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WHAT'S UP

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CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, SPECIAL EVENTS

**June 29

FAIRBANKS/ESTER - A free how-to workshop on how to **BUILD a THERMAL MASS HEATER FOR A GREENHOUSE** will be held from 8:30am to 5pm. The biomass heating workshop instructor will be energy specialist **ART NASH**, with the University of Alaska Fairbanks Cooperative Extension Service, who will coordinate construction of a wood-fired heater from fire brick and cinder blocks. The heater warms the soil to aid the growth of seedlings a month or two earlier in the spring and also will heat the greenhouse for a later harvest. Nash will provide information about combustion, thermal storage, wood gasification, heat distribution and techniques to extend the growing season. Nash will provide information about combustion, thermal storage, wood gasification, heat distribution and techniques to extend the growing season. Anyone who wishes to participate is asked to contact Nash at 907-474-6366 or alnashjr@alaska.edu. The workshop is sponsored by the UAF Cooperative Extension Service.

July 2 (TELECONFERENCE MEETING)

CLIMATE ACTION for ALASKA LEADERSHIP TEAM (CALT) will meet
The Climate Action for Alaska Leadership Team (CALT) will meet via teleconference from 10 to 11:30am. Team members will discuss next steps for the draft climate policy and climate action plan. The call-in number is 1 800 315 6338, access code 29660.

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 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.

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 23 to 26

ANCHORAGE - ARCTIC ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLER WORKSHOP is a 4-day hands-on workshop to learn surface water, groundwater, and soil sampling of contaminated sites, packing, shipping and legal forms such as Chain of Custody Form on the APU campus. Lectures will provide a background about soil and permafrost properties and ground and surface water quality. Oil and other contaminants cleanup and regulations and different sampling techniques. The workshop is recognized by ADEC as part of the Environmental Sampler Qualification. Instructor: **BIRGIT HAGEDORN**, PhD. Sustainable Earth Research LLC. Veterans and full-time students will receive a 30% rebate. To sign up and for more information go to <http://www.environmentalsampler.com/>.

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 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

****July 17 (WEBINAR)**

VISUALIZING CLIMATE CHANGE: A QUICK GUIDE to ONLINE TOOLS from the SCENARIOS NETWORK for ALASKA and ARCTIC PLANNING will be held at 10am with **NANCY FRESCO**, SNAP Coordinator. SNAP offers online tools to allow you to view models and maps showing changes in temperature, precipitation, fire, sea ice, extreme events and other variables at the community or regional level. Join us to see what's available, and what's new. More information and registration [HERE](#).

****July 18 (WEBINAR)**

THE NOAA MICROWAVE INTEGRATED RETRIEVAL SYSTEM (MIRS): PRODUCTS, APPLICATIONS, AND IMPROVEMENTS will be held at 11am with **CHRISTOPHER GRASSOTTI**, NESDIS STAR/SMCD. The presentation will cover the background of the MiRS retrieval approach, and then move on to discussion of retrieval products, user applications, and recent work aimed at scientific improvements. More information and registration [HERE](#).

****July 20 (WEBINAR)**

NWS ALASKA CLIMATE OUTLOOK BRIEFING with **RICK THOMAN**, National Weather Service, will be held at Noon. Rick will review recent climate conditions around Alaska, review some forecast tools and finish up the Climate Prediction Center's forecast for August and the remaining summer/early fall season. More information and registration [HERE](#).

GRANTS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/ CONTESTS/RFPs

No deadline - **applications accepted on a rolling basis** for the **NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY GRANTS to REDUCE MARINE PLASTIC POLLUTION** for grants up to \$100,000 per project (though typical awards are less than \$30,000). The goal is to measurably reduce plastic pollution before it reaches the ocean. NGS is seeking innovators, including

conservationists, educators, and storytellers, who can develop solutions to effect behavior change in key stakeholders. Preference will be given to projects with higher potential for scaling and impact, and to applicants who are residents or citizens of the country where the work will be conducted. For more information, go to <https://www.nationalgeographic.org/grants/grant-opportunities/reducing-marine-plastic-pollution/>. For more information, contact Peter Murphy, Regional Coordinator – Alaska, NOAA Marine Debris Program / Genwest at 206.526.4661 or email peter.murphy@noaa.gov

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 15 (ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

Deadline for application for the **KENAI MOUNTAINS-TURNAGAIN ARM (KMTA) NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA GRANTS** for review at the September Board meeting. The KMTA area is comprised of the north-south road, rail, and trail corridors from Bird to Seward and includes the communities of Girdwood, Portage, Moose Pass, Cooper Landing, Sunrise, Hope, Portage, Whittier and Indian. 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 must be located within the KMTA Heritage Area, be sponsored by a community, non-profit or government organization, and commit a minimum match of funding for at least 50% of project costs. Visit <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>.

