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**WHAT’S UP**  
March 20, 2019  
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**CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, SPECIAL EVENTS**

Now – June 1  
**GREAT AMERICAN ARCTIC BIRDING CHALLENGE** will be held to count birds from all over the United States and from all six continents that travel to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and other ecologically rich areas of the American Arctic. Birds rely on these pristine habitats for nesting, breeding, staging, and molting. Recruit some fellow birders (up to six per team), think of a snazzy team name, grab a pair of binoculars, and find as many different Arctic bird species as you can in your state. Learn more about the challenge and register your team today.

March 21, 28 & April 4  
The **ALASKA MASTER NATURALIST OUTDOOR WRITING WORKSHOP** presents LEARN to WRITE ABOUT the MEANING of WILD PLACES with SHAWN LYONS, author and avid outdoorsman at Loussac Library from 6 to 8pm at. Topics include the importance of concrete language, correct terminology, and organization based on a specific thesis or theme. To guide and inspire our work we will also discuss the definition of Nature Writing and read examples--some going back as far as 3,000 BCE. Registration is required. Cost is $50 per class or sign up for all three for only $125. Register online or pay by cash or check at the Anchorage Outreach Center. For questions, contact Kay Shoemaker-Howell at kwshoemaker@alaska.edu or call (907) 786-6345.

March 22 – 24  
The **ALTERNATE ENERGY CLASS: TAKE THE BASICS of GROUND SOURCE HEAT PUMP SYSTEMS** will be taught by MARK MASTELLAR at Kachemak Bay College from 5:30 to 8pm on Friday, 10am to 5pm on Saturday and from10am to 3p on Sunday. The course presents basics of ground-source heat pump geoexchange systems and their use for space heating and cooling and domestic hot water production. Introduces physical concepts related to harvesting shallow geothermal energy, system components, common installation configurations, cost/benefit considerations and safety. Register online or call 235-1651 if you need help registering or have any questions.

March 30  
The **ANCHORAGE- CO-CREATE with the JOYFUL SPIRITS of NATURE and LAUNCH a WORKING RELATIONSHIP** will be held from 9am to 5p in the Unity Spiritual Center of Anchorage Community Room with ELLEN VANDE VISSE, based on her book, Ask Mother Nature. Meet the wise, helpful, and humorous spirits of nature. Learn how to partner with them to: cut down a tree without traumatizing it; strike a deal with the pests in your house or yard; heal
**April 6**

ANCHORAGE - ALASKA MASTER GARDENERS STATEWIDE CONFERENCE will be held from 8am to 5:30pm at the UAA Lucy Cuddy Center. One day conference includes lunch, Silent Auction and Garden Market. Late Registration After April 2 - dependent on Space Available. To see agenda and registration information, go to https://alaskamastergardeners.org/conference.html.

**April 20 & 21**

HAWKWATCH WEEKEND will be held at Mile 118.8 Glenn Highway. W. Keys will give a Hawk Identification talk. We'll start the weekend helping you learn what you’ll be seeing all weekend. There will be no food available other than what you bring, so make it a tailgate party. Saturday evening, Sheep Mountain Lodge will provide a Hawkwatchers’ Dinner. RESERVATIONS ARE NECESSARY and can be made by calling Sheep Mountain Lodge directly. Dinner will begin at 6:30, and there will be a short hawk watching program. They are also planning a Birders Continental Breakfast on Sunday Morning. Sunday, the Mat-Su Birders will host their annual Potluck Party at the site. Bring a dish or dishes to share. There will be barbecues and oodles of food. This is the Birding Party of the Year. Rooms will be available at the Sheep Mountain Lodge for those who want to spend the whole weekend. There are also rooms at the Eureka Roadhouse and several other small lodges in the area. The Sheep Mountain Restaurant is CLOSED for the season between the end of Ski/Snowmobile season and the Summer season. It is ONLY open for the Hawkwatchers’ Dinner and the Continental Breakfast on Sunday morning. The cafe at Eureka Roadhouse IS OPEN from 7am until 9pm. Be prepared for any weather. Bring the warmest layers you have. It might be warm and sunny, and it might be freezing so be prepared. Bring binoculars, spotting scopes if you have them, plenty of food, water, sunglasses, sunscreen, and lawn chairs are highly advised for a day of leaning back and looking straight up. You can drive up for either day or stay for the weekend. There’s more information at www.anchorageaudubon.org and we’d love to see you at what is absolutely the Harlan’s Hawk Capital of the World. For more information, go to https://www.anchorageaudubon.org/?p=4277.

**May 6 – 9, 20, and June 3 -6**

ANCHORAGE - A New Series of the ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLER WORKSHOP will be held at the APU campus. The Workshop is recognized by ADEC as part of the Qualified Sampler Certification. Learn and get hands-on experiences in basic field parameter collection, sampling, sample handling and shipping of surface water, groundwater and soil including details on PFAs and Multi Incremental sampling methods. Background information in surface water, groundwater, and soil characteristics including permafrost, instrument calibration, QC-samples, and regulatory processes are taught in a classroom setting. A rebate of 30% will be given to Veterans and Full Time Students. For more information and to register (required), go to http://www.environmentalsampler.com.
GUSTAVUS - CLIMATE OF HOPE: LIVING ALASKAN AND WORKING FOR CHANGE, a climate change adult course to be held at the Inian Islands Institute located south of the Brady Icefield, nestled between Glacier Bay National Park and the Tongass National Forest.

- 12 Participants;
- Gain practical tools for solving the climate crisis from ZACH BROWN and renowned author KIM HEACOX;
- $3500 for rustic “student” accommodations; $4000 for more comfortable “B&B style” accommodations (limited availability). Prices are all-inclusive from Juneau; participants are responsible for their own travel to and from Juneau. Scholarships may be available for climate change educators, foundation program officers, and those in the non-profit sector. Please submit a short statement of interest: up to 250 words explaining why you are drawn to this course. Priority will be given to those who genuinely seek to help solve the climate crisis.
- FMI, or to register, contact Zach Brown at zwbrown@inianislandsinstitute.org or 907-697-2210. For more information, go to climate change adult course.

TWO UPCOMING COURSES in WETLAND SCIENCE from WETLAND TRAINING INSTITUTE in ANCHORAGE

June 17 & 18 - WETLAND DELINEATION TRAINING (or Refresher course) satisfies the requirements for basic wetland delineation training as specified by the Corps of Engineers and certification programs in many states. Learn the technical guidelines for wetland delineations, field indicators of hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology, methods for making jurisdictional determinations and methods to apply in difficult situations. Materials and content are the same as identified in our in-person 5-day Basic Wetland Delineation classes. Expect to spend a minimum of 24-lecture-contact-hours online that can be started at any time but must be completed prior to attending the field session selected at time of registration. Successful completion of course requires participation at one in-person 16-contact-hour field session. Cost $1,275. To register or for more information, go to https://wetlandtraining.com/course/wetland-delineation-online/ or call 877-792-6482. To register for just the refresher course (only for those that have already had a full wetland delineation course from us or another provider) go to https://wetlandtraining.com/course/wetland-delineation-refresher/ or call 877-792-6482.

June 19 & 20 - ADVANCED HYDRIC SOILS TRAINING begins with 8 hours of online lectures on soil formation, redoximorphic features, soil color, drained hydric soils, and wetlands not meeting indicators. The 2-day field practicum includes field exercises and additional instruction on regional hydric soil indicators and problematic situations. Informed insights and a focus on field techniques and proper documentation should greatly improve the participant’s command of the Field Indicators of Hydric Soils, a major aspect of the Regional Supplements for wetland delineation. Field visits will examine natural, landscaped, and disturbed conditions and include time for in-depth questioning of a knowledgeable instructor to reinforce the lectures. Participants will receive Lecture Notes, 2017 Pocket Guide to Hydric Soils Indicators, and a USB drive containing the current Regional Supplements and other pertinent reference publications. Expect to spend a minimum of 8-lecture-contact-hours online and 16 hours in the field. Online lectures can be started (and reviewed) at any time but must be completed prior to attending the field session selected at time of registration. Successful completion of this course requires participation at one in-person 16-contact-hour field session. Cost $850. To register or for more information, go to https://wetlandtraining.com/course/ahs-with-field/ or call 877-792-6482.
**Wetland Training Institute, Inc.** meets the educational and technical resource needs of professionals involved in all aspects of water resource conservation, management, and regulation. We are an association of more than 20 individuals from private industry, academia, and government.

**June 22 to August 9**
Applications open for the **ALASKA WRANGELL MOUNTAINS FIELD STUDIES PROGRAM** for students at least one year into their undergraduate education for the 7-week summer field course (earn 10 semester/16 quarter credits through Evergreen State College). Cost is $9,400 ([scholarships available](https://www.wrangells.org/fieldstudies)). Based in the historic town of McCarthy, in the heart of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park. Our [interdisciplinary curriculum](#) focuses on the forces shaping the rapidly-changing landscape of the Wrangell Mountains and beyond, including geology, ecology, climate change, policy, land management, outdoor leadership, and history. Backpack across glaciers into alpine meadows and forested valleys, no previous experience required. Field research-intensive, with close mentoring by world-class faculty. This course is a joint offering of The Wrangell Mountains Center and The Evergreen State College. Get more information at [www.wrangells.org/fieldstudies](https://www.wrangells.org/fieldstudies). See a short video at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HSnbUANCw6Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HSnbUANCw6Q). For more information, go to sophie@wrangells.org.

