

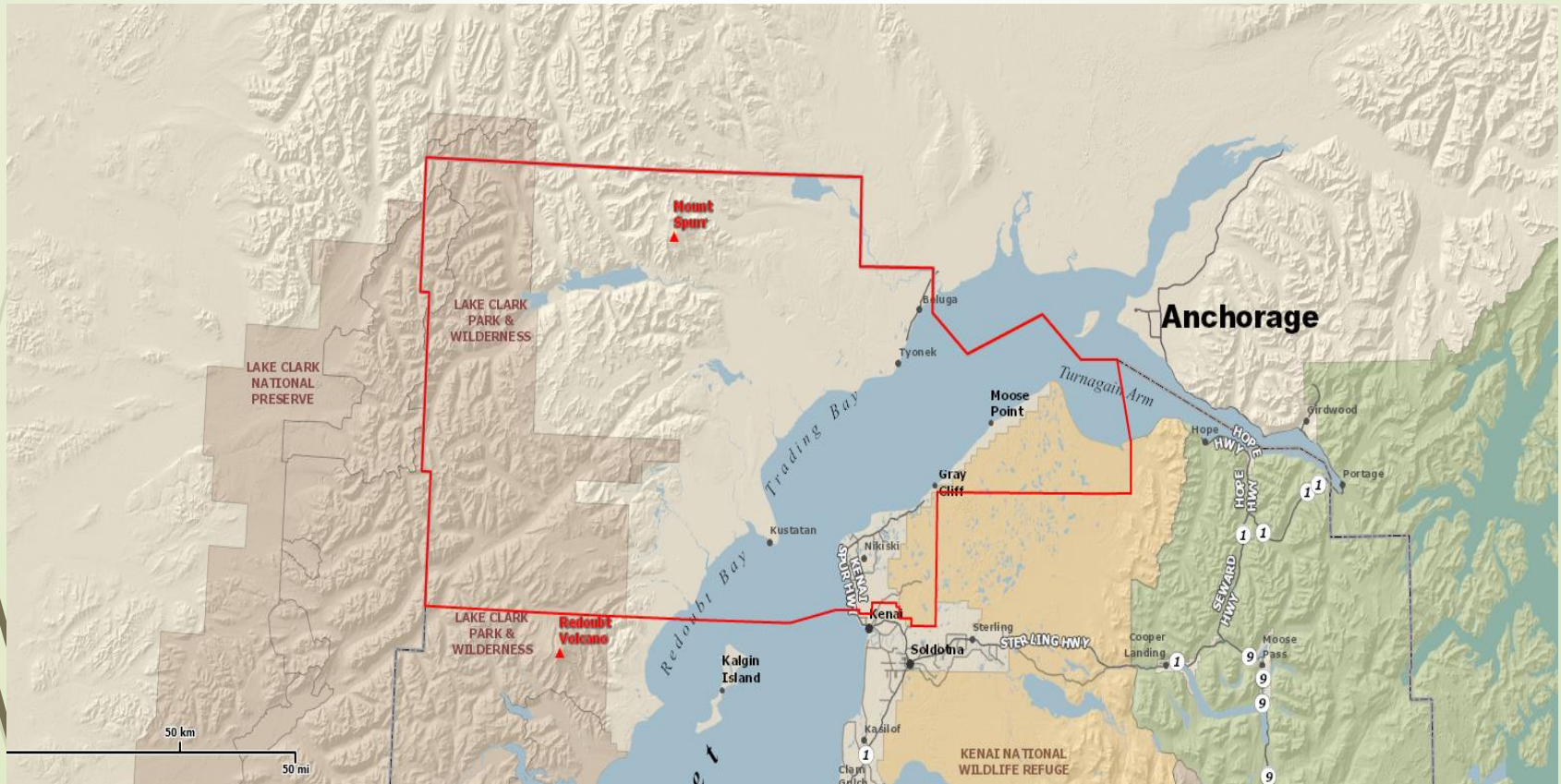
# Nikiski Fire Service Area F.Y. 2021-2022 Budget Presentation



