Please Note: Apologies for the lapse in the distribution of What’s Up. I’ve been hit with back and thigh spasms that have really slowed me down.

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July 17, 2019
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CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, SPECIAL EVENTS

Now 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). 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. See a short video at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HSnbUANCw6Q. For more information, go to sophie@wrangells.org.

July 23 – August 22
HOMER - ALASKA COASTAL SUMMER INSTITUTE (ACSI) is a unique, immersive field study opportunity for undergraduate and continuing education students! 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. 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.

**July 26 – 28
DENALI NATIONAL PARK - FIELD COURSE – MUSHROOMS OF DENALI will be offered by Alaska Geographic through the Murie Science and Learning Center. Late summer showcases a wealth of mushrooms throughout interior Alaska. Join renowned mycologist DR. GARY LAURSEN in Denali and learn various techniques for identifying native wild mushrooms. Taking clues from the landscape, we’ll hone our observation skills to help recognize fungal friends and foes. We’ll gain experience using field guides and learn how making spore prints assists in mushroom identification. We’ll learn about the many roles mushrooms play in Denali’s vastly different environments as we gain an appreciation for wild mushrooms and how they influence our lives. Course will stay at a field camp located 29 miles inside Denali National Park along the Teklanika River. The Field Camp includes rustic tent cabins and a common dining yurt. All meals, accommodations, transportation, and instruction are included in the $480 course fee ($432 for Alaska Geographic members). Professional development credit is available through UAA. For more information or to register, go to http://akgeo.org/field-courses/, email courses@alaskageographic.org or call 907-683-6432.

August 12 – 14; August 23 - 25
DENALI NATIONAL PARK. SUMMER FIELD COURSES registration is opens. Courses include transportation, overnight accommodations and hearty meals. Professional development credit is also available. Many courses are already sold out, however the following field courses still have space:
  August 12 – 14: Bears of Denali
  August 23 – 25: Denali’s Large Mammals
For more information or to register, please visit: https://www.akgeo.org/field-courses/ or call 907-683-6432.

July 28 - August 2
SITKA - SITKA ARTS & SCIENCE FESTIVAL a one-week festival exploring where the arts and science come together around understanding and human expression. Morning workshops feature RICHARD NELSON teaching exploring the world by listening, traditional fish skin sewing with elder AUDREY ARMSTRONG, the art of ecology with illustrator KATHY HOCKER and botanist KITTY LABOUNTY and photography at the intersection of art and science with JOSE FRANCISCO SALGADO. Afternoons include interdisciplinary seminars, a boat trip in Sitka Sound, hikes, Sheldon Jackson Museum, and trips to historic sites. The evening lecture and concert series feature faculty talks and music by various artists. Festival registration is $650+ tax, meals and accommodations are available on site. For more info visit www.sitkafestival.org or call Kenley Jackson at 907-747-3085. Put on by Sitka Fine Arts Camp and the Sitka Sound Science Center.

**August 10**
USFS is seeking to REVISE ITS NEPA REGULATIONS to INCREASE EFFICIENCY, driven, in part, by increased resources spent each year on wildfire suppression, leaving fewer resources available for other management activities. The Agency's GOAL IS to COMPLETE PROJECT DECISION MAKING IN A TIMELIER MANNER, improve or eliminate inefficient processes and steps, and, where appropriate, increase the scale of analysis and the number of activities in a single analysis and decision. The proposed rule outlines an approach for “right-sizing” the public engagement and scoping processes to each proposed action. This guidance encourages early and ongoing engagement with the public and other external partners
(such as other Federal agencies, Tribes, States, and local governments) that is not limited to a single NEPA process. **Public comments due August 12.** For a copy go to of the revised regulations, go to https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/06/13/2019-12195/national-environmental-policy-act-nepa-compliance

