Best Wishes for an Enjoyable Holiday and a Very Good Year Ahead!

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

**January 24
KODIAK - GROWING UP WILD: TALKING SCIENCE with TOTS WORKSHOP will be held from 6 to 9pm at the USFWS Visitor’s Center. This is an Early Childhood professional development for educators of young children. Learn how to engage children in science conversation, spark their observation skills and grow their natural curiosity. Cost $20 and includes the Growing Up WILD Curriculum Guide. Register at https://guwtalkingwithtots.eventbrite.com. For more information, call Brenda Duty at 907-267-2216 or email brenda.duty@alaska.gov.

**January 25 & 26
ALASKA’S FABULOUS FUR BEARERS! will be held from 4:30 to 8:30 on Friday and from 9am to 5pm on Saturday. The workshop will feature the Alaska Wildlife Curriculum, Bears of Alaska Teacher’s Guide and the Fur and Skull Guides of Alaska Mammals. Learn how you can use wildlife to teach adaptations, locomotion, animals signs, food chains/web, ecology, habitat and patterns and inquiry! Open to parents, teachers, para-professionals, agency educators. 580 graduate level credit available, but not required. Meet with biologist NATE SVOBODA during dinner hour. Nate will be on hand to answer questions about wildlife in the Kodiak area. Cost $50 and includes the Alaska Wildlife Curriculum Guide and your choice of one supplemental guide. Register at https://alaskasfabfurbearers.eventbrite.com. For more information, contact Brenda Duty at 907-267-2216 or email brenda.duty@alaska.gov.

**January 25
ANCHORAGE - COMMISSIONING FOR HIGH EFFICIENCY AND NET ZERO ENERGY HOMES WORKSHOP will be held from 1 to 4pm at the ACS Business Technology Center, 600 W. 36th Avenue. This 3-hour course will provide an in-depth review on what needs to be and what can be commissioned in a residential home. Instructor EMMETT LEFFEL will begin with discussing each system that is required to be commissioned based on minimum energy code requirements. Systems that will be covered are domestic hot water, heating systems, ventilation systems, and the air barrier systems. The next part of the class will focus on advanced levels of commissioning based on higher level energy efficient standards where system performance is critical. Finally, the instructor will talk about more complex strategies that will focus on available technology such as thermal imaging, building diagnostics, and testing and balancing along with methods of measuring performance such as monitoring of indoor air quality and electrical usage monitoring to identifying specific conditions and issues effecting performance, comfort and the health of a home. The instructor’s resources will be pulled from multiple auditing disciplines from his years as a BEES Energy Rater, LEED Green Rater, Air
Barrier Auditor and BPI Building Analyst in the State of Alaska and encourage audience members to ask questions and share examples. COST: $45 for ACAT members | $90 for non-ACAT members, 3 CEUs Available for additional $20/CEU. *Registration Required* For more information and to register, go to [https://acat.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e42c6db3832a422c9b77a00ee&id=48a0f08845&e=d0307e1d45](https://acat.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e42c6db3832a422c9b77a00ee&id=48a0f08845&e=d0307e1d45).

January 28 & February 1
ANCHORAGE - ALASKA MARINE SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM will be held at various locations and registration is now open. Online registration closes January 22. The 2019 Alaska Marine Science Symposium (AMSS) is Alaska’s premier marine research conference that brings together scientists, educators, resource managers, students, and interested public to discuss the latest and greatest marine research being conducted in Alaskan waters. Research will be presented by geographic theme, including the Gulf of Alaska, Bering Sea & Aleutian Islands, and the Arctic. Topic areas will include ocean physics, fishes and invertebrates, seabirds, marine mammals, local traditional knowledge and more. To see the entire agenda, go to [https://www.alaskamarinescience.org/agenda](https://www.alaskamarinescience.org/agenda). For more information, go to [http://www.alaskamarinescience.org](http://www.alaskamarinescience.org). To register, go to [https://www.alaskamarinescience.org/register/](https://www.alaskamarinescience.org/register/).

**February 22**
NOME - GROWING UP WILD: DISCOVER, LEARN, EXPLORE! will be held from 5:30 to 8:30pm on the UAF Northwest Campus. This hands-on interactive Early Childhood Professional Development Workshop introduces the award winning conservation program that assists Pre-Kindergarten students though 7 years old in learning about wildlife, science and inquiry! Parents, caregivers, kindergarten teachers and agency professionals are all welcome. Training hours can be used for professional development, accreditation or grant match. Cost $20 includes Growing Up WILD Curriculum Guide. Register at [https://growingupwildinnome.eventbrite.com](https://growingupwildinnome.eventbrite.com). For more information, contact Brenda Duty at 907-267-2216 or email [brenda.duty@alaska.gov](mailto:brenda.duty@alaska.gov).

**February 22 & 23**
NOME - BUILDING BLOCKS of ECOLOGY WORKSHOP will be held from 5 to 8pm on Friday and from 8am to 5pm on Saturday at the UAF NW Campus, 400 Front Street for educators (teachers, para-professionals, parents) of students grades 3-12. This workshop helps educators better understand systems and how to teach about food webs, trophic levels, predator prey dynamics and more, with a focus on NW Alaska. The workshop is interdisciplinary and aligned to NGSS and state standards. We’ll also be working with Hyper Docs and other types of technology to produce lesson plans and activities for students. This is a graduate level course for recertification through UAA, with the help of UAF NW Campus. Register at [https://buildingblocksofalaskaecology.eventbrite.com](https://buildingblocksofalaskaecology.eventbrite.com). For more information, contact Brenda Duty at 907-267-2216 or email [Brenda.duty@alaska.gov](mailto:Brenda.duty@alaska.gov).

February 25 – 27
JUNEAU - ALASKA AWRA ANNUAL MEETING will be held at Centennial Hall Convention Center. This year’s theme is WATER RESOURCES in a CHANGING LANDSCAPE. Meeting Topics will include but are not limited to: Weather and water Extremes
including drought); Water rights and reservations; Habitat - Aquatic and Fish; Southeast AK Hydrography; Geospatial data and modeling; Glacier dam outburst floods; Coastal hydrology/processes; Hazards - glacier outburst floods and landslides; Applied, impacts, and social sciences. **Earlybird registration deadline is January 25.** Registration and call for abstracts are available at [https://www.ak-awra.org/ameetings/2019am/](https://www.ak-awra.org/ameetings/2019am/). A scholarship and student travel awards are available.

