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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

KODIAK - ALASKA'S FABULOUS FUR BEARERS! will be held from 4:30 to 8:30 on Friday and from 9am to 5pm on Saturday at the USFWS Visitor's Center. 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, animal signs, food chains/webs, 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://alaskasfaburbearers.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>.

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>. For more information, go to <http://www.alaskamarinescience.org>. To register, go to <https://www.alaskamarinescience.org/register/>.

****February 8**

ANCHORAGE - ALASKA ASSOCIATION FOR THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG CHILDREN CONFERENCE will be held at the Hilton Hotel from 9:45 to 11:45am. "But they're just Playing! Nope, they're learning!" Play is the fundamental way young children learn about the world around them. Teachers of young children learn how to help their charges gain physical, emotional and intellectual confidence to learn outside. Conference registration is required.

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 through 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>. For more information, contact Brenda Duty at 907-267-2216 or email 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>. For more information, contact Brenda Duty at 907-267-2216 or email 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/>. A scholarship and student travel awards are available.

March 4 – 8

FAIRBANKS – The **ALASKA BIRD CONFERENCE** 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](#), call the Alaska Songbird Institute at (907) 888-2121 or [visit the website](#). 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](#), 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/>.

WEBINARS & TELECONFERENCES

****January 8 (WEBINAR)**

THE 4TH NATIONAL CLIMATE ASSESSMENT: THE PROCESS and TAKE-AWAYS for ALASKA will be held at 10am. Panelists: **STEVE GRAY**, Alaska Climate Adaptation Science Center; **RICK THOMAN**, Alaska Center for Climate Assessment and Policy; **JEREMY LITTELL**, Alaska Climate Adaptation Science Center; **TOM HENNESSY**, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); **MOLLY MCCAMMON**, Alaska Ocean Observing System. The 4th National Climate Assessment (NCA), released Nov 23rd, 2018, summarizes the impacts of climate change on the United States, now and in the future. A team of more than 300 experts guided by a Federal Steering Committee (composed of representatives from each of USGCRP's 13-member agencies) produced the report, which was extensively reviewed by the public and experts, including federal agencies and a panel of the National Academies of

Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. The report is divided into regions and sectors. This presentation will explore the NCA process and key takeaway points with a focus on Alaska, including observed and projected climate changes on human health and community wellbeing, as well as coastal and marine impacts. More information and registration [HERE](#)

GRANTS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/ CONTESTS/RFPs

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>. 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 (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>).

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

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 9**

SEWARD – Deadline for comment or to request a public hearing on the **DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) the SEWARD AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**. The improved airport will include replacement of a runway and improvements to drainage to mitigate Resurrection River flooding. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2019 or later. The Draft EA addresses the proposed action and potential economic, social, and environmental effects. The Draft EA is available at: www.dot.state.ak.us/creg/sewardairport. For more information, contact Renee Goentzel, Environmental Impact Analyst, at (907) 269-0714, or via email at renee.goentzel@alaska.gov. Submit comments to Brian Elliott, Environmental Manager, at brian.elliott@alaska.gov.

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.

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¤tPageId=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 25**

FAIRBANKS – Comments are due on request for information on a proposal to **CONSTRUCT a NEW INTERCHANGE at the INTERSECTION of the RICHARDSON and OLD RICHARDSON HIGHWAYS and GRADE-SEPARATE the EXISTING AT-GRADE RAILROAD CROSSING NEAR MP 359**. The proposed work would include: An interchange at the intersection of the Richardson Highway and the Old Richardson Highway; A railroad grade separated facility near MP 359; Removal of the existing Richardson Highway at-grade southbound left-turn intersection; Installation of new bridges, retaining walls, guardrails, lighting, striping, and signage; and, Roadside drainage improvements and utility relocations. Construction of the proposed project is anticipated to begin in 2022. For more information, contact Colleen Ackiss, Project Manager, at 451-5179 or email colleen.ackiss@alaska.gov. Submit comments to Brett Nelson, Regional Environmental Manager, at brett.nelson@alaska.gov or at [Leave a Comment](#).

****January 31**

PALMER/WASILLA – Comments are due on the proposal to **RESURFACE APPROXIMATELY 10 MILES of PALMER-FISHHOOK ROAD from the INTERSECTION of WASILLA-FISHHOOK ROAD through the INTERSECTION with**

GOLD CHORD ROAD. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in summer 2020. For more information, contact Kelly Summers, Project Manager, at 269-0546 email kelly.summers@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.

****February 8**

Deadline for nominations for the **FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE BOARD IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS 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.

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-office/eplanning/planAndProjectSite.do?methodName=dispatchToPatternPage¤tPageId=152110>.