Bryan Crisp, Fire Chief

# Background Information

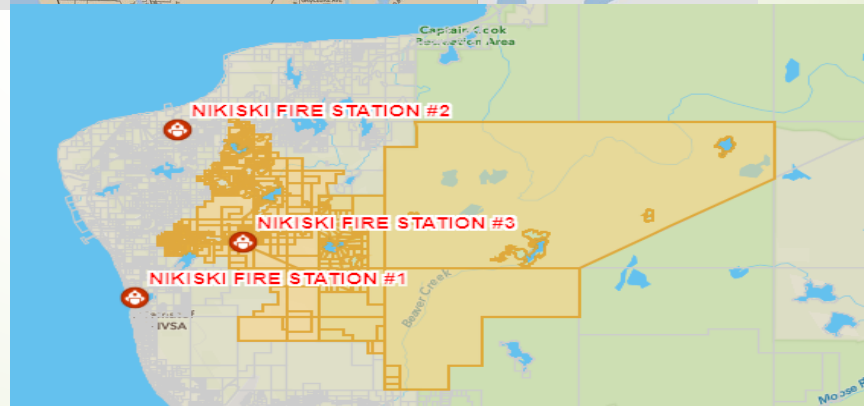
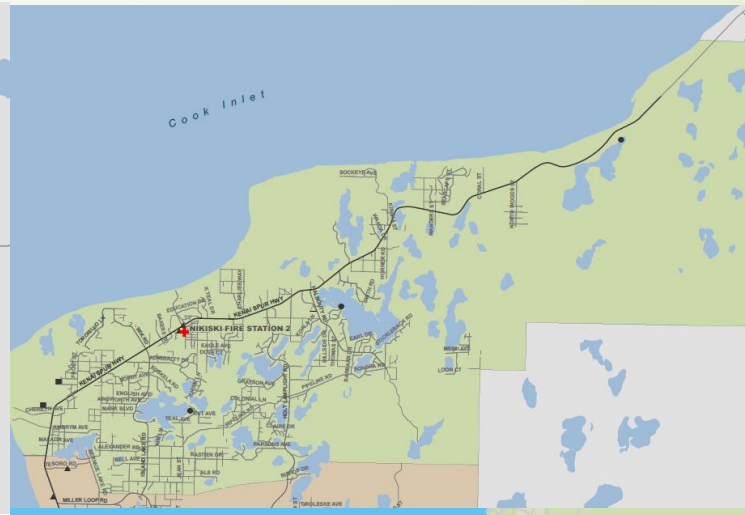
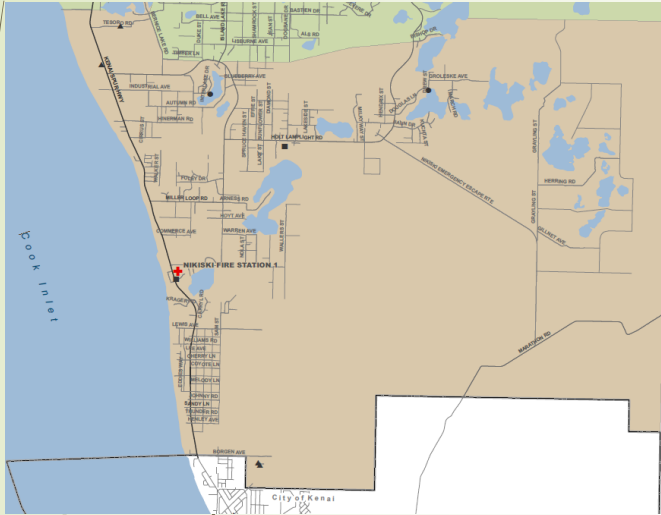
- ▶ The service area provides Fire Protection, Technical Rescue and Emergency Services capabilities to a population of approximately 6,000 residents within a 5,480 square mile area to include Beluga and Tyonek.