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>.

DEADLINES

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/aya/yosummit/> for more info and to apply or contact aya@akcenter.org.

July 9

NENANA & WHITTIER – Comments are due on the proposal to **UPGRADE RAILROAD CROSSING SURFACE**. The Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is soliciting comments and information on a proposal to transfer funds to the Alaska Railroad Corporation to upgrade two railroad crossings, located in Nenana, Alaska, and Whittier. The proposed work would include: Install concrete panels at two railroad crossings at 10th Street in Nenana and Whittier Street in Whittier and Rebuild the railroad and adjacent roadway surfaces, as needed, to complete concrete panel installation. A portion of the project located in Nenana would encroach on a 100-year floodplain. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in Fall 2018. For more information, contact Jon Knowles, Project Manager, at 269-0643 or email jon.knowles@alaska.gov or Elena Fernandez, Environmental Impact Analyst, at 269-0527 or email elena.fernandez@alaska.gov. Submit comments to Marie Klingman 907) 451-2101 or email marie.klingman@alaska.gov.

July 11

PRUDHOE BAY - Deadline for comment on the proposal to issue an **ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AUTHORIZATION to DISCHARGE UNDER a GENERAL PERMIT** for the **BP CENTRAL WATER TREATMENT FACILITY**. The discharge of nanofiltration concentrate from the BP Central Water Treatment Facility to an unnamed pond. Discharge of the nanofiltration concentrate shall occur at an estimated maximum daily discharge rate of 20,496 gallons per day. A mixing zone is proposed for total dissolved solids and is defined as the area measuring 32 meters long by 41 meters wide centered over the end of the pipe. The General Permit, Fact Sheet, and proposed authorization are available upon request or can be accessed at <http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/public-notice>. For more information or to submit comments contact Marie Klingman 907) 451-2101 or email marie.klingman@alaska.gov.

July 13

CROOKED CREEK - Deadline for comments on the application for **STATE WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION** for the **DONLIN GOLD PROJECT**. Any applicant for a federal license or permit to conduct an activity that might result in a discharge into navigable waters, in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act of 1977 (PL95-217), also must apply for and obtain certification from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation that the discharge will comply with the Clean Water Act, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws. By agreement between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and the Department of Environmental Conservation, application for a Department of the Army permit to discharge dredged or fill material into navigable waters under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act also may serve as application for State Water Quality Certification. The features of the proposed project are the construction are an open-pit, hard rock gold mine located 10 miles north of the village of Crooked Creek, a 316-mile-long natural gas pipeline, a barge landing port downstream from Crooked Creek at Jungjuk, and a 30-mile-long access road from Jungjuk to the mine site. An electronic version of the FEIS may be accessed on the internet at www.DonlinGoldEIS.com, and the current version of the application can be accessed at

<http://donlingoldeis.com/BackgroundDocuments.aspx>. For more information or to submit comments contact dec-401cert@alaska.gov or call 907-269-6285. All comments should include the PN reference number listed above.

July 15

WILLOW-HOUSTON - Scoping comments are due on notice of intent to begin engineering and environmental studies on the **PARKS HIGHWAY: HOUSTON to WILLOW PAVEMENT PRESERVATION**. The proposed work would include: - Rehabilitation of roadway structural sections; - Rehabilitation or upgrades to pedestrian facilities; - Drainage improvements: ditch grading, culvert repair or replacements, and work on storm drain facilities; - Bridge repairs and maintenance: crack sealing and joint repairs, painting, deck rehabilitation or repair, bridge rail retrofit or repair, replacement of bridge waterproofing membranes; - Installation, repair, or replacement of guardrail and guardrail end treatments, lighting, signals, signs and striping; - Utility adjustments or relocations; and - Safety improvements. For more information, contact Christina Huber, Project Manager, at 269-0572 or christina.huber@alaska.gov or Michael Wanzenried, Environmental Impact Analyst, at 269-0535 or michael.wanzenried@alaska.gov. Submit comments to Brian Elliott, Regional Environmental Manager, at brian.elliott@alaska.gov.