**August 26 – December 9 (Mondays)**
ANCHORAGE MASTER GARDENER CLASS will be held from 5 to 8pm at the Anchorage Outreach Center on the 4th floor Loussac Library with instructor: GINA DIONNE. This 40-hour class provides a broad horticultural background and includes the topics of botany, soils, vegetable production, using organic and conventional techniques, Integrated Pest Management, greenhouses, lawns, houseplants, trees/shrubs, flowers and invasive plants. The Alaska Sustainable Gardening/Master Gardener textbook is included in the class fee. To earn the title "Alaska Master Gardener", participants must complete 40 hours of community service involving horticulture. The cost of the class is $300. Those who compete their 40 hours of community service within 1 year of class start will get a $100 rebate. Those who just want the information are welcome to enroll but will not receive the title or the rebate. Find out more about the Master Gardener Program at www.uaf.edu/ces/garden/mastergardeners/. Registration required. Register at http://bit.ly/Anch_MG19. For more information or questions about registration, contact Gina Dionne at 786-6313 or email gddionne@alaska.edu.

September 17 – 19
JUNEAU - 2019 ALASKA SECTION OF ALASKA WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING will be held in the Centennial Hall Convention Center. This year’s theme is: WATER RESOURCES in a CHANGING LANDSCAPE. The annual conference is an opportunity for collaboration among physical, biological, and social scientists, engineers, and other professionals concerned with water resource research, planning, development, management, and education. See the list of proposed sessions and topics below include: Weather and water Extremes (including drought); Water rights; Habitat (fish); SE AK hydography; Landslides; Geospatial data and modeling; Glacier dam outburst floods - workshop or session; Coastal hydrology/processes; Hazards; Applied, impacts, and social sciences; and Other Related Topics. The end of early registration and the deadline to submit abstracts for 15 minute talk or a poster session is August 17. Student Travel Grant: Travel grants up to $500 are available to offset costs for student presenters. Students applying for a 2019 travel grant must be traveling to the conference and be presenting a poster or talk. Please e-mail the conference chair at awra.alaska@gmail.com to be considered for a student travel grant. For more information, go to https://www.ak-awra.org/ameetings/2019am/.

WEBINARS & TELECONFERENCES

July 23 (WEBINAR)
APPLICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE TO STATE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT will be held from 10 to 11:30am AKDT. This webinar will provide a basic primer on environmental justice (EJ) methodologies which can be used by state practitioners during National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review and other environmental impact assessments. It will also build on this foundation with presentations regarding the State of Alaska’s efforts to address health issues in environmental impact assessment and the State of

**July 25, August 22, September 26 (WEBINARS)**

ARCTIC COMMUNITY ENERGY PROGRAM (ACEP) is hosting a free webinar series to discuss renewable energy projects. The series will feature Alaskans sharing how such projects have helped communities improve their energy and food security. Participants can learn about advocating for supportive energy policy, working on renewable energy projects and understanding the technical aspects of energy integration. Click on the linked webinar titles below to register. All webinars begin at 9 a.m. Alaska time. The dates are:

- **July 25** - MULTICOMMUNITY ENERGY PERSPECTIVES, will be presented by **MEERA KOHLER** (Alaska Village Electric Cooperative) at 9am. Hosted by UAFs’ **ALASKA CENTER FOR ENERGY and POWER**. Webinar will include a 15- to 25-minute presentation followed by time for questions and discussion. For more information, contact Byrd Amanda at agbyrd@alaska.edu. Registration information is available at [http://acep.uaf.edu](http://acep.uaf.edu).

- **August 22** - POLICY AND ENERGY with **CHRIS ROSE** (Renewable Energy Alaska Project)

- **September 26** - GEOTHERMAL ENERGY for POWER and HEAT with **GWEN HOLDMANN** (Alaska Center for Energy and Power)

Each webinar will be livestreamed online through registration links. Webinars will include a 15- to 25-minute presentation followed by time for questions and discussion. The presentations will be recorded and posted for access via the ACEP website. For more information on the Arctic Community Energy Webinar Series, contact Amanda Byrd at agbyrd@alaska.edu.

**August 17**
Deadline for requests for proposals for the **NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE FRIENDS** for projects that assist organizations to be effective co-stewards of our nation’s important natural resources within the National Wildlife Refuge System. This national program provides competitive grants ($1,500 - $15,000) for creative and innovative proposals that seek to increase the effectiveness of Friends organizations assisting the Refuge System nationwide. The main goal of the grant program is to foster active, vibrant and effective Friends partnerships through four distinct proposal categories. All projects must be discussed with the appropriate refuge manager and accompanied by the Refuge Manager Signature Page. For more information, go to [https://www.nfwf.org/refugefriends/Pages/home.aspx](https://www.nfwf.org/refugefriends/Pages/home.aspx).

