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WHAT’S UP
September 27, 2018
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CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, SPECIAL EVENTS

October 4, 11, 18 & 25
EAGLE RIVER - OUTDOOR WRITING WORKSHOP will be held from 6:30 to 9:30pm each day at the Eagle River Nature Center. Learn to write about the meaning of wild places with SHAWN LYONS, author and avid outdoorsman. Topics include the importance of concrete language, correct terminology, and organization based on a specific thesis or theme. To guide and inspire our work we will also discuss the definition of Nature Writing and read Examples—some going back as far as 3,000 BCE. Workshop ($100 or $75 Early Bird Registration). The workshop is part of the Alaska Certified Master Naturalist program. It is open to all interested in the subject. Details & Registration at www.ernc.org.

October 5 – 7
HOMER: KBC RENEWABLE ENERGY CLASS: RE A150 BASICS of GROUND-SOURCE HEAT PUMP SYSTEMS will present the basics of ground-source heat pump geoxchange systems and their use for space heating and cooling and domestic hot water production. Introduces physical concepts related to harvesting shallow geothermal energy, system components, common installation configurations, cost/benefit considerations and safety. Information on the growing use of air-source heat pumps in Alaska is also included. Registration is now open at UaOnline or at KBC (call 235-7743).

October 11
LET WORMS EAT YOUR GARBAGE FREE CLASSES will be held on the following dates:

- **October 10** from 3pm to 5pm at Mat Su Borough Central Landfill. [Register here]
- **November 5** at 7pm at MatSu Master Gardener meeting in the MTA community room. Guests welcomed.
- **November 10** from 11am to 1pm at Mat Su Borough Central Landfill. [Register here]

More info here

CONCERNED ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY COSTS? LEARN ABOUT CLEAN ENERGY! Check out these ONLINE courses offered this fall through UAF-Bristol Bay Campus:

- Introduction to Sustainable Energy, ENVI F220 (3 credits, 15 weeks), Tuesday and Thursday, from 5:10 to 6:40pm
- Home Energy Basics, ENVI F120 (1 credit, 5 weeks) on Wednesdays from 5:20 to 8pm, during the month of October (3rd – 31st).

For course descriptions and registration information contact Mark Masteller at mamasteller@alaska.edu or call 907-414-0198.
MAT-SU - BACKYARD COMPOSTER TRAININGS will be held at the Mat Su Borough's Central Landfill on the following dates:
- October 16 from 11am to 1pm
- October 31 from 2 to 4pm
Free but register to reserve space by calling 861-7605 or email at compost@matsugov.us.

**November 9 & 10
KODIAK - Educator Professional Development presents INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW ABOUT ALASKA'S FABULOUS FURBEARERS at the Kodiak USFWS Visitor Center. This is a thematic approach to teaching about adaptations, locomotion, animal signs, food chains/webs ecology, habitat, patterns and a little Venn Shui! Graduate credit is available through UAA, not required for participation. Credit cost is $74; Materials fees: Cost $50 pp. To register go to https://alaskasfabfurbearsers.eventbrite.com. For more information, contact Brenda Duty at 907-267-2216 or email duty@alaska.gov.

WEBINARS & TELECONFERENCES

**October 2 (WEBINAR)
CLIMATE CHANGE in ALASKA: IMPACTS on the ENTOMOFAUNA will be held at 10am with DEREK SIKES, Curator of Insects / Associate Professor of Entomology, UAF Museum. The University of Alaska Museum Insect Collection is a biorepository for vouchers from varied projects throughout the state. A number of examples of possible and potential climate change impacts on the terrestrial invertebrates of Alaska will be presented. These will cover various taxa including snow-field associated rove beetles, butterflies, ants, and earthworms. This work will be put in a global context. More information and registration HERE. Also available online or in-person in 407 IARC/Akasofu building on the UAF campus.

**October 2 & 3 (TELECONERENCE MEETING)
JUNEAU - ROADLESS RULE CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE will meet from 10am to 5pm on Tuesday and from 8am to 4pm on Wednesday to discuss the roadless rulemaking process in the Tongass National Forest in the Juneau Arts & Humanities Council, Centennial Hall. The meeting is being scheduled in anticipation of an announcement later this week that will name the members of the Advisory Committee. Topics for the advisory committee meeting include: An overview of the AK roadless rulemaking process and review of lessons from roadless rulemaking processes in other states; Committee structure, process and operating protocols; Discussion of member interests and shared principles; Discussion of opportunities and challenges for the rulemaking process; Overview of public comments received to date; Discussion of possible alternative frameworks. Other roadless rulemaking matters may be included on the agenda. Public comment is scheduled from 2:45 to-3:45p.m. on October 3. For a copy of the agenda, see the attachment below, go to http://forestry.alaska.gov/whatsnew.htm or contact Diana Portner at DPortner@merid.org or 970-296-3060. Anyone who would like to participate in a teleconference of the meeting should contact Liz Duxbury at LDuxbury@merid.org or call 970-296-3057 no later than noon on Monday, October 1.

GRANTS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/ CONTESTS/RFPs
**October 29**
Deadline for applications for the **2019 COMMUNITY BASED REMOVAL GRANT** through the **NOAA MARINE DEBRIS PROGRAM (MDP)**. This opportunity provides funding to support projects that will create long-term, quantifiable ecological habitat improvements for NOAA trust resources through on-the-ground marine debris removal activities, with priority for those targeting derelict fishing gear and other medium- and large-scale debris. Typical awards will range from $50,000 to $150,000 for projects ranging from 1-3 years in duration. While the grant is generally similar year to year, there are also differences, so we encourage anybody considering applying to read the FFO fully. For more information, go to [https://blog.marinedebris.noaa.gov/now-open-fy19-grant-opportunity-community-based-marine-debris-removal-projects](https://blog.marinedebris.noaa.gov/now-open-fy19-grant-opportunity-community-based-marine-debris-removal-projects) and [https://marinedebris.noaa.gov/sites/default/files/Marine%20Debris%20Removal%20-%20FY19_NOAA-NOS-ORR-2019-2005796.pdf](https://marinedebris.noaa.gov/sites/default/files/Marine%20Debris%20Removal%20-%20FY19_NOAA-NOS-ORR-2019-2005796.pdf). For questions on the opportunity, please contact Peter Murphy at peter.murphy@noaa.gov.

