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

**June 27 – August 4 (Summer session II at UAA)**
Hands on **COURSE on MARINE BIOLOGY and NECROPSY of MARINE MAMMALS** and other species. Necropsy lab, management lectures, marine mammal physiology, behavior and diet; pathogens, and molecular detection lab. Great experience and learning opportunity for wildlife biologists and ecologists in Alaska and beyond! See UAA online catalogue and register if interested at [https://www.uaa.alaska.edu/students/registrar/registration/index.cshtml](https://www.uaa.alaska.edu/students/registrar/registration/index.cshtml). **Deadline to register is June 19.**

**June 27, July 18, & August 22**
**INSPIRED BY NATURE: SUMMER EVENING ART CLASSES** will be held at the Campbell Creek Science Center from 6:30 to 8:30pm. Get inspired by nature! Develop and improve your artistic skills. These adult classes (18 years and older) are appropriate for anyone wishing to improve their skills. Beginners welcome! Each class will be devoted to a different artistic medium and will highlight a different natural element around the Campbell Tract. Sign up for one, two, or all three classes! Cost: $30/class or $81/series of three. Space is limited. Advanced registration is required for each session. For more information and to register, please call 267-1241.

**June 27 - INSPIRED BY NATURE: FIELD SKETCHING**
Develop and improve your drawing skills at this evening art class at the Campbell Creek Science Center. Field sketching has a long history as a way that people have observed, studied, and recorded the natural world. It is also a great way to improve your drawing technique. This session focuses on drawing (pen/pencil on paper) natural objects through close observation.

**July 18 - INSPIRED BY NATURE: THE WORLD THROUGH WATERCOLORS**
Develop and improve your drawing skills at this evening art class at the Campbell Creek Science Center. Watercolor painting is a dynamic way to portray landscapes and natural subjects. Come experiment with watercolors and discover just how many different shades of color there are in a single leaf or forest scene! This session focuses on using watercolor paints to explore shades and colors in the landscapes of the natural world.

**August 22 - INSPIRED BY NATURE: PRINTMAKING with NATURAL OBJECTS**
Develop and improve your drawing skills at this evening art class at the Campbell Creek Science Center. Relief printmaking is a technique that uses natural objects such as leaves and ferns. It is a fun way to explore the many textures, patterns, and shapes found in nature. This session focuses on printmaking with small natural objects to create beautiful greeting cards to take home and share.

**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](http://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](http://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](http://www.wrangells.org/riversong) to register and learn more.

**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! $333Alaska Geographic Member Price ($370Non-Member Price). **Register Online**.
WEBINARS & TELECONFERENCES

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. To register, go to Register here.

GRANTS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/ CONTESTS/RFPs

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](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](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=299570) to submit an entry by August 7 or email info@solutionsearch.org with any questions.

**August 15**
Deadline for application for the **KENAI MOUNTAINS-TURNAGAIN ARM (KMTA) NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA GRANTS** for review at the September Board meeting. KMTA awards grants to community projects that recognize, preserve, and interpret the historic, scenic, and natural recreational resources and cultural landscapes of the Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm historic transportation corridor. Projects promote and facilitate public enjoyment of these resources. Visit [https://www.kmtacorridor.org/grants/](https://www.kmtacorridor.org/grants/) for more information and to apply for a grant.

**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](http://www.patagonia.com/grant-guidelines.html).

**DEADLINES**

**June 18**
**June 21 (DEADLINE EXTENDED)**

Extended deadline to submit application for the re-established BRISTOL BAY ADVISORY GROUP (BBAG) to serve as a forum to foster dialogue on potential land uses, resource management issues, and regulatory matters under the department’s purview in the Bristol Bay region. The original deadline of May 22. To see the solicitation of interest for BBAG applicants go to [https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/View.aspx?id=190147](https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/View.aspx?id=190147). The solicitation of interest includes instructions for submitting applications. Please submit your application via email to dnr.commissioner@alaska.gov.