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

**July 26**
Deadline for applications for the **PEOPLEFORBIKES COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM** that offers funding for important and influential projects that leverage federal funding and build momentum for bicycling in communities across the United States. Grants of up to $10,000 are provided for bicycle infrastructure projects and targeted advocacy initiatives that make it easier
and safer for people of all ages and abilities to ride. As part of PeopleForBikes’ efforts to get more children and youth on bikes, the fall 2019 grant cycle is dedicated to supporting bike park and pump track projects only. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations with a focus on bicycling, active transportation, or community development; city or county agencies or departments; and state or federal agencies working locally. Letters of interest for the fall 2019 grant cycle will be accepted starting June 17; full applications will be due October 18. For more information, go to PeopleForBikes Community Grant Program.

**August 15**
Deadline for the NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION: NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE FRIENDS GRANT PROGRAM for projects that assist organizations in being effective co-stewards of important natural resources within the National Wildlife Refuge System. The Program’s goals are to help Refuge Friends organizations in developing projects, expanding and increasing their capacity, meeting local refuge conservation challenges, and gaining and building community recognition. Grants ranging from $1,500 to $15,000 are provided for capacity building, project support, Friends peer-to-peer coaching, and a special initiative: Public Access Enhancements and Increasing Hunting and Fishing Experiences on National Wildlife Refuges. Go to https://www.nfwf.org/refugefriends/Pages/home.aspx to download the 2019 Request for Proposals.

**August 16**
Deadline for applications for THE NATURE CONSERVANCY: NATURAL CLIMATE SOLUTIONS ACCELERATOR GRANT PROGRAM that supports projects with potential to substantially increase the use of natural climate solutions throughout the United States. The focus is on helping to kick-start innovative and scalable approaches to capturing greenhouse gas emissions by using natural and working lands. The program strives to support and develop a portfolio of proven approaches and mechanisms to deploying natural solutions that landowners, state and federal governments, corporations, and other climate leaders can efficiently implement on a broad scale. Priority will be given to projects representing novel approaches for scaling climate solutions in a range of natural and working lands (forests, agricultural lands, grasslands, and wetlands) and geographies. Grants will range from $50,000 to $250,000. Online intent to apply forms should be submitted prior to the full proposal application deadline of August 16, 2019. (There will be another request for proposals issued in early 2020.) Visit The Nature Conservancy website to learn more about the grant guidelines and application process.

**August 20**
Deadline for applications for the KENAI MOUNTAINS–TURNAGAIN ARM (KMTA) NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA BIANNUAL GRANT to be reviewed at the September Board meeting. KMTA awards grants to community projects that recognize, preserve, and interpret the historic, scenic, and natural recreational resources and cultural landscapes of the Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm historic transportation corridor. Projects promote and facilitate public enjoyment of these resources. For more information and to apply visit https://www.kmtacorridor.org/grants/.

**September 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](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.

**September 30**
Deadline for the **KENAI MOUNTAINS-TURNAGAIN ARM (KMTA) NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA PHOTO CONTEST**. Amateur and professional photographers are invited to submit images that capture the essence of the Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area (KMTA) or speak to KMTA’s role in preserving, promoting and protecting the national heritage area. For more info go to [www.kmtacorridor.org/photocontest](http://www.kmtacorridor.org/photocontest) or contact karenlewis@kmtacorridor.org.