**March 4 – 8**

**FAIRBANKS – The **[ALASKA BIRD CONFERENCE](https://www.ak-awra.org/ameetings/2019am/)** will be held at the Westmark Hotel & Conference Center. The Alaska Bird Conference is a biannual conference that brings researchers, managers, and bird lovers of all ages to report on aspects of bird biology, management, and conservation in Alaska. Audubon Alaska will share and present a number of their current projects. For more information, [email the conference](mailto:), call the Alaska Songbird Institute at (907) 888-2121 or [visit the website](https://www.ak-awra.org/ameetings/2019am/). If you're a student, Audubon Alaska administers the Tom Fondell Memorial Scholarship Fund. It is a student travel fund established in honor of Tom, an Alaska wildlife biologist who was known for promoting the professional development of young biologists. [Click here for more information](https://www.ak-awra.org/ameetings/2019am/), or click the button below to contribute to the Tom Fondell Memorial Scholarship Fund.

**March 8 & 9**

**HOMER - ALASKA FOOD CONFERENCE AND FESTIVAL** is a great opportunity for attendees to learn more about — and engage in — the various issues affecting Alaska’s food system, both organizations will be sharing research, tools, and resources along with seeking input from all of you involved in our local food web. On March 8 (Friday) there will be speakers presenting on a variety of food security, production, business, and community issues, with some sessions placing an emphasis on farmers markets. March 9 (Saturday), will be an educational food festival, which will include a Keynote speaker to kick it off and at mid-day, followed by Alaska food vendors, chef demonstrations, taste testing, food demonstrations, silent auction, and DIY workshops. The Alaska Farmers Market Association, in collaboration with the Alaska Food Policy Council, are the conference hosts. For more information, go to [https://www.akfoodpolicycouncil.org/2019-conference/](https://www.akfoodpolicycouncil.org/2019-conference/).

**WEBINARS & TELECONFERENCES**

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

**December 31**

Deadline for applications for the **CELEBRATE URBAN BIRDS MINI-GRA**NT PROGRAM, an initiative of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, supports community organizations, educators, and youth throughout the United States that host neighborhood events that introduce the public and youth to birds found in urban areas. Examples of eligible events include bird-activity days at local museums, libraries, or community centers, as well as art and gardening activities at clubs, schools, or senior centers. Mini-grants ranging from $100 to $750 are provided. Organizations working with underserved communities are strongly encouraged to apply. Visit the Cornell Lab of Ornithology’s website to submit an online application. For more information, go to [https://celebrateurbanbirds.org/community/minigrants/](https://celebrateurbanbirds.org/community/minigrants/).
January 3 (DEADLINE EXTENDED)
Deadline for the ALASKA FISH AND WILDLIFE FUND 2019 REQUEST for PROPOSALS to further conservation of species and habitats in Alaska. Our conservation strategy for Alaska follows NFWF’s institutional outcome focused approach to species conservation and includes three primary focal geographies: The Yukon-Kuskokwim Region, Cook Inlet/Matanuska-Susitna watershed, and Alaska North Slope. Projects outside of these geographies that support fishery conservation may also be considered on a case by case basis, particularly those projects targeting Pacific salmon protection, enhancement and restoration initiatives through the Alaska Fish Habitat Partnerships. Program funds will be allocated to projects that: Achieve or substantially lead to measurable on-the-ground conservation outcomes; Fill key information gaps through assessments and strategic monitoring that result in or substantially lead to measurable management actions. Support for this program is provided by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), U.S. Forest Service (USFS), and various other federal sources. Grants may be awarded using one or more of these sources of funding. For more information, go to https://www.nfwf.org/afwf/Pages/2019rfp.aspx.

**January 3
Deadline for ALASKA GEOGRAPHIC and the NATIONAL PARK SERVICE SCHOLARSHIPS to K – 12 TEACHERS for ACCREDITED COURSES at DENALI NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE. Making use of a field camp 30 miles into Denali, these small group intensives expose teachers to science, research and educational opportunities using Denali as their classroom. Courses are three days in length. Professional development credit is made available through the University of Alaska Anchorage. The courses available for the 2019 scholarships are: Birds of Denali (June 10 - 12); Wildflowers of Denali (June 17 - 19); Denali’s Small Mammals (June 21 - 23); Mushrooms of Denali (July 26 – 28); Through the Eyes of Scientists: Denali’s Cycles and Climate Change (July 29 - 31); Bears of Denali (August 7 - 9); Wolves of Denali (August 14 – 16); Geology of Denali (August 16 - 18); Denali’s Large Mammals (August 23 – 25); The summer field courses are a partnership program between the National Park Service and Alaska Geographic through the Murie Science and Learning Center. Alaska Geographic is a proud supporter of the center’s mission to promote science and stewardship on behalf of national parks in northern Alaska. For additional information or questions email courses@alaskageographic.org or call 907-683-6432. To apply, go to http://akgeo.org/field-courses/teacher-opportunities/teacher-scholarships/.

January 5
Deadline for applications for SCHantz BIRD SCHOLARSHIP, which PROVIDES TRANSPORTATION and ACCOMMODATIONS to the KACHEMAK BAY SHOREBIRD FESTIVAL, May 9-12, 2019, in Homer. College students, undergraduate or graduate level, are eligible for the trip. Recipients are asked to share a presentation and perhaps volunteer at a viewing station at this well-established birding festival but are otherwise free to enjoy festival activities. All airfare, ground transportation to Homer and lodging costs are covered by the Foundation. Application form is available at http://www.schantzbird.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/Scholarship-Application-2018-Update.doc.

**January 14
Deadline for applications for the **SIX MILLION IN HABITAT RESTORATION FUNDING** available nationwide through the **NOAA RESTORATION CENTER**. The Community-based Restoration Program supports restoration projects that use a habitat-based approach to rebuild productive and sustainable fisheries, contribute to the recovery and conservation of protected resources, promote healthy ecosystems, and yield community and economic benefits. More information can be found at [https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/grant/coastal-and-marine-habitat-restoration-grants](https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/grant/coastal-and-marine-habitat-restoration-grants). For more information, contact Erika.Ammann@noaa.gov.

