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WHAT’S UP
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CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, SPECIAL EVENTS

June 2 - 3
The public is invited to get outdoors and help Alaska State Parks and local organizations CELEBRATE NATIONAL TRAILS DAY by participating in the following guided hikes and trail projects over the weekend. Unless otherwise specified, bring lunch and snacks, water, appropriate clothing, sturdy footwear, sun or safety glasses, work gloves, and bug spray.

June 2 - Volunteer work on TURNAAGAIN ARM TRAIL, CHUGACH STATE PARK
Join Alaska State Parks and Alaska Trails Inc. at 8:30a.m on at Celebrate National Trails Day with the Alaska Trail Stewards and Chugach State Park. Volunteers will help with maintenance on the Turnagain Arm Trail, and can expect to help repair tread, increase drainage, haul brush, use loppers and handsaws to clear brush and other duties as necessary. Volunteers must be over 18 for this event, can plan to walk several miles on the trail throughout the day, and must be comfortable working outdoors with hand tools. Contact Joe at 907-694-1074 for more information and please pre-register at the Alaska Trails Inc. web page here: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/national-trails-day-volunteer-event-tickets-45519691623

June 2 – Volunteer GUIDED DONNELLY DOME HIKE near DELTA JUNCTION
Join the Delta Junction Trails Association with support from Alaska State Parks at 11am for a guided hike of Donnelly Dome. Meet at the pullout 2.5 miles up the Dome Road off Mile 248 of the Richardson Highway. Bring a Recreation Access Permit which can be obtained at the Fort Greeley Visitor’s Center during regular business hours or at https://usrtrak.isportsman.net/. Check on the status of Donnelly East Area 531 by calling 907-873-3181 or by going to the website. This will tell you if the area is open for recreation or if it has been temporarily closed for military training. If closed to training, the backup meeting location will be the pullout on Coal Mine Road at the same time. Please contact Ellen for more information at 907-895-5155.

June 2 - Celebrate the NANCY LAKE STATE RECREATION AREA WATER TRAILS
Join Alaska State Parks for a day of paddle-boarding, canoeing, or kayaking the Tanaina Lake Canoe Loop. Meet at the Tanaina Lake Canoe Loop Trailhead, mile 4.7 Nancy Lake Pkwy, at 11am with your own boat or rent one from Tippecanoe, for a Guided Canoe Naturalist Paddle on Tanania Lake or a Guided Lynx Lake Loop Paddle. There will be a potluck following the event, beginning at 5pm with a Dutch Oven Cook-Off & Robert Service Poetry Reading. Baked Beans, Cornbread and, “The Haggis of Private McPhee” provided. Everyone welcome. For more information call 907-495-6212 or 355-7513.

June 2 - Volunteer work on CURRY RIDGE TRAIL, DENALI STATE PARK, near Trapper Creek
Come on out for the “Curry Ridge Ramble” with Alaska State Parks and join in hiking and trail work along the Curry Ridge Trail. Meet at 10:30am at the Kesugi-Ken Interpretive Center located at Mile 134.5 of the George Parks Highway. Parking is in the day-use lot. Volunteers will hike 4-5 miles and participate in trail work throughout the day, including cutting brush, moving materials and rocks, and compacting soils. Afterward join for a cookout at
the interpretive center. Potluck items are welcome. For more information call Carter at 907-354-5890 (cell) or 907-733-5123 (office).

**June 2 & 3 - SEWARD AREA SELF-LED HIKES AND COMMUNITY CELEBRATION** Join the Seward Trail Blazers and Iditarod Historic Trail Alliance by planning your own hikes on Saturday and participating in a community celebration on Sunday. On Saturday, the Trail Blazers are encouraging people to get out and walk the trails around town and all over the Kenai Peninsula. In town, there are the bike path/Iditarod Trail and the Two Lakes Trail, as well as the climb up Mt. Marathon. The bike path extends to mile 5, where you can access the Lost Lake trail and the Iditarod Trail can be accessed at Bear Lake or Saw Mill Creek. On June 3, from 1:30 to 5:30pm, the Seward Trail Blazers and the Iditarod Historic Alliance will host a celebration of the 50\(^{th}\) anniversary of the National Trails System Act and the 40\(^{th}\) anniversary of the designation of the Iditarod as a National Historic Trail. Chugach National Forest will be present to celebrate and promote INHT stewardship events scheduled this summer. Refreshments will be available. For more information contact sitblazers@gmail.com.

**June 4 – 11**

**KODIAK** - The NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL will hold a series of workshops and meetings in various venues

- **June 4 - Fishing Families Workshop** will be held from 5:15 to 7:15 at the Kodiak Convention Center. Discussion focusing on interactions of fishing families and changing regulations, environments, and socioeconomic conditions in Alaska’s fisheries and fishing communities. Hosted by the Alaska Fisheries Science Center.

- **June 4 - Informal Charter Meeting** will be held from 7 to 9pm in Fishermen’s Hall. Status update on charter-related issues in the NPFMC process, expectations for charter halibut harvest over the next few years, process overview for charter halibut recommendations each fall, and discussion on Kodiak Charter operator’s future engagement. Potential discussion on Halibut Charter annual reporting requirements for CQE’s. Hosted by Andy Mezirow of the NPFMC, Kurt Iverson with the Regional National Marine Fisheries Service Recreational Sector, and Tyler Polum ADF&G sport fish area biologist.

- **June 5 - IFQ Outreach Session** will be held from 5 to 6:30pm in the Kodiak Convention Center. Public outreach session with open forum for stakeholders to give insight on the present state of the halibut and sablefish IFQ Program and provide direction for future actions that might be considered by the Council and its IFQ Committee. The Council is particularly seeking input on issues related to entry-level opportunities and rural participation in the fishery. Hosted by The Council.

- **June 6 - Community Reception** will be held at 6pm at the Afognak Native Corporation Building on Near Island. Open to the public. Enjoy local seafood and commemorate Chairman Hull’s last meeting on the Council.

- **June 6 – 11 -The Council** will meet from 8am to 5pm at the Kodiak Convention Center downtown. The full agenda can be found [here](#).