# Background Information, continued

- Staffing: **Minimum Station Staffing Per Shift - 4 Personnel (5 or 6 w/additional hires)**
  - Full time 23 ( FY22 Budget 25 Personnel)
    - 1 Fire Chief
    - 1 Deputy Chief
    - 1 Assistant Chief (Training/Safety FY22 Budget) **VACANT**
    - 1 Sr. Captain of Emergency Medical Services
    - 1 Mechanic
    - 1 Admin Assistant
    - Two Shifts of 6 FTE's and One Shift of 7 FTE's ( 2 open currently/1 FY22 Budget) **3 VACANT**
  - Volunteers 30.00 (Currently only 24)
    - 15 Firefighters/EMS (8 currently in Firefighter 1 class)
    - 8 EMS Only
    - 1 Dive/Rescue Only
      - 2 Beluga (Hilcorp Employees only when there)
      - 6 Tyonek
- Current Full Time Staffing Covers Stations 1, 2 and 3
  - Currently using Temp Employee.

# DISTRICTS AND STATIONS



Station 1 – Mile 17.5 KSH

Station 2 – Mile 27 KSH

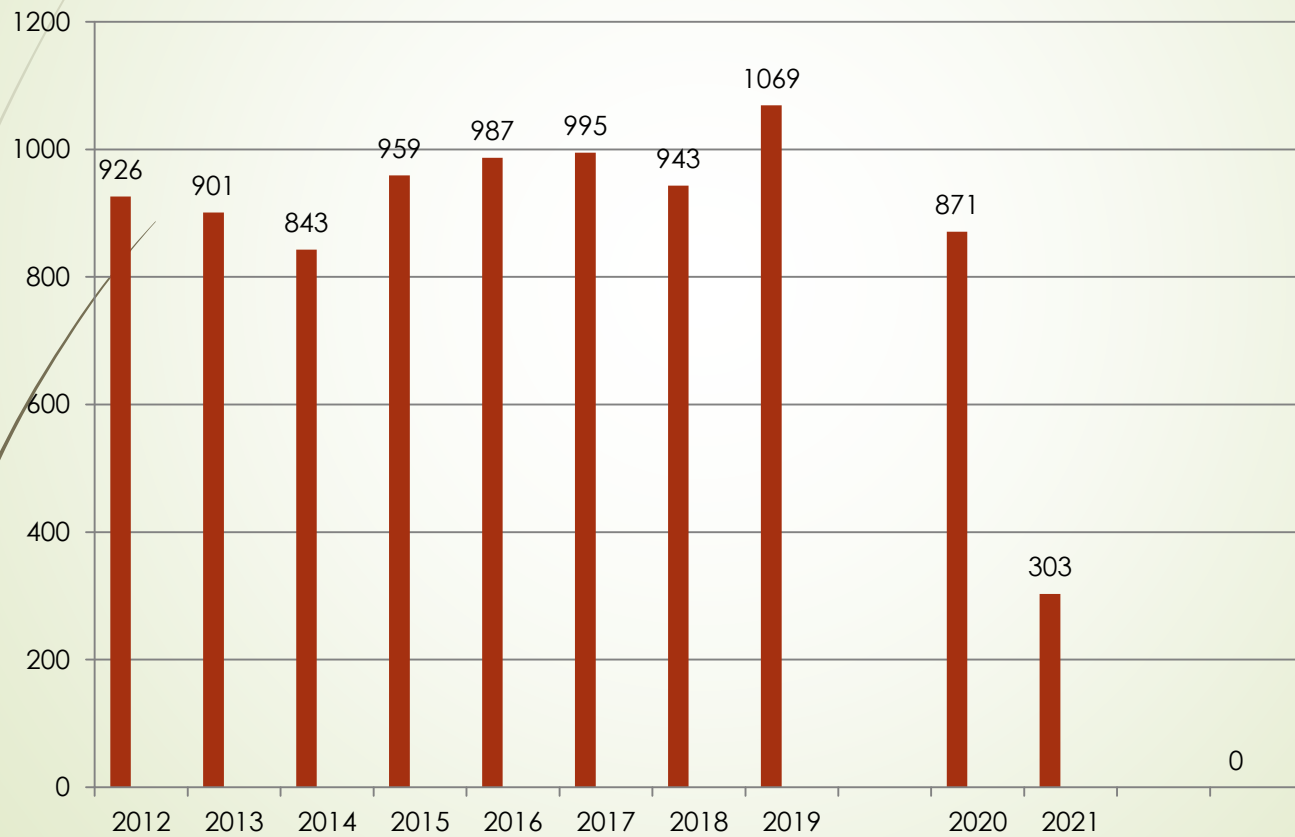
Station 3 – Intersection Holt-Lamplight and Escape Route


