Note: Sorry to miss putting What’s Up out last week. The call of Prince William Sound was too great.

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WHAT’S UP  
July 11, 2018  
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CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, SPECIAL EVENTS

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
**August 6, 8, 9, 14, 15 & 16**

**CAUSEALASKA** presents **TWO-PART HARMONY: EXPLORING SHARED LEADERSHIP BETWEEN BOARD and STAFF WORKSHOPS** to be held in the following locations:

- **August 6 - ANCHORAGE** from 10 to 11:30am at 12-100 Coffee & Communitas, 12100 Old Seward Hwy. To register, go to [https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-anchorage](https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-anchorage)
- **August 8 – SOLDOTNA** from 10 to 11:30am at the Soldotna Public Library. To register, go to [https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-soldotna](https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-soldotna)
- **August 9 – HOMER** from 10:30 to Noon at Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies, 708 Smokey Bay Way. To register, go to [https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-homer](https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-homer)
- **August 14 – WASILLA** from 10 to 11:30am at the Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc., 1301 S Century Circle. To register, go to [https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-wasilla](https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-wasilla)
- **August 15 – PALMER** from 10 to 11:30am at Turkey Red, 550 S Alaska Street. To register, go to [https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-palmer](https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-palmer)
- **August 16 – VALDEZ** from 10 to 11:30am at Prince William Sound College: Room 156. To register, go to [https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-valdez](https://www.causealaska.com/events/balancing-leadership-between-nonprofit-boards-staff-valdez)

The relationship between board and staff sets the stage for an organization’s success. Good governance requires that this relationship is a healthy one, where clear lines of authority, accountability and processes keep respective roles distinct – but complementary and supportive. In this session, we’ll review different organizational charts, roles and responsibilities of board and staff in each, and elements of a high-functioning board-staff partnership. We’ll also talk about the special link between board chair and executive staff. Participants will leave with practical tools for increasing the strength and effectiveness of this two-part leadership platform. Open to all nonprofit staff and boards; special emphasis on Board Chair and Executive Director teams. Fee includes coffee and networking afterward. Cost: $35

**August 17 – 19**

**DENALI NATIONAL PARK & PRESERVE - THE VIBRANCY of AUTUMN COURSE** -

The tundra is on a tight energy budget and the decreasing sunlight of autumn produces many changes. Not only have tundra animals and plants adapted to cold conditions and short growing seasons, they have adapted to one another and are linked by a flow of energy. Join the Murie Science and Learning Center education staff as we **explore the closely woven tundra communities and their relationship to the physical environments**. While looking at the
patterns of life that revolve around the changing seasons, we’ll keep an eye out for migrating birds and sample a tundra specialty – blueberries! $333 Alaska Geographic Member Price ($370 Non-Member Price). Register Online.

WEBINARS & TELECONFERENCES

**July 17 (TELECONFERENCE MEETING)**
The **FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE BOARD** will hold a teleconference beginning at 9am to take action on **TEMPORARY WILDLIFE SPECIAL ACTION REQUEST** submitted by the Kodiak/Aleutians Subsistence Regional Advisory Council to **OPEN a LIMITED BULL CARIBOU HUNT on UNIMAK ISLAND**, Unit 10, for Federally qualified subsistence users from the community of False Pass only. The proposed season would open August 15 and close October 15, 2018. Dependent upon the harvestable surplus, up to 10 bulls could be harvested by subsistence users. Permits would be issued by the Izembek National Wildlife Refuge Manager. The staff analysis for this special action request is available online at: https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/wildlife-special-actions. The public is invited to participate in this meeting by teleconference by dialing toll-free (888) 455-5897, the passcode is 3344290.

**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.

**August 3, 16, & September 21 (WEBINARS)**
In celebration of centennial of the Katmai National Park & Preserve, they are hosting the following webinars at www.explore.org/bears at 5pm AKDT:

- **August 3 – BROWN BEAR, SEALS & SEA OTTER – OH MY** – view unexpected interactions on the Katmai Coast with **GRANT HILDERBRAND**, Chief of the Marine Ecosystems Office, USGS Alaska Science Center

- **August 16 – CENTURY of LANDSCAPE CHANGE** with **TORRE JORGENSEN**, Botanist from Alaska Ecoscience

- **September 21- CULTURAL CROSSROADS in PREHISTORY** with **ARON CROWELL**, Alaska Director of the Arctic Studies Center, Smithsonian Institution.
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/.