**June 21**

KETCHIKAN – Scoping comments are due on the Notice of Intent to Begin Engineering & Environmental Studies for the KETCHIKAN NORTH TONGASS HIGHWAY RESURFACE: AIRPORT FERRY TERMINAL to WARD CREEK BRIDGE PROJECT in order to reduce maintenance costs and improve ride comfort and improve safety. Construction is projected as early 2019. For more information or to submit comments, contact Chris Schelb, Environmental Impact Analyst, at 907-465-4447 or email chris.schelb@alaska.gov.
**June 22**

JUNEAU - Comments are due on WATER RIGHT APPLICATIONS received from HECLA GREENS CREEK MINING COMPANY (HGCMC) for LAS 31867 – 920 AREA GROUNDWATER SEEPAGE COLLECTION SYSTEM (920 AGSCS) - Groundwater in the Greens Creek drainage system that has come into contact with active mining areas must be collected and treated prior to entering outfall from the mine site. The Application for Water Rights includes production for the 920 AGSCS totaling 374 gallons per minute (gpm) for year-round use of a total daily volume of 538,560 gallons. The collection system includes mine dewatering and a pond system. LAS 31868 – TAILINGS FACILITY GROUNDWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM (TFGCS) - A groundwater collection system located within the Tributary Creek and Cannery Creek drainages that includes five Tailings underdrains, Pond 7 seepage return, and Pond 10 below-liner return. The Application for Water Rights includes production for the TFGCS averaging 42 gpm for year-round use of a total maximum daily volume of 120,000 gallons. For more information or to submit comments, contact Jenny Wynne at (907)451-2793 or email jenny.wynne@alaska.gov.

**June 25**

Deadline for comments on the proposal to issue an AIR QUALITY CONTROL OPERATING PERMIT REVISION to TECK ALASKA, INC. for the RED DOG MINE that is engaged in zinc and lead mining activities from an open pit mine. Ore containing lead and zinc is milled to produce lead and zinc powder. Potential emissions for the stationary source are 3,244.4 tpy NOx, 270.4 tpy CO, 223 tpy PM, 222.9 tpy PM-10/PM-2.5, 271.1 tpy SO2, and 192.1 tpy VOC. Copies of ADEC’s draft operating permit, statement of basis, and administrative record are available at http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/AirPermitsApprovalsAndPublicNotices/. For more information or to submit comments, contact Kathie Mulkey at (907)269-6877 or email kathie.mulkey@alaska.gov.

**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

**July 9**
Deadline for applications for AYEA's YOUTH ORGANIZING SUMMIT. This year 20 teens will be selected from across the state to join the Youth Organizing Summit with Alaska Youth for Environmental Action (AYEA). The Summit will be held August 31 to September 3 in Chugiak. Youth will have the opportunity to plan out AYEA's year-long campaign, learn about community organizing, and practice their leadership skills. Tuition and travel scholarships are available. Visit https://akcenter.org/ayea/yo-summit/ for more info and to apply or contact ayea@akcenter.org.

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.

**September 30**
Deadline for applications for an ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE AT DENALI NATIONAL PARK. Artists will be asked to focus on the theme of Staying Safe with Wildlife, and Alaska Native artists are strongly encouraged to apply. The Artist-in-Residence program is dedicated to exploring new ways for visitors to experience Denali. From hundreds of competitive applications each year, about a half-dozen accomplished artists, writers, and composers are invited by the park superintendent to spend 10 days in Denali at their own expense the following summer. Visits include a permit for limited access along the Denali Park Road and time alone at a historic ranger patrol cabin. Each participant will lead a public outreach activity with visitors and may choose to donate a finished work to the program collection. Artists are challenged to create works for visitors that convey a fresh and innovative perspective of Denali drawn from direct experience. With the welcome addition of several year-round gallery spaces beyond park boundaries, more of these donated works enjoy a larger life in the public eye. Our digital gallery is enjoyed by many who visit us by website long before or after their actual trip in the park. For more information about the Artist in Residence program, go to https://www.nps.gov/dena/getinvolved/arts-program.htm. Information on how to apply for the summer 2019 residencies is available at https://www.nps.gov/dena/getinvolved/arts-program-apply.htm.
EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD

**June 16**
FALLS CREEK TRAIL MAINTENANCE DAY will be held from 10am to 3pm. Meet at the Potter Section house east parking lot (by the old train) at 10am and car pool to the Falls Creek trail head. We will be brushing the trail out to alpine area. Bring appropriate clothes, water, food, rain gear, bear spray and work gloves. We'll have tools. Contact Paul Twardock for more information at paultapu@gci.net.

**June 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 all skill levels and ages are welcome. For more information, go to http://ak.audubon.org/birds/anchorage-bird-walks.

**June 18**
FAMILY NIGHT: KIDS BIRD WALK will be held from 6 to 8pm at Potter Marsh. Join Anchorage Audubon Society in this birding adventure is designed specifically for kids! Bring your kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews, etc. for this basic introduction to the world of birding and naturalist skills. We will have photo-based bird guides, a scavenger hunt with prizes, an ice cream truck, and binoculars available to borrow. For more information, contact msgoldman@audubon.org or call 276-7034.

**June 20**
SUMMER of SALMON INFO and ACTION NIGHT will be held from 5 to 7:30 at 921 W 6th Avenue.

**June 21**
SERVICE on the SOLSTICE will be held by the STUDENT CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION (SCA) from 10am to Noon at Taku Lake Park, 100 E 76th Avenue. Celebrate the first day of summer by joining fellow Anchorage residents and friends in planting willow and conserving Taku Lake Park. All ages welcome! Please wear long pants and closed-toe shoes and bring a reusable water bottle to stay hydrated. The event will take place rain or shine so please dress for the weather. Breakfast and all project materials, tools, and gloves will be provided. Park in the main parking lot at Stormy Place or overflow parking at King St. & E 76th Avenue. Sign up at https://scaciridayofservicealaska.eventbrite.com to complete the online waiver. For more information, contact events@thesca.org or call 1-888-SCA-EVENTS.

**June 21**
The GOVERNOR’S CLIMATE ACTION FOR ALASKA LEADERSHIP TEAM will host a listening session from 2 to 4pm in the large conference room of The Boardroom, 601 W 5th Avenue, Floor 2. Members of the public are encouraged to attend and give a short (3 to 5 minute) public testimony on their thoughts or concerns related to climate change in Alaska, and/or the work of the climate team. Sign-up for public testimony will close at 3:30pm.

**June 21**
The ALASKA BOTANICAL GARDEN will hold a GARDEN PARTY to CELEBRATE ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY from 5:30 to 8:30pm. Please join us for a garden art sale, music by Eric Bleicher and Friends, local beer, wine, and appetizers by South Restaurant +Coffeehouse. $75 in advance; $90 at the door $500 Perennial level (includes two tickets and a gift basket featuring a live perennial from the collection at the Garden) Buy tickets at PURCHASE TICKETS. Guests must be 21 or over. Attire: casual garden party. Participating artists in the art sale include: Ayse Gilbert, Barbara Yawit, Carol Crump Bryner, Connie Englebrecht, Debbie Bloom, Elise Rose, Isolde Gibson, Jean Shadrach, Joyce Coolidge, Keren Lowell, Laura Walter, Pat Walsh, Paul Stang, Sue Green, Susan Lindsay, Susan Joy Share, Tamara Johannes.

**June 27**

Public open house meeting will be held from 4 to 6pm at the Dimond Center Hotel to discuss the proposed DOWLING ROAD/SEWARD HIGHWAY INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION. The Department is looking at replacing the existing interchange. The Design Team is working on the draft Preliminary Engineering Report and will be available for the public to ask questions and provide input on the options being considered. For more information, contact Kevin Jackson at (907) 269-0641 or email kevin.jackson@alaska.gov. The project website is located at http://dowlingsewardinterchange.com/.