July 17

Comments are due on the structural changes from the **MULTI-AGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING STRUCTURE** currently known as the **ALASKA FEDERAL/STATE PREPAREDNESS PLAN for RESPONSE to OIL AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE DISCHARGES/RELEASES** (the Unified Plan) and the **10 SUB-AREA PLANS, to a REGIONAL PLAN and FOUR AREA PLANS**. The plan is available for review on the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation's website at <https://dec.alaska.gov/spar/ppr/contingency-plans/response-plans/regional-area-planning/planning-structure/>. For more information go to submit comments, contact You may comment on the draft plan by submitting written comments to: Shannon Miller at (907)269-7886 or email decsparplanning@alaska.gov.

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.

****July 27**

ANCHORAGE: CAMPBELL CREEK – Comments are due on a Corps of Engineers permit request PN POA-2017-00492 from The Castle Group to **CONSTRUCT A RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD near the INTERSECTION of O'MALLEY ROAD and CHELEA STREET**. The project would consist of three phases over a five-year period and include the discharge of 330,800 cubic yards (CY) of fill into 22.08 acres of wetlands and a total of 29.12 acres in order to construct a single family residential subdivision with lots varying from 1/4-acre to 1-acre, 31-foot wide roads, and 5-foot wide sidewalks. Buildings would be constructed at least five feet above the surrounding grade to allow adequate drainage and structural support. Following fill placement, a settling period of one year is expected after which additional fill would be placed as needed to reach proposed project grades. To see the full permit request, which include mitigation proposals, go to <http://www.poa.usace.army.mil/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=zTElfyvAsk%3d&portalid=34>.

****July 27**

JUNEAU - Comments are due on the **JUNEAU RIVERSIDE / STEPHEN RICHARDS CONGESTION MITIGATION PROJECT**. The propose of the project is to reduce traffic at the four-way stop intersection that creates delays and emissions in an air quality maintenance the Mendenhall Valley. Design concepts for the proposed project may include a roundabout or enhanced traffic signals; although, other intersection layouts may develop through agency comments, stakeholder feedback, and public input. Project team members will be on hand to explain design concepts, answer questions, and listen to comments. For more project information including proposed intersection concepts, go to <http://alaska.gov/go/45E4>. Construction is projected for as early as 2020. For more information or to submit comments, contact Megan Daniels, Environmental Impact Analyst, at 907-465-2156 or email megan.daniels@alaska.gov.

****July 27**

TETLIN – Comments are due on the proposal to issue an **ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AUTHORIZATION** to Discharge Under a General Permit to Waters of the U.S. to the **NATIVE VILLAGE OF TETLIN** that authorizes the discharge of domestic wastewater from the Tetlin Lagoon to the Tetlin River. Discharge of equivalent to secondary treated wastewater shall occur in late summer/early fall at an estimated maximum daily discharge rate of 288,000 gallons per day. A mixing zone is proposed for fecal coliform bacteria and is defined as 54 meters long and 25 meters wide extending downstream from the point of discharge. The General Permit, Fact Sheet, and proposed authorization are available at <http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/public-notices>. For more information or to submit comments, contact Marie Klingman at (907) 451-2101 or email marie.klingman@alaska.gov.

****July 31**

Comments are due on the draft environmental impact statement (EIS) pursuant to assess the impacts of issuing **ANNUAL CATCH LIMITS for the SUBSISTENCE HARVEST OF BOWHEAD WHALES** by Alaska Natives from 2019 onward. Since 1977, the number of whales struck by harpoons has ranged between 14 and 72 animals per year, depending in part on changes in IWC management strategy due to higher estimates of both bowhead whale abundance and increased hunter efficiency in recent years. The IWC sets an overall aboriginal subsistence catch limit for this stock, based on the request of IWC member countries on behalf of the aboriginal hunters. The IWC's catch limit for bowhead whales includes a limit on the number of

landed whales and a limit on the number of whales that may be struck. In the case of Alaska and Russian Native subsistence hunts, the United States and the Russian Federation make a joint request to the IWC for subsistence catch limits for bowhead whales. The draft EIS is available at <https://alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/sites/default/files/bowhead-draft-eis-0518.pdf>. For more information, go to <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/06/14/2018-12734/draft-environmental-impact-statement-for-issuing-annual-catch-limits-to-the-alaska-eskimo-whaling>.

