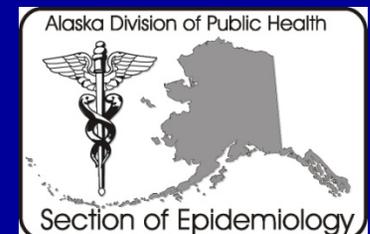


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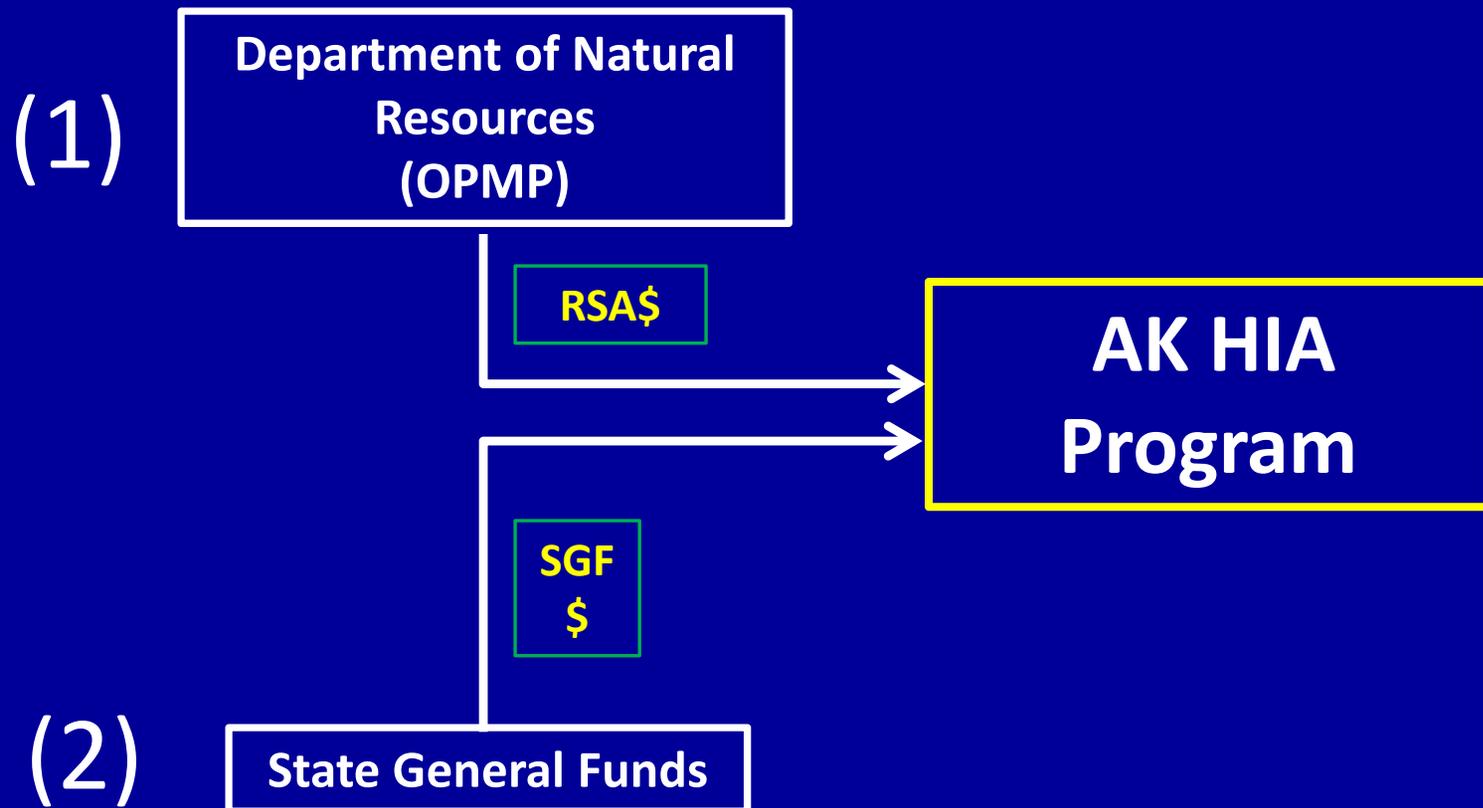