**September 30**
Deadline for applications for the **DENALI NATIONAL PARK & PRESERVE 2020 ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM** to help share the unique story of Denali through art. The Artist-in-Residence program is dedicated to exploring new ways for visitors to experience the park; from hundreds of competitive applications each year, about a half-dozen accomplished artists, writers and composers are invited by the park superintendent to spend time in one of the park’s historic ranger patrol cabins in the park. Travel to the park is the artist’s responsibility. During their residencies, artists are required to lead a public outreach activity and may be asked to donate a finished work to the program collection. Artists are challenged to create works that convey a fresh and innovative perspective of Denali drawn from direct experience. Artists are also encouraged to provide additional outreach when they return to their homes. Applications are accepted only through an online process hosted by CaFÉ (CallForEntry.org). Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered. Artists unable to apply using the CaFÉ system should contact the program administrator. For more information about the Artist-in-Residence program, application requirements and the selection process, go to nps.gov/DenaliArt or contact Cinnamon Dockham at cinnamon_dockham@nps.gov or call 907-683-9581.

**DEADLINES**

**July 22**
Deadline for comments on a **LAND USE PERMIT APPLICATION for ZINC CONCENTRATE SPILL CLEANUP on RED DOG MINE ROAD** (approximately Milepost 28.5) from NANA/Lynden Transport, LLC to cleanup a release of approximately 5,300 pounds of zinc concentrate in a spill area of approximately 1,200 square feet. The majority of the zinc concentrate is expected to be removed via vacuum truck. Excavation of approximately 6 inches is expected to pick up the remaining spill. The excavation will be limited to only those areas
where required and will be rehabbed by trucking in stockpiled topsoil and reseeding. The cleanup will be conducted as soon as possible, and within the 2019 summer season. This permit will be granted for five years to provide for annual site inspection and reporting until rehabilitation is determined to be acceptable by DNR. For more information, contact Julie Smith at (907-451-3010 or email: julie.smith@alaska.gov.

**July 24**
Deadline for comments on the application package for an **OIL DISCHARGE PREVENTION AND CONTINGENCY PLAN** for the **ALYESKA PIPELINE SERVICE COMPANY** that is required to commit adequate resources to meet all planning requirements for prevention and response for a realistic maximum discharge from the operations of the eight-hundred-mile Trans-Alaska Pipeline corridor from Prudhoe Bay to Valdez. The current major amendment application package proposes the removal of Scenario No. 7 (Fed Creek/Ray River) from Volume 2 Scenarios. 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, contact Patrik Sartz 907-451-2116 or email patrik.sartz@alaska.gov.

**July 26**
**FAIRBANKS** – Comments are due on the proposal to adopt regulation changes relating to **FINE PARTICULATE MATTER (PM-2.5)** including **NEW AND REVISED AIR QUALITY CONTROLS** and a new State Implementation Plan that is comprised of 15 sections covering monitoring, modeling, control measures, emission inventory, attainment demonstration and episode plan, which are intended to meet federal requirements for the serious nonattainment area within the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB), by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation. For documents, go to [http://dec.alaska.gov/air/anpms/communities/fbks-pm2-5-serious-sip/](http://dec.alaska.gov/air/anpms/communities/fbks-pm2-5-serious-sip/). For more information, contact Cindy Heil at cindy.heil@alaska.gov. To submit comments email dec.air.comment@alaska.gov or [https://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/FormalComments](https://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/FormalComments).

**July 26**
**STATEWIDE** - Comments are due on the proposed issuance of an **ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AUTHORIZATION** for an **EXCAVATION DEWATERING GENERAL PERMIT**. Dewatering discharges eligible for coverage under the general permit would consist of water pumped from excavation areas through the use of temporary dewatering wells or submersible pumps to lower the water table to support a construction activity. The dewatering of accumulated groundwater and storm water which may accumulate within an excavation area is an authorized discharge under the permit. This permit does provide discharge authorization for dewatering conducted within 1,500 feet of a permit defined “DEC-identified contaminated site” although special permit conditions apply, and additional requirements may be added in the discharge authorization. The special conditions will provide assurance that the dewatering activities don’t impact the known contaminated sites. Applicant may request a 500-foot standard mixing zone, subject to Department approval. A Fact Sheet and associated documents are available at [http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/public-notices#AKG002000](http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/public-notices#AKG002000). for review. For more information or to submit comments, contact James Rypkema at James.Rypkema@alaska.gov.