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 9**

LIFE & TRAVELS OF ALASKA'S GLOBETROTTING SHOREBIRDS will be discussed at 7pm at the Alaska Zoo by **RICK LANCTOT**, U.S. Fish Wildlife Service, and **LILI NAVES**, Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Travel with Alaska's shorebirds to the equator and southern hemisphere, tropical islands and foreign beaches, that have essential habitat in their annual migration. Along the journey, meet the people who are working hard to conserve these crucial habitats and, ultimately, Alaska's shorebirds. The lecture is FREE, ASL interpreted, and coffee and tea are always available. There are door prizes too! For more information on this and other Alaska Zoo Education programs, please contact Stephanie Hartman, Education Director, at (907)341-6463 or slhartman@alaskazoo.org.

****January 11**

Public Hearing will be held at the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting beginning at 6pm at the Spenard Recreation Center, 2020 West 48th Avenue, on Resolution 19-01, **FRONTIERLAND PARK** that recommends Assembly approval of the disposal of an easement to Chugach Electric Association, Inc. for portions within Frontierland Park, for ongoing operation of existing Municipal Light and Power infrastructure within the Park after the sale of the assets of ML&P to Chugach. Written testimony/comments may be submitted prior to the public hearing to Municipality of Anchorage, Parks & Recreation at WWCRSPR@ci.anchorage.ak.us. For more information, call 343-4503 or 343-4355.

****January 16**

ODDITIES & VILLAINS OF EARLY ALASKA AVIATION will be presented at 7pm at the BLM Campbell Creek Science Center, 5600 Science Center Drive. You may have heard about Alaska's earliest bush pilots. They were comic book heroes in the 1920s and 1930s and were dubbed the "Cowboys of the Sky." But you likely have never heard about the villains, the braggarts, or the quirky guys in Alaska's skies during the golden era of bush pilots. You probably also have never heard about Alaska's flying cows or the military bases that were so secret the military didn't know about them! And chances are that you've asked yourself the second most common question at the Alaska Aviation Museum: Whose face graces the tail of Alaska Airlines' jets? Please join us as **MARK RANSOM**, pilot, historian, and tour guide at the Alaska Aviation Museum, tells us about all this and more! The program is part of the Center's Fireside Chat lecture series and is free and open to the public. For more information please call 267-1241.

****January 16**

WILDLIFE HEALTH will be presented by **KATHY BUREK**, Owner of Alaska Veterinary Pathology Services from 7 to 8pm at the BP Energy Center. Learning about wildlife is the first step in protecting it, and at Alaska Wildlife Alliance's free Wildlife Wednesday presentations you're sure to learn something new! These free events start with a short presentation from a wildlife expert and are followed by a period of Q & A. Free donuts will be provided courtesy of Dipper Donuts and families are welcome! For more information, [Visit our website](#).

January 22 & 23 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)

The **OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD (ORTAB)** will meet from 9am to 4pm both days in Room 1270 of the Atwood Building, 550 West 7th Avenue, 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. The public is welcome to attend. 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.

For more information about the meeting, the ORTAB, or the Recreational Trails Program, go to <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/trails.htm>.

****January 26**

WINTER WILDLANDS ALLIANCE BACKCOUNTRY FILM FESTIVAL will be held at 7pm at the Eagle River Nature Center. Join us for a celebration of the human-powered experience. Immerse yourself in an evening of films that capture the spirit of winter. Adventure, environment, youth outdoor, ski culture - you'll find it all in this award-winning lineup. Sponsored by the Alaska Quiet Rights Coalition. Advance tickets with pre-assigned seating are available for \$8/person at www.ernc.org. Tickets are \$10 on the day of the event.

****February 2**

ANCHORAGE TRANSPORTATION FAIR will be held from 3 to 7pm at the Alaska Airlines Center, 3550 Providence Drive. Ride bus routes 10, 20, or 55. The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities and partners, including the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska Railroad Corporation, and Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility, invite you to participate in the Anchorage Transportation Fair. The event is a "super open house" providing a showcase of walking, biking, driving, rail, and aviation projects and plans within the Municipality of Anchorage and main corridors to the Mat-Su and Kenai Peninsula. The Fair is free and open to the public and there is no cost for parking. Reserve a table for your transportation project or program. For more information, go to <http://anchoragegetranspofair.blogspot.com/>.

MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE

January 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 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

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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 Hying 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.