**January 18, 30, February 8 & 22**  
The following Sea Grant Fellowships are available:

**January 18** - Deadline for the two-year fellowship that begins in August 2019 that provides on-the-job education and training in coastal resource management and policy. Fellows assist state coastal zone management agencies and other NOAA partners.

**January 30** - Deadline for applications for the **POPULATION AND ECOSYSTEM DYNAMICS FELLOWSHIP** and the **MARINE RESOURCE ECONOMICS FELLOWSHIP** from postgraduate students for the 2019-2021 Coastal Management/Digital Coast Fellowship.

**February 8** - Deadline for applications for **ALASKA SEA GRANT STATE FELLOWSHIPS** that matches recently or nearly finished graduate students with 12-month professional job opportunities in Alaska supporting healthy coastal communities and the marine environment. Agencies that currently have fellows include NOAA Fisheries, the U.S. Geological Survey Office of the Regional Director, Alaska Ocean Observing System, North Pacific Research Board and the NOAA Auke Bay laboratory.

**February 22** - Deadline for applications for the **JOHN A. KNAUSS MARINE POLICY FELLOWSHIP** that places early professionals in executive and legislative government offices in the Washington, D.C., area for a year of work on science-related policies. Any student, regardless of citizenship, who is enrolled in a graduate program and has an interest in ocean, coastal or Great Lakes resources, and national policy decisions is eligible for consideration. The graduate program must be at an accredited institution of higher education in the United States or its territories. A full list of 2018 Knauss fellows and placements is available on the National Sea Grant website.  
Find information on all the fellowships. For more information, contact Tara Borland, 907-474-7014 or email tara.borland@alaska.edu.

**January 31**  
Deadline for applications for the Office of Subsistence Management (OSM) **2020 PARTNERS FOR FISHERIES MONITORING PROGRAM** that strengthen Alaska Native and rural involvement in Federal subsistence management. The Partners Program is a competitive grant directed at providing funding for biologists, social scientists and outreach/educator positions in Alaska Native and rural nonprofit organizations with the intent of increasing participation in Federal subsistence fisheries management. In addition, the program supports a variety of opportunities for local rural students to connect with subsistence resource monitoring and management through science camps and paid internships. The notice of funding opportunity can be viewed on either [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) (search for F19AS00022, which is the notice of funding opportunity number) or the Federal Subsistence Management Program website at [https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/partners](https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/partners).
March 11
Deadline for submission for the 13TH ANNUAL NATIONAL PACIFIC RESEARCH BOARD 2019 PHOTO CONTEST that has over $3000 in cash prizes. Each year, NPRB conducts a photo contest featuring beautiful images of sea life, seascapes, coastal scenes and marine research within the waters of the North Pacific Ocean including the Gulf of Alaska, Prince William Sound, Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands, Bering Strait or Chukchi/Beaufort Seas. The deadline to apply is March 11, 2019. Professionals, amateurs, adult, and youth are all encouraged to apply. NPRB awards up to $3,300 in cash prizes to the top finalists in adult and youth categories. Apply online and for official rules, go to https://www.nprb.org/nprb/annual-photo-contest/.

DEADLINES

December 24
HAINES - Comments due on the proposal to resurface HAINES HIGHWAY from ALLEN ROAD-NORTH (UNION ST CUT-OFF) to MP 0.7 (Y-INTERSECTION). Project construction would: Resurface Haines Highway from Allen Road-North to MP 0.7 and Construct drainage improvements by way of open ditches, subsurface storm drain system, and gutters to control surface water runoff. Construction is projected for the summer of 2019. Your comments would help us evaluate potential environmental, social and economic impacts of this project as well as impacts to historic and cultural resources. For more information or to submit comments, contact Chris Schelb Environmental Impact Analyst, at 907-465-4447 or email chris.schelb@alaska.gov.

**December 28
Deadline for comments on the proposal to ADOPT REGULATION CHANGES dealing with the USE and TAKING of GAME for the SOUTHEAST and SOUTHCENTRAL REGIONS. The proposed regulation changes are available at www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo. Comments can be submitted online at www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov or by email at dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov (PDF format only).

**December 28
HAINES – Comments are due on the PRELIMINARY DECISION on WALKER LAKE HYDROPOWER EASEMENT in HAINES STATE FOREST to authorize a 50-year private non-exclusive easement to Southern Energy Inc. for approximately 24 acres of state-owned uplands and rights-of-way located near Walker Lake approximately 30 miles northeast of Haines. The easement is to construct and maintain an access road, a penstock, and a buried transmission line related to the proposed 1-megawatt hydropower project at Walker Lake. Submit comments to submitted to DNR, Division of Mining, Land and Water, Southeastern Regional Office to chris.carpeneti@alaska.gov.

**December 30
Deadline for comments on the proposal to RESURFACE FIREWEED LANE from the SEWARD HIGHWAY to SPENARD ROAD. The proposed work would include:
Resurface Fireweed Lane; Pedestrian facility improvements, including widening sidewalks and upgrading curb ramps to comply with Americans With Disabilities Act requirements; Structural section repairs, including digouts; Drainage improvements; Utility adjustments or relocations; Upgrade or rehabilitate signals, lighting, traffic recording equipment; Upgrade signage and striping; Clear vegetation as needed for widening sidewalks. For more information, contact Christina Huber, Project Manager, at 269-0572 or email christina.huber@alaska.gov or Heidi Zimmer, Environmental Impact Analyst, at 269-0529 or email Heidi.zimmer@alaska.gov. Submit comments to Brian Elliott, Regional Environmental Manager, at brian.elliott@alaska.gov.