**July 27**
DALTON HIGHWAY - Comments are due for the DALTON HIGHWAY MP 18-37 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT to reconstruct the Dalton Highway between milepost (MP) 18 and MP 37 to improve highway safety and performance while reducing annual maintenance costs. The Dalton Highway MP 18-37 section is a narrow, mostly gravel-surfaced highway with soft shoulders, high embankments and steep grades, limited sight distances due to sharp horizontal and vertical curves and is constructed over areas of ice-rich permafrost. In addition, there is a general lack of roadside drainage which contributes to embankment failures and ponding storm water. The MP 18.5-23 section is exhibiting substantial embankment failures as well as pavement distress and is in need of repair. The project proposes to realign, reconstruct, and improve highway safety and performance for 19 miles of the Dalton Highway. Proposed work includes: Improve embankment stability; Widen the highway; Improve drainage and replace cross culverts as necessary; Improve horizontal and vertical geometry to meet AASHTO design standards for a 50 mph design speed; Replace three culverts which are tributaries of Hess Creek, located near MP 29.5, MP 34, and MP 37; New/widened bridge at Hess Creek (MP 24). Five existing material sites along with one potentially new material source are being evaluated for feasibility of use and will be incorporated into the project as appropriate. For more information, Additional information regarding the project can be found at http://dot.alaska.gov/nreg/dalton18-37/. To submit comments, please contact Blair French, Environmental Analyst, at (907) 451-2229 or blair.french@alaska.gov.

**July 29**
Deadline for comments AMATS 2040 MTP DRAFT RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE LIST OF PROJECTS. The AMATS 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is the long-range planning document currently under development that will recommend improvements to the surface transportation system from today to 2040 for the Anchorage Bowl and Chugiak-Eagle River area. The MTP is updated every four years. For more information please visit the AMATS wesite at http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/AMATS/Pages/default.aspx. For Craig Lyon at 907.343.7996. To submit comments, send to amatsinfo@muni.org.

**July 31**
Deadline for comment on the proposed action for the South REVILLAGIGEDO INTEGRATED RESOURCE PROJECT (South Revilla IRP) that would harvest timber, construct and reconstruct roads, restore watershed function, enhance or restore fish and wildlife habitat, and develop recreation opportunities in the Shelter Cove, Shoal Cove and Thorne Arm areas.. If a forest plan amendment to modify the small old-growth reserve remains part of this project, that specific part of the project is subject to the 2012 Planning Rule at 36 CFR 219, subpart B for notification requirements and objection procedures; meaning there will be additional time to comment on this specific aspect of the project when the EIS is released both for comment and objection. For more information, go to https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53477. Summit comments to https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public//CommentInput?Project=53477.

**July 31**
ANCHORAGE - Comments are due on the proposal to resurface BOUNDARY AVENUE from BONIFACE PARKWAY to OKLAHOMA STREET for structural section repairs (i.e. digouts; Pedestrian facility improvements (including curb ramps to comply with Americans with
Disabilities Act requirements); Upgrade or rehabilitate signals, lighting, traffic recording equipment, and signage; Upgrade guardrail including end treatments; Drainage improvements (upgrade or rehabilitation of culverts, storm drain facilities, ditches); Safety improvements; Utility relocations; Vegetation clearing and grubbing and Striping. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in summer 2022. For more information, Jon Knowles, P.E., Project Manager, at 269-0643 or Heidi Zimmer, Environmental Impact Analyst, at 269-0529. Submit comments to Brian Elliott, Regional Environmental Manager, at brian.elliot@alaska.gov.

**August 1**

PALMER - Deadline to register for DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF to be held October 12 at the Mat-Su Trails and Parks Foundation. Have fun especially the kind of fun that involves outdoor adventure and food. We are asking 64our grantees, community partners, and friends to join us for a friendly Dutch Oven Cook-Off. The contest is free to enter and the three requirements 1) compete in at least one category- entree, bread or dessert 2) talk to party goers about your yummy creation and 3) have fun. Register your team to Wes or Kim for a registration packet.