****August 1**

Deadline for applications to serve on the **OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD (ORTAB)**. The Div. of Parks & Outdoor Recreation is seeking multiple candidates to fill positions representing both motorized and non-motorized trail users. Applicants should have knowledge, experience, and interest in outdoor recreational activities and grant-funded programs. The primary role of the ORTAB is to assist in evaluating grant proposals for the Recreational Trails Program and Land and Water Conservation Fund. Since 2000, these programs have invested over 30 million dollars in trail projects throughout the state, creating critical and sustainable infrastructure while supporting private sector jobs throughout Alaska. Because ORTAB members carry a wide array of trail and public land user experiences, they are occasionally asked for additional advice on other outdoor recreation related subjects. Anyone interested in serving on the ORTAB should submit a letter of interest, brief resume, and completed questionnaire to the State Trails Program Manager, Darcy Harris at darcy.harris@alaska.gov. Additional information regarding the ORTAB and the Recreational Trails Program can be found at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/trails.htm>. The link to questionnaire is available at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/ortabquestionnaire.pdf>.

****August 9**

Deadline for application to serve on the **PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE** for the **EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL** which advises the Trustee Council on decisions related to the planning, evaluation, funds allocation, and conduct of injury assessment and restoration activities related to the T/V Exxon Valdez oil spill of March 1989. Public Advisory Committee members will be selected and appointed by the Secretary of the Interior to serve a 2-year term. A complete nomination package should be submitted to Elise Hsieh, Executive Director, Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council, at elise.hsieh@alaska.gov. For more information or questions, contact Cherri Womac at (907) 278-8012 or (800) 478-7745 or email at cherri.womac@alaska.gov. More information on the PAC can be found here <http://www.evostc.state.ak.us/index.cfm?FA=aboutUs.pac>.

****August 10**

Deadline to sign up for the **YUKON RIVER INTER-TRIBAL WATERSHED COUNCIL (YRITWC) NEW PILOT PROGRAM: YRITWC BROWNFIELDS LEADERSHIP GROUP**. This group is aimed at highly motivated individuals within the Yukon River Watershed signatory tribes that have a strong passion for environmental protection, community involvement, and stewardship. We are looking for dependable, reliable, altruistic tribal representatives to be a part of this group to build capacity and help with pushing our brownfields projects along. The goals of the working group are to push sites towards their reuse goal while building capacity to assist with Environmental Site Assessments and other projects. This will be done by developing a vision for the communities' sites, work together to find resources for additional funding, workshops to strength their leadership skills, and act as a model for other tribes with brownfield sites. Our working group participants will be ensuring YRITWC database

is constantly up to date regarding the sites in their community. Within this group, participants are required to attend trainings, webinars, teleconferences, and participate in community meetings in their tribes. Two members of the group will even have an opportunity to attend the National Brownfields Leadership Summit in Washington D.C. this September! Experience working within the brownfields program is not required. For more details about this group and how to apply please contact Emily Anderson at (907) 258-3337 or eanderson@yritwc.org. Currently, the group is only open to Yukon River Watershed signatory tribes.

EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD

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.

****July 1**

PORTAGE- Join a Forest Service Interpreter for a free **GUIDED HIKE on BYRON GLACIER TRAIL** from 2 to 5pm. Meet at the Byron Glacier Trail Head, 1500 Byron Glacier Road. The hike is an easy walk along a well-maintained trail. To see a map of the area, go to [map](#). For more information call Glacier Ranger District: 907 783-2326.

July 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

ANCHORAGE BIRD WALKS will be held every Monday in 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>.