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 24**
Deadline for applications for the **HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND (HPF) GRANT PROGRAM** that provides up to 50 percent matching assistance for the cost of a project. The Office of History & Archaeology anticipates $250,000 will be awarded to eligible projects. These grants are for rehabilitation of Alaska buildings and structures listed in the National Register of Historic Places, individually or as contributing properties to a historic district. The Office of History & Archaeology is accepting grant applications for historic preservation development and pre-development projects in Alaska. Projects would need to be completed by September 30, 2019. Pre-development requests are limited to $3,500 minimum and $10,000 maximum in matching assistance. Development projects have a $10,000 minimum and $25,000 maximum in matching assistance. (Total project cost must be at least $50,000 to justify the maximum grant request.) The application package is available at http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/index.htm or by contacting grants administrator Jean Ayers at jean.ayers@alaska.gov or call 907-269-8694.

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](https://www.nps.gov/dena/getinvolved/arts-program-apply.htm).

**DEADLINES**

**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/](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 20**
**FAIRBANKS** - Comments are due on the **FAIRBANKS METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (FMATS) UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM** (UPWP) for **FISCAL YEARS 2019 and 2020**. The UPWP serves as a management tool that identifies the nature, timeline, staffing needs, cost, and funding sources of all FMATS planning and programming activities. It specifies which tasks will be done with financial support from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) of the U.S. Department of Transportation. The document is available at [http://fmats.us/2018/06/20/2019-2020-unified-planning-work-program-out-for-public-comment/](http://fmats.us/2018/06/20/2019-2020-unified-planning-work-program-out-for-public-comment/). For more information, contact Jackson Fox, FMATS Executive Director, at 459-6786, email [jackson.fox@fmats.us](mailto:jackson.fox@fmats.us) or go to [web@fmats.us](mailto:web@fmats.us).

**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](http://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](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=zTElfyvvAsk%3d&portalid=34](http://www.poa.usace.army.mil/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=zTElfyvvAsk%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](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**

Deadline for comments on an **AMENDMENT REQUEST FROM ALASKA GASLINE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, LESSEE for the ALASKA STAND ALONE GAS PIPELINE/ASAP (ASAP)**, to amend the ASAP Right-of-Way (ROW) Lease. The proposed amendment updates the Exhibit B Line List as incorporated into the lease, identifying the project ROW location on State lands. The amendment request proposes several significant changes to the lease: 1) Addition of the Gas Conditioning Facility on the North Slope; approx. 91 acres. 2) Addition of roads, work pads, and other related facilities identified in the 2016 Mapbooks for future inclusion; approx. 119 acres. 3) Addition of material source areas identified in the 2016 Mapbooks for future inclusion; approx. 664 acres. 4) Addition of lands for project changes; approx. 199 acres. The ROW lease is only applicable to state-owned lands managed by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). It does not apply to privately owned lands. The Analysis and Proposed Decision, amendment request, line lists, links to various mapping programs, and other supporting documentation are available at [http://dog.dnr.alaska.gov/Documents/PublicNotices/20180627_ADL_418997_ASAP_Lease_Amend_3_Signed_Com_Analysis_PD.pdf](http://dog.dnr.alaska.gov/Documents/PublicNotices/20180627_ADL_418997_ASAP_Lease_Amend_3_Signed_Com_Analysis_PD.pdf). For more information or to submit comments, contact State Pipeline Coordinator’s Section at (907) 269-6403 or email spco.records@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 30**
GRAVINA ISLAND - Comments are due on the VALLENAR BAY TIMBER SALE FOREST LAND USE PLAN. This Forest Land Use Plan (FLUP) covers proposed forest operations on approximately 2,500 acres of land in the Vallenar Planning Unit of the Southeast State Forest. It is intended to provide the best available information regarding the proposed road construction, timber harvest and management of other non-timber uses and must be adopted by the DNR before the proposed activity can occur. The FLUP does not determine whether to access and sell timber within the timber sale area, nor the method of sale. Those decisions have been made previously in the May 9, 2015 Best Interest Finding subsequently revised on October 25, 2017 and are not appealable under this FLUP. The project area is on the north end of Gravina Island. Vallenar Bay is approximately five miles west of the Ketchikan International Airport. The road corridor crosses State and Ketchikan Gateway Borough land. The potential timber volume on State land to be harvested totals approximately 12 million board feet. Depending on market conditions, the DOF would sell the timber as one or several sales. The FLUP is available at https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=98398. Maps of the area are available at https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=98400 and https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=98399. For more information or to submit comments, contact Greg Staunton at 907-225-3070 or email greg.staunton@alaska.gov.