December 30
KETCHIKAN – Deadline for the opportunity to OBJECT to the DRAFT RECORD of DECISION (ROD) for the PRINCE of WALES LANDSCAPE LEVEL ANALYSIS (POW LLA) PROJECT. The Tongass National Forest has released the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and Draft Record of Decision (ROD) for the Prince of Wales Landscape Level Analysis (POW LLA) Project. These documents, with their associated appendices, are available on the project webpage at http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/tongass/powlla. This decision is subject to the project-level pre-decisional administrative review (objection) process. Detailed information on objection rights and procedures are included in the section “Administrative Review - Opportunity to Object” at the end of the Draft ROD. For more information, contact Delilah Brigham, Project Leader, at 907-828-3232, or email dbrigham@fs.fed.us.

**December 31
ANCHORAGE - Comments due on the proposal to issue AIR QUALITY CONTROL OPERATING PERMIT for Providence Alaska Medical Center for a draft operating permit only. The potential annual emissions of regulated air contaminants at the facility are: 6 tons of particulate matter (PM-10), 132 tons of nitrogen oxides (NOX), 42 tons of sulfur dioxide (SO2), 60 tons of carbon monoxide (CO), and 4 tons of volatile organic compounds (VOC). The total potential emissions of regulated air contaminants is 244 tons per year. The ADEC’s draft operating permit and statement of basis are available at http://dec.alaska.gov/applications/air/airtoolsweb. Please direct written statements or requests relevant to the draft operating permit to Scott Faber at scott.faber@alaska.gov.

**December 31
ANCHORAGE – Comments due on the proposal for A STREET: NORTHERN LIGHTS BLVD to 40TH AVE PAVEMENT PRESERVATION. The proposed work would include: Milling and paving; Upgrades to curb ramps to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements; Improvements to drainage facilities which may include trenching to replace existing structures, signal systems, intersections, and lighting; Utilities upgrades and relocations; Replacing signage, guardrail, and striping. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in summer 2020. 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.

**December 31**
ANCHORAGE – Comments are due on the proposal to CONSTRUCT a MULTI-USE PATHWAY along TUDOR ROAD between REGAL MOUNTAIN DRIVE and CAMPBELL AIRSTRIP ROAD. The proposed work would include: Construction of a multi-use pathway; Installation of new roadside hardware; Installation of boardwalk, bridge, viewing area, benches, and bicycle racks; Drainage improvements; Vegetation clearing and grubbing; Utility relocations. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in summer 2020. 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.

**December 31**
ANCHORAGE – Comments are due on the proposal to resurface approximately 0.6 mile of AIRPORT HEIGHTS DRIVE FROM DEBARR ROAD to the GLENN HIGHWAY. The proposed work would include: Milling and paving; Upgrade curb ramps to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards; Replace, repair, or install roadside hardware; Improve the road subgrade; Improve drainage; Relocate utilities; Clear vegetation. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in summer 2020. 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.

**December 31**
ANCHORAGE – Comments are due on the proposal to resurface approximately 2 miles of MULDOON ROAD from DEBARR ROAD to EAST 36TH AVENUE. The proposed work would include: Milling and paving; Upgrade curb ramps to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards; Replace, repair, or install roadside hardware; Improve the road subgrade; Repair or rehabilitate retaining walls; Improve drainage; Improve intersections; Relocate utilities; Improve pedestrian facilities; Clear vegetation. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in summer 2020. 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.

**January 2**
Deadline for comments on the request for RENEWAL of BP EXPLORATION (ALASKA) INC. LAND USE PERMIT for ENVIRONMENTAL and GEOTECHNICAL STUDIES on ALL STATE LAND within the UMIAT MERIDIAN between the COLVILLE and CANNING RIVERS. The purpose of this notice is to gather input before a decision is made on this activity. After review and adjudication, an authorization with stipulations for the activity may be issued. The activity may be modified during the review and adjudication process. Submit
comments to Div. of Mining, Land & Water, Northern Regional Land Office, 3700 Airport Way, Fairbanks, AK 99709. For more information, contact Becky Baird at (907)451-2732 or email becky.baird@alaska.gov.

**January 4 (EXTENDED from DECEMBER 17)**
Deadline for scoping comments on the PROPOSED LEASE SALE AREA that includes all available OCS blocks in the BEAUFORT SEA PLANNING AREA. The Beaufort Sea Planning Area is located offshore of the State of Alaska and consists of 11,876 whole and partial lease blocks covering roughly 26.2 million hectares (approximately 65 million acres) of the Beaufort Sea. To view the specifics of the area recommended for leasing, go to: https://www.boem.gov/beaufort2019. This is not an announcement to hold a lease sale but is a continuation of the information gathering process and is published early in the environmental review process in furtherance of the goals of NEPA. The comments received during scoping will help inform the content of the 2019 Beaufort Sea Lease Sale EIS. BOEM has developed and also seeks public input on the following draft alternatives: Offshore Whaling Areas Alternative: This alternative is proposed to minimize conflicts between subsistence whaling practices and oil and gas activities. Environmentally Important Areas Alternative: This alternative is proposed to reduce impacts to several known environmentally important areas (Barrow Canyon, Harrison Bay/Colville River Delta, the Bolder Patch, and Kaktovik). Deepwater Exclusion Alternative: This alternative is proposed to focus the environmental analyses while offering leases in areas with the highest known resource potential. These draft alternatives are based on previous OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program and response to stakeholder comments made during the development of the 2019-2024 Draft Proposed Program (published January 8, 2018 (83 FR 829)). BOEM is proceeding in a manner that allows for maximum flexibility in adapting these preliminary alternatives to future Program decisions. BOEM will consider additional alternatives, exclusion and/or mitigation suggestions identified during scoping meetings and the comment period initiated by this notice of intent in the preparation of the EIS. For more information, contact Sharon Randall, Chief of Environmental Analysis Section, at (907) 334-5200. Submit comments to https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/11/16/2018-24739/outer-continental-shelf-ocs-alaska-region-ak-beaufort-sea-program-area-proposed-2019-beaufort-sea#open-comment.

**January 7**
Deadline for RECOMMENDATION to the BOARD of FISHERIES and BOARD of GAME for the position of COMMISSIONER of the DEPT. of FISH AND GAME. The full Joint Board meeting will be held on January 16 in the Anchorage Sheraton Hotel Howard Rock Ballroom beginning at 7pm. The board is expected to review applicant information and may choose to interview the applicant at the meeting. The board will not take public comment during the meeting. The listen-in only site is at the meeting room at the Sheraton Hotel. A live internet audio stream of this meeting will also be available from the board website at http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.jointboard. Submission should be sent to glenn.haight@alaska.gov.