****January 9**

FAIRBANKS - The **NORTHERN REGION ALASKA STATE PARKS CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD** will meet from 5 to 6:30pm in the Dept. of Natural Resource Building, 3700 Airport Way. The Board provides a forum for the collection and expression of opinions and recommendations on matters relating to State Parks and outdoor recreation in the northern region. This month the board welcomes Jim Sackett, the new director of the Governor's office in Fairbanks. They will provide Mr. Sackett with an overview of park operations in the northern region. The public is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Brooks Ludwig at 451-2698 or email brooks.ludwig@alaska.gov. [Leave a Comment](#).

****January 9**

FAIRBANKS - The **NAME FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE** will hold a public meeting at 6:30pm in the Pioneer Hall in Pioneer Park. Agenda items will be announced later. For further information contact Nissa Pilcher at 907.459.7263 or email nissa.pilcher@alaska.gov

****January 9**

NINILCHIK - The **CENTRAL PENINSULA FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE** will hold an election meeting at the Ninilchik School library at 7pm. Also, on the agenda will be preparing comments for the BOF Statewide, BOF Southcentral Region proposals, discussion of Cook Inlet fishery proposals to submit, and any other business that may properly come before the committee. For more information contact David Martin at 567-3306.

****January 10**

PETERSBURG - The **ALASKA BOARD of GAME** will conduct a one-day work session on at the Sons of Norway Hall beginning at 9am. No regulatory action will be taken at the meeting. The tentative agenda includes: Election of Officers; Agency Reports; Board Committee Assignments and Reports; Approval of the 2019/2020 Meeting Dates and Locations; Board Findings for Allocating Nelchina Caribou Hunting Permits; Drawing Permits: Discussion for Allowing Permits to be Returned by a Deadline Without Penalty; Suggestions to ADF&G on Photo Guidelines for the Hunting Regulations Booklet; Invasive Disease and Parasites Discussion Including M. ovi and Moose Winter Tick. The meeting is open to the public, but no oral public testimony will be taken. Comments can be submitted online at www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov or emailed to dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov. The audio of the meeting is intended to be streamed live on the website at www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov. The agenda and other meeting documents will be available prior to the meeting on the Alaska Board of Game meeting information webpage at www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=01-10-2019&meeting=petersburg. For more information about the meeting, contact the Department of Fish and Game, Boards Support Section at 907-465-4046.

****January 12**

PALMER – FREE KIDWIND CHALLENGE TRAINING will be held from 8:30am to 3pm at the MTA Headquarters, hosted by the Renewable Energy Alaska Project (REAP). The purpose of this training is to prepare educators to teach their students about wind energy and guide them through participating in the [KidWind Challenge](#) on **March 2**. We will cover general energy concepts, wind energy in Alaska, the KidWind Challenge, and practice hands-on activities. The first 20 people to sign up for the training will also receive a free [KidWind Basic Kit](#). The training is open to any interested adult, although preference is given to teachers or other educators who will be bringing at least one team to the Challenge. Continuing education credit is available, along with a stipend to cover the cost of the credit through UAA. Learn more and register for the training [here](#), and [email Colleen](#) at REAP with any questions.

****January 16**

JUNEAU - JUNEAU AREA STATE PARK CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD meeting will be held at 5:15 in the UAS campus Egan Building and is are open to the public to comment, inform and seek information regarding the local Juneau 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 complete nine-member advisory board should consist of a wide range of ages, personal interests, recreational users, backgrounds, and career patterns to better provide for a diversity of opinions, feedback and ideas. The board has a few vacant seats, this is your opportunity to share your opinions about how best to manage and preserve the unique natural,

cultural and historic Juneau community state parks, while enhancing the recreational opportunities and enjoyment for all visitors and future generations. 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.

****January 23**

CORDOVA - The **COPPER RIVER/PWS FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE** will have an election meeting at 7pm in the PWS Aquaculture Corp. Conference Room. Also, on the agenda will be discussing upcoming BOG and Statewide Fisheries meeting proposals. For more information, contact Tom Carpenter, Game Chair at 424-3101. Information on the Board proposals is available at <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.main>.

****January 24**

KETCHIKAN - The **KETCHIKAN FISH AND GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE** will hold a public meeting at 5:30pm in the Alaska Department of Fish & Game Office Conference Room. A **teleconference may available** for those not able to attend in person. Please contact Jessalynn at 907-465-6097 for teleconference information. Agenda includes: Board of Fisheries statewide proposals & other issues; Joint Board proposals & other issues; Prince of Wales Landscape Level Analysis; Other Advisory Committee business. For more information, contact Chair John Scoblic at jscoblic@TridentSeafoods.com or Jessalynn in the Department of Fish & Game at 907-465-6097.

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 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%2Epdf>.

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](#).