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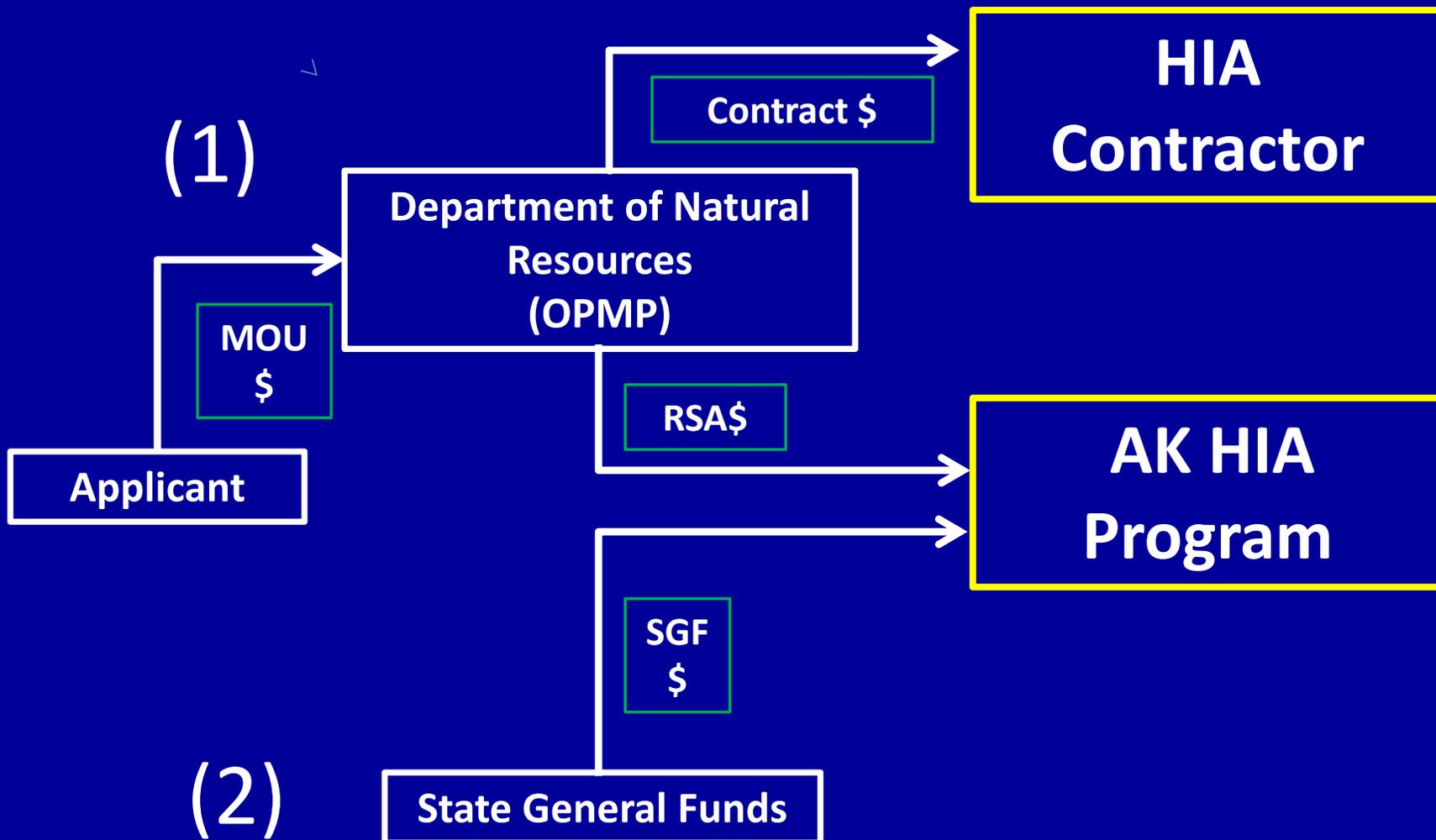
2 Institutionalized HIA Programs