**November 5**
Deadline for applications for **ALASKA CLEAN WATER ACTIONS (ACWA) GRANTS**. Up to $800,000 may be available for clean water projects for the next two years. The funds are granted to local communities and citizens groups for projects that monitor and restore Alaska’s high priority water bodies. Projects may be implemented over two years, beginning in 2019 and closing out in early 2021. This change to two-year projects better accommodates field sampling and short construction seasons. Projects will begin on or around March 1, 2019 and must be completed by February 28, 2021. Three categories of projects will be considered for funding through this solicitation. All solicited actions are described in Appendix C/D. The categories are: 1. ACWA Waterbody Specific actions for projects that address identified water resource protection or restoration activities. 2. ACWA Stewardship (Statewide or Regional) actions for projects that address identified broad scale stewardship concerns. 3. ACWA Marine Beach actions. For more information, a **Webinar will be held on October 16** at 2:30pm to answer any questions. Also, see: [http://dec.alaska.gov/water/acwa/onlineACWAapp.htm](http://dec.alaska.gov/water/acwa/onlineACWAapp.htm) or contact Chandra McGee at 451-2140 or email chandra.mcgee@alaska.gov.

**November 9**
Deadline for applications for the **LAND & WATER CONSERVATION FUND GRANTS** from the **ALASKA DIVISION of PARKS and OUTDOOR RECREATION** for development or enhancement of facilities related to public outdoor recreation. Eligible applicants include state, regional, or local governments (cities, boroughs or tribal entities) that have the legal authority to provide park and recreation services on public lands. The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant program provides up to 50 percent matching assistance for the cost of a project. The Division anticipates $1.5 million may be awarded to eligible Alaska projects. Grant requests are limited to $25,000 minimum and $250,000 maximum in LWCF federal share. The total project cost must be at least $50,000 to justify a $25,000 grant request. The application package is available online at [http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/lwcf.htm](http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/lwcf.htm) or by contacting grants administrator Jean Ayers at jean.ayers@alaska.gov or 907-269-8694.

**December 14**
Deadline for proposals for the **2019 MARINE DEBRIS RESEARCH GRANT**. This opportunity provides funding for research directly related to marine debris through field, laboratory, and modeling experiments. Successful project proposals will explore the ecological
risk associated with marine debris, determine debris exposure levels, examine the fate and transport of marine debris in nearshore coastal environments, and/or quantify habitat impacts resulting from marine debris. Projects may address one or more of these research priorities and should be original, hypothesis-driven projects that have not previously been addressed to scientific standards. Typical awards will range from $150,000 - $250,000. For questions on the opportunity, please contact Peter Murphy at peter.murphy@noaa.gov. For more information, go to https://blog.marinedebris.noaa.gov/now-open-fy19-grant-opportunity-marine-debris-research-projects and https://marinedebris.noaa.gov/sites/default/files/NOAA-NOS-ORR-2019-2005817%20FFO%20Report%20%281%29.pdf.

**DEADLINES**

October 1
Comments are due on the **ANCHORAGE METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS (AMATS) 2019-22 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**. To see the plan, go to [http://edit.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/AMATS/Pages/1_TIP.aspx](http://edit.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/AMATS/Pages/1_TIP.aspx). For more information, contact Craig Lyon, AMATS Coordinator, Acting Planning Director at lyonch@muni.org or call 907.343.7996. Submit comments to amatsinfo@muni.org.

October 5
**ANCHORAGE** - Comments are due on the **BEGIN ENGINEERING and ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES on the DEARMOUN ROAD: EAST 140TH AVENUE TO HILLSIDE DRIVE PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE PROJECT**. The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) has assumed the responsibilities of the Federal Highway Administration under 23 U.S.C. 327 and is soliciting comments and information on a proposal to resurface DeArmoun Road from East 140th Avenue to Hillside Drive. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in summer 2021. For more information, contact Kevin Jackson, Project Manager, at 269-0641 or email kevin.jackson@alaska.gov or Theresa Dutchuk, Environmental Impact Analyst, at 269-0524 or email Theresa.dutchuk@alaska.gov. Submit comments to Brian Elliott, Regional Environmental Manager, at brian.elliott@alaska.gov.

October 15
Deadline for comments for the **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) and a PUBLIC RULEMAKING PROCESS to ADDRESS the MANAGEMENT of INVENTORIED ROADLESS AREAS on the TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST**. This rulemaking is the result of a petition submitted by Governor Bill Walker’s administration in January 2018 on behalf of the State of Alaska, pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act. The intent is to evaluate the regulatory exemption set forth in the petition, as well as to evaluate other management solutions that address infrastructure, timber, energy, mining, access, and transportation needs to further Alaska’s economic development, while still conserving roadless areas for future generations. In response to the State of Alaska's petition for rulemaking, the Department, Forest Service, and State of Alaska agree that the controversy surrounding the management of roadless areas on the Tongass National Forest may be resolved through state-specific rulemaking. A long-term, durable approach to roadless area management is needed that accommodates the unique biological, social and economic situation in and around the Tongass National Forest. The Department proposes to develop a durable and long-lasting regulation for the
conservation and management of roadless areas on the Tongass National Forest. The state-specific roadless rule would establish a land classification system designed to conserve roadless area characteristics on the Tongass National Forest while accommodating timber harvesting and road construction/reconstruction activities that are determined to be needed for forest management, economic development opportunities, and the exercise of valid existing rights or other non-discretionary legal authorities. The other alternatives being considered at this time are the no-action alternative, which is the continuation of current management of the Tongass National Forest in Alaska in accordance with the 2001 Roadless Rule, and an alternative that would exempt the Tongass National Forest from the provisions of that 2001 Roadless Rule, but leave current management under the 2001 Roadless Rule in place on the Chugach National Forest. To see the full Federal Register publication, go to https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/08/30/2018-18937/roadless-area-conservation-national-forest-system-lands-in-alaska. Deadline for comment is October 15.