**June 30**

MOUNTAINVIEW SALMON BBQ will be held from 2 to 4pm at the William B. Lyons Park 335 Price Street (Behind the Boys and Girls Club). Come by with the whole family and let’s talk about our two favorite things: SALMON and DEMOCRACY. There will be salmon on the grill, games for the kids, art, and the opportunity to learn more about our upcoming elections. You can even register to vote if you haven’t already. We are super excited to CELEBRATE WILD ALASKA SALMON with all of you.

MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE

**June 14 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)**

FAIRBANKS - MATS BICYCLE and PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC) will meet from 5 to 7pm in the Fairbanks City Hall, FMATS Conference Room, 800. Agenda Items include: Work Plan Overview; Seasonal Mobility Task Force Update; City of Fairbanks Sidewalk Maintenance Priority; Walk/Wheel-about Community Assessment; and Airport Way Functional Features Analysis. To participate by telephone, please call: (907) 459-6769. The public is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Alicia Stevens at (907) 459-6805, email web@fmats.us or go to www.fmats.us.

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**

**FAIRBANKS - SUMMER of SALMON INFO and ACTION NIGHT** will be held from 5:30 to 7:30pm at the Noel Wien Library.

**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**

**A NEW WEB-BASED TOOL** will allow COMMUNITIES in ALASKA and WESTERN CANADA to SEE HOW GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE COULD AFFECT THEIR REGIONS has been developed by a team in the Alaska Climate Adaptation Science Center at the University of Alaska Fairbanks and is available at https://www.snap.uaf.edu/sites/all/modules/snap_community_charts/charts.php. The tool displays temperature and precipitation projections through 2100 under three scenarios for more than 4,000 communities in Alaska and western Canada. The scenarios are based on three different levels of greenhouse gas emissions linked to the burning of fossil fuels. The tool can be customized. For instance, it allows users to ask questions like which winter months may transition to above-freezing temperatures. Season lengths can affect transportation, subsistence hunting and fishing, and other activities. The tool is hosted at the UAF Scenarios Network for Alaska and Arctic Planning group’s website.
GREEN STAR of INTERIOR ALASKA HAS KICKED OFF a RAFFLE! Win two round-trip tickets on the Alaska Railroad between Fairbanks and Anchorage OR 1 night at the Wedgewood Resort and two tickets to The Fountainhead Antique Auto Museum. Tickets are only $25 and there are only 150 available. All proceeds benefit Green Star's community recycling and outreach efforts. Visit http://iagreenstar.org/raffle/ for more information. Tickets are available at Green Star's office, 1205 1st Avenue, from staff and board members, or by calling 452-4152. Drawing will be held August 24.

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/20180403MetroquestReport2Final.pdf

VOLUNTEER and BOARD OPPORTUNITIES

The Office of Boards and Commissions is accepting APPLICATIONS for the PUBLIC SEATS on the NEW COOK INLET SALMON FISHERIES ADVISORY TASK FORCE. Please submit your application online at http://gov.alaska.gov/services/boards-and-commissions/apply-for-a-board-appointment/. You may attach your resume to the online application or email your resume to: boards@alaska.gov.

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.

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

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM MANAGER for the ASSOCIATION of VILLAGE COUNCIL PRESIDENTS to oversee and coordinate all environmental functions of the Cultural & Environmental Sciences department in consultation with the Division Director. The Manager works in close collaboration with the AVCP Environmental Planner, AVCP Archaeologist, AVCP Natural Resources and AVCP Realty Specialists to meet the goals and objectives of both departments. Additionally, the Manager will cultivate and maintain close working relationships with other environmental professionals throughout Alaska and elsewhere in collaboration for the benefit of Native communities within the AVCP service area.