****July 3**

ENDANGERED SPECIES will be presented from 7 to 8pm at the Alaska Zoo, 4731 O'Malley Road. The Endangered Species Act is one of America's greatest ideas that started a worldwide movement. In this talk, given by Alaska Zoo Camp Coordinator, **RYAN KILDEA**, we will explore the history of the ESA and animal conservation in the United States, as well as the influence it had on other countries around the world. We will also look at some of the more controversial decisions made for the sake of protecting certain species and, of course, look at numerous species success stories that exist because of the ESA. For more information, contact Alaska Zoo Education Director, Stephanie Hartman at 907-341-6463 or email slhartman@alaskazoo.org.

****July 10**

BEAR and MOOSE AWARE CLINIC will be held from 6 to 7:30pm in the REI Classroom, 1200 W. Northern Lights Blvd. Learn about living and recreating responsibly in moose and bear country. Presented by the Anchorage Bear Committee and ADF&G. Free. Register through REI, www.rei.com.

****July 11**

An Online Open House meeting will be held from 4 to 6pm to solicit comments for the proposed **DOWLING/SEWARD HIGHWAY INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION**. A Draft Preliminary Engineering Report evaluated multiple interchange types for replacement of the Dowling Road / Seward Highway interchange. Two were selected for further consideration - a signalized tight diamond and a compressed diamond with roundabouts. Both meet the forecasted capacity of the interchange, include access to local residents and businesses, and enhance non-motorized facilities. This project will complete the reconstruction of the Seward Highway over Dowling Road, and replace the current Dowling Road/Seward Highway interchange. The goal is to improve safety, serve both motorized and non-motorized travelers, be cost-effective, and be easy to maintain. The reconstructed interchange will accommodate projected traffic through 2040. The team requests your feedback and will consider comments when making a final recommendation this summer. View the alternatives at the public meeting or on the project website at: <http://dowlingsewardinterchange.com/>. For more information contact: Anne Brooks, P.E., Public Involvement Specialist, at 907-272-1877 or email comments.brooksalaska@gmail.com.

July 12 (TELECONFERENCE MEETING)

ELEVENTH MEETING of WORKGROUP for GLOBAL AIR PERMIT POLICY DEVELOPMENT for TEMPORARY OIL and GAS DRILL RIGS will be held from 9am. to Noon in the 1st Floor Main Conference Room at DEC's Anchorage Office, 555 Cordova Street. The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) facilitates a workgroup to discuss air quality concerns and operational limitations for temporary oil and gas drill rig operations at portable oil and gas operations. This workgroup will develop recommendations for improving air permit program policies and procedures. Meetings of the workgroup will discuss options for changing air quality permitting of temporary oil and gas drill rigs to allow for greater operational flexibility while still addressing air quality concerns, including the federal standards that protect air quality. This meeting will discuss the proposed Minor General Permit 2 (MG-2) and to gauge workgroup interest in expanding the MG-2 applicability to include Cook Inlet, for which modeling has yet to be submitted and the daily fuel thresholds agreed upon. The public is invited to attend the meeting and observe the discussion. No formal testimony will be taken at the meeting, but interested persons may raise questions, comments, or concerns through a workgroup member. To join the teleconference dial 1 (800) 315-6338; Access Code: 55123 For additional information on Global Drill Rig Policy Workgroup, please contact Aaron Simpson at (907) 465-5123 or email aaron.simpson@alaska.gov. Information can also be found on the workgroup on the Temporary Oil and Gas Drill Rigs web page at: <http://dec.alaska.gov/air/air-permit/oil-gas-drill-workgroup>.

****July 14 & August 25**

CHUGACH NATIONAL FOREST VOLUNTEER STEWARDSHIP EVENTS and ACTIVITIES will be held on the following dates:

****July 14** - Maintain the Upper Winner Creek Trail near Girdwood with brushing, drainage, and tread work on the Chugach National Forest.

****August 25** - Maintain the popular Crow Pass Trail near Girdwood with brushing and tread work on the Chugach National Forest.