**October 19**

Deadline for comments on the DRAFT REVISION of the KACHEMAK BAY STATE PARK and KACHEMAK BAY STATE WILDERNESS PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN. The draft plan includes management guidance and facility recommendations for these two park units, as well as guidance for Diamond Creek State Recreation Site, Eveline State Recreation Site, and Overlook Park State Recreation Site. Since the last management plan was adopted in 1995, park uses have increased and changed as the result of changes to the economy, area infrastructure, and tourism trends. The goal of this plan revision is to address these changes, address management challenges, and update recommendations for long-term facility development. Additionally, the draft plan includes a trail management plan that provides trail sustainability recommendations, trail design and management criteria within the park units. The draft plan is available at http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/plans/kbay/kbayplan.htm. For more information or to submit comments, contact Monica Alvarez at monica.alvarez@alaska.gov.

November 5

Deadline for National Park Service ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT to ALASKA SPORT HUNTING REGULATIONS that evaluates the possible impacts of a proposal to amend its regulations for sport hunting and trapping on national preserves in Alaska. The proposal would establish better consistency with state regulations by removing regulatory provisions issued in 2015 that prohibit certain hunting practices that are otherwise permitted by the State of Alaska. Since the 2015 provisions were implemented, the Department of the Interior has issued two Secretarial Orders directing greater collaboration with state, tribal, and territorial partners in the management of recreational hunting and trapping on Department managed lands and waters. The proposed amendments to regulations would only apply to hunting on Alaska national preserves. National Parks in Alaska would not be affected by the proposed changes. The EA is a separate document from the proposed rule, which the NPS released for public comment on May 22 and which the comment deadline has been extended (see above). To see the EA go to https://parkplanning.nps.gov/document.cfm?parkID=1&projectID=83079&documentID=90507. The public is encouraged to submit comments on the EA through the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) website at: https://parkplanning.nps.gov/projectHome.cfm?projectId=83079.

EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD
September 29
Celebrate National Public Lands Day by helping to REBUILD and RESTORE TREE SWALLOWS NESTING BOXES at POTTER MARSH from 10am to 2pm. Meet in the main parking area at Potter Marsh. For more information, contact Sarah Bruce at 907-644-3671.

September 29
FAMILIES and FLAPJACKS, a fundraiser for Trailside Discovery Camp, will be held from 10am to Noon at the Kincaid Chalet. Trailside Discovery Camp has been working for 36 years to ensure Alaskan kiddos have a chance to explore, enjoy, and learn about the diverse and wild environment around them. Join us for a breakfast fundraiser to make sure the next 36 years are full of salmon, silliness, exploration, education, new activities, positive role models, and as always, DISCOVERY! Thanks to the generosity of GCI, we now have a $5000 match. Help us raise 10K for 2019 scholarships! $25 for adults and $10 for children. Get your tickets!

September 30
You are invited to a TREASURE HUNT from 10am to 5pm at the home of Libby Hatton, 8601 Sultana Drive (O’Malley to Hillside to Upper Huffman to Sultana – 3rd drive on left. All proceeds to the Chugach Park Fund, Alaska Community Foundation, in MEMORY of SUSAN OLSEN. Bookcases, chairs, recliner, sports and camping equipment, garden cart, good pottery, jewelry, cooking and dining essentials, books, kids’ books, art, Susan’s photos, mementos, records, photo equipment, office needs, warm things, collector’s items, pretty stuff, useless objects, antlers, horns, bones, rocks, crystals, real junk and more. Bring cash or checks. Free stuff in every room, mystery presents, cookies, party games, treasure maps, fun. Kids and dogs welcome. For more information, call 331-8754.

**October 1**
THE DEVIL WE KNOW will be shown at the Bear Tooth at 5:30 pm. Unraveling one of the biggest environmental scandals of our time, a group of citizens in West Virginia take on a powerful corporation after they discover it has knowingly been dumping a toxic chemical - now found in the blood of 99.7% of Americans - into the drinking water supply. Hosted by Alaska Community Action on Toxics and Bear Tooth Theatrepub. For more information, go to Ticketing and more information.

**October 1**
CRACKING the CODE, A CITIZEN’S GUIDE to the 2018 ALASKA NATURAL GAS PIPELINE DISCUSSION will be presented by CINDY ROBERTS from 12:30 to 2pm at the UAA bookstore. Cindy Roberts compiled the glossary to help Alaskans understand the terminology used regarding the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline. It is a handy quick reference guide with numerous maps and it traces the discovery of gas reserves in Point Thompson in 1997 to the Joint Development Agreement with China in 2017.

**October 5**
The LEGACY of OIL in ALASKA will be presented by ALEXANDER JAMES from 12:30 to 2pm at the UAA Bookstore. According to Alexander James, with the completion of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System in 1977, oil production surged and then declined after 1988. The boom generated significant short-run economic gains that were quickly diluted by inward migration. In the long-run though, the income gains may have turned into losses. What does this mean for
Alaska and Alaskans is the topic for this dynamic event. Alexander James is Associate Professor of Economics in Department of Economics & Public Policy, UAA.

October 5
CHUGACH ELECTRIC'S MEMBER APPRECIATION DAY will be held from 10am to 2pm at the Chugach Headquarters, 5601 Electron Drive. Chugach members are invited to join us for a hot dog BBQ and visit with Chugach staff and co-op friends. Stop by to learn about various topics from emergency preparedness to energy efficiency, electric vehicles to electric bikes. Take the kids on a bucket truck ride or hop on the energy bike. Learn about one of the most fuel-efficient power plants in Alaska! Southcentral Power Project tours will start at 10:00am, 11:00am, 12:00pm and 1:00pm. Registration for the tour is required. Tour space is limited. Register at [http://www.chugachelectric.com/southcentral-power-project-tour-october-5th](http://www.chugachelectric.com/southcentral-power-project-tour-october-5th).