**January 7 (EXTENDED to JANUARY 22)**
Deadline for scoping comments on the proposal to PREPARE an INTEGRATED ACTIVITY PLAN and ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT for BLM-MANAGED LANDS
within the NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE IN ALASKA (NPR-A). Consistent with the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act, the IAP/EIS will address a narrower range of multiple use management than a resource management plan (e.g., it will not contemplate opening lands to hard rock or coal mining). The IAP/EIS will include: A consideration of a range of alternatives that make lands available for leasing; an examination of current special area boundaries; and, a consideration of new or revised lease stipulations and best management practices. The IAP/EIS would also ensure that the BLM's land management will provide the opportunity, subject to appropriate conditions developed through a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process, to construct pipelines and other necessary infrastructure to bring oil and gas resources from offshore or adjacent leases to the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System or a future gas pipeline from the North Slope. The IAP/EIS would also consider the potential for a road system connecting communities across the North Slope. The purpose of the public scoping process is to determine the management decisions and resources to be addressed and the issues for analysis. The BLM will work collaboratively with interested parties to identify the management decisions best suited to local, regional, and national needs and concerns. For documents, go to https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/planAndProjectSite.do?methodName=dispatchToPatternPage&currentPageId=174096. Submit comments on issues related to the proposed NPR-A IAP/EIS project at http://www.blm.gov/alaska/NPR-A-IAP-EIS.

**January 16**
Deadline for applications to serve on the TANANA VALLEY STATE FOREST CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE. Seats representing the Mining industry, Representative for the Lower Tanana Valley, Tourism industry, and a Private forest user. This 12-person committee advises the Division on plans and proposals for managing the 1.8 million-acre Tanana Valley State Forest and other forested lands managed by the Alaska Department of Natural Resources in the Tanana Valley. The committee is also a forum for gathering public opinion on management of state forests and helps build a regional consensus about forestry. These are unpaid, volunteer positions. Meetings are held at least one a year, in April, and at other times as needed. For more information, go to http://www.forestry.alaska.gov/tvsf_committee.htm or call 907-269-8467. Send a letter explaining your interests and qualifications to Alison Arians at alison.arians@alaska.gov.

**February 11**
Deadline for comments on the DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT for the COASTAL PLAIN OIL AND GAS LEASING PROGRAM. BLM considers four alternatives: Alt. A is the no-action alternative which considers the Coastal Plain in its current state; Alt. B would offer the entire Coastal Plain for lease, under various lease provisions like no-surface occupancy or timing limitations; Alt. C would also offer the entire Coastal Plain for leasing, but under a different configuration of lease terms and provisions than Alt. B; and Alt. D, which would offer more than 1 million acres for lease with two sub alternatives of lease restrictions that are presented as a way to address caribou use during the summer. BLM states in the EIS that it will not select the no-action alternative due to the requirements of the Tax Act to hold two lease sales on the Coastal Plain. To see the documents, including maps, go to https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-
EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD

**January 8**
The ANCHORAGE FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will meet at 6:30pm in the Cabela’s conference room, 155 W 104th Avenue. Agenda will include preparation of comment on statewide finfish proposals 161-173, select an AC rep for that meeting, and any other business that may properly come before the committee. The public is invited to address any concerns they have. For more information contact Martin Weiser at mweiser@crsalaska.com.

January 22 & 23 (CORRECTED DATES)
The OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD (ORTAB) will meet from 9am to 4pm in Room 1270 of the Atwood Building, 550 W. 7th Avenue, to consider and discuss funding for grant applications. During the meeting, the ORTAB will evaluate grant proposals for trail-related projects through the Recreational Trails Program. The board will provide recommendations to the Director of the Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation who will make decisions on funding for those applications. To join the meeting via teleconference, please dial 866-918-8374, conference code 5569714090. For more information, contact Darcy Harris at 907-269-8699 or email darcy.harris@alaska.gov or go to http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/trails.htm.

MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE

**January 2**
BOB ARMSTRONG will share video of harbor seal behavior at the Juneau Wildlife Wednesday program from 7 to 8pm in the UAS Lecture Hall. Public is encouraged to attend this free program. Snacks are provided and the opportunity to visit with the speaker and others interested in Alaskan wildlife. Further specific information, contact patriciaobrien@gci.net.

**January 4 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)**
KODIAK - The KODIAK FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will hold a public meeting at 5:30pm in the Kodiak Refuge Visitor Center, 402 Center St. Agenda items will include: Elections for the Kodiak, Big Game Guide/Outfitter seat, and the Kodiak, West Side Salmon Gillnet seat for a three year term expiring June 30, 2021; Board of Fisheries Proposals for the Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Island/Chignik Finfish meeting; Board of Fisheries Proposals for the Statewide Finfish meeting; Other miscellaneous AC business as needed. To participate by teleconference first dial 1-800-504-8071, then enter the access code: 8425142#. For more information, contact Taryn O'Connor-Brito at 907.842.5142 or email taryn.oconnor-brito@alaska.gov.

**January 4, 5, 9 & 10**
Postponed public scoping meetings on the INTEGRATED ACTIVITY PLAN and ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT for BLM-MANAGED LANDS within the
NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE IN ALASKA (NPR-A) will be held in the following locations:

**January 4 - UTQIAGVIK** from 7 to 10pm at the Inupiat Heritage Center

**January 5 - NUIQSUT** from Noon to 5pm at the Kisik Community Center

**January 9 - WAINWRIGHT** from 7 to 10pm at the Wainwright Community Center

**January 10 - POINT LAY** from 7 to 10pm at the Community Center

Consistent with the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act, the IAP/EIS will address a narrower range of multiple use management than a resource management plan (e.g., it will not contemplate opening lands to hard rock or coal mining). The IAP/EIS will include:

- A consideration of a range of alternatives that make lands available for leasing;
- An examination of current special area boundaries;
- And, a consideration of new or revised lease stipulations and best management practices.