**June 8 – 10**

**DENALI NATIONAL PARK - FIELD COURSE – BIRDS OF DENALI** will be offered by Alaska Geographic through the Murie Science and Learning Center. Denali comes alive in June with birds arriving from all over the world to their summer home in the far north. These migrants join the hardy year-round residents to offer the Denali birder amazing opportunities to view and study a diverse avifauna in a spectacular landscape. With naturalist MARIA BERGER, we’ll venture out into the tundra and taiga to learn how to identify birds by sight and sound. We’ll also
discuss avian behavior, habitat selection, food habits and migration ecology. Course will stay at a field camp located 29 miles inside Denali National Park along the Teklanika River. The Field Camp includes rustic tent cabins and a common dining yurt. All meals, accommodations, transportation, and instruction are included in the $370 course fee ($333 for Alaska Geographic members). Professional development credit is available through UAA. For more information or to register, go to [http://akgeo.org/field-courses/](http://akgeo.org/field-courses/), email [courses@alaskageographic.org](mailto:courses@alaskageographic.org) or call 907-683-6432.

### June 22 - 24
**DENALI NATIONAL PARK - FIELD COURSE – DENALI'S MICROWILDERNESS: INSECTS AND SPIDERS** will be offered by Alaska Geographic through the Murie Science and Learning Center. Denali is well known for its large mammals and big mountain, but a closer look reveals a vast micro-wilderness waiting to be discovered. Denali’s insects, spiders, and other arthropods play a critical role in Denali’s ecosystems and have only recently been the subject of more in depth research. Join entomologists **JESSICA RYKKEN** from the National Park Service and **DEREK SIKES** from the University of Alaska Fairbanks for a behind the scenes look at their 5-year arthropod study and an exploration of this fascinating world. We’ll visit several research sites to learn about the different insects found there and the important roles they play in Denali. As a group, we will help collect some of these species to add to the current study and learn more about what this research has revealed so far. Course will stay at a field camp located 29 miles inside Denali National Park along the Teklanika River. The Field Camp includes rustic tent cabins and a common dining yurt. All meals, accommodations, transportation, and instruction are included in the $370 course fee ($333 for Alaska Geographic members). Professional development credit is available through UAA. For more information or to register, go to [http://akgeo.org/field-courses/](http://akgeo.org/field-courses/), email [courses@alaskageographic.org](mailto:courses@alaskageographic.org) or call 907-683-6432.

### June 23 – 27
**FAIRBANKS – The FOLK SCHOOL'S WEEK in the WOODS** will be held deep in the Tanana Valley State Forest. Week in the Woods (WITW) is an opportunity to leave our everyday routines behind and gather in the remote boreal forest, learning and creating in a multi-generational community. It is a rare chance to live and study with an amazing cast of instructors, including woodworkers, craftspeople, artisans, and naturalists. The week is a dialogue with nature, a unique experience of learning, creating, reflecting, and building community. WITW participants will stay in the forest for five days and four nights, allowing the energy of our everyday, technology-filled lives to be replaced by the more peaceful energy of the woods. Through the process of creating objects from forest treasures, students will explore old and new techniques and hand tools from many cultures. As part of this process participants will go on frequent guided excursions, learning to recognize the unique characteristics of forest types, flora and fauna of the boreal landscape, and the influences of history on forest dynamics. Registration no later than May 1 at [https://thefolkschoolfairbanks.org/week-in-the-woods-2/](https://thefolkschoolfairbanks.org/week-in-the-woods-2/).

### July
**THE WILD SIDE of EDUCATION SUMMER TEACHER WORKSHOP on the YUKON-CHARLEY RIVERS** is a 3-credit course **WORKSHOP** developed by the National Preserve by the National Park Service and the University of Alaska Fairbanks. The workshop has both classroom and field components. The field course takes place Thursday, July 19 through Monday, July 23 at the restored historic Coal Creek mining camp located in the heart of the
Preserve. Participants will learn about gold rush history, boreal forest ecology, Yukon River geology, and ongoing scientific research through field trips (must be able to hike up to six miles per day), presentations, and discussions with a variety of National Park Service (NPS) subject matter experts. Teachers will explore topics in curriculum and instruction, and incorporate course content into a final project and lesson plan. Required pre and post trip meetings take place on July 12, 16 and 30 at the Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center in Fairbanks. Register for the course at www.uaf.edu/summer/registration (course number is ED F595P-F04) or call (907) 474-7021. For questions about the course or to receive a syllabus, contact National Park Service Education Specialist Maria Berger at maria_berger@nps.gov or (907) 459-3730. Information on the Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve is available at www.nps.gov/yuch, by calling (907) 547-2233 (Eagle office) or the Fairbanks Alaska Public Lands Information Center at (907) 459-4730.

July 12 - 15
McCARTHY- MCCARTHY FAMILY MUSIC CAMP will be held at the Wrangell Mountains Center. Summer camp is not just for kids. At the McCarthy Family Music Camp, all family members get to enjoy learning and playing music with others, accompanied by the melodies of some of Alaska’s biggest glaciers and most inspiring mountain scenery. During our tune-filled, action-packed folk music camp, families will engage in multiple instructor-led group sessions and classes. Family members will have opportunities to play together, as well as with individualized peer sessions. Craft activities for youth and exploration of the Wrangells environs will round out the fun. Learn more about the camp, instructors, tuition, and how to register at www.wrangells.org/familymusiccamp.

July 12 - 16
The WILDERNESS WATERCOLOR RETREAT will be held at CHELATNA LAKE LODGE for four days of creativity, relaxation, and exploration. Our workshop is led by a lifelong Alaskan and published artist, ROBIN FARMER, who is passionate about the outdoors. We’ll cover an introduction to watercolor and provide individual guidance for technique development suited for beginners as well as the more advanced watercolorist. We’ll focus on techniques to capture the mood of the landscape, study the colors and plants of the area, and take our skills to the backcountry for plein air painting among the mountains. More information and booking at www.chelatna.com, or call (907) 243-7767, or email info@chelatna.com.

July 15-20
McCARTHY - RIVERSONG WRITING WORKSHOP will be held at the Wrangell Mountains Center and will partner with McCarthy River Tours & Outfitters to host a six-day, five-night adventure in the fabulous Wrangell-St. Elias National Park. Together we will explore the ways wilderness can help inspire songs, stories, poems, and essays. Activities include an opening reading/performance and craft sessions in the comfort of the Wrangell Mountains Center’s facility in McCarthy, followed by three nights and four days of creative inquiry along the Kennecott, Nizina, Chitina, and Copper Rivers. Space is limited to nine student writers/songwriters. Go to www.wrangells.org/riversong to register and learn more.