**October 4 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)**
The GOVERNOR'S COMMUTER RAIL TASK FORCE will meet at 3:30pm in the Main Conference Room at the Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities Central Region Building, 4111 Aviation Avenue. To participate by phone please call 1-907-243-2403. For more information, contact Megan Byrd at 907-269-0730.

October 4
BALLOT MEASURE 1 - THE SALMON INITIATIVE: BEYOND THE RHETORIC, a forum presented by Alaska Common Ground will be held from 7 to 9pm at the 49th State Brewery. Wondering how to vote on ballot measure 1 this November? This is a great opportunity to learn about the existing law and what this measure would change. Hear panelists present reasons to vote for or against this measure. Get your questions answered. Journalist John Tracy will moderate. Please note: There will only be beverage service and pizza by the slice available in the Theater. Doors open at 6:30pm. Suggested $10 donation. This event is cosponsored by the Anchorage Public Library.

October 5
PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND SCIENCE CENTER will hold a RECEPTION for friends, supporters, and partners from 5:30 to 7:30pm in Simon & Seafort’s Room 49 to kick off their year-end fundraising. Please RSVP by September 28 to Signe Fritsch.

October 9
Public Open House meeting will be held on the DRAFT LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN (LMP) and DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DEIS) for the CHUGACH NATIONAL FOREST from 5:30 to 7pm at the USFS Supervisor’s Office, 161 East 1st Street, Door 8. The LMP describes the 15-year strategic vision for managing the approximately 5.4 million acres of National Forest System lands in southcentral Alaska that capitalizes on the strengths of the 2002 Plan and builds on the commitment to contribute to the regional economy through recreation and tourism, salmon fisheries, and wild renewable resources. The LMP is available at [https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd589412.pdf](https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd589412.pdf). The Draft Environmental Impact Statement analyzes the potential effects of four alternatives. Chapter 1, Purpose of and Need for Revising the Chugach National Forest Land Management Plan - Discusses the background of the proposal, explains the purpose and need for revising the land management plan (forest plan or plan), and briefly describes the Forest
Service’s proposal for achieving the purpose and need. Chapter 2. **Alternatives** - Discusses a range of reasonable alternatives, including the no action alternative. These alternatives are based on significant issues raised by the public and other agencies. This chapter also explains why other alternatives were dismissed from further consideration. It includes a summary comparison of the environmental consequences associated with each alternative that defines the issues and provides a clear basis for choice among the alternatives. Chapter 3. **Affected Environment and Environmental Consequences** This chapter describes the environmental effects of implementing the alternatives. It describes the affected environment, by resource areas, as a baseline against which the impacts of alternatives are compared. The description of the affected environment is followed by disclosure of the potential direct, indirect, and cumulative effects of implementing each of the alternatives. Chapter 4. **Consultation and Coordination.** The DEIS and supporting documents are available at [https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd589297.pdf](https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd589297.pdf). Comments may be submitted to [www.fs.usda.gov/goto/chugach/plancomments](http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/chugach/plancomments). To view submitted comments are available at the [reading room click here](http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/chugach/plancomments).

**October 10**

ONE COURSE DISCOURSE: PREVENTING HARMFUL EXPOSURES TO TOXIC FLAME RETARDANTS is a panel discussion from Noon to 2pm at the Bear Tooth Theatrepub. In honor of Fire Safety Week, this panel discussion will highlight the vulnerability of Alaskans to exposures and harm to health from toxic flame-retardant chemicals used in everyday products such as furniture, electronics and children’s products. Chemical flame retardants are ineffective and in fact make fires more toxic. Exposures are linked with lower IQ in children, thyroid disease, cancer, and infertility. This is an opportunity to learn more about these dangerous chemicals and discuss ways that Alaskans can work together to prevent harm. [Click here](http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/chugach/plancomments) for more information. Hosted by Alaska Community Action on Toxics and the Bear Tooth Theatrepub.

**October 10 (TIME CORRECTION)**

TIDAL & HYDROKINETIC ENERGY is the topic for the REAP Energy Speaker Series to be held at the Anchorage Museum from 4 to 6pm. Hear about advances to technologies that harness the energy of moving water that could one day power much of Alaska. For more information, contact 907-929-7770, email [info@REalaska.org](mailto:info@REalaska.org) or go to [https://allevents.in/anchorage/reap-energy-speaker-series/20002129888414](https://allevents.in/anchorage/reap-energy-speaker-series/20002129888414).

October 11

Mark your calendars for the **33RD ANNUAL ALASKA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION AWARDS PRESENTATION** to be held at Noon at the Williaw. The awards recognize the remarkable achievements of individuals and organizations protecting Alaska’s environment. This year’s recipients are:

- **WAYNE WEIHING**, Kaasan, Celia Hunter Award for Outstanding Volunteer Achievements
- **RANDALL HAGENSTEIN**, Anchorage, Olaus Muir Award for Outstanding Professional Contributions
- **JODE SPARKS**, Sterling, Denny Wilcher Award for Young Environment Activist
- **BEN HAMILTON**, Denver, CO, Daniel Housberg Wilderness Image Award for Excellence in Film or Video
- **PATRICK RYAN**, Anchorage, Jerry S. Dixon Award for Excellence in Environmental Education
• **BERNADETTE DEMIENTIEFF**, Fairbanks, Caleb Pungowiyi Award for Outstanding Achievements by an Alaska Native Organization or Individual
• **TRUSTEES for ALASKA**, Anchorage, Lowell Thomas, Jr. Award for Outstanding Achievement by a Conservation Organization.

To read the full biography of 2018 Awardees and learn more about each award category, go to [www.alaskaconservation.org](http://www.alaskaconservation.org). For information on ticket purchase, contact Camille Davis at cdavis@alaskaconservation.org or call 907-433-8212.