**August 1**

HAINES - Deadline for comments the SUPPLEMENTAL DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) for the HAINES AMENDMENT to the RING of FIRE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN. The purpose of this effort is to identify which, if any, designations and associated management practices and implementation actions best fulfill the resource needs and multiple use demands within the Haines Planning Area in Southeast Alaska. The amendment would affect approximately 326,000 acres of BLM-managed public lands in the Haines Area. Specifically, this Supplemental Draft EIS will evaluate whether to retain the Special Recreation Management Area designation for the Haines Planning Area and whether any part of the planning area meets the criteria for an Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). The SDEIS will also assess implementation actions pertaining to helicopter-supported recreation in the planning area and whether to retain the Monitoring and Control Area for wildlife studies. Copies of the Supplemental Draft EIS are available on the BLM’s ePlanning web page. A link to the page can be found on the project website at www.blm.gov/alaska/rof-haines-amendment. Submit comments to www.blm.gov/alaska/rof-haines-amendment or to blm_ak_afo_rof_amend@blm.gov.

**August 2**

FAIRBANKS – Comments are due on the proposed TANANA LOOP & SOUTH CHANDALAR INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT to improve several intersections and adjacent roadways in the South Chandalar Drive corridor on the University of Alaska Fairbanks campus. The project will also reconstruct and build new sidewalk facilities within the project area and improve safety for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists. The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the DOT&PF. Substandard roadway alignments in the project area have posed a challenge to motorists for decades. The current layout of the project's intersections frequently causes driver confusion, and accidental vehicular use of the oncoming lane is not uncommon. Substandard alignments and confused drivers contribute to a decrease in pedestrian and cyclist safety. This is becoming an increasing concern as the University moves towards the creation of a more pedestrian friendly
campus. This is exacerbated by several high-traffic pedestrian routes which pass through the project area. The purpose of the project is to improve pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular safety, and improve ADA accessibility. The east leg of Tanana Loop and Salcha Street near the intersection with Chandalar Drive will be realigned to increase the distance between this and nearby intersections with Alumni Drive. South Chandalar Drive alignment will be straightened out. These realignments will improve sight distance and intersection clarity for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers. Sidewalk installations along Chandalar Drive, west leg of Tanana Loop near the staff and student parking and widening sidewalk along Alumni Drive will enhance pedestrian connectivity and improve ADA accessibility. The project is located on a south facing slope. For more information or submit comments, contact Ivet Hall, Engineer/Architect, at (907) 451-5386 or email ivet.hall@alaska.gov.

**August 9**
Deadline for comments on the proposal to issue AIR QUALITY CONTROL OPERATING PERMIT for THE KENAI LNG PLANT. The Kenai LNG Plant liquefies natural gas to produce liquefied natural gas (LNG), and includes LNG storage and loading facilities. This public notice is for the draft operating permit only. The potential annual emissions of regulated air contaminants at the facility are: 33 tons of particulate matter (PM-10), 1,057 tons of nitrogen oxides (NOX), 5 tons of sulfur dioxide (SO2), 395 tons of carbon monoxide (CO), and 671 tons of volatile organic compounds (VOC). The total potential emissions of regulated air contaminants http://dec.alaska.gov/applications/air/airtoolsweb. For more information or to submit comments, contact Scott Faber at scott.faber@alaska.gov.

**August 12**
Deadline for comments on the proposal to REVISE the U.S.FOREST SERVICE’S NEPA REGULATIONS to INCREASE EFFICIENCY, driven – in part – by increased resources spent each year on wildfire suppression, leaving fewer resources available for other management activities. The Agency's goal is to complete project decision making in a timelier manner, improve or eliminate inefficient processes and steps, and, where appropriate, increase the scale of analysis and the number of activities in a single analysis and decision. The proposed rule outlines an approach for “right-sizing” the public engagement and scoping processes to each proposed action. This guidance encourages early and ongoing engagement with the public and other external partners (such as other Federal agencies, Tribes, States, and local governments) that is not limited to a single NEPA process. https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/06/13/2019-12195/national-environmental-policy-act-nepa-compliance. For more information, contact Christine Dawe; Director, Ecosystem Management Coordination; at 406-370-8865.