Station 4 – Beluga

Station 5 - Tyonek



# CALL VOLUME





# Nikiski Fire Service Area


## FY2021 Key Accomplishments

- Provided a safe work environment, Reduced property damage and personal injury
- Completed Public Safety Dive Team Training
  - All Team members are certified Public Safety Divers and Advanced Underwater Criminal Investigators. Over 200+ hours of Training per member.
- Activated Station Alerting System in Station 1, 2 and 3 for quicker response capabilities.
- Placed in service new Command/Brush/Plow vehicle
- Complete purchase of New SCBA Air Compressor for Station 1, additional Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus equipment.
- Continued Health and Wellness Program
- Continued Firefighter Cancer Prevention initiatives
- Completed Station 1 Emergency Generator upgrade
- Completed Station 1 Interior/Exterior Painting Maintenance
- Station 2 Interior/Exterior lighting maintenance/upgrades in progress
- Station 1 diesel exhaust removal system in progress

# Nikiski Fire Service Area FY2021 Key Accomplishments

- Completed Station 3 Construction Project
- Staffed when personnel are available as of April 1, 2021





# Nikiski Fire Service Area FY2022 Initiatives

- Complete Fire Station 1 diesel exhaust removal system
- Complete Station 2 Interior/Exterior lighting maintenance/upgrades
- Purchase additional SCBA's for Beluga and Integrated Communications for SCBA's.
- Replace Base Station, Mobile and Portable Radios via PILT Grant Funds
- Purchase Ambulance and Forestry Response/Plow vehicle to replace aging apparatus.
- Conduct Technical Rescue training for all new personnel to continue providing level of service to our industrial and public areas.
- Continue to provide safe work environment, reduced property damage and personal injury through Health and Wellness program and Cancer Prevention Initiatives.



# Nikiski Fire Service Area

## Long Term Issues & Concerns


### ➤ Staffing Level Issues

#### ➤ NFSA History

- 1969-2002: 5 FTE's per shift
- 2002-2008: 6 FTE's per shift
- 2008-2021: 5 FTE's per shift
- 2021-Present: Currently 5 FTE's per shift on two shifts and 6 FTE's on one shift. Will be 6 FTE's on two shifts and 7 FTE's on one shift once 4 new employees are hired.

Assistant Chief Training and Sr. Captain EMS supplement

- Minimum Station Staffing currently is 4 per shift/2 per station. Staff Station 3 when available. This is 95% of the time due to Personal Leave and Sick Leave.
  - Would like to acquire two more personnel in future to equal out all shift to 7
  - 8 man shifts would be preferred to allow flexibility and not be minimum staffed over 95% of the time.



# Nikiski Fire Service Area Long Term Issues & Concerns

- Postponement of Capital Projects Replacements for Critical Equipment and Repairs to balance budget (Moved FY2024 Ambulance to FY2027 and lowered Operating transfers)
- Address local and state issues with recruitment and retention of Full Time Employees and Volunteers
- Address patient care response for aging/elderly population.
- Reductions in the State's budget and Oil/Gas revenue affecting the impact to local communities

**With these Issues in staffing and capital projects replacements we will need to look at increasing the mil rate possibly back to 3.0 in future.**



Questions?