**October 13**

**STATEWIDE TELECONFERENCE ONLY SESSION** will be held from 1 to 3pm on the **CITIZEN INITIATIVE 17FSH2 (BALLOT MEASURE 1)** that will appear on the November 6 general election ballot. Testimony will be taken only over the phone for this hearing. For Anchorage callers: 563-9085. Toll-free anywhere else: 844-586-9085.) Comments may be submitted at Leave a Comment.

**October 15 & 16 & 17**

Public meetings of the **ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES: WORK SESSION and JOINT PROTOCOL COMMITTEE** will be held beginning at 8:30am on October 15 & 16 and the protocol committee will meet at 9am on October 17 at the Egan Civic and Convention Center. No regulatory action will be taken at this meeting. Included in the work session will be an overview of the Alaska salmon enhancement program. The board will hear from the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game on salmon enhancement’s regulatory structure and permitting process, enhancement production and economic value, a literature review and an overview of the Alaska Hatchery-Wild Interaction study. The board will then host a public discussion on Alaska hatcheries. This session is intended to take place October 16, starting at 1:30pm. This two-day meeting is open to the public. A live audio stream is intended to be available at [www.boardoffisheries.adfg.alaska.gov](http://www.boardoffisheries.adfg.alaska.gov). The agenda and any other meeting documents will be available prior to the meeting at [http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo).

**October 17**

**MYCOREMEDIATION--CLEANING UP POLLUTION WITH MUSHROOMS**

Scientists have understood for decades how fungi break down wood. More recently, they have started using fungi to decompose toxins, a process called mycoremediation. Interest in mycoremediation has sparked decomposition experiments across the nation and results offer hopeful solutions to some of our toughest pollution problems. Mycologist Christin Swearingen will discuss her master’s research on the mycoremediation of diesel fuel and describe some mycoremediation experiments happening right here in Anchorage. The program begins at 7:00 pm on Wednesday October 17 at the BLM Campbell Creek Science Center (5600 Science Center Drive). The program is part of the Fireside Chat lecture series and is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 267-1241.

**MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE**

**September 29, October 13**

Public Hearings will be held on the **CITIZEN INITIATIVE 17FSH2 (BALLOT MEASURE 1)** that will appear on the November 6 general election ballot in the following locations:
September 29 - DILLINGHAM from 2 to 4pm on the Bristol Bay Campus
October 13 - STATEWIDE TELECONFERENCE ONLY SESSION from 1to 3pm. Testimony will be taken only over the phone for this hearing. For Juneau callers: 586-9085; For Anchorage callers: 563-9085; Toll-free anywhere else: 844-586-9085. AS 15.45.195 requires a minimum of two public hearings on the initiative be held in each of Alaska’s four judicial districts prior to October 6, 2018. Each hearing will last two hours. Public testimony will be in-person only and limited to two minutes per person. The public may begin signing up to speak a half hour before the hearing begins. You can listen to live testimony online at http://akl.tv, or toll-free by telephone (For Juneau callers: 586-9085; For Anchorage callers: 563-9085; Toll-free anywhere else: 844-586-9085.) Comments may be submitted at Leave a Comment.

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  September 27 - CORDOVA at the Cordova Center
  October 11 - VALDEZ at the PWS Community College
The LMP describes the 15-year strategic vision for managing the approximately 5.4 million acres of National Forest System lands in southcentral Alaska that capitalizes on the strengths of the 2002 Plan and builds on the commitment to contribute to the regional economy through recreation and tourism, salmon fisheries, and wild renewable resources. The LMP continues the forest commitment to working relationships with southcentral Alaska Native Tribes and Corporations, the State of Alaska, and local stakeholders to support delivery of benefits to all who enjoy and utilize the forest. The LMP is available at https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd589412.pdf. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement analyzes the potential effects of four alternatives. Chapter 1. Purpose of and Need for Revising the Chugach National Forest Land Management Plan - Discusses the background of the proposal, explains the purpose and need for revising the land management plan (forest plan or plan), and briefly describes the Forest Service’s proposal for achieving the purpose and need. Chapter 2. Alternatives - Discusses a range of reasonable alternatives, including the no action alternative. These alternatives are based on significant issues raised by the public and other agencies. This chapter also explains why other alternatives were dismissed from further consideration. It includes a summary comparison of the environmental consequences associated with each alternative that defines the issues and provides a clear basis for choice among the alternatives. Chapter 3. Affected Environment and Environmental Consequences This chapter describes the environmental effects of implementing the alternatives. It describes the affected environment, by resource areas, as a baseline against which the impacts of alternatives are compared. The description of the affected environment is followed by disclosure of the potential direct, indirect, and cumulative effects of implementing each of the alternatives. Chapter 4. Consultation and Coordination. The DEIS and supporting documents are available at https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd589297.pdf. Comments may be submitted to www.fs.usda.gov/goto/chugach/plancomments. To view submitted comments are available at the reading room click here.

**October 2**
JUNEAU - ROADLESS RULE CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE will hold an open house from 6 to 7:30 at a location to be announced. For more information, contact Liz Duxbury at LDuxbury@merid.org or call 970-296-3057.
**October 3**

PALMER - LANDSCAPING for WILDLIFE is the topic for the Wildlife Wednesdays from 7 to 8pm at the UAF Experiment Farm, 1509 Georgeson Drive, with CATHERINE INMAN of MatSu Conservation Services. Ever wonder what kinds of plants and landscaping will work to welcome your furry, winged, or crawling friends? Join us to learn about attracting and nurturing your wild birds, animal visitors, and yes, even pollinators! We'll offer helpful hints to get started, and ideas to consider. For more information, contact Sierra Doherty at sierra.doherty@alaska.gov.

October 3

JUNEAU - Learn about the ALASKA STATE TROOPERS ROLE in LOCAL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT at 7pm in the Egan lecture hall on the UAS campus. Come have cookies with us. For more information, contact Pat at 789-9405.