**August 12**
PRUDHOE BAY - Comments due on the preliminary decision to approve the application for AIR QUALITY CONTROL CONSTRUCTION PERMIT for the ALASKA GAS TREATMENT PLANT that establishes a new Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) major stationary source to treat/process natural gas from Alaska’s North Slope for shipment in a newly constructed pipeline. The project is also classified as a major source of Hazardous Air Pollutants for formaldehyde. Emissions: PTE for this source is 3,322 tpy for NOx, 9,020 tpy for CO, 903 tpy for PM-2.5/PM-10/PM, 1,076 tpy SO2, and 13,094 tpy VOC.: Copy of the permit
application is available at http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/AirPermitsApprovalsAndPublicNotices/. For more information or to submit comments, contact Dave Jones at dave.jones2@alaska.gov.

EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD

Now to September 14
The ALASKA PUBLIC LANDS INFORMATION CENTER (APLIC) in the old federal building (guests have to go through security upon entrance) at 605 W 4th Avenue will feature discussion on the following topics at 2pm:

Mondays - “No One Eats Like We Do” with discussions on subsistence uses of plants, fish and mammals in Alaska,

Tuesdays - “Stories from the Forest” centered around Alaska’s national forests and to celebrate Smoky Bear’s 75th anniversary,

Wednesdays - “Women of the Wilderness” will showcase the achievements women have made to science, culture, and history in Alaska,

Thursdays - “Alaska Zoo days” where staff from the Alaska Zoo will come to the center with an animal companion to give programs and presentations,

Fridays - “Coffee with a Scientist” where a local scientist comes into the theater and gives a presentation on their area of study or expertise while free coffee and cookies are provided to those in attendance,

Saturdays - “Bird TLC Days” where folks from the Bird Treatment and Learning Center bring a rehabilitated bird to the center and discuss how they rehabilitate and release the treated birds.

Sundays - “Rangers Choice” when the topic of choice is up to the ranger to decide.

The programs are open and free of charge to all. APLIC is open from 9am-5pm daily. For more information, call 907-644-3661 or contact Mary Kate Repetski, at mary_repetski@nps.gov, James Fess, at james_fess@partner.nps.gov, or go to www.alaskacenters.gov.

July (Every Saturday & Monday)
POTTER MARSH BIRD WALKS will be from 8 to 10am on Saturdays and from 7 to 9pm on Mondays. Meet your guide at the boardwalk entrance kiosk at Potter Marsh. Join us for a guided leisurely walk on the Potter Marsh boardwalk and nearby trails to identify and learn about the area’s wildlife. This family-friendly event is free and is for the beginning birder as well as those that know their way around a bird’s wing. Binoculars are available for loan (no charge) and spotting scopes and guidebooks will also be available. Walks will take place rain-or-shine, so dress accordingly. Kids are encouraged to attend and wheelchair accessible. Sponsored by Audubon Alaska and the Alaska Department of Fish & Game. Free. For more information, contact Joe Meehan at (907) 267-2281.

**July 19
EAGLE RIVER – Celebrate the 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF MOON LANDING at 7pm at the Eagle River Nature Center. Explore who they were, what they did, what we learned, and what we still want to know about our moon. We’ll also highlight present missions, NASA footage, how to make your own rocket, and other goodies!
**July 20**

**APOLLO 11: 50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT** will be held from Noon to 4pm in the ConocoPhillips Integrated Science Building, Room 120.

**July 24**

**DID YOU FEEL IT?** is the program at 7pm at the BLM Campbell Creek Science. The magnitude 7.1 earthquake on November 30, 2018 produced the most severe shaking in Anchorage since the great Alaska earthquake in 1964 (magnitude 9.2). We’ll explore the concepts of magnitude and shaking intensity through a PastaQuake from a demonstration led by **ROB WITTER**, a USGS research geologist. You’ll leave knowing all about the faults that generated these two big Alaska quakes, why the earthquake impacts were different, and how you can report the shaking you feel during future earthquakes. For more information please call 267-1241.

**July 29**

Deadline for comments on the **AMATS 2040 MTP DRAFT RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE LIST of PROJECTS**. The AMATS 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is the long-range planning document currently under development that will recommend improvements to the surface transportation system from today to 2040 for the Anchorage Bowl and Chugiak-Eagle River. The MTP is updated every four years. For more information, contact Craig Lyon at 907-343-7996 or email craig.lyon@anchorageak.gov or go to the AMATS website. Submit comments to AMATS website or to amatsinfo@muni.org.