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.

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](mailto:Seth.Spencer@akcoastalstudies.org) 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](http://www.nau.edu/itepinterns). Submit an application online at http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/eeop/Internships/ssi_host. For more information, please contact ITEP Intern Coordinator Mansel A. Nelson at 928-523-1275 (Please leave a message), EEOP-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

****DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR** for **COOK INLETKEEPER** will lead the fundraising and capacity building efforts to ensure the continued financial stability of the organization, maintain organizational records, grow membership and investment in the organization, and support outreach and marketing of the organization. Must have a demonstrated passion for protecting clean water and healthy salmon habitat and a willingness to work with a dynamic, dedicated team in a challenging but inspiring environment. Permanent Full-Time Position, working 40 hours per workweek. Position is based in Cook Inletkeeper's headquarters office, located in beautiful Homer, Alaska. Generous benefits package; salary DOE. Open until filled. Job posting and details on how to apply can be found at <https://inletkeeper.org/job/>.

****OUTREACH COORDINATOR** for the **ALASKA ZOO EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** for the permanent, full-time, permanent position that involves developing and leading school district outreach and field trip programs, outreach program coordination, booking and invoicing, and assisting with various education events and presentations. Public presentation experience and a bachelor's degree in animal science, biology or related field is strongly desired. Exotic animal experience is essential, and candidate must be willing to handle a variety of education ambassador animals, including but not limited to reptiles, birds and mammals. Candidate must possess the ability to work well individually and as a team and must be comfortable instructing and presenting to all age groups, especially children. Excellent communication, organization and time management skills are a must. The ability to develop science-based program activities with a creative flare is also essential. Candidate must have a clean background and submit to a full background check, in addition to holding a valid Alaska driver's license. Work hours will vary

with some evenings, overnights and weekends required based on program schedules. Must be physically capable of lifting 50 pounds unassisted and working in a variety of outdoor weather conditions. The starting pay of the position is \$13.00 per hour, 40 hours per week. To see the full job description, go to <https://www.alaskazoo.org/employment>. Interested parties should email a cover letter and resume to Stephanie Hartman at slhartman@alaskazoo.org.

****ALASKA GEOGRAPHIC** is currently hiring **Summer Field Leaders** for the 2019 summer season for the following positions.

****KAYAK GUIDE AND FIELD LEADER** - Our Kayak Expeditions take Alaskan high school students and teachers into remote Prince William Sound to learn leadership and wilderness skills while also completing work projects. Prince William Sounds kayak guiding experience preferred. As a leader, you are responsible for participant safety and the daily logistics of the program.

****BACKPACKING FIELD LEADER** - The Backpacking Expeditions take place in Chugach State Park and Denali National Park and involve conservation work projects. As a leader, you are responsible for participant safety and the daily logistics of the program.

****YOUTH TRAIL-WORK EXPEDITION LEADER** - Our trail crews camp in remote areas and complete trail work and conservation projects in National Forest and Parks. As a leader, you are responsible for participant safety and the daily logistics of the project.

****ADULT KENAI FJORDS MARINE EXPEDITION LEADER** – Alaska Geographic works with Teachers to get them out into nature and experience public lands first hand. The group spends time exploring Kenai Fjords, living and sleeping aboard a boat. Leaders are responsible for group safety, daily logistics, and working with boat staff to manage off-boat excursions. Kayaking experience preferred.

****DOCUMENTARIAN POSITION and ASSISTANT TRIP LEADER POSITIONS** available for several of the youth expeditions.

All trips take place from June-August. **Mandatory paid training will take place May 17-19.** Expeditions vary in length from 1 to 2 weeks. A full season of work is available for the right candidate. Field Leaders are **required to have a current Wilderness First Responder (WFR) or Wilderness First Aid (WFA) medical certification**, depending on the position. To find out more about available positions or to apply, send a resumé and cover letter to William Melton at wmelton@alaskageographic.org or call 907-771-8466 for more information.

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-2017/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%7Ejp9xvcfl%7E40-null-jobs%7Eview.

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. Applications accepted online only at company careers webpage - <https://careers.dowl.com>.

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>; Backcountry - <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 or Rachel Jencks at 907-683-6430 or email 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. 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.

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/>.

OUTREACH & FUNDRAISING ASSISTANT for the **CALYPSO FARM & ECOLOGY CENTER** in Ester for a full time, year-round position. This position works with Calypso's office management, fundraising plan and program outreach in the lively hub of Calypso's education and farm activities. To see full job description, go to <http://www.calypsofarm.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/2018-Outreach-Fundraising-Assistant-Position-description.pdf>. Position open until filled.

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