**June 26–29**

**July 23 – August 22**
**HOMER - ALASKA COASTAL SUMMER INSTITUTE** (ACSI) is a unique, immersive field study opportunity for undergraduate and continuing education students! During this intensive, five-week program, you will gain diverse hands-on experiences. The program is built around four core experiences (each about a week in duration) hosted by local research agencies and community-organizations in the Kachemak Bay area: Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies, Kachemak Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Marine Mammal Stranding Network, NOAA/Kasitsna Bay Lab, and US Fish and Wildlife Service. These core experiences provide a fun, fascinating, and highly effective way to learn how scientific knowledge is being built and used in Kachemak Bay. You will also attain job-related skills in research design, data collection, analysis, and science communication. Plus, you can grow your professional network and become familiar with a number of the research agencies working in Kachemak Bay, exploring different career options and build connections with organizations that offer seasonal internships, as well as research/graduate school positions! Each core experience determined by the partner agencies offers students insight into their most interesting and important research, community-based monitoring, and science communication work. The cost is approximately $3000, but some scholarship assistance may be available. For more information, go to [https://www.akcoastalstudies.org/education-programs/alaska-coastal-summer-institute.html](https://www.akcoastalstudies.org/education-programs/alaska-coastal-summer-institute.html).
**WEBINARS & TELECONFERENCES**

**March 27 (TELECONFERENCE)**
EXPLOITATION BY EXPOSURE: HUMAN RIGHTS and TOXIC EXPOSURES - A DISCUSSION with UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL RAPPOREUR on TOXICS will be held from 9 to 10am as part of the Alaska Collaborative on Health and the Environment (CHE-Alaska) teleconference seminar series. People around the world are exposed to toxic substances linked to certain cancers, reproductive impairment, respiratory diseases, diabetes, and neurodevelopmental harm, among other adverse health effects. Children are at greatest risk with pediatricians describing a number of children today as born "pre-polluted." People living in poverty, indigenous peoples, women, workers, migrants and minorities are also more vulnerable to exposures and associated violations of their rights to life, health, food, water, just work conditions, and a healthy environment. Join BASKUT TUNCAK, United Nations Special Rapporteur on hazardous substances and wastes (i.e. toxics) for a discussion of why and how toxic exposures can violate human rights. Learn how exposure to pollutants is a public health crisis present in all countries, from the wealthiest to the least industrialized. Hear about UN efforts to compel polluters to end this abuse by adopting solutions that prevent or minimize exposure to stop the poisoning of communities, workers, and consumers. To join this call, please sign up online or call Alaska Community Action on Toxics at 907-222-7714.

**April 4 (TELECONFERENCE MEETING)**
BOARD of FORESTRY teleconference meeting will be held from 8am to 4:15pm to discuss statewide forestry issues. Topics on the agenda include: • Annual resource agency and Board of Forestry reports on the effectiveness of the Forest Resources and Practices Act • Results of 2018’s compliance monitoring and road condition survey • Forestry and forest practices budgets for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2019 • Proposed state regulations and bail schedule for new wildland fire prevention statutes • Coastal forest management issues including reports on Tongass Roadless Rule litigation, the Mental Health Trust land exchange, timber sales under the state-federal Good Neighbor Agreement, and salvage harvest potential of beetle-killed spruce in the Matanuska Susitna Borough • Statewide forest management issues including reports on Division of Forestry timber sales and Forest Resources and Practices Act implementation • Presentations on blowdown prediction/reduction modeling and a trails/Outdoor recreation initiative The Board meeting will be accessible via teleconference and webinar. available in the following communities: • Juneau: DNR 4th floor conference room A, 400 Willoughby Ave. • Anchorage: DNR 550 W. Seventh Ave., Suite 1450 • Fairbanks: 3700 Airport Way, DNR large conference room • Ketchikan: Legislative Information Office, 1900 First Ave, Suite 310 Those outside of Anchorage, Fairbanks, Ketchikan or Juneau seeking to participate in the teleconference should contact Alison Arians at the Division of Forestry in Anchorage at alison.arians@alaska.gov or at 907-269-8467 no later than noon on Monday, April 1. For a copy of the agenda, go to http://forestry.alaska.gov/whatsnew.htm.

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

**March 26**
Deadline for applications for the **COOK INLET REGIONAL CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL (CIRCAC) SCHOLARSHIPS** to **TWO COOK INLET STUDENTS STUDYING ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES or MARITIME and VOCATIONAL STUDIES**. To qualify for a CIRCAC scholarship, one must be a graduating senior or recent graduate of a Cook Inlet area high school (Anchorage, Kodiak, Nikiski, Ninilchik, Kenai, Soldotna, Seldovia, Hope and Homer), or current college enrollee; and an Alaska resident who resides in the vicinity of Cook Inlet who is pursuing a college or vocational school course of study focused on, or related to environmental sciences, maritime studies or spill prevention/response. For more information or to download an application, visit [www.circac.org/outreach/scholarship-program/](http://www.circac.org/outreach/scholarship-program/).

**April 16**
Deadline for application for the **$6 million in COMMUNITY-BASED RESTORATION PROGRAM FUNDING** available for coastal and marine habitat restoration in 2019. Funding Opportunity Number NOAA-NMFS-HCPO-2019-2005889. Award amounts range from $75,000 to $3 million over one to three years. For more information contact erika.ammann@noaa.gov.

**April 15**
Deadline for applications for **The WILDLIFE CONSERVATION SOCIETY CLIMATE ADAPTATION FUND GRANTS** that fund one to two-year projects that implement science-driven, on-the-ground actions that assist wildlife and ecosystems to adapt to climate change at a landscape scale. *Project proposals must:* Focus on the functionality of ecosystems, rather than conserving individual species. Be designed for long-term conservation impact. Create the potential for impact at a landscape scale. Use strategic, targeted communications activities to amplify adaptation outcomes. Be designed with climate adaptation for wildlife and ecosystems as a core goal or outcome of the work. Propose conservation goals and actions that are grounded in the best available science. Conduct on-the-ground implementation, not research, planning or tool development. **To apply**, review the 2019 [RFP](http://www.circac.org) and [Applicant Guidance Document](http://www.circac.org). **Pre-proposals Due April 5th by 5pm EST.** Join us for our [Applicant Webinar](http://www.circac.org) on March 12 at 2pm EST to learn what makes a proposal successful. Create an account for your organization and apply on our [online application system](http://www.circac.org), and [Sign up for our mailing list](http://www.circac.org) to be among the first to receive the next RFP announcement.

**May 1**
Deadline for nominations for the **ALASKA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION 2019 AWARDS** for individuals and organizations that are making a significant difference in their efforts to protect Alaska's natural environment. Awardees will be celebrated at an awards reception on October 3 in Anchorage. This year’s award categories include:

- Lifetime Achievement
- Outstanding Volunteer Contributions
- Outstanding Professional Contributions
- Award for Young Environmental Activists
- Outstanding Achievements by a Conservation Organization
- Excellence in Environmental Education
- Excellence in Still Photography, Film or Video
Outstanding Achievements by an Alaska Native Organization or Individual
For more information or to nominate someone, go to our website. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Sadie Kurtz at skurtz@alaskaconservation.org call or 907-433-8212.

May 1
Deadline for applications for THE NATIONAL FOREST FOUNDATION COMMUNITY CAPACITY AND LAND STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM (CCLS) GRANTS that provide funding to increase the capacity of organizations implementing large scale restoration projects that benefit National Forests and Grasslands. CCLS is limited in scope to projects that benefit National Forests in the Tongass National Forest. CCLS seeks to help community-based and collaborative organizations remove barriers to watershed and/or landscape scale restoration projects and help facilitate job creation and retention and business development in their region. Each regional program offered has specific, unique desired outcomes. For more information, go to https://www.nationalforests.org/grant-programs/ccls, View Slides from 2018 Webinar.

May 15
Deadline for applications for THE 2020 - 2023 COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (CTP) PROJECTS. There are two sets of criteria for this project nomination opportunity: 1) Urban and Rural, and 2) Remote. Communities not connected to the road system by road or ferry are considered Remote. All other communities are considered Urban and Rural. The total funding available for this CTP nomination opportunity is approximately $50 million and may be adjusted based on the project nominations received. Please note that your area planners are available to help prepare project nominations and develop project estimates. Please contact your area planner as early as possible with your project idea. Please direct any questions to your regional planner. For more information, including the application and the area planner map, go to http://www.dot.state.ak.us/stwdplng/cip/stip/projects/2023_ctp_peb.shtml or call (907) 465-4070 or email dot.stip@alaska.gov.

June 1
Deadline for applications for the CLIF BAR FAMILY FOUNDATION SMALL GRANTS awarded for general organizational support as well as funding for specific projects. For more information, go to http://clifbarfamilyfoundation.org/Grants-Programs/Small-Grants. To see grants made in Alaska, go to http://clifbarfamilyfoundation.org/grantees/search-results/Alaska.