**October 6**

MAT-SU - Alaska Trails is collaborating with both the Mat-Su Borough and Hatcher Pass State Park for a VOLUNTEER TRAIL DAY at the LAZY MOOSE TRAIL from 9am to 4pm. Come out for fun day to help maintain this great trail. Thanks to a grant from the Mat-Su Trails and Parks Foundation. For more details and registration for the event, go to [http://www.alaska-trails.org/current-volunteer-events.html](http://www.alaska-trails.org/current-volunteer-events.html).

October 6

FAIRBANKS - FAIRBANKS CLIMATE ACTION COALITION General Meeting. 9:30 am-2:30pm, Cold Climate Housing Research Center. All are welcome! Whether you've been an active member, or you just want to know more, this is the meeting for you! Join us for a few hours to learn more about FCAC working groups and find some tools that work for you. Contact fairbanksclimateaction@gmail.com for more information.

**October 10 & 11**

GALENA - The WESTERN INTERIOR ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL will meet at the Larson Charlie Community Hall beginning at 9am daily. The Council will discuss proposals to change Federal subsistence fish and shellfish regulations and other issues related to subsistence in the Western Interior Region. The public is welcome to attend and participate in this meeting. To teleconference into this meeting, dial toll-free (866) 820-9854 (passcode: 4801802). All meeting materials may be found at [https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions](https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions).

October 9, 10 & 11

Public hearings will be held to accept SUBSISTENCE TESTIMONY REGARDING the PRINCE of WALES LANDSCAPE LEVEL ANALYSIS (POW LLA) PROJECT in the following locations:

- **October 9** – KASSAN from 5 to 7pm at the Tribal Community Hall
- **October 10** – KLAWOCK from 6 to 8pm at the Klawock Vocational & Technical Center
- **October 11** – NAUKATI from 5 to 7pm at the Naukati School

The purpose of the POW LLA Project is to improve forest ecosystem health on Craig and Thorne Bay Ranger Districts, help support community resiliency, and provide economic development through an integrated approach to meet multiple resource objectives. The Forest Service used
input from local youth; an independently-formed, broadly-based collaborative group (Prince of Wales Landscape Assessment Team); the tribes; and the public to identify and address concerns in development of the POW LLA Project’s alternatives and the effects being analyzed in the FEIS. These subsistence hearings are designed to receive testimony from individuals, agencies, and organizations on the activities proposed in the POW LLA Project Area located on Prince of Wales Island and surrounding islands and how the proposed activities may potentially affect users of subsistence resources within the project area. To view the POW LLA Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or sign up for electronic notifications, go to http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/tongass/powlla. For more information, contact Project Leader Delilah Brigham at 907-828-3232 or email dbrigham@fs.fed.us.

**October 11
 FAIRBANKS - A Public Open House will be held from 5 to 7pm at the Ryan Middle School Commons to discuss the **PROPOSED GAFFNEY ROAD, AIRPORT WAY, RICHARDSON HIGHWAY, AND THE STEESE EXPRESSWAY (GARS) INTERCHANGE PROJECT.** Participants may attend at any time during the scheduled hours. This project is being developed under the Highway Safety Improvement Program. Deadline for comment is October 26. For more information or to submit comments, email info@GARSInterchange.com.

**October 11
 VALDEZ - CHUGACH LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN OPEN HOUSE will be held from 5:30 to 7pm at the USFS Crooked Creek Office, 110 Clifton Drive. For more information, go to http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/chugach/planrevision.

**October 13
 WASILLA - ACAT ANNUAL MEETING will be held from 5 to 8pm at the Agate Inn, 4725 Begich Circle. There will be a Potluck dinner, Board elections, and Net Zero in Alaska Presentations. Bring a dish, share your stories, and hear updates on Net Zero Energy in Alaska and ACAT members' own Net Zero projects.

**October 15
 JUNEAU - Public meeting will be held from 1 to 5pm at the Mendenhall Glacier Visitor Center for a post-season discussion about **MINIMIZING CROWDING AND CONFLICT BETWEEN USER GROUPS** within the HOONAH, JUNEAU, SITKA, and PETERSBURG RANGER DISTRICTS and ADMIRALTY ISLAND NATIONAL MONUMENT. These areas fall within the Shoreline II Outfitter/Guide Record of Decision (ROD) project area and Petersburg Outfitter and Guide Management Plan Decision Notice (DN) project area. This meeting will focus on: Collecting feedback on user group interactions related to outfitter/guide use during the 2018 spring and fall seasons; Identifying improvements to the Best Management Practices Agreement between big game hunting guides and small cruise vessels; Discussing ideas for longer-term actions to further reduce crowding and conflict and build collaborative behaviors. This is not a Federal Advisory Committee and we are not seeking group consensus. This is an ad-hoc collaborative group open to all who share an interest in successfully implementing the Shoreline II Outfitter/Guide ROD and Petersburg Outfitter and Guide Management Plan DN. The Forest Service is acting as facilitator between interested stakeholders with the goal of achieving shared stewardship of the resource within the existing ROD and DN frameworks. If agency action is needed, the Forest Service will consider all input when making agency decisions.
**October 16**

SEWARD - A Public Open House will be held from 5 to 7pm at the Seward Community Library to discuss the proposed **REHABILITATION of the SEWARD HIGHWAY between MILEPOST 17 AND 22.5**. The project’s design is 95% complete, and construction is slated to begin in spring/summer 2019. The project will enhance safety and extend the life of the highway. For more information, please go to [http://www.sewardhighway17to22.com/](http://www.sewardhighway17to22.com/).

**ITEMS of INTEREST**

On October 3, the **ANCHORAGE OFFICE** of the COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE will be located on the 4th floor of the Loussac Library. Public office hours are currently 9am to 4pm Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Longer office hours are expected later this fall. The office will have Extension publications and access to meeting space for classes taught by Extension agents and local experts.