July 17

The **ALASKA BOARD of FISHERIES** will hold a special meeting beginning at 1pm at the Egan Civic and Convention Center. The purpose of the special meeting is to address an emergency petition from the Kenai River Sportfishing Association regarding **ADDITIONAL HATCHERY PRODUCTION in the PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND**. Submit written comments, by **July 9** to dfg.bof.comments@alaska.gov or entered on the Board's main webpage at www.boardoffisheries.adfg.alaska.gov. The board is not taking written comment or oral public testimony during the meeting. A live audio stream of the meeting is intended to be available on the Board's website, which can be accessed at www.boardoffisheries.adfg.alaska.gov. The agenda and other meeting documents, including the emergency petition, are available on the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Board of Fisheries meeting webpage at <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo>.

MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE

June 27 & 28; 29 & 30; July 11 & 12; 26 & 27

WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS NATIONAL PARK & PRESERVE – Community listening sessions to build on the park's previous planning efforts for **BACKCOUNTRY AND WILDERNESS STEWARDSHIP** and expand the conversation to include **FRONTCOUNTRY AREAS** in the following locations:

June 29 & 30 – **CHITINA** from 3 to 7pm at the Chitina Ranger Station

July 11 & 12 – **SLANA** from 3 to 7pm at the Slana School

July 26 – **McCARTHY & KENNECOTT** from 4 to 8pm in the Tony Zak Building

July 27 – **McCARTHY & KENNECOTT** from 4 to 8pm in the Kennebec Rec Hall

The goal is to broaden understanding of the values, issues, and concerns related to the park. These listening sessions will gather further information from the public to inform appropriate future planning, if any, for backcountry and wilderness. The listening sessions will also provide an avenue for the public to submit comments to park management. Public engagement will include all 23 resident zone communities, 13 of which have federally recognized tribal governments. Park stakeholders beyond the rural communities will be engaged as well. Additional communities where listening sessions will be held after the summer of 2018 include Anchorage, Cantwell, Chistochina, Cordova, Fairbanks, Gakona, Glennallen, Kenny Lake, Mentasta, Northway, Tazlina, Tok, Valdez, and Yakutat. For more information, contact Morgan Gantz at 907-822-7213.

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>.

July 6 – 8

DENALI NATIONAL PARK - FAMILY C.A.M.P. (CAMPING ADVENTURES WITH MY PARENTS) will be held at the Savage River Campground. Learn to camp with national park rangers from the Fairbanks Alaska Public Lands Information Center. Park rangers will

facilitate this fun, educational weekend designed to provide participants with the basic skills and knowledge to tent camp safely and responsibly in Alaska. Families will get plenty of hands-on experience working together on campsite set-up, cooking, wildlife safety preparedness, and more while immersed in the wonders of a wild and spectacular national park. The Fairbanks Alaska Public Lands Information Center will provide camping gear for participant use during the weekend and Alaska Geographic will provide meals and snacks from Friday dinner through Sunday lunch. Families are responsible for driving themselves to and from Denali, paying the \$10.00 per person (age 16 years and older) park entrance fee, and attending a **required orientation session in Fairbanks on Thursday, June 28 from 6 to 8pm**. Limited to about 20 people. For more information or to apply, contact National Park Service education staff at (907) 459-3747 or faplic_education@nps.gov by **Friday, June 22**. Interested families can also pick up an application from the Public Lands Center information desk in the Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center between 8am and 6pm Monday through Saturday.

July 7

HOMER - 2018 ALASKA SOLAR TOUR: 10TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY homes will be opened to display solar power or solar thermal systems by community members. For more information, contact Kyra at 299-4920.

****July 11**

An open house meeting will be held from 5 to 7pm at the Mendenhall Valley Public Library to discuss the proposed **JUNEAU RIVERSIDE / STEPHEN RICHARDS CONGESTION MITIGATION PROJECT**. The propose of the project is to reduce traffic at the four-way stop intersection that creates delays and emissions in an air quality maintenance the Mendenhall Valley. Design concepts for the proposed project may include a roundabout or enhanced traffic signals; although, other intersection layouts may develop through agency comments, stakeholder feedback, and public input. Project team members will be on hand to explain design concepts, answer questions, and listen to comments. For more project information including proposed intersection concepts, go to <http://alaska.gov/go/45E4>. Construction is projected for as early as 2020. Deadline for comment is July 27.