July 20 – 22
FAIRBANKS – The FOLK SCHOOL'S WEEKEND on the RIVER is part class, part vacation. Weekend on the River (WOTR) offers a weekend retreat at a Tanana River fish camp and homestead just 30 miles downstream of Fairbanks. Your adventure begins on Friday
afternoon when you hike or paddle to camp. Pitch a tent and enjoy home-cooked meals with friends and family around a fire. That night we’ll make tin can fishing reels and you can start practicing for the big casting competition the next night. Together we’ll learn about river’s wealth of fish by cutting, drying, cooking, and making art/craft with them. We’ll gather raw natural materials like willow and spruce and transform them into practical items. There will be time set aside each day to explore beyond camp, gathering wild edibles and building materials, tracking animals, and enjoying the setting. At night we’ll cook on fires, relax, and enjoy evening programs. **Apply by June 15** at [https://thefolkschoolfairbanks.org/event/weekend-river-2018/](https://thefolkschoolfairbanks.org/event/weekend-river-2018/).

**July 26 - 29**  
**McCARTHY - WOMEN and the FRONTIER: MEMOIR WRITING WORKSHOP** with women’s history author MARIANNE MONSON will be held at the Wrangell Mountains. In this writing workshop, we will discover some of the women who traversed Alaska’s frontiers with artist-in-resident Marianne Monson. Through a variety of writing exercises, discussion, and on location prompts, we will explore the concepts of wilderness and frontiers in our own lives. The workshop will culminate in a community word jam at the Old Hardware Store—a literary open mic of original poems, stories, songs, and performance art. Go to [www.wrangells.org/residential-writing-workshop](http://www.wrangells.org/residential-writing-workshop) to register and for more information.

**August 17 – 19**  
**DENALI NATIONAL PARK & PRESERVE - THE VIBRANCY of AUTUMN COURSE** -  
The tundra is on a tight energy budget and the decreasing sunlight of autumn produces many changes. Not only have tundra animals and plants adapted to cold conditions and short growing seasons, they have adapted to one another and are linked by a flow of energy. Join the Murie Science and Learning Center education staff as we explore the closely woven tundra communities and their relationship to the physical environments. While looking at the patterns of life that revolve around the changing seasons, we’ll keep an eye out for migrating birds and sample a tundra specialty – blueberries! **$333** Alaska Geographic Member Price ($370 Non-Member Price). [Register Online](https://www.thefolkschoolfairbanks.org/event/weekend-river-2018/).

**WEBINARS & TELECONFERENCES**

**June 8 (TELECONFERENCE MEETING)**  
**NORTH SLOPE SBSSTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL** will meet by teleconference at 9am to follow up on information and updates from its winter 2018 meeting. The Council will receive updates and further discuss recent activities occurring within the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska. The Council will also receive updates on Fisheries Resource Monitoring Program projects, and further develop subsistence fisheries resource monitoring priority information needs for the region. The public is invited to participate in this meeting by dialing toll-free 1-866-864-5314 and entering the passcode 3091862 when prompted. Additional information on North Slope Subsistence Regional Advisory Council can be found on the web at [https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions/ns](https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions/ns).

**June 12 (WEBINAR)**  
**Drought in a Rainforest...how can that be?** will be held from 10 to 11am with RICK THOMAN and AARON JACOBS, National Weather Service. Southeast Alaska is part of the largest temperate rainforest in the world and is dependent on copious amount of precipitation. Like other
ecosystems, significantly below normal precipitation effects the entire hydrologic cycle. The impacts of a rainforest drought range from hydro-electric power generation and community water supply to fish migration. This talk will go through the causes, specific impacts and how difficult it is to predict the onset and relief from drought conditions in a rainforest. Register here! Available online or in-person in 407 IARC/Akasofu building on the UAF campus.

**June 20 (WEBINAR)**

**VOLCANIC CLOUD MONITORING in the NORTH PACIFIC: THE DAWNING of the GOES-R ERA** will be held at 11am with **MICHAEL J. PAVOLONIS**, (NOAA/NESDIS) NOAA Cooperative Institute for Meteorological Satellite Studies, University of Wisconsin – Madison. Volcanic clouds, which are a major aviation hazard, are complex and the background environment in which they reside is often complicated as well. Much of the complexity is due to the multi-composition nature of volcanic clouds, which frequently consist of some combination of volcanic ash, volcanic gases, and hydrometeors. Thus, volcanic cloud remote sensing is very challenging. “Next generation” geostationary meteorological satellites, such as GOES-17, have many more spectral channels, improved spatial resolution, and provide far more frequent images compared to heritage geostationary satellites. The improvement in spatial resolution and the dramatic increase in image frequency results in earlier detection of volcanic emissions and for more robust long-term tracking of volcanic clouds. While no single satellite sensor is ideal for detecting and characterizing all volcanic clouds at all-times, it will be shown that improved spectral, spatial, and temporal attributes of next generation satellites have a significant positive impact on volcanic cloud identification, tracking, and characterization. In an effort to fully utilize next generation geostationary measurements for real-time volcanic cloud applications, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), in collaboration with the University of Wisconsin, has developed the Volcanic Cloud Analysis Toolkit (VOLCAT). VOLCAT utilizes many different satellite sensors generate alerts when volcanic unrest or an eruption is detected. VOLCAT also automatically tracks and characterizes volcanic clouds. Through advanced use of spectral, spatial, and temporal information, the VOLCAT algorithms are capable of automatically detecting a broad range of volcanic clouds, including opaque multi-component (ash, ice, and SO2) clouds. Several examples are used to illustrate the value of VOLCAT and next generation satellites, with an emphasis on volcanic activity in the North Pacific.

**GRANTS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/ CONTESTS/RFPs**

**June 12**

Deadline for calls for proposals (CFP) from the **ALASKA SUSTAINABLE SALMON FUND (AKSSF)**. The amount of funding available is not yet known but is expected to be about $3.4 million. The following partial list of conditions applies to this CFP: Proposals must be submitted through our website (www.akssf.org); all required forms, templates, and reference documents will be available on the website on April 17. Proposals submitted any time before 12 p.m. (noon) Alaska Daylight time on May 29, 2018, will be provided with a courtesy administrative pre-review (please utilize this even if your proposal is not finalized). Notification letters (i.e., funding decision letters) will be sent to applicants by December 20, 2018. Proponents must contribute a 35% nonfederal match. Projects must be completed by November 30, 2021. Projects must directly relate to one or more objectives included in the CFP for the region in which the project takes place (objectives will be available when the call opens). Please refer to the CFP summary document and frequently asked questions section at www.akssf.org for further guidance after the call opens on April 17. AKSSF is offering a webinar on May 16 from 9 to 11am to help
applicants understand the proposal development and project selection processes (please let me know if you wish to attend but cannot make this date. This workshop is a good opportunity to get your questions answered while learning how to avoid common proposal pitfalls.