**Qualifications:** To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. Must have strong written, verbal and analytical skills. Proven record of working knowledge of the EPA GAP program requirements and implementation; as well as, NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act), NHPA (National Historic Preservation Act), ESA (Endangered Species Act), and other pertinent environmental and social justice regulations. **EDUCATION and EXPERIENCE:** Bachelor’s degree from an accredited university in Environmental Sciences, Natural Resource Management or closely related technical field. Demonstrated skills in producing EA’s and/or EISs; research, analysis and technical consultation skills. Personal work experience in YK-Delta communities and with Tribal environmental staff is essential. Yup’ik language skills preferred. Location: Bethel. For more information and application directions, contact Steven R. Street, Director/Archaeologist, Dept. of Cultural and Environmental Sciences, at 907-543-7371, 907-543-5732 fax or email SStreet@avcp.org.

RESEARCH SCIENTIST for the FLATHEAD LAKE BIOLOGICAL STATION (FLBS) who has completed a master’s degree to provide technical expertise and coordination for the establishment of baseline/reference condition, environmental impact, and risk assessment for legacy, current and proposed hard rock mining projects in the British Columbia headwaters of AK/BC international watersheds (Taku, Stikine and Unuk Rivers). For complete job description and application information, go to UM Jobs website. **Apply by July 5.**

LEAD ORGANIZER for ACLU in Anchorage to identify key civil liberties and civil rights issues, aligned with the ACLU of Alaska’s priorities, through active inquiry of community needs, interests, and visions; work collaboratively with grassroots leaders, allies, and ACLU of Alaska staff to execute large and effective community actions (community forums, rallies, trainings, engagement with elected officials, etc.); and organize ACLU of Alaska outreach and educational activities at public events and forums, including training others in the community to conduct similar types of events, and manage follow-up with attendees to assist and encourage them to act. To see the full job description, go to https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/view/677331392/?refId=424d9740-a41a-4b46-9baa-6edd6c34ed56&trk=eml-jymbii-organic-job-card&midToken=AQGuhGKApo8WYQ&trkEmail=eml-jobs_jymbii_digest-null-48-null-null-az7sg%7Ejii3cbxyy%7Ehp-null-jobs%7Eview&lipi=urn%3Ali%3Apage%3Aemail_jobs_jymbii_digest%3BaiBBmYHyQLWFN1%2BD1w8gMA%3D%3D.
RTOC COORDINATOR for the REGION 10 TRIBAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE to oversee all aspects of the planning, development, organization, and execution of the RTOC meetings, coordination with EPA staff, outreach to Tribes, and communication regarding the mission and work of the RTOC to Tribes within EPA Region 10. **Duties and responsibilities include:** Communications; RTOC Member Assistance; Overseeing the Coordination of Travel Logistics; RTOC Meeting Planning/Coordination; Grant Reporting; Strategic Planning and Evaluating Effectiveness of Operations; Contracting; and Tribal Environmental Leaders Summit. **Qualifications:** Experience in non-profit organizational operations and management of contracted staff. Experience in event implementation, meeting planning and communications. Excellent organizational and scheduling skills. Excellent writing and communication skills. Experience working with Tribes. Cultural awareness and respect. Experience with website management. **Salary:** Salary depend upon experience but generally between $40,000-60,000. **To Apply:** Please email cover letter, resume, and 3 references to policy.analyst@region10rtoc.net. Please “RTOC Coordinator Application” in the subject line of the email. For more information, contact Rick Eichstaedt at policy.analyst@region10rtoc.net.

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/mascrr/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@cgi.net](mailto:ragweb@cgi.net). Please submit a cover letter, resume, and three professional references by regular mail or email to: Brent Johnson, President, [ragweb@cgi.net](mailto:ragweb@cgi.net) and Lisa Ka’aihue, Special Projects Manager, [Lisak@ciaanet.org](mailto:Lisak@ciaanet.org). Visit [www.ciaanet.org/employment.html](http://www.ciaanet.org/employment.html) for more details.

**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](mailto:akramer@alaskageographic.org).

**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](mailto:emerald@alaska-wildland.com) or Fax: 907-783-2130.

**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
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.

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