DEADLINES

March 22
Deadline for comments on the Dept. of Natural Resources (DNR) PROPOSED DECISION to GRANT DONLIN GOLD RIGHT-OF-WAY (ROW) for a PROPOSED 315 MILE LONG NATURAL GAS PIPELINE from COOK INLET to the MINE SITE TEN MILES NORTH or CROOKED CREEK. To see the Analysis & Proposed Decision document, go to http://dog.dnr.alaska.gov/Documents/SPCS/PublicNotices/Donlin/1.24.19DonlinROWADL231908CAPD.pdf.

March 27
Deadline for proposals to the Federal Subsistence Board to CHANGE FEDERAL REGULATIONS for the SUBSISTENCE HARVEST of WILDLIFE on FEDERAL PUBLIC LANDS. This proposed rule would establish regulations for hunting and trapping seasons, harvest limits, and methods and means related to taking of wildlife for subsistence uses during the 2020-21 and 2021-22 regulatory years. The Federal Subsistence Board is on a schedule of completing the process of revising subsistence taking of wildlife regulations in even-numbered years and subsistence taking of fish and shellfish regulations in odd-numbered years; public proposal and review processes take place during the preceding year. The Board also addresses customary and traditional use determinations during the applicable cycle. When final, the resulting rulemaking will replace the existing subsistence wildlife taking regulations. This rule would also amend the general regulations on subsistence taking of fish and wildlife. For more information, go to https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/01/31/2019-00424/subsistence-management-regulations-for-public-lands-in-alaska-2020-21-and-2021-22-subsistence-taking or contact Thomas C.J. Doolittle, Office of Subsistence Management; (907) 786-3888 or email subsistence@fws.gov.

March 28
ANCHORAGE - Comments are due on the proposal to RESURFACE the OLD SEWARD HIGHWAY from DIMOND BOULEVARD to DOWLING ROAD. In addition, the project would include the following: Upgrade curb ramps to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards; Replace, repair or install roadside hardware (e.g. signage, lighting); Improve the road/pathway subgrade; Drainage improvements (e.g. culverts, ditch grading); Intersection improvements; Pedestrian improvements (including ADA improvements). Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in Summer 2020. For more information, contact Sean Baski, Project Manager, at 269-0547 or email sean.baski@alaska.gov or Victoria Florey, Environmental Impact Analyst, at 269-0530 or email victoria.florey@alaska.gov. Submit comments to Brian Elliott, Regional Environmental Manager, at brian.elliott@alaska.gov.

March 31
ANCHORAGE - Deadline for comments on the MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE DRAFT CLIMATE ACTION PLAN that recommends actions across seven sectors provide a roadmap for creating jobs and opportunities, reducing emissions and preparing for a changing climate: Buildings and Energy, Land Use and Transportation, Consumption and Solid Waste, Health and Emergency Preparedness, Food Systems, Urban Forest and Watersheds, and Outreach and Education. By implementing residential energy efficiency measures, homeowners could save approximately $33.9 million per year in energy costs; energy upgrades alone can save the MOA an estimated $3 million annually. The entire plan, as well as an automated feedback form, can be found at muni.org/climateactionplan. Comments and feedback can also be shared through email at ClimateActionPlan@anchorageak.gov, by phone at (907) 343-7100, or at a community meeting scheduled for March 27 at 5:30 p.m. at the Z.J. Loussac Library.

March 31
Deadline for applications for candidates to fill a vacant SEAT on the WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS NATIONAL PARK SUBSISTENCE RESOURCE COMMISSION (SRC). The SRC provides a venue for local subsistence users to provide input into the management of subsistence
resources in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park. It was established under the provisions of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) and charged with recommending a program for subsistence hunting in the park. The SRC prepares proposals to change federal subsistence regulations and comments on proposals submitted by others that affect Wrangell-St. Elias National Park. Members are appointed by the Governor, the Secretary of the Interior, and the three Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils in the Wrangell-St. Elias area. Initial appointments are typically for three-year terms and may be renewed. Applications should include a resume with contact information and information about the applicant’s qualifications for serving on the SRC, including involvement in subsistence activities in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and experience with serving on boards, commissions or other organizations. For more information or to submit an application, contact Barbara Cellarius at barbara_cellarius@nps.gov or call (907) 822-7236. Application information is also available at http://go.usa.gov/x9Vqn.

**April 1**

**GREATER PRUDHOE BAY (GPB), NORTH SLOPE** - Comments are due on the application package for an **OIL DISCHARGE PREVENTION AND CONTINGENCY PLAN** required to commit adequate resources to meet all planning requirements for prevention and response for a realistic maximum discharge from the operations of **MILNE POINT UNIT (MPU),** **ENDICOTT, and NORTHSTAR.** MPU consists of a central facilities pad with operations and processing facilities and gravel pads with production wells. Endicott has production facilities and various production pads. Northstar is a manmade island which consists of production facilities and associated wells. MPU is 25 miles northwest of GPB, Endicott is 15 miles east of GPB and, Northstar is located about 6 miles offshore of Point McIntyre. Copies of the application package are available at [http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/SPAR/PublicMVC/IPP/CPlansUnderReview](http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/SPAR/PublicMVC/IPP/CPlansUnderReview). For more information or to submit comments, contact Torri Huelskoetter at 907-269-7536 or email victoria.huelskoetter@alaska.gov.

**April 3**

**FAIRBANKS** – Comments are due on the **FMATS DRAFT 2019-2023 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) and AIR QUALITY DETERMINATION.** The Draft TIP represents a consensus among local, state, and regional officials as to which transportation improvements to implement in the Fairbanks and North Pole areas over the next five years and has been determined by FMATS to meet air quality conformity requirements. The combined Draft document can be viewed at [www.fmats.us](http://www.fmats.us). For more information or to submit comments, contact Jackson Fox at 907-451-5415 or email Jackson.for@alaska.gov.

**April 8**

Deadline for comments on the application from **PEBBLE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (PLP)** for a land use permit to **CROSS STATE-OWNED TIDELANDS from WHISKEY GULCH and the STERLING HIGHWAY,** as well as one of two borehole sites, Site B, for geotechnical data collection operations. To see that full application, including supporting documents and maps, go to [https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=116487](https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=116487). For more information, contact Christopher Minguez at (907) 269-6874 or email christopher.minguez@alaska.gov. Submit comments to spco.records@alaska.gov. Please reference LAS 32690 when commenting.
**April 10**

Deadline for **PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE SUBSISTENCE, PERSONAL USE, SPORT, GUIDED SPORT, and COMMERCIAL FISHING REGULATIONS** for the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet finfish, Kodiak finfish, and Statewide (except Southeast and Yakutat) King and Tanner crab management areas to the Board of Game. Finfish includes salmon, herring, trout, other freshwater finfishes, and groundfish, including Pacific cod, for consideration by the board in its 2019-2020 meeting cycle. The board may also consider subsistence proposals for other topics (including other areas) under the subsistence proposal policy if proposals are submitted within this deadline and the board determines they meet the criteria. Submit proposed changes to [http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.forms](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.forms) or email dfg.bof.comments@alaska.gov.

**April 15**

**SITKA - Notice of Proposal for an OIL DISCHARGE PREVENTION AND CONTINGENCY PLAN AND FACILITY RESPONSE PLAN** for the **SITKA BULK PLANT, SOUTH PLANT and NORTH PLANT**. The combined capacity of the Sitka Bulk Plants is 1,725,082 gallons and petroleum products include Diesel, Gasoline, Jet-A, and Avgas. Copies of the application package are at [http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/SPAR/PublicMVC/IPP/CPlansUnderReview](http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/SPAR/PublicMVC/IPP/CPlansUnderReview). For more information or to submit comments, contact Curtis Kiesel at, 907-465-5367 or email curtis.kiesel@alaska.gov.

**April 15**

Deadline on the proposed rule **REVISING the DEFINITION of “WATERS of the UNITED STATES,”** which would establish the **SCOPE of FEDERAL REGULATORY AUTHORITY UNDER the CLEAN WATER ACT (CWA)**. The proposed rule is intended to satisfy the requirements of Executive Order (EO) 13778 that directed the EPA and the Army to review and rescind or replace the 2015 Clean Water Rule and consider interpreting the scope of “waters of the United States” consistent with the Justice Scalia opinion (plurality standard) from Rapanos v. United States (2006). The EO instructed that any new proposed rule shall ensure that the Nation’s navigable waters are kept free from pollution, while at the same time promoting economic growth, minimizing regulatory uncertainty, and showing due regard for the roles of the Congress and the States under the Constitution. The proposed revised definition outlines six categories of waters that would be considered “waters of the United States” in section (a), including: traditional navigable waters, including the territorial seas; tributaries that contribute perennial or intermittent flow to such waters; certain ditches; certain lakes and ponds; impoundments of otherwise jurisdictional waters; and wetlands adjacent to other jurisdictional waters. The proposed revised definition also outlines what would not be considered “waters of the United States” in section (b), including: waters not identified in section (a); groundwater; ephemeral features; ditches not included in section (a); prior converted cropland, as defined; certain artificially irrigated areas; certain artificial lakes and ponds; certain water-filled depressions; certain stormwater control features; certain wastewater recycling structures; and waste treatment systems, as defined. Additionally, the proposed rule provides definitions for key terms used in the regulation in section (c). Some of these are unchanged from the current regulations, including the definitions for “wetlands”, “ordinary high-water mark”, and “high tide
line”. Some of these have been redefined, including definitions for “tributary” and “ditch”. The rule also defines several key terms, that while used colloquially, are added to the regulation for the first time, including definitions for “ephemeral”, “intermittent”, “perennial”, “prior converted cropland”, “snowpack”, “typical year”, “upland”, and “waste treatment system”. The EPA and the Army are seeking comments on the specifics of the proposed “waters of the United States” definition and are requesting comment on the discussion and definition of terms within it. In addition, the EPA and the Army are seeking comments on a multitude of items such as underlying legal interpretations, rule implementation, and the associated Economic Analysis and Resource and Programmatic Assessment (and their data). Finally, in response to requests from some states, the EPA and the Army are exploring and seeking comments on the development, and feasibility, of creating geospatial datasets or a mapping system for jurisdictional waters in an effort to improve administration of CWA programs and provide clarity for federal, state, and tribal agencies and the general public. More information regarding this proposed rule can be found at [https://www.epa.gov/wotus-rule/step-two-revise](https://www.epa.gov/wotus-rule/step-two-revise). Additionally, the Federal Register Notice can be found at [https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/02/14/2019-00791/revised-definition-of-waters-of-the-united-states](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/02/14/2019-00791/revised-definition-of-waters-of-the-united-states). Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2018-0149 at [http://www.regulations.gov/](http://www.regulations.gov/). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments or email OW-Docket@epa.gov. Include Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2018-0149 in the subject line of the message.

