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Mission and administration

The Prince William Sound Oil Spill Recovery Institute (OSRI) functions are to identify and develop the best available techniques, equipment and materials for dealing with oil spills in the Arctic and sub-Arctic marine environment; and to conduct cooperative research on the long-term effects of oil spills on the environment, the economy and the people of the affected regions. Congress authorized the OSRI through the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 and 1996 amendments. The Institute is administered through the PWS Science Center, a non-profit research and education entity, located in Cordova, Alaska.