June 13
Deadline for the NATIONAL FOREST FOUNDATION MATCHING AWARD PROGRAM provides grants to nonprofit organizations, universities, and Native American tribes to engage in on-the-ground conservation and restoration projects that have an immediate, quantifiable impact on the National Forest System. Funded projects must address one of the following focus areas: The Outdoor Experiences category supports projects that improve the quality, condition, and care of outdoor experiences in National Forests. The Forest Health category supports citizen-involved projects that maintain or restore ecosystem resiliency in National Forests. The Foundation also encourages projects that cohesively integrate the Outdoor Experiences and Forest Health program areas. All grants require at least a one-to-one cash match through non-federal donations. MAP also requires projects to show a strong commitment to civic engagement and community involvement through the direct involvement of the public. For more information, go to https://www.nationalforests.org/grant-programs/map.

July 31
Deadline for application for the PEOPLE for BIKES COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM funded by the Advocacy and Infrastructure Initiatives that offers funding for important and influential projects that leverage federal funding and build momentum for bicycling in communities across the United States. Grants of up to $10,000 are provided for bicycle infrastructure projects and targeted advocacy initiatives that make it easier and safer for people of all ages and abilities to ride. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations with a focus on bicycling, active transportation, or community development; city or county agencies or departments; and state or federal agencies working locally. Letters of interest for the fall 2018 grant cycle will be accepted from June 11 to July 23; full applications will be due October 19, 2018. For more information, go to https://peopleforbikes.org/grant-guidelines/.

July 13
Deadline for applications for the NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION ACT (NAWCA) GRANTS to increase bird populations and wetland habitat, while supporting local economies and American traditions such as hunting, fishing, birdwatching, family farming, and cattle ranching. Wetlands protected by NAWCA provide valuable benefits such as flood control, reducing coastal erosion, improving water and air quality, and recharging ground water. The NAWCA program provides matching grants to wetlands conservation projects in the United States, Canada, and Mexico. There is a Standard and a Small Grants Program. Both are competitive grants programs and require that grant requests be matched by partner contributions at no less than a 1-to-1 ratio. For more information at application directions, go to https://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act/how-to-apply-for-a-nawca-grant.php.

July 31
Deadline for applications for the USFWS RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION FUNDS to secure information about endangered, threatened or candidate species, to aid in the recovery of these species, to avert listing of species pursuant to the Endangered Species Act, and to help conserve the ecosystems upon which these species depend. This Recovery Implementation
funding opportunity is intended for projects that will contribute to the recovery of FWS-managed endangered and threatened species in the United States, and is limited to projects carrying out actions described in a species approved recovery plan, in the implementation schedule of a species approved recovery plan, actions recommended in a completed 5-year status review of the species or in a spotlight species action plan, or projects documenting species response to climate change. For example: securing scientific information about endangered or threatened species, implementing restoration actions that will lead to delisting of a species, help prevent extinction of a species, or aid in the recovery of a species. For more information, go to https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=299570.

**August 7**
Deadline for applications for The SOLUTION SEARCH CONTEST: CLIMATE CHANGE NEEDS BEHAVIOR CHANGE, a contest that seeks carbon footprint reduction strategies. This contest is designed to reward successful strategies for helping consumers reduce their carbon footprint through behavior change. The contest is open to all organizations worldwide who have a proven solution in working with people to adopt climate-friendly behaviors. The focus is on sustainable solutions that could be replicated by other communities and can continue. Two grand prizes of $25,000 will be awarded, in addition to a prize of $5,000 given to the best entry received by June 1. Finalists will also receive support to attend a capacity building workshop and the awards ceremony in Washington, DC. Visit the Solution Search contest page to submit an entry by August 7 or email info@solutionsearch.org with any questions.

**August 31**
Deadline for grants from PATAGONIA CORPORATE GRANTS PROGRAM for ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVIST GROUPS that have provocative direct-action agendas working on multi-pronged campaigns to protect the environment in the United States. The focus is on activist groups that are dedicated to protecting local habitats throughout the country. The company is most interested in supporting organizations that work on the root causes of problems and that approach issues with a commitment to long-term change. Grants typically range from $10,000 to $20,000. For more information, go to http://www.patagonia.com/grant-guidelines.html.

**DEADLINES**

**June 4**
Deadline for comments on the proposal to CHANGE REGULATIONS on MINING. To see the proposed changes, go to http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/hottopics/pdf_2018/11_AAC_86_Proposed_Revisions.pdf. To see existing regulations, go to http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/hottopics/pdf_2018/Existing_Regulations.pdf. Submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Joseph Joyner at dnr.mining.regulation@alaska.gov. DNR will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Login.aspx. For more information, a copy of the proposed regulation changes, or if you have any questions regarding the proposed regulations, contact Joseph Joyner at 907-269-8511 or email joseph.joyner@alaska.gov.
Deadline for comments on the **UPDATED CLIMATE CHANGE POLICY for the STATE of ALASKA** and the **DRAFT RECOMMENDED GOALS and OBJECTIVES for the STATE of ALASKA CLIMATE CHANGE POLICY**. The draft proposes a series of short-term targets to shrink the state’s carbon footprint. Those include cutting greenhouse gas emissions by about a third from 2005 levels; increasing energy efficiency by 15 percent; and generating half the state’s electricity from renewable sources - all by 2025. The task force proposes that Alaska increase investments in the state’s clean energy economy and promote natural gas as a potential “bridge fuel.” But it emphasizes that the state remains dependent on oil production and suggests using oil revenue to fund a “strategic transition” to renewable energy and a more diversified economy. The draft also recommends the state play a more active role in helping local communities adapt to climate change, including planning for threats like coastal erosion, severe flooding and reduced access to subsistence foods. To see the updated draft, go to [http://climatechange.gov.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/11/2018/05/Climate-Policy-Public-Comment.pdf](http://climatechange.gov.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/11/2018/05/Climate-Policy-Public-Comment.pdf). Submit comments to [http://climatechange.gov.alaska.gov/policy/](http://climatechange.gov.alaska.gov/policy/).

**June 6**

**KUPARUK** - Comments are due on the proposal to issue a **SOLID WASTE PERMIT** to ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc. (CPAI) for operation of a **GRIND AND INJECT TREATMENT FACILITY** for drilling waste at Drill Site (DS)-1B. The applicant proposes to operate a Grind and Inject facility for the treatment and disposal of drilling waste generated from oil and gas exploration and production activities. This facility will operate a hammer mill system that will grind the drilling waste to prepare the material for injection into a permitted Class II Underground Injection Control (UIC) well. The facility is located within a fully enclosed module on the DS-1B gravel pad and is expected to process under 7,000 barrels per day of drilling waste. For more information or to submit comments, contact Reese Thieme at (907) 269-7590 or email reese.thieme@alaska.gov.