July 14

WASILLA - BIRDS AND BLOOMS GARDEN PARTY will be held from Noon to 3pm at the spectacular **Snowfire Gardens**, located off Fairview Loop. Enjoy a tasty lunch, watch Valley artists painting birds and blooms, and listen to live music and participate in the silent auction. Tickets are limited for this unique, one-time fundraiser for **ALASKA WILDBIRD REHABILITATION CENTER**. Tickets and more details available on akwildbird.org.

****July 21**

FAIRBANKS - PLANTS OF THE BOREAL FOREST – IDENTIFICATION will be held from 10am to 1:30pm at a location to be announced. Learn to identify the plants that surround you every day. Learn the major trees, shrubs, and ground cover plants of the boreal forest. We will also discuss their relationship to wildlife habitat, edibility, and other uses as well. Learn what is available in our warm summer months and how to identify these local delicacies. Class is geared for adults and youth (11 and up) accompanied by an adult. Cost: \$20 (under 18 Free with each paying adult. [Register at Alaskans Afield](#).

ITEMS of INTEREST

** The **JUNEAU AREA TRAILS GUIDE** is now available for purchase at two physical locations and online. The guide covers the most extensive trail system in Southeast Alaska, from accessible trails to historic mining routes, helping recreationists of all abilities to explore a wide variety of habitats and scenic attractions. The maps can be purchased at the Juneau Ranger District at 8510 Mendenhall Loop Road, the Discovery Southeast Bookstore in the Mendenhall Glacier Visitor Center, 6000 Glacier Spur Road, and online at the [National Forest Map Store](#). The purchase price is \$14.00. For more information, contact the 907-586-8800.

To read the **SUBSTANTIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS BLM RECEIVE on the GMT2 DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL EIS**, go to <https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/planAndProjectSite.do?methodName=dispatchToPatternPage¤tPageId=94250>.

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.

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

VOLUNTEER and BOARD OPPORTUNITIES

ADOPT A HIGHWAY, PATHWAY, ROAD OR TRAIL and SEE the DIFFERENCE YOU MAKE! Calling all businesses, organizations, groups, churches, families or individuals. You can make a big difference in the beauty of our community and our state by signing up with Anchorage's Adopt-A Programs: Adopt-A-Highway, Adopt-A-Pathway, Adopt-A-Road, Adopt-A-Trail/Park. Volunteer to adopt a 1 to 2 mile stretch of road or trail or a specific park this

summer for litter cleanup and be the conduit for a cleaner, more beautiful Alaska. You can have a choice of open routes that are close to your home, church or business whether it be on a state highway, road or pathway or a city street, street trail or park. Find the right fit with one of our programs. Simply call or email one of the programs listed below to find out which route will be best for you. Adopters agree to perform a minimum of three cleanings of the area adjacent to the selected areas during the non-snow months for a minimum of three years. Bags and safety vests are provided. Adopt a Park or Trail is a 1-year commitment. It's easy to become a recognized volunteer with one of these great programs!

Adopt-A-Pathway: for multi-use trails along Glenn Highway, Eagle River Rd., Benson Blvd., 15th Ave., Debarr, Dimond, Huffman, and Tudor Road. Contact: ALPAR – 644-7968 or email: alpar@gci.net.

Adopt-A-Highway: State of Alaska Department of Transportation (AKDOT) has routes for 3-year adoptions along major highways and streets maintained by AKDOT including Glenn and Seward Highways, International Airport and many more. Contact 338-1466 or email marlene.hughes@alaska.gov or go to <http://dot.alaska.gov/stwdmno/aah/contacts-creg.shtml>

Adopt-A-Road: Operated by Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) Project Management & Engineering, contact 343-8135 or email Charles at boylecm@muni.org. Examples of available routes: Northern Lights Blvd., 36th Ave., and Spenard Rd., or call about a neighborhood street in your area.

Adopt-A-Trail or Park: Muni of Anchorage Parks and Recreation: 343-4587 email Michelle: FehribachMR@muni.org. For information, go to <http://www.muni.org/Departments/parks/Pages/Volunteering.aspx>

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%7Eji3cbxxy%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/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

https://wfa.kronostm.com/index.jsp?locale=en_US&applicationName=AlaskaHousingFinanceCorporationKTMDReqExt&SEQ=jobDetails&POSTING_ID=83390308269.

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.

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 hour depending on experience. Please send a cover letter and resume to 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 or Fax: 907-783- 2130.

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, the 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.