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 - Department of Health and Social Services
 - Division of Community Health Affairs
- **State of Alaska HIA Program**
 - Department of Health and Social Services
 - Section of Epidemiology

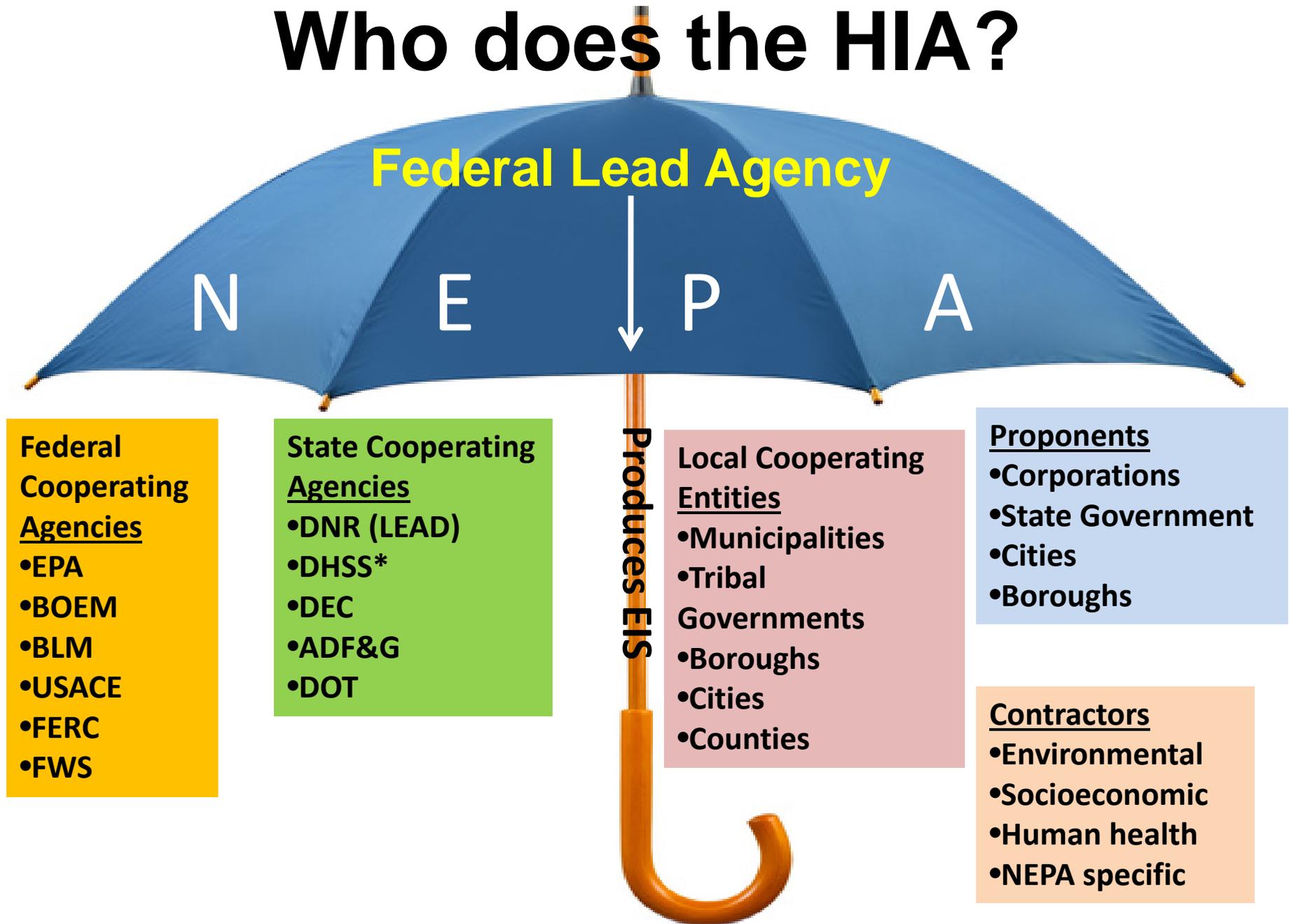
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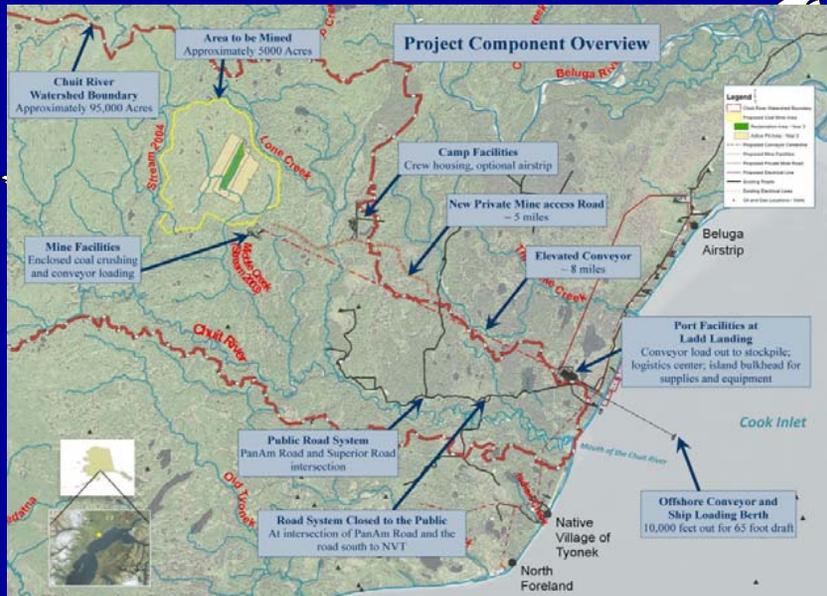
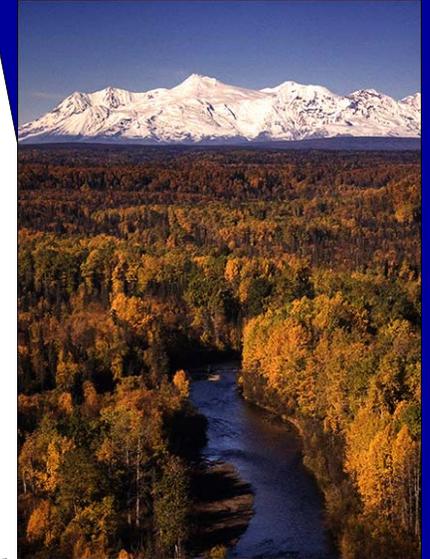
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Who does the HIA?



Chuitna Coal Mine



Informed Health Review

Project Features

- Location
- Size
- Design
- Resource material
- Schedule
- Workforce



Health Effect Category

- Social Determinants of Health
- Accidents and Injuries
- Hazardous Substances
- Food, Nutrition, Subsistence
- Infectious Diseases
- Chronic Diseases
- Water and Sanitation
- Health Care Delivery

New Information from the HIA

- **Community level survey of health behaviors**
- **Community level health data from tribal health organization**
- **Hair mercury sampling**

HIA and Decision Maker

- EPA (\$) and ANTHC (Wernham)
- US Army Corps and State of Alaska
- Applicant (\$)--2 year process
- HIA requested by US Army Corps
- Applicant expense
- To obtain “adequate” public health data for the Supplemental EIS

Practical Challenges: Chuitna

US Army
Corps

Native
Hospital

Applicant

HIA Program

Tribal Health
Organization

DEC/DNR
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