**June 8**

**ANCHORAGE** - Comments are due on the notice of intent to begin engineer and environmental Studies on **HSIP: ANCHORAGE PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING** to improve traffic safety by installing additional lighting on four different road segments (Minnesota Drive from 31st Avenue to Northern Lights Boulevard; Seward Highway from Benson Boulevard to Northern Lights Boulevard; Tudor Road from Lake Otis Parkway to Piper Street; Muldoon Road from Debarr Road to Old Harbor Avenue) and changing the location of a bus stop adjacent to the Piper Street traffic signal. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in summer 2019. For more information, contact Edith McKee, Project Manager, at 269-7885 or email edith.mckee@alaska.gov or Michael Wanzenried, Environmental Impact Analyst, at 269-0535 or email michael.wanzenried@alaska.gov. Submit comments to Brian Elliott, Regional Environmental Manager, at brian.elliott@alaska.gov.

**June 18**

**TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST** – Deadline for comments on the **PRINCE OF WALES LANDSCAPE LEVEL ANALYSIS PROJECT (POWLLAP) DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DEIS)** represents a better approach for project planning on the Tongass National Forest. The Draft EIS includes 3 appendices that provides additional information on the project and activity implementation: 1) Appendix A – Activity Cards; 2) Appendix B – Implementation Plan; and 3) Appendix C – Present and Reasonably Foreseeable Future Actions Table. The purpose of the POW LLA Project is to
improve forest ecosystem health on Craig and Thorne Bay Ranger Districts, help support community resiliency, and provide economic development through an integrated approach to meet multiple resource objectives. The DEIS and associated activity cards and implementation plan are available for review at http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/tongass/powlla. For more information or to submit comments, contact Project Leader Delilah Brigham at 907-828-3232 or email dbrigham@fs.fed.us.

**June 19**
Deadline for comments for public scoping to assist in the PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) for the COASTAL PLAIN OIL and GAS LEASING PROGRAM as required under the provisions in the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (Tax Act) requiring the BLM, to establish and administer a competitive oil and gas program for the leasing, development, production, and transportation of oil and gas in and from the Coastal Plain area within the ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE. The first lease sale will be held after completion of an environmental analysis and will offer not fewer than 400,000 acres area-wide of high-potential lands for bid. The purpose of the public scoping process is to assist BLM in identifying relevant issues that will influence the scope of the EIS and guide its development, including the formation of alternatives to the proposed action within the parameters outlined in the Tax Act. Public scoping meetings will be held in Anchorage, Arctic Village, Fairbanks, Kaktovik, and Utqiaġvik at times and locations to be announced. The BLM may hold additional public scoping meetings in other communities if there is strong community interest. Comments can be submitted to blm_ak_coastalplain_EIS@blm.gov. For more information, go to www.blm.gov/alaska/coastal-plain-eis. Documents pertaining to the EIS may be examined at the Coastal Plain Leasing EIS ePlanning Page.

**June 29**
Deadline (extended) for SCOPING COMMENT to the U.S. ARMY CORPS of ENGINEERS for the proposed PEBBLE MINE to gather comments from the public about concerns before producing the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The Pebble Deposit lies within a 417-square-mile claim block held by subsidiaries of the applicant and by a subsidiary of the applicant’s parent company, Northern Dynasty. Neither the applicant nor Northern Dynasty currently owns surface rights associated with these mineral claims. All lands within the claim block are owned by the State of Alaska. Rights to develop on State of Alaska land may be acquired when necessary locations for mine development have been determined and permits awarded. The Transportation Corridor crosses both state land and land patented under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. The proposed project would have a mine life of approximately 20 years. During that time, there would be: a total of 1.2 billion tons of material mined over the life of the project; mining rate up to 90 million tons per year; milling rate up to 58 million tons per year; annual copper-gold concentrate production of 600,000 tons; and annual molybdenum concentrate production of 15,000 tons. The project would have an operating schedule of two 12-hour shifts per day for 365 days per year and employ approximately 2,000 personnel for construction and 850 for operations. A more detailed project description from the applicant to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers can be found here. To see the documents associated with the project, go to https://www.pebbleprojecteis.com/documents/scoping. The permit application is available on the project website at www.pebbleprojecteis.com. Submit comments directly into the project website at www.pebbleprojecteis.com.

**July 23**
Deadline for comments on the proposal to AMEND NATIONAL PARK SERVICE REGULATIONS for HUNTING and TRAPPING on NATIONAL PRESERVES in ALASKA to establish better consistency with the state. The proposed rule would remove regulatory provisions issued in 2015 that prohibit certain hunting practices that are otherwise permitted by Alaska. Since the 2015 final rule was implemented, the Department of the Interior has issued two Secretarial Orders regarding how the Department should manage recreational hunting and trapping in the lands and waters it administers, and directing greater collaboration with state, tribe, and territorial partners in doing so. The proposed regulations would only apply to hunting on Alaska national preserves. National parks in Alaska would not be affected by the proposed changes. To view the proposed rule and for information on how to submit comments go to www.regulations.gov and search for “RIN 1024-AE38”. To see the “Open document” site, go to https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=NPS-2018-0005-0001. Once the public comment period ends for the proposed rule the National Park Service will review the comments and that input will inform the final rule which will be published in the Federal Register. The final rule would be effective 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.

EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD

May 31
EARLY MORNING BIRD WALK will be held at the CAMPBELL TRACT. Join BLM staff and Anchorage Audubon Society members for an early morning bird walk from 6:30 to 8:30am. Meet in the Campbell Creek Science Center parking lot. Dress appropriately for the weather and for walking on uneven terrain. Bring binoculars. Hot drinks will be available at the Science Center afterwards, courtesy of Friends of the Campbell Creek Science Center. Please call 267-1241 for more information.

June 1
ALASKA WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CENTER (AWCC) will hold an art reception from 4 to 6pm at the Great Harvest Bread Company, 570 East Benson Blvd. See a collection of Alaska outdoor photographer DOUG LINDSTRAND’S wood bison photos and hear his experiences. His photos tell the story of the wood bison - an animal once thought to be extinct.

