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### **DEC Names new Deputy Commissioner**

(JUNEAU, AK) – The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has named Lynn Kent as its new deputy commissioner. Kent has over 25 years of experience in federal and state environmental and natural resource law and policy and has spent the last six years as a director of DEC’s Division of Water. Previously Kent served as program manager for DEC’s Water Quality program, Contaminated Sites program and the Spill Prevention, Planning and Management program.

Kent takes over for Dan Easton who retires after serving 20 years with the department including six years as deputy commissioner.

Kent will begin work as deputy commissioner starting August 16 and will transition to the Juneau office over time. DEC is beginning the process to find a new director for the Division of Water.

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