**July 30**
BEAUFORT SEA - Deadline for comments on the proposal to issue an ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM, INDIVIDUAL PERMIT to HILCORP ALASKA LLC, ENDICOTT OPERATIONS, DUCK ISLAND, STEFANSSON SOUND. The facility produces waterflood at a seawater treatment (STP) and distributes the waterflood for injection into oil producing formations to maintain formation pressures that enhances oil recovery. The authorized discharges include: Outfall 001 – Combined Outfalls 001A and 001B; Outfall 001A – STP and Potable Water (POW) Treatment Backwash; Outfall 001B – Domestic Wastewater; and Outfall 002 – Continuous Flush System. The combined discharge of the STP/POW (Outfall 001A) and Domestic Wastewater (Outfall 001B) through Outfall 001 includes the authorization of a chronic mixing zone for temperature, total residual chlorine (TRC), and chronic whole effluent toxicity, as well as an acute mixing zone for TRC. Outfall 002 is for a seawater circulation loop that is monitored for flow and temperature and does not include a mixing zone. The combined discharge of the STP/POW (Outfall 001A) and Domestic Wastewater (Outfall 001B) through Outfall 001 includes the authorization of a chronic mixing zone for temperature, total residual chlorine (TRC), and chronic whole effluent toxicity, as well as an acute mixing zone for TRC. Outfall 002 is for a seawater circulation loop that is monitored for flow and temperature and does not include a mixing zone. The APDES Draft Permit, Fact Sheet, permit application, and associated documents are available at
http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/public-notices. For more information or to submit comments, contact Marc Bentley at (907) 269-6287 or email marc.bentley@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/ortabuestionnaire.pdf.

**August 7**
**DONLIN MINE** - Comments are due on the application for an **INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT PERMIT FOR DONLIN GOLD LLC** that includes a draft Reclamation Plan Approval and closure cost estimate through reference into Waste Management Permit No. 2017DB0001. Donlin Gold, LLC proposes the development of an open pit, hard rock gold mine in southwestern Alaska, about 277 miles west of Anchorage, 145 miles northeast of Bethel, and 10 miles north of the village of Crooked Creek. The proposed project would be located in an area of low-lying, well rounded ridges on the western portion of the Kuskokwim Mountains. The proposed Donlin Gold Project would require approximately three to four years to construct, with the mine life currently projected to be approximately 27 years. The mine is proposed to be a year-round, open pit, conventional “truck and shovel” operation using both bulk and selective mining methods. Copies of the documents are available at
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](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.

**August 12**
Deadline for comments on the **2018-2021 STIP AMENDMENT 1**. Amendment 1 addresses scope, funding, and scheduling issues on various projects around the state. Links to notice details are available at [http://www.dot.alaska.gov/stip](http://www.dot.alaska.gov/stip). Project in Amendment 1 are • Design and construct Seward Highway improvements. Project includes passing lanes and bike/ped trail. Includes replacement of bridge over Indian Creek. • Final work to rehabilitate the Seward Highway including minor realignment and replacement of the following bridges: Placer River Overflow, Placer River Main Cross, Portage Creek, 20 Mile River. • Replace float – Skagway Terminal Modifications. • Construct an access road to the new Kivalina school site near Kisimigiuktuk Hill. For more information or to submit comments, contact 907) 465-4070 Toll Free: (888) PLAN-DOT (752-6368) or email dot.stip@alaska.gov.

EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD
**July 12**

ALES & ADVOCACY: LETTERS and DONUTS and BEARS – OH MY! will be held from 5 to 7pm at The Writers Block Bookstore & Cafe, 3956 Spenard Road. Join National Parks Conservation Association and Defenders of Wildlife to help protect wildlife on Alaska’s National Preserves. Regulations have been proposed that allow extreme hunting methods on Alaska’s national preserves, such as baiting brown bears, killing black bear mothers and cubs in dens, and killing wolves and pups by trapping during denning season. Experts will be at this event to share more about this ongoing issue. Donuts will be provided, and The Writers Block will have their full menu of food and beverages available. Check out the Facebook event for more details: [https://www.facebook.com/events/2049229675327958/](https://www.facebook.com/events/2049229675327958/) For more information, contact Erica Carroll at 444-1137 or email ecarroll@npca.org or Courtney Breest at 276-9420 or email CBreest@defenders.org.