**April 15**

ANCHORAGE - Comments are due on the ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (APDES) DRAFT GENERAL PERMIT for the Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport, LAKES SPENARD AND HOOD, KNIK ARM, AND TURNAGAIN ARM. Permit documents can be accessed from the ADEC Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program website (http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater.aspx) under the Public Notice section. For more information or to submit a comment, contact William Ashton at 907-269-6383 or email William.Ashton@alaska.gov.

EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD

March 21

WEST ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY & SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES FORUM will be held from 6 to 8pm at the Spenard Recreation Center Multi-Purpose Room, 2020 W. 48th Avenue, sponsored by North Star, Sand Lake, Spenard, Taku-Campbell & Turnagain Community Councils. Agenda: 6pm - Refreshments and Meet & Greet with Candidates; information on Propositions/Bonds will be provided. 6:30pm. - Forum Begins, starting with West Anchorage Assembly Candidates, Followed by School Board Candidates. Community councils will be asking initial questions of each set of candidates - followed by questions from the public. CLICK HERE for a flyer of the event. For more information, contact Turnagain Community Council President Cathy L. Gleason at 248-0442 or email cathy.gleason@alaska.gov.

March 21

HOW-TO-BE-A-BETTER-BIRDER FORUM will be held at 7pm at the BP Energy Center. A truly phenomenal panel of THEDE TOBISH, PAT POURCHOT, and ANDREW FISHER
will share their knowledge, tips, and techniques in order to help the rest of us see more birds. This is an opportunity to go to school with the big guys. Thede, Pat, and Andrew are among Alaska's most highly respected birders, and when the rest of us see one of them in action, we always seem to ask ourselves the same question: "How the heck did he know that?"

MODERATOR W. KEYS will lead the questioning with the goal of allowing us to learn more about birding in one evening than we would usually learn in a whole week! The Forum will not be based on questions from the audience, but questions for our esteemed panel may be submitted in advance to flybynightclub@geci.net.

March 21
GET SET – GARDEN is the first in the URBAN GARDENING SERIES that will be held from 6 to 7:30 in the Loussac Library 4th Floor Learning Commons. Gardening in Anchorage presents unique challenges, from getting the most out of our short growing season to finding the time (and the space) to garden in an urban setting. This class is designed to: help plan for your unique growing space; select the best plants for your garden; start your own plants from seeds; and address common problems you might run into and how to correct them. Registration required: Cost is $25 per person. Register at http://bit.ly/GetSetGarden. For more information or questions about registration, contact Gina Dionne at 786-6313 or email gddionne@alaska.edu.

March 21
STREAMS, OCEANS, and the UNKNOWN in BETWEEN -- A HISTORY OF EARLY SALMON RESEARCH IN ALASKA, 1889 TO 1924 will be presented at the Cook Inlet Historical Society 2018-2019 Lecture Series at 7pm in the Anchorage Museum Auditorium, 625 C St. (enter through 121 W. 7th Ave. entrance). The speaker is ROSS COEN, Assistant Professor of History, UAF. From the start of commercial salmon fishing in Alaska in the 1870s, scientists and government regulators endeavored to understand the mysterious fish. The knowledge produced by fisheries biologists, at a time when they knew very little about the salmon’s life cycle and migratory habits, influenced how Alaskans interacted with the ocean environment. This lecture focuses on the earliest years of commercial fishing and the history of salmon science. Free; open to the public.

March 22
FILM SCREENING, PANEL & AUDIENCE DISCUSSION: THE DAY THE WATER DIED will be held in the Z.J. Loussac Public Library Wilda Marston Theater. Doors at 7 and movie starts at 7:30pm. This is a special re-screening of the Sierra Club and Brave New Films documentary as told by the people of Cordova on year 16 after the spill. This powerful film’s impact holds true to this day. Join for a panel and audience discussion focusing on how we can build a sustainable and healthy future for the next 30 years and beyond. Panel and guests include PHILLIP BLANCHETT of Pamyua, DUNE LANKARD, commercial fisherman & founder Eyak Preservation Council, PAMELA MILLER, ED Alaska Community Action on Toxics, SHAWNA LARSON, Regional Director Native Movement, ENEI BAGAYE, ED Native Movement. Hosted by Cook Inletkeeper & Eyak Preservation Council.

March 22 & 23
THE FIRST DAY of SPRING ANCHORAGE BIG BIRDING DAY COMPETITION will be held by the Anchorage Audubon Society. Get your team together now. And there will be a
CASH PRIZE!!! One Dollar per species will be awarded to the winning team! Imagine making money by going birding! The winners could make as much as a whopping $35 or $40 for only 24 hours work. That's $1.67 per hour which is more than most birders earn in a lifetime! There's no better way to welcome Spring! For Details, just go to www.anchorageaudubon.org.

March 25
CAROLINE VAN HEMERT presents THE SUN IS A COMPASS, A 4,000-MILE JOURNEY INTO THE ALASKAN WILDS from 4 to 6pm at the UAA Campus Bookstore. Wildlife biologist Caroline Van Hemert has written an incredible book, from the first paragraph to the last. At this event, she will discuss writing The Sun Is a Compass, offer a slide presentation, answer questions and sign books. Caroline Van Hemert received her PhD from the Dept. of Biology and Wildlife at UAF, with a research focus on avian health and disease. She currently works at the US Geological Survey Alaska Science Center.

March 26 & 27 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)
The SOUTHCENTRAL ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL will meet at the Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association, 1131 E. International Airport Road. The meeting will begin at 11am on March 26 and at 9am on March 27. The Council will develop proposals to change Federal subsistence hunting and trapping regulations and discuss other issues related to subsistence in the Southcentral Region. The public is welcome to attend and participate in this meeting. To teleconference into this meeting, dial toll-free (866) 916-7020 (passcode: 37311548). All meeting materials may be found at https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions.

**March 27
MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE DRAFT CLIMATE ACTION PLAN that recommends actions across seven sectors provide a roadmap for creating jobs and opportunities, reducing emissions and preparing for a changing climate: Buildings and Energy, Land Use and Transportation, Consumption and Solid Waste, Health and Emergency Preparedness, Food Systems, Urban Forest and Watersheds, and Outreach and Education. By implementing residential energy efficiency measures, homeowners could save approximately $33.9 million per year in energy costs; energy upgrades alone can save the MOA an estimated $3 million annually. The entire plan, as well as an automated feedback form, can be found at muni.org/climateactionplan. Comments and feedback can also be shared through email at ClimateActionPlan@anchorageak.gov, by phone at (907) 343-7100, or at a community meeting scheduled for March 27 at 5:30 p.m. at the Z.J. Loussac Library.

March 27
A public forum will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 at the Loussac Library on the ANCHORAGE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN DRAFT that recommends actions across seven sectors provide a roadmap for creating jobs and opportunities, reducing emissions and preparing for a changing climate: Buildings and Energy, Land Use and Transportation, Consumption and Solid Waste, Health and Emergency Preparedness, Food Systems, Urban Forest and Watersheds, and Outreach and Education. By implementing residential energy efficiency measures, homeowners could save approximately $33.9 million per year in energy costs; energy upgrades alone can save the MOA an estimated $3 million annually. The entire plan, as well as an automated feedback
form, can be found at [muni.org/climateactionplan](http://muni.org/climateactionplan). Comments and feedback can also be shared through email at [ClimateActionPlan@anchorageak.gov](mailto:ClimateActionPlan@anchorageak.gov), by phone at (907) 343-7100. To see a video about how Anchorage is confronting the challenge of climate change, go to [https://vimeo.com/314076660](https://vimeo.com/314076660).