The IAP/EIS would also ensure that the BLM's land management will provide the opportunity, subject to appropriate conditions developed through a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process, to construct pipelines and other necessary infrastructure to bring oil and gas resources from offshore or adjacent leases to the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System or a future gas pipeline from the North Slope. The IAP/EIS would also consider the potential for a road system connecting communities across the North Slope. The purpose of the public scoping process is to determine the management decisions and resources to be addressed and the issues for analysis. The BLM will work collaboratively with interested parties to identify the management decisions best suited to local, regional, and national needs and concerns. For documents, go to [https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/planAndProjectSite.do?methodName=dispatchToPatternPage&currentPageId=174096](https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/planAndProjectSite.do?methodName=dispatchToPatternPage&currentPageId=174096). Submit comments on issues related to the proposed NPR-A IAP/EIS project at [http://www.blm.gov/alaska/NPR-A-IAP-EIS](http://www.blm.gov/alaska/NPR-A-IAP-EIS).

**January 5**

WHITTIER - The WHITTIER FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will hold an election meeting at 1pm in Whittier Public Safety Building City Council chambers on 3rd floor. Also on the agenda will be discussion of the hatchery committee issues, statewide finfish proposals, Southcentral game proposals, and any other business that may properly come before the committee. For more information contact Jon Van Hyning at 355-3050.

**January 8**

HOMER - The HOMER FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will hold an election meeting at 6pm in the KBRR building. Agenda will include preparing comments on BOG proposals for GMU 8, Joint board proposals concerning advisory committees, and any other business that may properly come before the committee. The public is encouraged to attend. For more information contact Dave Lyon at 399-2340.

**January 8**

KETCHIKAN – The KETCHIKAN AREA STATE PARKS ADVISORY BOARD will meet at 5:15pm in the Ketchikan Public Utilities. The Citizen Advisory Board meetings are open to the public to comment, inform and seek information regarding the local Ketchikan area State Parks, State Marine Parks and Historic Sites. The advisory Board recommends and assists the Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation for the planning, management and operation of the state park units with the goal to improve management, recreational opportunities, and user
conflicts, while fulfilling the Alaska State Park mission. The board is currently recruiting for new additional members. Please join us as a board member or as an interested community member or call the Juneau State Park office at 465-4563 for additional information.

**ITEMS of INTEREST**

DNR Commissioner Feige is rescinding the KACHEMAK BAY STATE PARK and KACHEMAK BAY STATE WILDERNESS PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN adopted on December 2, and re-instating the 1995 Kachemak Bay State Park and Kachemak Bay State Wilderness Park Plan. No action has been taken to implement the December 2 Plan. An issue response summary will be prepared to address the public comments received on the plan. A list of recommended revisions will be prepared and there will be an opportunity for public review and comment.

The ALASKA ROADLESS RULE CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE has finalized a REPORT for the State of Alaska to consider when providing input on STATE-SPECIFIC ROADLESS RULE FOR THE TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST. The State is one of several cooperating agencies working with the U.S. Forest Service as it prepares a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) for the state-specific rule. The committee was established by Governor Bill Walker to advise the State on future management of inventoried roadless areas in the Tongass. Members were appointed by Governor Walker in late September and asked to submit a report to the State by late November. The committee’s report is posted at [www.merid.org/AKroadless](http://www.merid.org/AKroadless) and has been shared with the Forest Service as part of the ongoing cooperating agency review. For more information, go to [http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/releases/11%2D27%2D18%20Alaska%20Roadless%20Rule%20Citizen%20Advisory%20Committee%20Submits%20Final%20Report%20.pdf](http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/releases/11%2D27%2D18%20Alaska%20Roadless%20Rule%20Citizen%20Advisory%20Committee%20Submits%20Final%20Report%20.pdf).

To see the STATE of ALASKA’S COMMENTS on the National Parks Service PROPOSED RULE on HUNTING and TRAPPING in NATIONAL PRESERVES, go to [Comments on Park Service Proposed Rule](http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/releases/11%2D27%2D18%20Alaska%20Roadless%20Rule%20Citizen%20Advisory%20Committee%20Submits%20Final%20Report%20.pdf).

**VOLUNTEER and BOARD OPPORTUNITIES**

BOARD MEMBER for the CLIMATE JUSTICE INITIATIVE, a new non-profit organization in the state of Alaska whose mission is to focus on the effects of climate change on grass roots level through means of education, research, developing sustainable and impactful programs to improve social equality and climate justice through developing information systems, education, growing partnerships and building local capacity with a focus on economically disadvantaged and geographically impacted areas. The organization will focus programs on developing community control over economic, social and environmental decisions affecting the community’s well-being through grassroots participation to represent the interests of communities in which they are based to address the unknowns, impacts and effects of climate change through a social justice lens in environmental justice and front-line communities. To learn more or apply to become a board member, please email karla@climatejusticeinitiative.org.

THE FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE BOARD IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS THROUGH FEBRUARY 8 to FILL SEATS on the 10 SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY
COUNCILS for 3-year terms. There are approximately 42 seats open for appointment among all Councils. The Councils meet at least twice a year and provide recommendations to the Federal Subsistence Board on subsistence management issues. Council meetings serve as a forum for regional public involvement in Federal subsistence management. Council members must be knowledgeable about the uses of fish and wildlife resources in their region and reside in the region they wish to represent. Individuals may apply for membership themselves, or an individual or organization may nominate someone for Council membership. The application form and information about the application process and the Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils is available at www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions. The application form and additional information is also available by contacting Carl Johnson at the Office of Subsistence Management at (800) 478-1456 or (907) 786-3676. Additional information on the Federal Subsistence Management Program may be found at www.doi.gov/subsistence or by visiting www.facebook.com/subsistencealaska.