**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.


**July 14**

CITIZENS’ CLIMATE LOBBY will meet from 8:30 to 10:30am in Room 220, Rasmuson Hall on UAA campus. Guest Speaker is ADELE MORRIS who will discuss CARBON PRICING. Dr. Morris is a senior fellow and policy director for Climate and Energy Economics at the Brookings Institution. Her research informs critical decisions related to climate change, energy, and tax policy. She is a leading global expert on the design of carbon pricing policies. Before joining Brookings, she worked with the Joint Economic Committee (JEC) of the U.S. Congress, where she advised members and staff on economic, energy, and environmental policy.

**July 15**

CHUGACH MOUNTAIN ADVENTURES will be presented by SHAWN LYONS, well-known author of various Walk-About Guides to Alaska, at 2pm at the Eagle River Nature Center. Shawn will share an afternoon of vicarious adventuring in a slide show covering a year of hiking and climbing in the Chugach Mountains. Indoor presentation.

**July 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](http://ak.audubon.org/birds/anchorage-bird-walks).

**July 17 (REVISED AGENDA)**

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 five
emergency petitions: the Kenai River Sportfishing Association regarding additional
HATCHERY PRODUCTION in PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND; resolution & petition, both
regarding SOCKEYE SALMON REGULATIONS for the CHIGNIK, KODIAK, and the
ALASKA PENINSULA MANAGEMENT AREAS: the Native Villages of Grayling, Anvik,
Shageluk, and Holy Cross’s July 3, 2018 petition REGARDING DRIFT GILLNET CHUM
SALMON FISHING on the YUKON RIVER, and the petition regarding SPORT FISHING
ON THE SITUK RIVER. At the meeting the board will consider whether emergencies exist
under 5 AAC 96.625 and may consider whether to adopt emergency regulations. The board will
not take written or oral testimony at 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. 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 are available at

**July 21**
USING MAP and COMPASS will be held at 11am at the Eagle River Nature Center. Learn
how to not to get lost by properly using map and compass. You’ll have a chance to learn how to
triangulate off nearby mountain features, and practice point-to-point navigation in the woods.
Presented by DEAN KNAPP, a volunteer with Alaska Mountain Rescue Group. Limited to ages
10 and up. Register at www.ernc.org.

**July 28**
BIRD CHERRY SMACK-DOWN will be held from 10am to 3:30pm at the Valley of the
Moon Park. Let’s transform Valley of the Moon Park and clear it of this invasive species that
blocks visibility from the trail. We will be trimming only the overgrown trees along the edge of
the wooded section on the park along 16th Avenue and the Chester Creek trail. Everyone that can
help is welcome! If you are strong we will need help pulling the smaller trees from their roots.
Help create the foundation for restoring native habitat and finding a sustainable use for this urban
forest.

**July 31**
OWLS OF SOUTHCENTRAL ALASKA will be presented at 7pm at the Alaska Zoo. Visit
with GINAMARIA SMITH and ARCHIMEDES, the GREAT-HORNED OWL as we
explore the amazing lives of owls in Southcentral Alaska. Discover which owls could be living
in your backyard, how to distinguish between their calls, and how owls are adapted to be
ferocious hunters.

MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE

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 18**

**FAIRBANK** - An Open House will be held from 5:30 to 7:30pm at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 4448 Pikes Landing Road, to discuss the AIRPORT WAY WEST IMPROVEMENTS. Improvements include construction of a non-motorized pathway, minor intersection improvements, and resurfacing of Airport Way, Old Airport Road, Wein Lake Road, Dale Road, and Hoselton Road. Please note the project no longer includes construction of a roundabout at Airport Way, Dale Road, and Hoselton Road. Learn about the proposed improvements, provide input, and have questions about the project answered. For more information about the project, to submit comments outside the public open house, and to sign up for project notices, please email Van Le at vle@rmconsult.com or Carl F. Heim, Engineering Manager, at (907)451-5359 or email carl.heim@alaska.gov or go to dot.alaska.gov/airportwaywest.

**July 19 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)**

**SITKA** - A public meeting will be held at 7pm at the Sitka Ranger District Office to share information and solicit comments to help guide FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE MOUNTAIN GOAT MANAGEMENT IN UNIT 4, which includes areas around Sitka, Angoon, and Hoonah. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game will also review the current management strategy, and present information related to mountain goat harvest and population trends. Those unable to attend in person may call-in by dialing (888) 844-9904 and entering the passcode 5936793#. For more information, contact Subsistence Biologist Justin Koller at 907-747-4297 or email jpkoller@fs.fed.us.