**March 27**

**GEORGE DONART** of Citizens Climate Lobby will discuss bipartisan **ENERGY INNOVATION and CARBON DIVIDEND ACT OF 2019** at 7pm at the Arctic Rec Center, 4855 Arctic Blvd. at the Sierra Club Chapter monthly meeting. George will address how changes of the 116th Congress is affecting climate legislation. **CEAL SMITH** of Alaska Climate Action Network will discuss advances in climate and energy issues of the front line. For more information, go to [www.citizensclimatelobby.org](http://www.citizensclimatelobby.org) or [www.akclimateaction.org](http://www.akclimateaction.org).

**March 28**

**REAP ENERGY SPEAKER SERIES** will present **CLIMATE SOLUTIONS**, a moderated discussion with UAA, the Municipality of Anchorage, and local professionals trained by Paul Hawken’s new book, Drawdown, to discuss Anchorage’s Climate Acton Plan and scalable solutions to climate change from 5 to 7pm in the Anchorage Museum Auditorium.

**March 28 (TELECONFENCE AVAILABLE)**

Informational meeting and public hearing immediately following will be held in Marston Theatre, Loussac Library on the proposed issuance of an Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (APDES) General Permit to Discharge to Waters of the United States for **OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION, DEVELOPMENT and PRODUCTION IN STATE WATERS IN COOK INLET**. The Cook Inlet General Permit proposes to authorize certain discharges associated with oil and gas exploration, development, and production into specific areas of Cook Inlet. The Permit will cover state waters in Cook Inlet, including the coastal waters within the baseline north of the southern tip of Kalgin Island and landward of the 3 nautical mile demarcation of the territorial sea. The Permit replaces the expired 2007 general permit AKG315000 for discharges to state waters. Drilling fluids and drill cuttings associated with geotechnical surveys and horizontal directional drilling to support subsea pipeline construction are also covered under the Permit. The Permit would also authorize mixing zones for certain discharges. The Permit and Fact Sheet provide details regarding the pollutants of concern, mixing zones (where applicable), and specific monitoring requirements for each discharge. Draft Permit, Fact Sheet and associated documents are available at [http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/](http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/). For more information or to submit comments, contact Gerry R. Brown, at (907)269-4874 or email Gerry.Brown@alaska.gov. Teleconference Line: (800) 315-6338 Access Code 52531.

**March 30**

Join the **ALASKA ZOO** and millions of people, businesses and governments around the world as they unite each year to support the **LARGEST ENVIRONMENTAL EVENT IN HISTORY, EARTH HOUR**, from 8 to 10pm. Bring a 100% beeswax or soy candle and join us as we turn out the lights for one hour in celebration of the global event, Earth Hour. Enjoy a presentation on Earth Hour, a candlelit walk through the zoo, and some symbolic animal enrichment with the zoo’s polar bear. Admission to this event is free; all that we ask is for a
donation to help fund Arctic animal conservation education at the Alaska Zoo. For more information on this event please contact Stephanie Hartman, Education Director, at (907)341-6463 or at slhartman@alaskazoo.org.

March 31
THE LEGACY OF JOHN MUIR will be presented by volunteer naturalist BETH BAKER at 2pm at the Eagle River Nature Center. John Muir, an immigrant from Scotland, became America’s “magnificent tramp”, hiking to Florida, boating to Cuba, and eventually to California and Yosemite. He was nature’s visionary, becoming the patron saint of the American conservation movement, and founder of the Sierra Club. Come and hear the story of his remarkable life.

**April 2
The ANCHORAGE FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will hold an election meeting at the King Technical High School (formerly King Career Center), 2650 E Northern Lights Blvd at 6:30pm. Agenda will also include reports on BOG SC region, BOF Statewide finfish and JB meetings, discuss BOF Cook Inlet and/or BOG Arctic/Interior Region proposals to submit, and any other business that may properly come before the committee. The public is invited to attend and address any concerns they have. For more information contact Kevin Taylor at 244-7437.

**April 2
Find out how to PROTECT YOUR TREES from SPRUCE BEETLES. Learn about the beetles, what they do in trees and what you can do to help your trees. Get your questions answered and learn about these tiny insects making a big impact from 6 to 7:30pm in the Loussac Library 4th Floor Learning Commons. For more information, contact Jessie Moan at 786-6309 or email mjmoan@alaska.edu.

**April 2
ODDITIES & VILLAINS of EARLY ALASKA AVIATION will be presented at 7pm at the BLM Campbell Creek Science Center. 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! For more information please call 267-1241.

**April 4
In the spirit of Arctic Entries, STORYTELLERS will share seven-minute stories about their TRAIL EXPERIENCES, ADVENTURES and LIFE in GENERAL. Come enjoy this fun event and support both Alaska Trails and the Great Land Trust (GLT). Pizza by the slice and drinks will be available for purchase throughout the evening. Tickets are $15 and are available at http://www.alaska-trails.org/trailtales.html.
MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE

March 24
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March 26
KODIAK - KODIAK REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM (KRPT) will meet at 9:30am in the Chiniak Conference Room at the Kodiak ADF&G office. The topic of the meeting will be an overview of the 2019 Annual Management Plans for Kitoi Bay and Pillar Creek hatcheries as well as a discussion of unique and wild stock designations. The meeting is open to public attendance and participation. For additional information please call 907-486-1879 or email tyler.polum@alaska.gov.

March 26 & 27 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)
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   March 26 – HOMER – Information meeting from 3:30 to 5:30pm and public hearing from 6:30 to 8:30pm in the Islands & Oceans Visitor Center Auditorium
   March 27 – KENAI - Information meeting from 4to 5:30pm and public hearing from 6 to 8pm at the Kenai Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center

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March. 26 – 27
FAIRBANKS - The WESTERN INTERIOR ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL will meet at 9am each day at the Pike’s Waterfront Lodge. For more information, contact: Karen Deatherage at (907) 786-3564 or email karen.deatherage@fws.gov.

**March 27
PALMER - The MAT VALLEY FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will meet at the MTA Building in Palmer, located at 480 Commercial Drive at 7pm. Agenda will include review and discuss BOG/BOF meetings, discuss proposals to submit for BOF/BOG and any other business that may properly come before the committee. For more information contact Herb Mansavage at 841-8928.

March 27
FAIRBANKS - VALDEZ to the REFUGE: THE IRONY of the PETRO-WELFARE STATE will be presented at the Bread Line Inc, 507 Gaffney Road by PHILIP WRIGHT, an Andrew W. Mellon Dissertation Year Fellow and History Ph.D. Candidate at Brandeis University. Thirty years after the 1989 Exxon Valdez Oil Spill, Philip will share findings from his dissertation, which focus on the history of the Pipeline System from 1941-2007. Following the presentation, we will hear from a panel of Alaskans experts who will all help advance our thinking about how the dependence on the pipeline continues to affect traditional cultures, northern climate and our ability to move away from an oil-economy. Hosted by Fairbanks Climate Action Coalition.

March 27
HOMER & ANCHORAGE - KACHEMAK BAY FOX RIVER FLATS CRITICAL HABITAT AREAS MANAGEMENT PLAN REVISION- PLANNING TEAM will meet from 9 to 11:30 am. In Homer, the meeting will be at the Islands and Oceans Visitor Center. In Anchorage it will be held at the ADF&G Aerie Conference Room. The tentative agenda for this meeting is to continue discussing draft policies on habitat and population restoration/rehabilitation, hazardous material storage, hatcheries, grazing and timber harvest related activities as time allows. This meeting is an agency staff working meeting. These meetings will be open for members of the public to observe for the purpose of maintaining transparency in the plan revision process. However, there will not be opportunities for the public to participate in the discussion. A limited period will be available at the end of meeting for members of the public to ask questions. A public review draft of the revised plan will be available for comment at the end of the revision process. For more information, contact Tammy Massie at 267-2122 or email tammy.massie@alaska.gov prior to the day of the meeting.

March 27
JUNEAU - MARICULTURE TASK FORCE will meet from 10am to 2pm at the Dept. of Fish & Game Headquarters building in the Caribou conference room on the first floor directly to the left as you come in the front doors.

**April 3
PALMER - MAT-SU VALLEY PIKE: FRIEND? will be presented from 7 to 8pm at the Matanuska Experiment Farm, 1509 S. Georgeson Road. These voracious eaters may be fun to
fish, but they are not in fact naturally occurring in the Mat-Su, and can severely impact local native fish populations. Come learn from ADF&G fishery biologists PARKER BRADLEY and CODY JACOBSON about these impressive fresh water hunters: how they got here, why they are a problem for other native fish like salmon, what local organizations like ADFG are doing about it, and how local residents can help. For more information, contact Sierra Doherty at sierra.doherty@alaska.gov.

**April 3**  
FAIRBANKS - FAIRBANKS FISH &GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE GAME SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING will be held in the Creamers Refuge Conference Room on at 6pm. Agenda items include: Draft proposals to submit to the Board of Game during the 2019/2020 cycle. For more information contact Nissa Pilcher at 907-459-7263 or email nissa.pilcher@alaska.gov.

**April 3 - 4**  
UTQIAGVIK - The NORTH SLOPE SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL will be held at 9am each day at the Inupiat Heritage Center. For more information, contact Eva Patton at (907) 786-3358.

**April 4**  
SEWARD - The SEWARD FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will hold an election meeting at 7 pm at the City Council Chambers. Agenda will also include a review of the BOF meeting, discussion of BOF Cook Inlet proposals to submit, and any other items of business that may properly come before the committee. For more information contact Jim McCracken at 362-3701.

