 year to repair
- 1989- T/V Exxon Valdez oil spill. Spilled oil contaminates several Lower Kenai Peninsula beaches.
The View of Cook Inlet Oil & Gas
Cook Inlet Oil & Gas Infrastructure
Economic Impacts of Oil & Gas Industries on the KPB

- KPB FY2005 Total Revenues $83.5 million
- $7.48 million (AS 43.56) Oil & Gas Property Taxes
- $4.35 million in Value Added Industry Property Taxes
- Total KPB Property Taxes for FY2003 Estimated at $47.8 million
- 1,389 Oil & Gas Industry Jobs or 7.7% of KPB Employment in the Year 2004 / 18.2% of Total KPB Reported Payrolls
- $80,401 Oil & Gas Average Annual Wage in the Year 2004
- $33,997 KPB Average Annual Wage in the Year 2004

Sources: KPB FY2005 Annual Budget, Projected Revenues
“2003 Situations & Prospects” KPB Annual Report
State of Alaska Department of Labor Statistics
Cook Inlet Oil & Gas Employment

- Alaska Total Employment: 319,345
- Alaska Oil & Gas Employment: 11,550
- Alaska Chemical Manufacturing Employment: 615

- KPB Total Employment: 18,789
- KPB Oil & Gas Employment: 969
- KPB Chemical Manufacturing Employment: 335

KPB Average Monthly Wage $3,056
KPB Oil & Gas Average Monthly Wage $9,885

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