**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.

**July 26**

**PALMER** - HOEDOWN at SPRING CREEK FARM will be held by the Farmland Trust from 5:30 to 8:30pm. Enjoy a free, family-friendly community celebration of the Spring Creek Farm conservation project at the Alaska Pacific University’s Kellogg Campus. Learn more about the farm and the work that Great Land Trust and the Alaska Farmland Trust are doing in the Mat-Su Valley! There will be live music from HIGH LONESOME SOUND, food for purchase, and fun activities for kids and families! Learn more about the Spring Creek Farm conservation project at http://greatlandtrust.org/projects/spring-creek-farm/.

**July 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:

- **July 26** – **MCCARTHY & KENNECOTT** from 4 to 8pm in the Tony Zak Building
- **July 27** – **MCCARTHY & KENNECOTT** from 4 to 8pm in the Kennecott 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.

**August 1
PALMER- Photographer, BRENT REYNOLDS, will share techniques for capturing beautiful and interesting photographs of wildlife in an ever-changing outdoor environment at the Musk Ox Farm from 7 to 8pm. You are welcome to bring your own camera and take shots of muskox and the inspiring backdrop of the Musk Ox Farm.

ITEMS of INTEREST

**To see the DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION DIRECTOR'S ORDERS REGARDING FEES go to https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/View.aspx?id=190590.

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&currentPageId=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 INLETS 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

INTERN POSITION FOR SENATOR SULLIVAN’S D.C. OFFICE for college and graduate student to work in the D.C. office for roughly 3 months and become completely submerged in the legislative process. They may assist the Senator on the senate floor, help author press releases or help a legislative aide on topics they are passionate about. This is a paid internship. Students can also receive school credit for this experience. This internship session will take place during the 2019 fall semester, from September 4 to December 4. The application deadline is July 20. Contact Sharai Mason at 907-271-5919 or Sharai_Mason@sullivan.senate.gov. Go to https://www.sullivan.senate.gov/services/internships for more information.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

**DIRECTOR OF CONSERVATION SCIENCE for AUDUBON ALASKA located in Anchorage to provide leadership on science and conservation issues pertaining to public lands and waters in Alaska. S/He will play a crucial role in developing priorities, executing strategies, maintaining relationships with diverse partners and funders, contributing to funding proposals and general communications, and ensuring alignment with Audubon’s mission and strategic plan. View the complete job announcement and application instructions at Audubon’s Career Center. To be considered for the position, submit a resume and cover letter. Position open until filled.

VICE PRESIDENT and EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR for AUDUBON ALASKA located in Anchorage to exercise leadership and management responsibility in developing and executing statewide conservation strategies, initiatives, and public programming. These will include working closely with Audubon Alaska’s state advisory board, staff and chapters, and with
Audubon’s national conservation team, to develop Alaska programs in tandem with strategic regional and national priorities. View the complete job announcement and application instructions at Audubon’s Career Center. Priority consideration will be given to application packets received by August 20.