**April 4**  
KENAI/SOLDOTNA - The KENAI/SOLDOTNA FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will hold an election at the Kenai River Center at 6pm. Also, on the agenda will be preparing BOF proposals, and any other business that may come before the committee. For more information contact Mike Crawford at 252-2919.

**April 5**  
MOOSE PASS - The KENAI MOUNTAINS TURNAGAIN ARM CCA BOARD of DIRECTORS will meet from 10am to 4pm at the Moose Pass Sportsman's Club. The meeting is open to the public. The Board will be considering grant applications for the KMTA National Heritage Area program for the coming year. KMTA NHA grants are offered to communities to promote and preserve the historic, cultural, scenic, and recreational resources of the KMTA National Heritage Area. The current grant application period has closed but will reopen in fall 2019. Projects supported by past KMTA grants include trails, historic preservation, monuments, murals, and educational programs. For more information, contact Karen Lewis at karenlewis@kmtacorridor.org.

April 5  
FAIRBANKS - DENAAKK'E THROUGH BIRD SONGS with SUSAN PASKVAN will be held from 6:30 to7:30pm at the Morris Thompson Center. During the K'edon Ts'ednee times, a
time long ago, the animals and birds were able to talk to each other. Many of our beliefs originated during these legendary times. The bird songs tell about events that happened during the K'edon Ts'ednee times. Join us to learn about the Denaakk'e language of Interior Alaska and its remarkable vocabulary to describe bird songs - or should I say bird conversations?

April 9 & 10
KOTZEBU – The NORTHWEST ARCTIC SUBSISTENCE 786 REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL will be held at 9am each day in the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly Room. For more information, contact Zach Stevenson at (907) -3674 or email zachary.stevenson@fws.gov.

**April 10
JUNEAU - SOUTHERN, NORTHERN, AND JOINT SOUTHEAST REGIONAL ENHANCED SALMON PLANNING TEAM will meet at 9am in the Aspen Hotel Glacier Room to review five Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association permit alteration requests (PARs): increase Burnett Inlet Hatchery capacity by 4 million fall and 10 million summer chum salmon eggs for release at Burnett Inlet; increase Whitman Lake Hatchery capacity by 500 thousand coho salmon eggs for release at Nakat Inlet; increase Klawock River Hatchery capacity by 500 thousand coho salmon eggs for release at Port Asumcion; and add 100 thousand rainbow trout eggs to the Deer Mountain Hatchery permit for release in Ketchikan area lakes. The Northern RPT will review three Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association PARs: add Southeast Cove as a release site for 700 thousand Chinook salmon currently released at Hidden Falls; add Port Malmesbury as a release site for 2 million coho salmon currently released at Deer Lake; and increase capacity of Sawmill Creek Hatchery by 2 million Chinook salmon eggs and 20 million chum salmon eggs for release at Crawfish Inlet. The Joint RPT will discuss allocation of hatchery-produced salmon and possibly other related topics. For more information, go to http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fishingHatcheriesPlanning.regional or contact Flip Pryor 907-465-4222 or email garold.pryor@alaska.gov.

ITEMS of INTEREST

**The PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND REGIONAL CITIZENS’ ADVISORY COUNCIL has released the LATEST EDITION of “THEN and NOW: 30 YEARS AFTER the EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL.” This publication, updated by the council every five years, documents improvements to the oil spill prevention and response system in Prince William Sound, current and ongoing concerns, and ways the council is planning for the future. Copies are available at http://www.pwsrac.org/wp-content/uploads/filebase/resources/thennow/Then-and-Now_web.pdf.

To see the VIDEO “CLIMATE CHANGE: BETHEL PAYS the PRICE” go to https://www.alaskapublic.org/2019/02/22/can-bethel-afford-the-costs-climate-change/ a collaboration between Alaska Public Media and KYUK, in Bethel, that tells the story of the costs of climate change in a region of the state that is warming rapidly. Featuring interviews from YUP’IK ELDER EULA DAVID and Bethel Search and Rescue volunteer MARK LEARY, this story and its video segments profile people in Bethel on the front lines of climate change.
The USDA Forest Service Glacier Ranger District and Cordova Ranger District are seeking NEW CANDIDATES to SERVE as MEMBERS on the KENAI PENINSULA – ANCHORAGE BOROUGH RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (KP-AB RAC) & PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PWS RAC). The committees review and discuss project proposals submitted by individual citizens, interest groups, organizations, tribes, land management agencies and other interested parties within the KP-AB and PWS geographic areas. The committees meet once or twice per year (via teleconference and in person) to develop and recommend projects that benefit national forest land, monitor projects, and provide advice to the Forest Service. We are beginning recruitment for 15 new members for the KP-AB RAC and 10 new members for the PWS RAC. Each RAC is made up of eighteen members (15 regular plus 3 replacement members) which are four-year term appointments and are approved by the Secretary of Agriculture. Under the law, the 15 committee members are divided into three groups, and each member represents a particular set of interests.

(Group A) 5 persons that represent: (i) organized labor or non-timber forest product harvester groups; (ii) developed outdoor recreation, off highway vehicle users, or commercial recreation activities; (iii) energy and mineral development interests; or commercial or recreational fishing interests; (iv) commercial timber industry; or (v) hold Federal grazing or other land use permits, or represent nonindustrial private forest land owners, within the area for which the committee is organized. (Group B) 5 persons that represent: (i) nationally recognized environmental organizations; (ii) regionally or locally recognized environmental organizations; (iii) dispersed recreational activities; (iv) archaeological and historical interests; or (v) nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interest groups, wildlife or hunting organizations, or watershed associations. (Group C) 5 persons that: (i) hold State elected office (or a designee); (ii) hold county or local elected office; (iii) represent American Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the committee is organized; (iv) are school officials or teachers; or (v) represent the affected public at large. Members need to reside within the region of Alaska in which the committee has jurisdiction and, to the extent practicable, provide local representation in each category. The three replacement members of the committee can be from any of the categories listed above. Replacements do not vote on projects. In order to be considered the attached AD-755 application (https://www.ocio.usda.gov/document/ad-755) must be completed along with a brief statement explaining why you would like to serve, your special qualifications or expertise, and any other information that demonstrates your qualification. Return your application and response to: (KP-AB-RAC) to Louis Roy at ForestRAC@fs.fed.us, p# 907-288-7702 or (PWS RAC) to Tanya Zastrow at ForestRAC@fs.fed.us p# 907-424-7422.

COOK INLET CHAPTER of the SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS is holding its annual tree seeding sale to be available for distribution on May 18 at Anchorage REI and Wasilla Sportsman’s Warehouse. They have White spruce, Paper birch, Siberian larch, Lodgepole pine and Scotch pine available. The only exception will be for Alaska white spruce, some of which will be available in the Spring and the remainder during the first week of August for a later summer planting. For more information and order form, go to http://alaska.forestry.org/treesale.

VOLUNTEER and BOARD OPPORTUNITIES
**ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE COORDINATOR** for the SIERRA CLUB ALASKA CHAPTER to help strengthen efforts on environmental and social justice issues. This work is done in coordination with community-based organizations so that Sierra Club can use its institutional resources to add capacity to existing community based environmental and social justice work. **Qualifications:** Familiarity with and commitment to the Jemez Principles (see below). Deep concern about environmental and social justice (E&SJ) issues, and the ability to articulate them. Experience in building and sustaining relationships with community members. For information and resources, contact: Sierra Club’s Environmental Justice Home Page at [https://www.sierraclub.org/environmental-justice](https://www.sierraclub.org/environmental-justice) or [https://www.sierraclub.org/policy/environmental-justice](https://www.sierraclub.org/policy/environmental-justice).

**OUTINGS COORDINATOR** for the SIERRA CLUB ALASKA CHAPTER for a six-months to a year volunteer commitment. Required Wilderness First Aid class ($260). SC will pay for class after 6 months. Previous experience with volunteer organizing is recommended. Must be a Sierra Club member or willing to become a Sierra Club member ($15 annual dues) and take the leader 101 course online. Duties include planning and leading 2 outings a month, advertise outings on ADN, Press, etc. and recruit and train at least 4 new outings volunteers. Apply by sending a resume and short letter of interest to Christin Swearingen by May 20, 2019. Email to [Mushroomchristin@gmail.com](mailto:Mushroomchristin@gmail.com).

**INTERNSHIP**

**INTERPRETATION/DIVE FELLOW** for the ALASKA SEALIFE CENTER. Must be an active scientific diver. We hope to enhance the Fellow participant’s current education and background with new practical knowledge and skills, which may prove useful in a career in a public aquarium. Under the guidance of Interpretation and Dive staff, the Fellow will be trained and expected to perform the following duties: Interpret all the Alaska SeaLife Center’s static and live animal exhibits housing marine mammals, birds, fish, and invertebrates. Help maintain the physical appearance of manned exhibits and deliver announcements over the public address system. Present briefings, lectures, presentations, multi-media shows, structured and impromptu talks, and guided tours on all the Alaska SeaLife Center’s static and live animal exhibits by learning to employ appropriate interpretive techniques and devices geared to the characteristics and interest of particular audiences. Assist in staff diving functions, which may include training in exhibit maintenance, dive tending, dive cylinder filling, planning and logistical support of dives, diving safety, and emergency procedures. Manage dive gear and assist in the logistics of group dives. Maintain and repair dive equipment and maintaining logs of equipment maintenance and repair. Deliver diving-related information to visitors in our galleries and on behind the scenes tours. Apply at [https://www.alaskasealife.org/employment_opportunities](https://www.alaskasealife.org/employment_opportunities).