On September 6 the **NATIONAL PARK SERVICE DEDICATED THE JAY S. HAMMOND WILDERNESS AREA** yesterday in a ceremony that celebrated Governor Hammond’s contributions to Alaska and the Hammond family’s legacy at Lake Clark National Park and Preserve. Former First Lady of Alaska, Bella Hammond, her daughter Heidi Hammond, and granddaughter Lauren Stanford attended. National Park Service Regional Director Bert Frost, Deputy Regional Director Joel Hard, Superintendent Susanne Fleek-Green, and Park Historian John Branson presented Mrs. Hammond with the first map bearing the name “Jay S. Hammond Wilderness Area.” For more information, go to [https://www.nps.gov/lacl/learn/news/jayhammondwildernessdedication.htm](https://www.nps.gov/lacl/learn/news/jayhammondwildernessdedication.htm).


**VOLUNTEER and BOARD OPPORTUNITIES**

**EXPERIENCE RURAL COMMUNITIES WHILE ASSISTING FELLOW ALASKANS.** A unique volunteer opportunity awaits those outgoing individuals located in Alaska interested in experiencing life outside the urban centers, to include the Alaskan Native culture, all while giving back by providing a valuable service to those in need. ABDC is currently **RECRUITING for TAX PREPARERS and TEAM LEADERS/EDUCATORS to TRAVEL to RURAL ALASKA**; experience is helpful but not required as **TRAINING IS PROVIDED.** Training begins in December and most travel is completed in February, with some travel in March. Recruiting is currently open; weeklong leaders/educators and weekend preparers needed. Request a volunteer brochure for further detail by sending an email to info@abdc.org. The Alaska Business Development Center has provided tax assistance to rural Alaska for more than twenty years through the Volunteer Tax and Loan Program (VTLP). The program recruits and trains volunteers to travel to more than 70 villages across the state to provide tax preparation and education on taxpayer rights and responsibilities, dedicating more than 5,600 hours of service.
The OFFICE of BOARDS and COMMISSIONS is accepting APPLICATIONS for the 12 PUBLIC SEATS on the NEW ALASKA ROADLESS RULE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE. 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.

BLM CAMPBELL CREEK SCIENCE CENTER SEeks VOLUNTEER for EVENING PROGRAMS. Join the dynamic team at the and enjoy interesting science lectures! The Science Center is looking for a volunteer to assist with its popular Fireside Chat evening lecture series. Work will include setting up chairs for each program and stacking and putting them away afterwards, setting up and putting away refreshments (hot water and coffee pots, mugs, hot drink fixings, cookies), and welcoming members of the public as they arrive. Work may also include setting out lanterns along the main pathway, rinsing cups, and running the Center's dishwasher. The volunteer will work in a fun, supportive atmosphere and get to listen to programs on a variety of science topics. Fireside Chats occur once a month (typically on the third Wednesday of the month), October through April. With set up and take down, volunteer would be onsite from 6 to 9pm. For more information and to apply, please contact Luise Woelflein at lwoelfle@blm.gov.

INTERNSHIPS

**INTERN POSITION for SENATOR SULLIVAN’S D.C. Office** for college and graduate students who are assertive, engaged and eager to learn. Students will work in our 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 Spring semester, from January 8 to March 11. The **application deadline is November 5.** Contact Sharai Mason at 907-271-5919 or Sharai_Mason@sullivan.senate.gov or go to https://www.sullivan.senate.gov/services/internships for more information. Eligible students can receive an additional stipend through our partnership with the First Alaskans Institute.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

** TONGASS FOREST PROGRAM MANAGER for SOUTHEAST ALASKA CONSERVATION COUNCIL (SEACC)** to coordinate all of their forest and land-use-related campaign work by advocating for specific forest management policies, regulations, laws, and enforcement, watchdogging forest-specific legislation, planned and existing land exchanges and timber sales, and working with Southeast communities and forest users to build grassroots capacity for forest and landscape protection, stewardship, advocacy, and engagement. This position requires travel throughout Southeast Alaska approximately 1-2 times per month, and periodic but regular work before and after traditional 9-to-5 workdays and on weekends. Requirements include at least 2 years of professional experience or study in forest conservation, forest science, forest-related advocacy, forestry, or biology. (An advanced degree is specifically not required for this position in order to solicit a wider range of potential candidates, but relevant work or academic experience is), strong written and oral communication skills, background in or exposure to and comfort with environmental policy or advocacy work (lobbying), and a desire to
work with a wide variety of people throughout Southeast Alaska. For a full job description and how to apply, visit [http://www.seacc.org/employment](http://www.seacc.org/employment). Deadline for applications, **October 10.**

**CANVASSERS** for the **ALASKA COMMUNITY ACTION ON TOXICS (ACAT)** to work in their office in **Anchorage**. This position is temporary starting on October 15 and ending November 6. Work hours will be as follows: **Training:** October 15 and 16 from 4:30 to 7:30pm; **Door canvassing:** October 16 to 18 from 4:30pm to 7:30pm; October 20, 27 and Nov 3th from 10am to 2pm; and October 21, 28, and Nov 4 from Noon to 4pm. **Phone canvassing:** October 22 to November 5 from 4:30 to 8:30pm and November 6 from 7am to 10am. **Salary:** $15 per hour

**Responsibilities:**● Attend a training, ● Calling/knocking on doors of Anchorage residents to encourage them to vote, ● Track phone call/door knock responses in our voter files.

**Qualifications:**● Must be able to commit to working from October 15th thru November 6th, ● Knowledge of and a passion for environmental justice and social justice issues, ● Good phone manner and comfort with talking to a variety of people, ● Flexibility and adaptability to change ● Ability to work well with a team, take direction and feedback, and share skills and knowledge, ● Ability to drive and use your own vehicle for transportation to and from neighborhoods for door canvassing is preferred, but not required. **To Apply:** Resumes will be considered on a rolling basis until positions are filled. Please send a resume to Emily Kloc, emily.k@akaction.org. For questions, call 907-222-7714.