**EDUCATION ASSOCIATE III POSITION (PCN 11-2267) for the AK DEPT. OF FISH & GAME’S DIVISION OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION** based in either Nome or Kotzebue to design and deliver education and outreach programs and materials for the Wildlife Education & Outreach Program in Region V. **Key responsibilities of this position include:** Working with regional management and research staff to identify and prioritize issues that may be addressed using education or outreach as a tool; identifying target audiences and appropriate outreach methods for each issue; Working in collaboration with the other Regional Education Associates and the Program Coordinator to assess the wildlife-related educational and outreach needs and desires of the public, including community members, teachers, students, and other specialized groups; Developing project budgets; and determining resources needed and evaluation tools to measure whether education and outreach projects are achieving the desired outcomes; Developing and implementing both regional and statewide education programs and projects, including community seminars, workshops, school-based education, lecture series, newspaper articles, publications, radio and video production and use of social media and web-based platforms; Facilitating professional development trainings for educators using the Project WILD and the Alaska Wildlife Curricula, and other community workshops that support the division’s biological and educational goals; Assisting in the planning and implementation of outdoor skills classes as part of Alaskans Afield and support to DWC R3 (Hunter Recruitment, Retention & Reactivation) efforts. For more information about the position and to apply, go to Workplace Alaska at https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/alaska/jobs/2129523/education-associate-iii-pcn-11-2267?department[0]=Fish%20%26%20Game&sort=PositionTitle%7CAscending&pagetype=job OpportunitiesJobs. The recruitment is open to all Alaska residents and closes on July 20. Feel free to call or email the hiring manager, Kristen Romanoff at (907) 465-8547 or email kristen.romanoff@alaska.gov.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** for the ALASKA HUTS ASSOCIATION to oversee the organization. Alaska Huts’ mission is to include Alaska’s backcountry in a worldwide tradition of places in which hikers and skiers can travel hut to hut and provide warm comfortable huts and promote wilderness education and stewardship. **Skills & Qualifications:** A passion for developing and managing a world-class backcountry hut system. At least two years of experience in successful business or non-profit operation and management, fundraising, marketing, environmental education, parks and recreation, or related field. A bachelor’s degree or higher. Demonstrable fundraising skills and experience in development and grant writing. Note will be taken on the candidate’s experience working in other major capital fundraising campaigns. Effective and confident written and oral communication skills. Excellent organizational and planning skills. Successful candidate may be required to pass a comprehensive civil, criminal, educational and/or credit background check. **Position Details:** This is full-time exempt position based in Anchorage, reporting to the Board of Directors. We offer flexible scheduling, remote work opportunities and encourage employees to take time to play outside! Employee will be expected to work in Anchorage as well as make visits to Manitoba Cabin on the Kenai Peninsula. Interested applicants should submit a resume and cover letter to mailbox@alaskahuts.org. The first round of application review will begin on August 15. Position is open until filled.
**CONSERVATION PLANNER** for the ALASKA TRIBAL CONSERVATION ALLIANCE (ATCA). ATCA is a multi-tribal conservation organization and 501c3 nonprofit whose mission is to improve the conservation and sustainable development of natural resources in Alaska, promote traditional subsistence activities, and improve the quality of life within Tribal Conservation Districts serving Tribal Governments, Native Corporations and other stakeholders within the district. ATCA functions to promote healthy land and healthy people in Alaska. ATCA seeks a dedicated individual with a background in natural resources, experience working with tribes, and an interest in conservation to join our team as the Conservation Planner at ATCA. This individual will assist Tribal Conservation Districts (TCDs) throughout Alaska in developing and implementing plans to address their specific conservation goals. This position will include travel to Alaska Native Villages across the state to work with local TCDs, as well as continued communication with those TCDs from the ATCA Anchorage office. For a full job description, go to [http://www.aktca.org/jobs.html](http://www.aktca.org/jobs.html). Contact aktribalconservationalliance@gmail.com with questions. **Deadline for application is July 20.**

**OUTREACH COORDINATOR** for the PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND REGIONAL CITIZENS’ ADVISORY COUNCIL (PWSRCAC) located in Anchorage to coordinate and facilitate communication and interactions between PWSRCAC and its volunteers, member groups, and communities in the Exxon Valdez oil spill region and others. Main objectives include increasing visibility and awareness of PWSRCAC and its projects by coordinating presentations, participating in conferences, and through educational activities, and assisting project managers with specific outreach needs. This position works closely with the Information and Education Committee and manages projects related to outreach and education. **Minimum qualifications** include a bachelor’s degree or equivalent experience in communications and community outreach; two years project management or similar experience; experience working with youth programs and partner organizations; contract management experience; demonstrated presentation skills; cross-cultural experience; and, working with volunteers. Knowledge of the region affected by the Exxon Valdez oil spill desirable. PWSRCAC is an independent non-profit organization founded in 1989 after the Exxon Valdez oil spill and is governed by a 19-member Board of Directors. For more information including the job description and a full list of minimum qualifications or to apply, go to [www.pwsrac.org](http://www.pwsrac.org).

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** for AKPIRG (Alaska Public Interest Research Group) to start in mid-August when our current ED begins a PhD program. The ED is responsible for overseeing the programmatic and administrative work and strategic plan of the organization. Key duties include advocacy, fundraising, communications, and community outreach. This position reports directly to the Board of Directors. Self-starters are encouraged to apply. A full position description is available [here](#). To apply please submit a resume, cover letter, and three professional references to akpirg@gmail.com with the subject line “Executive Director Application.” Position is open until filled.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM MANAGER** for the ASSOCIATION of VILLAGE COUNCIL PRESIDENTS to oversees and coordinates 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.

**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%EjJ3cbsy%7Ehp-null-jobs%Eview&lipi=urn%3Ali%3Page%3Aemail_jobs_jymbii_digest%3BaiBBmYHyQLWFN1%2BD1w8gMA%3D%3D](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%EjJ3cbsy%7Ehp-null-jobs%Eview&lipi=urn%3Ali%3Page%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.

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.

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