INTERNSHIP

CENTER FOR ALASKAN COASTAL STUDIES seeking an ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR for the spring season, March 25 – May 24 to instill wonder, scientific understanding and love for coastal ecosystems with school groups from throughout Alaska. Lead overnight field trips and day trips in the forest, marsh and intertidal zones. As a NATURALIST, INTERN OR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR during the summer season, May 27 to Labor Day, impart knowledge and a sense of stewardship with visitors and groups from around the world. Lead multi-day field studies and guided natural history tours, develop programs for all ages and/or participate in citizen monitoring projects. Duties vary depending on the specific position. Benefits include compensation of $1,760 – $2,080 per month DOE and housing. Qualified applicants are energetic and flexible, have a background in environmental education and forest and/or marine ecology, and the maturity to live in group situations. To apply, email a cover letter, resume, and contact information for 3 professional references to Seth Spencer by January 18. Please indicate in both your cover letter and e-mail subject line the position(s) for which you are applying. For more information, contact Seth Spencer at 907-235-6714 or email jobs@akcoastalstudies.org.

2019 AK CORPS TEAMS for the STUDENT CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION (SCA) to work with multiple state and federal partners throughout Alaska. Work projects will be a mix of trail construction and maintenance, invasive species removal and fuels reduction for wildfire management. Project schedules will vary throughout the summer depending on partner’s needs. Members can expect to use basic hand tools, power tools, and chainsaws. Teams consist of 5 members and 31 leader and this group of t will remain together for the entirety of the season. Season begins on May 13 with Corps Member Training. To see the full position and application information, go to https://www.thesca.org/serve/position/2019-ak-corps-teams/po-00726989.

HOST SITES NEEDED FOR SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM from air quality focused offices and programs to host a college student for an 8-week summer internship. Tribal environmental offices, EPA offices, and other tribal environmental organizations are encouraged to apply. The interns will be highly motivated undergraduate or graduate students majoring in environmental or related careers from different colleges and universities nationwide. ITEP
provides each student intern with a $4,000 stipend, and limited housing and travel allowances. The host site provides a work place and supervision for the intern. The projects MUST focus on addressing air quality issues in tribal communities. If you know of a college student that might be interested in being an intern, encourage them to apply at nau.edu/itepinterns. Submit an application online at http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/eoop/Internships/ssi_host. For more information, please contact ITEP Intern Coordinator Mansel A. Nelson at 928-523-1275 (Please leave a message), FEOP-INTERN@nau.edu or mansel.nelson@nau.edu or go to www.nau.edu/itepinterns.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION/INTERPRETATION INTERN for the KENAI NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE in Soldotna to serve as assistant coordinator for the environmental education program and assist with a variety of visitor service programs. During late winter, spring and fall you will organize and facilitate K-6 grade field trips, home-school and area classroom programs, and create and evaluate environmental education materials as well as operating shifts in the Refuge Visitor Center. During the early/mid-summer, you will facilitate Refuge summer camp programs, create and facilitate other Education/Interpretation/Outreach programs. Late summer you will assist in operating the Refuge Visitor Center and assist other Visitor Service program activities in the field including: trails, cabins, and making roving contacts with the public. There are also possibilities on days off to assist with other refuge departments (biology, fire, trail crew). **Expected Dates:** February 3, 2019 to October 12, 2019. Compensation amounts: $1,300 - one-time RT travel allowance; $250 - weekly living allowance Housing. Start dates flexible by 1-2 weeks. This position also includes money-handling and therefore is NOT AmeriCorps eligible. For full job description, go to https://www.indeed.com/viewjob?jk=e6025150afbce393&tk=1cr0n1ra4b01i803&from=serp&vjs=3. The deadline for host sites to apply is January 18. The deadline for interns to apply is February 25.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

SUMMER 2019 SCIENCE EDUCATOR POSITIONS with ALASKA GEOGRAPHIC IN DENALI NATIONAL PARK. Would you like to spend the summer living, working, and recreating amidst spectacular mountain scenery in Denali? Apply to join the Alaska Geographic science education team at the Murie Science and Learning Center in Denali National Park and Preserve for a summer of learning, exploration, sharing, and fun. We offer competitive pay rates and are committed to continuous learning. Learn more at http://akgeo.org/about-alaska-geographic/employment/. Applications due January 13.

FINANCE & OPERATIONS DIRECTOR for THE ALASKA CENTER to provide leadership for the ongoing financial vision and strategy for our organizations, managing day-to-day operations and financial activities, and performing the essential financial and accounting duties. The Director will lead the overall process for financial planning, accounting, budgeting, tax form preparation, and auditing activities and is responsible for organizational fiscal stewardship by maintaining computerized financial records, providing auditing support, conducting financial analysis, producing financial reports, managing investment performance reports and delivering information to stakeholders in a timely and transparent manner. **Required Skills and Qualifications:** Bachelor’s degree or equivalent work experience required;
Familiarity with 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) regulations and compliance; At least five (5) years of progressively increasing responsibility in accounting/finance required; Ability to prepare and maintain accurate and timely records and reports; Strong knowledge of fund or cost accounting is preferred; Excellent analytical and leadership skills. This is a full-time position based in Anchorage, Alaska. Salary is DOE with a generous benefits package including medical, dental, and retirement plan. All Alaska Center staff have access to professional development training and support. To apply, please send a resume, cover letter, and three professional references to jobs@akcenter.org. Position open until filled. To see the full job description, go to https://akcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/Finance-Director-Job-Description.pdf.

NATURALIST GUIDES for CAMP DENALI and NORTH FACE LODGE in DENALI NATIONAL PARK for the summer of 2019. Our naturalist guides are teachers of experiential learning, backcountry hiking guides, and competent drivers. Guides are responsible for: leading lodge guests into the trail-less backcountry of Denali National Park on day hikes; using creative teaching techniques to expand the guests’ knowledge of Alaskan ecosystems and to encourage land stewardship; and safely transporting people over the unpaved, mountainous park road. The position is usually combined with positions in other departments depending on company needs. Current WFR and CPR certifications and a solid academic background in the natural sciences are required (MS preferred). Experience in arctic/sub-arctic or alpine regions is desired. This is a rewarding and challenging position, set in an unparalleled location, among an interesting, committed, and conservation-minded community of staff. For over 60 years, Camp Denali and North Face Lodge have been family-owned and operated lodges with a reputation for excellence. We seek to offer the highest quality experience for visitors who venture out with our diverse and qualified staff of naturalists. This is not your average job in Denali. A three-season commitment is required. Interviews begin in December 2018 and will continue through January as needed until the positions are filled. For more information including a complete job announcement, or to apply, please see the employment page at www.campdenali.com or contact jobs@campdenali.com.