**ALASKA ORGANIZER** for **TROUT UNLIMITED** for its Anchorage to work to protect the freshwater ecosystem in Bristol Bay by mobilizing anglers, hunters, and other key partners to protect Bristol Bay. Working with TU’s Alaska Program staff, local chapter members, volunteers and partner organizations, you will be responsible for managing and carrying out a wide variety of public education and grassroots organizing activities including: Sharing information about the proposed Pebble Mine and its threat to Bristol Bay via events, in-person meetings, social media, one-on-one phone calls and mass-email. Inspiring and mobilizing anglers, hunters, outdoor enthusiasts, fishing businesses and other partners to take action to protect Bristol Bay. The ideal candidate will have substantial experience conducting public outreach and using communication tools and tactics to inspire action. S/he will work effectively both independently and as part of a team and will thrive in a fast-paced environment with hard-working colleagues and partners. S/he will develop creative ways to tell our story and inspire anglers and hunters and other target audiences to act. We are looking for someone who is innovative and can creatively brainstorm while keeping daily priorities focused on the ultimate goal of protecting Bristol Bay. Further, a knowledge of Alaska’s various cultures, history, hunting and fishing opportunities and political landscape are all important skills to bring to the job. Open until filled.

**DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE** for the **ALASKA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION** in **Anchorage** to be is responsible for coordinating and implementing a diversified fundraising plan that includes donor stewardship, annual giving, major gift management, and major donor events and serves as the database administrator. **Qualifications:** 2-4 years’ experience in fundraising, communications, marketing, non-profit management or closely related field preferred. 1-3 years coordinating or assisting with special events. Strong written and verbal communication and editing skills. Strong problem solving, organization and prioritization skills. Eagerness to work as part of a team, especially in a supportive role, to expand the donor base and visibility of Alaska Conservation Foundation. Demonstrated ability to effectively manage multiple projects and deadlines at one time. High level of initiative and desire to meet specific goals. A passion for
Alaska Conservation Foundation mission and an eagerness to support its sustainable business practices. Strong computer skills, including MS Office suite and Google suite. Experience with Salesforce Click and Pledge, or other CRM and third-party processing systems, preferred. Bachelor’s Degree preferred. To see the full job description, go to https://alaskaconservation.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/2018.08.31-Development-Associate-Job-Posting.pdf. Send a resume and cover letter to acfjobs@alaskaconservation.org. Deadline for applications is September 30.

NAPCA NEEDS a SENIOR 55 YEARS OF AGE or OLDER (PL-98-313) to work under the Senior Environmental Employment (See) Program, for the U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA), REGION 10, TRIBAL WASTE PROGRAM in Anchorage. Qualifications: Must be at least 55 years of age. Must have a college degree, or at least ten years of related experience in the environmental field, especially in solid waste management. Must be proficient in PC, Windows, MS Word, PowerPoint, and Excel. Must have excellent written, organizational and communication skills. Applicant will be subject to, and must pass, federal security clearance procedures. Responsibilities and Duties: Function as a liaison between Alaska Tribes and the EPA. Provide tribes with solid waste management compliance assistance, outreach/education, technical assistance/training, data collection, field report writing, and other duties as required. Provide technical assistance on all facets of sustainable waste management to federally recognized tribes in Alaska. Directly support tribes by providing them with multiple types of information on waste resources, such as useful/related advice, informational resources, referrals, regulations, technologies, alternatives, etc. Provide training on solid and hazardous waste management best practices and related topics to Alaska tribes. Give presentations and provide outreach and education at conferences and other venues. Promote human and environmental health protection at all training and technical assistance opportunities. Other duties as assigned. Must travel to rural villages in Alaska approximately ten times per year, with trips generally lasting for five days each. $12.72 per hour / 40 hours per week. Temporary year-to-year. Holidays, vacation, sick leave, medical, dental, and vision insurance available. Send your resume to lois@napca.org.

CONSERVATION ASSOCIATE for the ALASKA WILDERNESS LEAGUE, located in Anchorage. The ideal candidate for this position enjoys interacting with people and connecting with Alaskans that share conservation values. Primary responsibilities include developing a network and coordinating with key constituencies, mobilizing Alaskans and partners at key times, and joining a small strategic team that focuses on threats to public lands and waters statewide. Salary: Competitive D.O.E, with benefits. Position open until filled - application review begins 9/17. For more information – including the job description – click here. To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, salary requirements, and three references to Andy Moderow at andy@alaskawild.org.

VICE PRESIDENT and EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR for AUDUBON located in Anchorage. The Vice President and Executive Director will 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.
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – Part time position available immediately at COOK INLET REGIONAL CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL at their Kenai office. Primary duties include planning meetings and events, arranging travel and lodging, supporting board and staff, phones and light clerical. Proficiency in Word, Outlook, Power Point, and others required. Accounting experience a plus. Wage DOE; hours to be determined. Some travel. Search open until position filled. Submit letter of interest, resume, and references by email to Jerry Rombach at jerryrombach@circac.org.

GRANT WRITER I/II/III with the ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM for the ENVIRONMENTALLY THREATENED COMMUNITIES GRANT CENTER to work with environmentally threatened communities across Alaska who are experiencing infrastructure impacts associated with flooding, erosion, and permafrost degradation. Is hiring. It’s an exciting and diverse position and we’re looking for someone who is passionate to join our team. Our ideal candidate will have a grant writing background, experience working on infrastructure projects in rural communities in Alaska, and project management skills. Apply for the Grant Writer I/II/III position at https://anthc.org/anthc-job-openings/ Questions? Contact Jen Harrington at jharrington@anthc.org or 907-729-3480.

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.

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. Position is open until filled.

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://www.glassdoor.com/job-listing/program-manager-akro-national-parks-conservation-association-JV_IC1134201_KO0,20 KE21,60.htm?jl=2791395870](https://www.glassdoor.com/job-listing/program-manager-akro-national-parks-conservation-association-JV_IC1134201_KO0,20 KE21,60.htm?jl=2791395870).

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