June 2
POTTER MARSH DISCOVERY DAY will be held from 11am to 4pm on the Potter Marsh boardwalk, Anchorage Coastal Wildlife Refuge. Discover Potter Marsh and some of Alaska’s wildlife at Anchorage’s most popular wildlife viewing area. This family-friendly event brings you nature-related games, invertebrate sampling, birding stations along the boardwalk, captive birds from the Bird Treatment and Learning Center, educational animals from the Alaska Zoo, kid-friendly archery range, spin casting practice, release of a rehabilitated wild bald eagle at 3:45pm, and more. For information, contact Tammy Massie (267-2122 or tammy.massie@alaska.gov) or go to http://tinyurl.com/pottermarsh.

June 4, 11, 18, 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30
ANCHORAGE BIRD WALKS will be held every Monday is June & July from 7 to 9pm at the Potter Marsh Boardwalk. What's so special about Anchorage's coast for birds? To find out, join Audubon Alaska's Arctic Marine Ecologist, MAX GOLDMAN, for the evening bird walks at Potter Marsh. Walks will be held at a leisurely pace on easily accessible paths. Bird watchers of
**June 13**

**BIRDING BASICS II** will be held from 6 to 7:30pm at REI Anchorage, 1200 W. Northern Lights Blvd. Do you have some basics down, but want to become a better birder? During this all-ages program, you will learn how to identify birds in non-breeding plumage, learn about bird anatomy, and learn how to use apps and field guides to identify birds while in the field. **RSVP.**

**June 14**

**FEAST FOR THE BEASTS 2018** will be held starting a 6pm at The Bridge. Silent auction and festivities begin at 6:30, with dinner served at 7:30. The live auction will be held at 8:15pm. The program features **KARYN RODE,** PhD of the USGS Alaska Science Center. Dr. Rode is a research wildlife biologist who has traveled the world working with primates, elephants, bears and more. As our guest for the evening, you will also enjoy special animal encounters and enrichment by our zookeepers and education staff. The event will include live and silent auctions, live music and the surroundings of natural beauty on our zoo lawn. Event proceeds will go to the Alaska Zoo’s General Fund, the money we use to care for zoo animals and continue operations. Tickets are $125 each. Advance ticket purchase online is required. Seating is limited, and sales will close when the event sells out, so don't delay! Note: The zoo will close early to the public at 3pm on this day for feast for the beasts preparation. If you would like to donate to the live or silent auction, please call or email our Development Director at (907) 341-6435 or development@alaskazoo.org.

**MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE**

May 31

**SITKA** - A public meeting will be held from 7 to 8:30pm at the Sitka Forest Service, 2108 Halibut Point Road, to include community input into the development of a **LONG-TERM, SUSTAINABLE CABIN MANAGEMENT STRATEGY** to be responsive to developing trends and challenges, while ensuring the Forest continues to provide for a high-quality cabin experience through an array of opportunities. This effort was inspired by increasing maintenance costs, decreasing budgets and significant changes in usage trends. Public input is vital to this process, to ensure future projects and management align with the experience cabin users are looking for. Those unable to attend may join the **Tongass National Forest Cabin Users Group** on Facebook to submit comments or send an email to paulrobbins@fs.fed.us. For more information contact Annemarie LaPalme or District Ranger Perry Edwards at 907-747-6671 during business hours or email alapalme@fs.fed.us or pedwards@fs.fed.us.

**June 2**

**DENALI NATIONAL PARK - CELEBRATE NATIONAL TRAILS DAY** by working on the trail system near the Riley Creek Day Use Area and the Triple Lakes Trail. Volunteers will assist the trail crew lop, cut and haul brush and perform routine maintenance. Volunteers may choose from a variety of projects ranging from easy to difficult, depending on skill and comfort levels. This is a great opportunity to learn how trails are built and maintained in a sub-arctic environment and enjoy a beautiful area that provides habitat for a variety of wildlife. Participants should expect a moderate hike between two and four miles over uneven terrain. The trail crew
will meet volunteers at 9am at the Riley Creek Day Use Area, located near the park entrance. Participants should bring a daypack with water, lunch, snacks and clothing layers, including rain gear. The NPS will provide tools and safety equipment. Volunteers should return to the parking lot by 2pm. Every volunteer will receive thank-you gifts and each adult will receive a bus voucher for a future bus ride into the park. Volunteers who need to stay overnight may request a wall tent in the park’s administrative camp or a campsite in Riley Creek Campground. To request overnight accommodations, or for additional event details, contact the Denali National Park Volunteer Office at 907-683-9504. National Trails Day is the kickoff for a variety of volunteer events scheduled in the park this summer. The **DANDELION DEMOLITION** to dig up invasive exotic plants will be June 23 and **NEED FOR SEED** (collecting native seeds for future restoration projects) will be August 11.

**June 2**

**COOPER LANDING - KENAI PENINSULA STREAM WATCH** is hosting its first volunteer training session at the Cooper Landing Elementary School from 10am to 4pm. Individuals who attend will receive invaluable training on bear safety, river ecology, ethical angling, effective messaging, and what it means to be a Stream Watch Ambassador. To RSVP or to learn more, call (907) 260-5449 x 1205 or email StreamWatch@kenaiwatershed.org or, follow our Facebook Page Stream Watch at [https://www.facebook.com/Stream-Watch-331381080247578/?ref=bookmarks](https://www.facebook.com/Stream-Watch-331381080247578/?ref=bookmarks).

**June 8**

**RUSSIAN RIVER** - Join Defenders of Wildlife for a **STEWARDSHIP FIELD-DAY** with the **CHUGACH NATIONAL FOREST SERVICE** to help prepare the Russian River for its busiest time of the year by **PUTTING UP SEASONAL FENCING and INFORMATIONAL SIGNS** that will keep humans and bears safe, and protect salmon habitat from 10am to 4pm. All ages and abilities welcome! Volunteers will receive a T-shirt, pizza, and camping opportunities at the Russian River Campground. Registration required! For more information and to register contact Courtney Breest at cbreest@defenders.org.

**June 14**

**KETCHIKAN** – Public meeting will be held from 5 to 6pm in the Southeast Alaska Discovery Center Fireside Room to include community input into the development of a **LONG-TERM, SUSTAINABLE CABIN MANAGEMENT STRATEGY** to be responsive to developing trends and challenges, while ensuring the Forest continues to provide for a high-quality cabin experience through an array of opportunities. This effort was inspired by increasing maintenance costs, decreasing budgets and significant changes in usage trends. Public input is vital to this process, to ensure future projects and management align with the experience cabin users are looking for. Those unable to attend may join the Tongass National Forest Cabin Users Group on Facebook to submit comments or send an email to paulrobbins@fs.fed.us. For more information, contact Bradley Schumaker at the Ketchikan Misty Fjords Ranger District, 907-228-4149 or email bradleyschumaker@fs.fed.us.