ALASKA STATE DIRECTOR for The WILDERNESS SOCIETY to help set strategic direction and vision for the organization’s work in Alaska, engage and lead a cross departmental team, and build respectful, authentic partnerships aimed at achieving shared goals and building political influence. The Director will develop and lead the organization’s work in Alaska and is responsible for developing strategic partnerships, fundraising, directing and/or leading campaigns, and managing staff and budget. In addition to directly managing staff in the Anchorage office, the Director also provides support, strategic guidance and direction to additional staff, within and outside of the regional office, who contribute to work in the state. The Director plays a critical role in cultivating and managing relationships with a wide range of partners (including Alaska Native and conservation groups) as well as with federal, state, and tribal officials and their staffs to advance conservation outcomes and other shared goals developed with partners. Experience and Competencies: Extensive experience working on or leading issue advocacy or political campaigns and/or work to advance public policy changes at the local, state or federal level. Proven cultural competency working with communities of color, particularly Native American or Alaskan Native communities, is strongly preferred. Solid communication and interpersonal skills that can be applied to complex conservation issues,
partnerships and coalitions. Strong staff management experience and competency in cross-organizational collaboration. Strategic thinking and demonstrated ability to craft a compelling vision and set goals and priorities. The Wilderness Society offers a competitive salary and benefits package, including: health, dental, vision, life and disability insurance; sick and vacation leave; a sabbatical program; and a retirement plan. To see the full job description, go to https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/view/994680696/?recommendedFlavor=IN_NETWORK&refId=a2bd2d72-c88d-4b05-b10d-5310fcf95a0f&trk=eml-jymbii-organic-job-card&midToken=AQGuhGKApo8WYQ&trkEmail=eml-jobs_jymbii_digest-null-3-null-null-az7sg%7Ejp9xvcfI%7E40-null-jobs%7Evie.

NEPA PRACTITIONER and WRITER for DOWL in Anchorage to help support EIS project management teams as well as other environmental projects as needed through a full spectrum of research, fieldwork, documentation, report preparation, public involvement, and agency coordination services to clients in the area of environmental documentation in support of State and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) projects. Education and/or Experience: Baccalaureate degree from an accredited environmental, planning, engineering or related science program required. A Master’s degree from an accredited environmental, planning, engineering or related science program is preferred. Ten years of progressively responsible NEPA and/or environmental compliance project experience, experience must include EIS-level analysis and coordination. The ideal candidate will have been part of the project management team for an EIS and understand the complexities of high-level NEPA. The candidate must be able to demonstrate that they have experience to independently determine what is needed for NEPA and be able to draft EIS sections based on existing technical reports and information. An understanding of the parallel permitting processes that occur during the NEPA process and knowledge of agency processes are desired. Must have a valid driver’s license and a good driving record. Applications accepted online only at company careers webpage - https://careers.dowl.com. Please provide a writing sample along with your application.

NEPA WRITER for DOWL to provide NEPA expertise and writing to the environmental group out of our Anchorage office. The position will help support EIS project management teams. The position will also help support other environmental projects as needed through a full spectrum of research, field work, documentation, report preparation, public involvement, and agency coordination services to clients in the area of environmental permitting, documentation, and environmental planning in support of state and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) projects. Education and/or Experience: Baccalaureate degree from an accredited environmental, planning, engineering or related science program required. A Master’s degree from an accredited environmental, planning, engineering or related science program is preferred. Three to five years of progressively responsible NEPA and/or environmental compliance project experience required, experience must include EIS-level analysis and/or coordination. The ideal candidate will have been part of an EIS and understand the complexities of high-level NEPA. An understanding of the parallel permitting processes that occur during the NEPA process and knowledge of agency processes are desired. Must have a valid driver’s license and a good driving record. Please provide a writing sample along with your application. Applications accepted online only at company careers webpage at https://careers.dowl.com.
**DENALI NATIONAL PARK** has amazing **SEASONAL SUMMER JOBS** available for environmental and outdoor educators. Interpretation Rangers develop and present a variety of programs including guided walks and illustrated talks, and provide information and orientation services in visitor centers, ranger stations, and while roving trails. Backcountry Rangers perform similar duties with additional backcountry permitting responsibilities and roves. In addition, each summer Denali hires up to three Park Rangers to serve as education staff who focus on instructing multi-day youth programs and offering family programs at our visitor centers. The youth programs are mostly targeted at high school ages and take place both in the frontcountry and the backcountry. These jobs present unparalleled opportunities for professional development in education, interpretation, youth mentoring, risk management, and backcountry travel. All Education, Interpretation, and Backcountry jobs will likely start on April 22 and last approximately six months. Slightly shorter seasons may be possible so please inquire if that is your situation. Education staff are hired from the same job application certificates as Interpretation and Backcountry Rangers. The links on USAJOBS are: Interpretation - [https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/482638700](https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/482638700); Backcountry - [https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/489463000](https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/489463000). There is a limit on the number of applications that will be accepted for each position, so it's a good idea to build a resume in USAJobs prior to the application period, and to submit your application within the first two days that the position is open. You may use keywords or phrases like "denali national park" to search in USAJobs regularly to find open announcements. For more information or help applying, contact Sierra McLane at 907-683-6436 or email [sierra_mclane@nps.gov](mailto:sierra_mclane@nps.gov) or Rachel Jencks at 907-683-6430 or email [rachel_jencks@nps.gov](mailto:rachel_jencks@nps.gov).

**SEASONAL TRAIL MANAGER** for the **EAGLE RIVER NATURE CENTER** from April 25 through September 30. If you are passionate about working outdoors, please send a letter of interest and resume to [info@ernc.org](mailto:info@ernc.org). 24-30 hours per week, compensation DOE. Applications will be reviewed in the order received, starting January 15. To see the full job description, go to [www.ernc.org](http://www.ernc.org).

**PROGRAM OFFICER** and **PROGRAM OFFICER – EXTERNAL AFFAIRS** for the **RASMUSON FOUNDATION** in Anchorage. To see job descriptions, go to [https://www.rasmuson.org/about/employment/](https://www.rasmuson.org/about/employment/).


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