**March 30**
**McCARThY** – Deadline for applications for the COPPER RIVER BASIN-ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION and STEWARDSHIP INTERN at WRANGELL INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE and ENVIRONMENT (WISE). 10-12-week summer internship for a college student or recent graduate with a small science and environmental education nonprofit in rural Alaska near Wrangell-St. Elias National Park. Intern will participate in all aspects of summer hikes, camps, and community events, including planning, logistics, outreach,
teaching, and safety. Intern will also participate in a citizen science hydrology research project. $800 a month stipend, lodging, and the chance to explore some of Alaska’s most spectacular wilderness and be a positive role model for our youth. For more information go to www.wise-edu.org, contact@wise-edu.org, or call (907) 822-3575.

WRANGELL INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE & ENVIRONMENT (WISE) is accepting applications for:

   OUTDOOR AND WILDERNESS LEADERSHIP SKILLS (OWLS) for High School students to earn credit from Copper River School District in College and Career Readiness while preparing for jobs in the outdoors on this unique program. Wilderness expeditions, leadership opportunities, and job shadows. More information and Application for OWLS Here!

   COPPER RIVER STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM for youth to explore the Copper River Watershed from the headwaters to the delta, while connecting with youth from communities throughout the area. Science, adventure, service projects, and humanities lessons make this an amazing chance to become a true steward of the region. WISE partners with Copper River Watershed Project, BLM, Wrangell-St. Elias National Park, and Prince William Sound Science Center to make this program possible. More information and Application for Stewardship Program Here! For more information, contact the WISE office at (907) 822-3575.

   INTERPRETATION/NATIONAL PARK SERVICE INTERN for the ALASKA SEALIFE CENTER in Seward. This position is a shared effort between Kenai Fjords National Park (KFNP) and the Alaska SeaLife Center. Site-specific training will be conducted separately by each organization. For the purposes of the National Park Service, this position is recognized as a non-supervisory Park Guide in interpretation. The fundamental objectives of the activities performed in KFNP position are Resource Education, Resource Protection, and Public Use Management. Under the guidance of the National Park Service and Interpretation staff, the Intern will be trained. To see the full position description, go to https://www.alaskasealife.org/employment_opportunities. To apply, go to START YOUR APPLICATION.

   SUMMER INTERNSHIPS are available at the ALASKA WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CENTER. AWCC is seeking interns in the education and animal care departments who possess a high school diploma, are currently enrolled in college or have obtained a degree. The 12-week program provides Paid internships, Invaluable experience, Terrific resume builder, and Unique Alaska experience. On-site housing is available at a per monthly cost. For more details, job descriptions, and how to apply, go to www.alaskawildlife.org/internship-program/.

   TRIBAL YOUTH NATURAL RESOURCES INTERNSHIPS - Sun’aq Tribe of Kodiak is accepting applications for two Tribal youth internships (12-week positions) starting in May 2019. Please see the job descriptions at http://sunaq.org/careers for more information, and how to apply. For more information, contact Contact Kelly Krueger at 907-486-4449 or by email (kkrueger@sunaq.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 tree thinning for boundary
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 1 leader and this group will remain together for the entirety of the season. Season begins on May 13 with Corps Member Training. Crew members receive a travel allowance, weekly stipend and an AmeriCorps Education Award, in addition to creating new friendships and career connections. To see the full position and application information, go to https://www.thesca.org/serve/position/2019-ak-corps-teams/po-00726989.

**POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

**The NATIONAL PARK SERVICE ANCHORAGE REGIONAL OFFICE and ALASKA PUBLIC LANDS INFORMATION CENTER are accepting applications for 2019 YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS (YCC) SUMMER POSITIONS!** Positions are open to youth 15-18 years old and will run 8-10 weeks, 40 hours a week, at $10 an hour. Interns will have the ability to work with Park Rangers in Visitor Services, Information Technology, Museum Curatorial, and so much more! The application can be found online and is due March 29. Applications can be emailed to anchorage_ycc@nps.gov or mailed to 605 W 4th Ave Suite 105, Anchorage, AK, 99501. For more information please call 907-644-3663.

**CIENTIFIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAM MANAGER for the PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND REGIONAL CITIZENS’ ADVISORY COUNCIL (PWSRCAC) to coordinate a variety of science and environmental monitoring research projects that are consistent with PWSRCAC’s mission. This position is responsible for coordinating the work of a team of scientists on the Scientific Advisory Committee, managing the contracts and activities of research consultants and scientists, developing research programs and projects, applying research results to oil spill contingency planning, policy positions, and scientific reviews, and disseminating research information to the public, industry and regulators. Experience working with volunteers, the Exxon Valdez oil spill impacted region, cross cultural communication, and the Alyeska marine terminal and oil shipping in Prince William Sound are a plus. For more information, including how to apply, go to http://www.bit.ly/ScienceProjectManager. First review of applicants takes place April 12.**

**4 FISHERIES TECHNICIANS for the APPLIED ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER for April 15 through October 15. This is a temporary position where the incumbents will likely be required to work long hours, weekends, and occasionally holidays. This work is primarily performed outdoors and requires lifting, pulling, and hauling in all types of weather conditions on variable terrain and flashy rivers. This work will be performed on a military base (JBER) so certain rules will apply. Duties and Responsibilities: This position will primarily maintain a weir and DIDSON sonars on Eagle River to enumerate adult salmon return. You will also process the data for total abundance, diurnal patterns and compare previous years runs. There will also be a stream-walk conducted every 7-10 days. Work history must reflect excellent attendance. Please contact Misty Libby at 907-786-4192 or send a resume to mslibby@alaska.edu.**

GRANT WRITER I/II/III for the CENTER for ENVIRONMENTALLY THREATENED COMMUNITIES (CETC) with the ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH
**CONSORTIUM** who will act as a community catalyst in the Yukon-Kuskokwim Region to work with people in communities to increase their capacity to adapt to the impacts of climate change! Our ideal candidate: Lies in the Yukon-Kuskokwim Region, ideally Bethel, and has established relationships with community members across the region; Will bring their experience in grant writing and project management skills to the position; And, has worked on community infrastructure projects in the past. Apply online here under the Grant Writer title as soon as possible.

**TEMPORARY COMMUNICATIONS and DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANT** for the **KACHEMAK HERITAGE LAND TRUST (KHLT)** to help achieve its fundraising and outreach goals. This part-time position runs May 1-September 23 with a possible extension to October 31. A successful candidate will be a friendly and outgoing self-starter with experience in donor database software, creating promotional materials, organizing and hosting events, and working with the public. Desired qualifications include strong writing skills, attention to detail, ability to work independently and as a team, intermediate proficiency level with MS Office, Adobe InDesign, and donor database programs such as Little Green Light. To apply, please email a cover letter and resume to marie@kachemaklandtrust.org by April 8. Please type “Communications and Development Assistant” in the email subject line. For a detailed job description, visit www.KachemakLandTrust.org or click here. Please, no phone inquiries.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM SPECIALIST III (EPS III)** for the **ADEC, DIV. of WATER** for a position in the Alaska Monitoring and Assessment Program, mostly working on freshwater and aquatic habitat monitoring projects throughout Alaska. The key responsibilities of the position include but are not limited to: Grant and budget development; Scientific background research; Project and contract management; Plan development, and Logistical coordination. For more information on the Alaska Monitoring and Assessment Program, please review our website: http://dec.alaska.gov/water/water-quality/monitoring/. This position requires travel in remote areas for periods of time that may exceed two weeks. This travel may also require operation of state vehicles, either on/off road, by water, or being a passenger small aircraft and helicopters. To see job description and apply, go to https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/alaska/jobs/2377756/environmental-program-specialist-iii-pcn-18-7293.


**ALASKA REPRESENTATIVE** for **DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE, ANCHORAGE OFFICE** to be responsible for contributing to the development and implementation of Defenders’ Alaska strategic conservation work plan, with a focus on at risk marine areas, public lands, and listed and imperiled species and their habitats. Conservation priorities include to: 1) ensure that Alaska’s federal waters and lands remain intact and well-managed by federal land
and marine management agencies; 2) protect, restore, improve and expand habitats for at-risk species within priority public waters and lands, such as coastal and marine environments, and national wildlife refuges and forests; 3) integrate best available science, including climate science and wildlife adaptation considerations, into landscape-scale planning and project-level decision-making in Defenders’ priority areas; 4) improve conservation and management of public waters and lands in priority marine areas and conservation system units established by the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act. The representative will work collaboratively with other Alaska program staff and throughout Defenders in implementing the overall mission and goals of Defenders. For a full job description and to apply, please visit https://www.indeedjobs.com/jobs/96c5d7f7e1ff3cddfde?from=snippet.