**June 16**

**PALMER** – **FUN on the FLATS** will be held from 11am to 3pm at Reflection Lake, Mile 30, Glenn Highway, Knik River Access Exit. Watch the lake get stocked with fish. Help pull invasive plant species. Food truck on-site. Identify birds on the refuge. Nature walks, talks, booths and art. Live bird presentation. Bear spray demonstrations. Macroinvertebrates & water
quality testing. Learn to cast a fly rod. Get outdoors and explore the refuge with family! For more information, contact Sierra Rose Doherty at (907) 861-2104 or email sierra.doherty@alaska.gov.

**June 19**
UNALASKA – Public meeting will be held from 10am to 1pm at the Unalaska Public Library, by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Alaska District to answer permitting questions REGARDING REQUIREMENTS for PLACING FILL and/or STRUCTURES in WATERS of the UNITED STATES and PROVIDE ASSISTANCE with PREPARING APPLICATIONS. For more information, contact Jen Martin, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Division, Kenai Field Office, at 907-753-2730.

**June 30**
SOLDOTNA - KENAI PENINSULA STREAM WATCH is hosting its second volunteer training session at the Donald E. Gilman River Center from 10am to 4pm. Individuals who attend will receive invaluable training on bear safety, river ecology, ethical angling, effective messaging, and what it means to be a Stream Watch Ambassador. To RSVP or to learn more, call (907) 260-5449 x 1205 or email StreamWatch@kenaiwatershed.org or, follow our Facebook Page Stream Watch at https://www.facebook.com/Stream-Watch-331381080247578/?ref=bookmarks.

ITEMS of INTEREST

**KACHEMAK HERITAGE LAND TRUST has kicked off a RAFFLE!** Win a trip for two people to the Wilderness Beach Lodge on Kodiak Island to enjoy five days and six nights of fishing, kayaking, wildlife viewing, and more! It's an all-inclusive stay plus 50,000 Alaska Air miles to help get you there. Tickets are only $100 and there are only 250 available. All proceeds benefit KHLT’s conservation efforts. Visit kachemaklandtrust.org for more information. Tickets are available at Homer Saw & Cycle, The Homer Bookstore, or the KHLT office at 315 Klondike Ave. For those not in Homer, please call 907-235-5263.

To see the RESULTS of the METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN 2040 INTERACTIVE ALTERNATIVES SURVEY, go to http://www.mtp2040.com/assets/20180403_metroquest_report_2_final.pdf.

To see DNR’s RESPONSES to COMMENTS submitted concerning the PROPOSED CHANGES to ALASKA’S MINING REGULATIONS, go to https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=112451.

VOLUNTEER and BOARD OPPORTUNITIES

**KENAI PENINSULA STREAM WATCH**, a nationally recognized volunteer program, is searching for individuals to JOIN THE TEAM of MORE THAN 70 TRAINED VOLUNTEERS to share the stewardship spirit. Meet river enthusiasts from across the state, get invaluable training and knowledge of our rivers, enjoy a FREE CAMPSITE on days you volunteer, network with agency personnel, protect our rivers, and make a difference! To learn
more, call (907) 260-5449 x 1205, email StreamWatch@kenaiwatershed.org, or follow our Facebook Page Stream Watch.

**On June 2 volunteer to help FIX UP the TURNAGAIN ARM TRAIL on NATIONAL TRAILS DAY with the Alaska Trail Stewards and Chugach State Park! Volunteers can expect to help repair tread, increase drainage, haul brush, use loppers and handsaws to clear brush and other duties as assigned. Expect to walk several miles on the trail throughout the day. Volunteers must be comfortable working outdoors with hand tools and must be over 18 for this event. Please register at http://www.alaska-trails.org/current-volunteer-events.html.

Volunteers are needed for the NMFS’S 2018 COOK INLET BELUGAS COUNT STATION at POINT MACKENZIE and ELSEWHERE in ANCHORAGE and the KENAI. If you, your family members, neighbors or friends are interested in learning more please contact outreach coordinator Courtney Breest at 907.276.9420 or cbreest@defenders.org. Last year there were over 1200 people participating in the survey. It is a lot of fun and the training provided really helps to spot these iconic whales! Data collected helps us recover these whales. For more information, go to https://alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/node/56933. The 2018 Cook Inlet Belugas Count! Event will be held on Saturday, September 15 from 10am to 5p.m.

INTERNSHIPS

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

**ALASKA PROGRAM MANAGER for the NATIONAL PARKS CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION in Anchorage to develop and implement strategic campaigns to protect and enhance Alaska’s national parks while building a diverse, effective, and enduring network of national park advocates in Alaska. Alaska regional priorities include the protection of bear and wolf populations within Alaska national parks and preserves, the protection of park resources from mining development impacts in Bristol Bay and northwest Alaska, and the adequate funding of national parks. Partners in these campaigns may include rural residents, remote gateway communities and local governments, tourism businesses and representatives, wildlife advocates, Alaska Native stakeholders, and current and former military personnel. The Program Manager will work closely with the other members of the small Alaska team. To see the full job description, go to https://workforcenow.adp.com/mascsr/default/mdf/recruitment/recruitment.html?cid=53f6f507-a5aa-40d9-9198-8802e8d57d1a&ccId=19000101_000001&type=MP&lang=en_US

**ENERGY SPECIALIST I (PROJECT-BASED) (2 POSITIONS) located in Anchorage (Job #18-2562). This is a level 18 position with a monthly salary of $4,935. Deadline for applying is 5pm. For full job description, go to https://workforcenow.adp.com/mascsr/default/mdf/recruitment/recruitment.html?cid=53f6f507-a5aa-40d9-9198-8802e8d57d1a&ccId=19000101_000001&type=MP&lang=en_US


EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR for the COOK INLET AQUACULTURE ASSOCIATION based in Kenai. Responsibilities: The Executive Director works to achieve the mission of CIAA,
which is to protect and rehabilitate self-perpetuating salmon stocks and habitats and maximize the value of the common property salmon resource by applying sound science and technology. This position serves as the chief administrative officer responsible for conducting the business of CIAA and implementing CIAA’s policies, activities, and decisions. **Qualifications:** Minimum of a Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university or at least five years of pertinent experience. Pertinent experience involves administrative, budgetary, and supervisory responsibilities; knowledge of budgets and fiscal requirements; oral communication ability; writing skills; and experience with nonprofit boards. Professional experience related to the aquaculture field is desirable. **Compensation:** Salary range $97,000 to $120,000 per year DOE. The benefit package includes health insurance (employee portion is a 5% co-pay), Health Savings Account with employer contribution, employee 401(k) retirement plan, vacation and medical leave. Applicants may direct questions to Brent Johnson President CIAA at (907) 398-0918 or ragweb@gci.net. Please submit a cover letter, resume, and three professional references by regular mail or email to: Brent Johnson, President, ragweb@gci.net and Lisa Ka’aihue, Special Projects Manager, Lisak@ciaanet.org. Visit www.ciaanet.org/employment.html for more details.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR for the WRANGALL MOUNTAIN CENTER in McCarthy** to oversee all programs, operation, and administration. To see the full job description, go to https://gallery.mailchimp.com/bf0903d4e0421bbce0a766b3a/files/ae5a0915-f72a-4959-b91d-1c2d3310f0a8/2018_WMC_Exec_Director_Job_Description.pdf. If interested, please send us an e-mail containing a current resume and a short cover letter detailing your motivations for applying; your training, educational, and outdoors background; and your available date range to jobs@wrangells.org. Questions may also be directed to that address. The preferred start date for this position is negotiable, however preference is for a date between July 23 and August 10. This is a year-round position.

**RETAIL OPERATIONS MANAGER for the ALASKA GEOGRAPHIC** to be a part of driving the retail business forward through thought leadership in a fast paced, innovative environment. The Regional Operations Manager is a full-time position, responsible for coordinating the operations and retail strategy for thirty different Alaska Geographic retail stores. He/she ensures the efficient running of their branches, achievement of sales goals, maintains staffing levels and stays within staffing and retail product purchasing budgets. The Regional Operations Manager reports to the Director of Retail Operations. Compensation $18-$22 per our depending on experience. Please send a cover letter and resume to akramer@alaskageographic.org.

**A CONSULTANT COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR for the ALASKA WILDLIFE ALLIANCE** to help raise public awareness of wildlife issues in Alaska. Applicants must demonstrate an interest in and basic knowledge of Alaska’s wildlife issues, and be comfortable working in a collaborative, flexible, and remote position. **Responsibilities:** Writing and distributing editorials, press releases, handouts, etc., within 48 hours of board notification about AWA issues; increase the capacity of the communications team; Writing articles for our website and print newsletter, and updates for our FaceBook page; Oversee brand management. Building a communications plan with key demographics. **Qualifications:** Professional writing experience required; Flexibility; Familiarity with social media platforms; and Strong interest in mission of AWA and wildlife issues in Alaska. **Description of Position:** Part-time, no benefits, remote. Candidate is hired as an independent contractor and must have access to the technological
requirements of a remote position (reliable internet, etc.); Initial term of six months, with possibility of extension upon review; Work directly with members of the Board of Directors; Hourly compensation DOE. Persons interested in the position should contact Ed Schmitt, AWA Executive Director, at schmitt.edward@gmail.com with a resume or summary of their interest and qualifications. Position to remain open until filled.

SALES AND OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION for the GIRDWOOD OFFICE ALASKA WILDLAND ADVENTURES to handle a variety of office functions, such as: answering phones, corresponding with travelers via email, office filing and data entry, taking reservations, assisting with guest documentation and more. Applicants should have strong verbal and written communication skills and be able to multi-task in a high-paced environment. Attention to detail is extremely important. Experience in Microsoft Office applications and Google documents are key. This position is for year-round full-time work (40 hours a week), Monday – Friday, 8am to 5 pm. Starting pay scale is $11 - $15 an hour, based on experience. Medical insurance and paid vacation time will be offered upon satisfactory completion of a 30 day trial period. Please submit your resume and cover letter to Emerald Burrill, Sales Manager at emerald@alaska-wildland.com or Fax: 907-783-2130.

LOCAL FOODS DIRECTOR for the SOUTHEAST ALASKA WATERSHED COALITION to lead and develop our Local Foods Program in Southeast Alaska. Location: Juneau. The application is open until filled. We are working towards a regional food system that includes a reliable, well-stewarded supply of wild foods, thriving sustainable agricultural and local food enterprises, and improved access to fresh and nutritious foods for all residents across Southeast Alaska. The Local Foods Director will report to the SAWC Executive Director. Key Job Responsibilities: Working in rural Southeast Alaska communities to identify local food system opportunities and priorities. Are you or someone you know the perfect candidate for this position? For full job description and application information, go to http://www.alaskawatershedcoalition.org/2018/04/job-opening-local-foods-director.

MAT-SU ORGANIZER for The ALASKA CENTER to build power for salmon conservation in Alaska by educating and engaging thousands of individuals to take action and volunteer on an array of campaigns and issues. This position will also support The Alaska Center’s work to elect decision makers who will stand up for clean air and water, promote solutions to climate change, and support a strong democracy. The ideal candidate should have 2+ years of experience living or working in the Mat-Su. Skills and Qualifications: ● 0 - 2 years of experience with grassroots organizing, electoral campaigns, civic engagement or integrated voter engagement programs; ● 2+ years of experience living or working in the Mat-Su; ● Passion for The Alaska Center’s mission and three major policy platforms - healthy fisheries, climate solutions and a strong democracy; ● Ability to meaningfully engage Alaskans from diverse backgrounds; ● Demonstrated volunteer recruitment, training and supervision skills. This is a full-time position that must be based in the Mat-Su. Salary is dependent on experience with a generous and competitive benefits package. All Alaska Center staff have access to professional development opportunities, including training and support. The Alaska Center provides a supportive work environment with excellent benefits and incentives. To apply, email your resume and cover letter to jobs@akcenter.org. Position open until filled. To see the full job description, go to https://akcenter.org/wp-2017/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/Mat-Su-Organizer-JD.pdf.
VICE PRESIDENT, PEOPLE and CULTURE position for DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE is the senior leader responsible for stewarding the policies and practices that turn this belief into reality. As a senior manager, this individual guides our Human Resources procedures and team, is responsible for recruiting the best staff possible, and ensures that we have the tools, training and practices in place to retain them. As an active member of the senior management team, this individual serves as a strategic partner and transformational leader, working daily and directly with the President & CEO and COO. For the full job description details https://defenders.org/jobs/vice-president-people-and-culture.

To RECEIVE What's Up, or to ADD meetings, events, publications, deadlines, websites, or CHANGE EMAIL ADDRESS or UNSUBSCRIBE, contact Peg Tileston at pegt@gci.net.