OUTREACH COORDINATOR for DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE, ANCHORAGE OFFICE to have the lead responsibility for the design and implementation of a robust public outreach program in support of Defenders of Wildlife’s conservation priorities in Alaska. The position also provides administrative support to the office and staff. While the focus is on Alaska’s lands, waters and wildlife the Alaska Outreach Coordinator will also interact with Defenders’ headquarters staff when Alaska outreach work aligns with and supports Defenders’ national conservation work. This position requires substantial discretion in determining how to meet assigned goals and competing deadlines. Priority conservation areas include the Arctic, Izembek and Kenai National Wildlife Refuges, Arctic Ocean, Bering Strait, Cook Inlet, Gulf of Alaska, Tongass and Chugach National Forests, and other federal lands. Species of special interest include polar bears, Pacific walrus, Cook Inlet beluga whales, Northern Sea Otters, Kenai brown bears, wolverines, caribou and wolves including the Alexander Archipelago wolf. For a full job description and to apply, please visit https://www.indeedjobs.com/jobs/34ee71a4be93ff9298fe?from=snippet.

SEASONAL YOUTH COORDINATOR (April-September 2019) for the FAIRBANKS YOUTH FOR HABITAT PROGRAM that seeks to improve local wildlife habitats and provide local area youth with the skills and knowledge for continued partnerships in natural resource related activities that provide a benefit for critical habitat. The candidate must demonstrate the ability to supervise kids, show patience and good judgement and be able to fill a teacher/mentor role. Daily tasks are varied and inconsistent- sometimes requiring short-notice changes/substitutions. To apply, send cover letter, resume, and 3 references to katie.fswcd@gmail.com and mel.fswcd@gmail.com or hand-delivered to 590 University Avenue, Ste 2, Fairbanks Alaska 99709.

ALASKA BOTANICAL GARDEN has the following positions available

CAMP COUNSELOR LEAD INSTRUCTOR, Open until position is filled, Position Details
CAMP COUNSELOR CO-INSTRUCTOR, Open until position is filled, Position Details
EDUCATION INTERNSHIP, Deadline to Apply: May 24, Position Details
SHUTTLE DRIVER + FACILITIES ASSISTANT, Deadline to Apply: May 12, Position Details
HORTICULTURE + FACILITIES, Deadline to Apply: April 8, Position Details
HORTICULTURE + FACILITIES ASSISTANT, Deadline to Apply: April 22 Position Details
VISITOR SERVICES (3 POSITIONS), Deadline to Apply: April 15, [Position Details](#)

MORE SUMMER JOB OPPORTUNITIES
PALMER - [AK State Fair grounds](#),
CHICKALOON - [Chugach Farm](#)
PALMER - [Sun Circle Farm](#)
PALMER - [Arctic Organics](#)

DENALI EDUCATION CENTER, located in [DENALI NATIONA PARK & PRESERVE](#) has the following position available:

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT** New! The right candidate will be a stickler for details and have experience with a myriad of office and accounting functions including busy telephones, sorting mail, finicky printers, accounts payable and receivable, payroll, and human resource management. Proficiency with QuickBooks and Microsoft Office Suite is a must. The right candidate will be clever, resilient, tenacious, and a great team player. To see a full job description [CLICK HERE](#). This position works 9-10 months each year- allowing time for travel, exploration, and home visits during our slower winter months. Please send a letter of inquiry and a resume to [jill@denali.org](mailto:jill@denali.org) to set up an interview.

**MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR**, a full-time exempt to develop a marketing plan, develop web and print communications, oversee community events, and help to coordinate DEC’s fundraising efforts. In addition, the Marketing and Communications Director will take a lead role in the Denali Zero-Landfill Initiative (ZLI), facilitating ZLI projects and outreach in the community; and hires, trains, and supervises the seasonal Event Manager, volunteers, and other event staff as needed. This position generally works a 40-hour work week but will be required to work additional hours in summer to fulfill training, event, and other organizational needs. Additional duties may be assigned. [Click here for a full position description](#). **Compensation**: Salary range is $41,600 - $47,800 annually, commensurate with experience. Benefits include paid holidays, annual leave, health insurance, life insurance, and Simple retirement plan (with employer contributions after two years) DEC supports professional development opportunities for its staff. Four to eight weeks of furlough during the winter months. **To Apply**: Qualified candidates should send a resume, letter of interest, and references to Jodi Rodwell at [jodi@denali.org](mailto:jodi@denali.org).

**GROUP LEADER**, Seasonal Full-time Non-Exempt (Hourly) Employee, May - September; dates will be mutually agreed upon. Group Leaders are responsible for leading Learning Vacations, on our campus and throughout Alaska. They work closely with other DEC Program Staff to provide fun, educational experiences for participants. The Group Leader is often the only consistent variable of the program experience and, as such, drives the quality of the program. The primary role of the Group Leader is to ensure that each group experiences all program elements in a seamless, meaningful way. [Click here for a full position description](#). **Compensation**: Starting wage is $15/hr. A typical program is 11 days, 8-14 hrs./day All travel, accommodations, and meals are included for Group Leaders during scheduled work weeks Program tips are pooled and dispersed upon completion of summer contract. **To Apply**: Qualified candidates should send a resume, letter of interest, and references to Jake Hill: [jake@denali.org](mailto:jake@denali.org)

**HOSPITALITY STAFF**, Seasonal Full-time Non-Exempt (hourly) Employee, May – September; date will be mutually agreed upon. Work Schedule: Generally, 40 hours per week;
includes evening work. Our hospitality staff plays an important role in maintaining a clean, attractive, and comfortable campus environment. Click here for a full position description. Compensation: Starting wage is $13.00 per hour; negotiable based on experience. Program tips are pooled and dispersed upon completion of summer contract. To Apply: Qualified candidates should send a resume, letter of interest, and references to Jake Hill at jake@denali.org.

CAMPUS COOK, Seasonal Full-time Non-Exempt (hourly) Employee, May – September; dates will be mutually agreed upon Work Schedule: 40 hours per week; overtime hours must be approved by supervisor. Campus Cooks are responsible for assisting the head chef with kitchen operations including receiving inventory, preparation of group meals and specialty meals for guests with dietary restrictions, washing dishes, ensuring a clean kitchen and work space at all times, and other duties as assigned. This is a full-time seasonal position. Hours of work will vary, may be irregular, and will be determined by the head chef based on the needs of our guests. Click here for a full position description. Compensation: Opening wage is $15.00 per hour; negotiable depending upon experience. Program tips are pooled and dispersed upon completion of summer contract. To Apply: Qualified candidates should send a resume, letter of interest, and references to Jake Hill at jake@denali.org.

CONSERVATION PROJECT COORDINATOR for the INTERIOR ALASKA LAND TRUST to work with the public, landowners, and government groups to conserve open space in the Fairbanks area. The Conservation Coordinator will work on a part-time contract basis, providing his/her own work space, computer and internet access, and be supervised by the Interior Alaska Land Trust Board of Directors. Requirements: • Self-motivated: figures out what needs to be done & does it; • Excellent organizational skills; • Excellent written and oral communication skills; • Experience and skill with computer word processing, e-mail, and social media; • Experience working as a member of a team to develop and complete projects; • Computer and access to internet. Part-time (approx. 20-30 hours/week) $15 – 25/hour DOE. To see the full job description, go to https://interioralaskalandtrust.files.wordpress.com/2019/02/conservation-project-coordinator.pdf. How to Apply: Please email a resume/CV and cover letter detailing your qualifications to interioraklandtrust@gmail.com.

TRIBAL LIAISON DIRECTOR for the ALASKA INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE'S RESEARCH AND POLICY INSTITUTE to forge meaningful, sustainable relationships with Alaska Native communities. Full time position. Required qualifications: Bachelor’s degree in ethnic studies, environmental studies, social psychology, or a related field that includes coursework and/or experience communicating and working with Alaska Native communities. Strong written and oral communication skills, and ability to build lasting relationships. Strong knowledge of Alaska Native policy, cultures, histories and government relations, including concepts of sovereignty and self-determination. Minimum two years of experience working with Alaska Native communities. Ability to communicate across cultural lines to include interpretation of policy between tribal and federal and Alaska state governments. Self-starter, strong time management skills, must be able to work well independently and as a team member. To see the complete job description and to apply, go to http://www.akijp.org/jobs/.

The ALASKA BOTANICAL GARDEN is currently hiring SEVERAL SEASONAL FULL-TIME and PART-TIME SUMMER CAMP POSITIONS for 2019. Come and be a part of a
dynamic team of gardeners and naturalists. We run day camps on 110 acres of Boral Forest where camp instructors will be teaching kids ages 5-13 about gardening, the arts and refining their culinary skills. Position descriptions can be found at https://www.alaskabg.org/employment.html. Please send a cover letter and resume to Camp Director, Stacey Shriner, at education@alaskabg.org (indicate which position you are applying for in your cover letter and subject line of the email).

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-5310fcef95a0f&trk=eml-jymbii-organic-job-card&midToken=AQGuhGKAp08WYQ&trkEmail=eml-jobs_jymbii_digest-null-3-null-null-az7sg%7Ejyp9xeaf%7E40-null-jobs%7Evie.

To RECEIVE What's Up, ADD items, CHANGE EMAIL ADDRESS or UNSUBSCRIBE, contact Peg Tileston at pegt@gci.net.