**July 27**

**MIDDLE FORK TRAIL WORKDAY** will be held from 10am to 5pm to construct a new one-mile section of the Middle Fork of Campbell Creek Trail. This new section will replace and realign an old, unsustainable stretch. Chugach State Park has been working for over a decade to complete the Middle Fork Trail and this is the last section to be completed. This is an extremely rewarding and engaging way for volunteers to leave a lasting positive impact on this beloved trail in Chugach State Park. Bring: Lunch, rain gear, work gloves, long work pants and leather boots. Volunteers must be 18 or older and be able will be able to hike 4 miles roundtrip to the worksite. This is a moderate hike where you will be carrying tools as well. Volunteers must be physically fit enough to complete this hike and work a full day. Register at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/middle-fork-trail-work-day-tickets-62898149057.

**August 10**

**BIRDS, BEES AND WINE! UNTAMED ADULT TOUR** will be held from 8 to 10pm at the Alaska Zoo. An untamed, adult guided tour on the wild side of animal reproduction. Wine tasting and souvenir glasses for all guests. This is a 21 and over event. Tickets must be purchased online in advance, limited space available. This event brought to you by Alaska Denali Winery, Center for Biological Diversity and Current Conceptions, Inc. Purchase tickets at Attend Event.

**MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE**

July 19 & 20
PALMER – Help install fence posts on the Upper Mill Loop at the INDEPENDENCE MINE STATE HISTORICAL PARK VISITOR CENTER from 9am to 4pm both days. Volunteers should plan to meet at the IMSHP upper parking area for a briefing at 9am. Experience is helpful, but not required. We ask that you are able to safely work and hike over uneven terrain and manipulate basic hand tools (shovels, rakes, Pulaski’s, etc.). Late arrivals should check in with Parks Staff for work assignments. What to bring: Lunch, Snacks, Water, Sunscreen, Bugspay, Sunglasses or Safety Glasses, Work Gloves. What NOT to bring: Alcohol, drugs, pets and firearms. Must be 18 or older. This project will be fairly physically demanding. Volunteers must be physically fit enough to complete a hike and to work a full day. Parking fees will be waived for this event. The access gate for IMSHP will be opened for access at 8:30am on both days of the event and closed and secured at 9pm.

July 24, 31, & August 7
FAIRBANKS - The DISCOVER ALASKA LECTURE SERIES will be held at 7pm in the Murie Building Auditorium, UAF on the following topic:
The University of Alaska Fairbanks Summer Sessions and Lifelong Learning will host the free 10-part series. Lectures will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesdays in the Murie Building auditorium at UAF.

July 24 - ALASKA’S BERRIES and THEIR CHANGING SEASONS with KATIE SPELLMAN, research assistant professor, UAF International Arctic Research Center
July 31 - ‘EARTH’S AURORA VS. JUPITER’S AURORAE with PETER DELAMERE, UAF professor of space physics
August 7 - FROM CABBAGE TO CANNABIS: TWENTY YEARS on a SUB-ARCTIC FARM, with MIKE EMERS, owner, Rosie Creek Farms.
For more information, visit www.uaf.edu/summer/events or call 907-474-7021.

**July 27
PORTAGE PASS TRAIL DAY will work on a segment of the IDITAROD NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL. 10am to 4:30pm to hone your drainage and brush work skills on this two-mile trail - a great day hike for all ages that provides spectacular views of Passage Canal and the surrounding mountains and glaciers. Meet at the Begich Boggs Visitor Center in Portage Valley at 10am for a safety briefing and then carpool through the tunnel to Whittier. The tunnel is open to Whitter at the bottom of the hour. Work will end at 3:30 to prepare to take the tunnel back to the Begich, Boggs Visitor Center at 4pm. Bring: Lunch, water, rain gear, work gloves, long work pants and leather boots. Don’t bring: Alcohol, drugs, pets, and firearms. Volunteers must be 18 or older. Volunteers will hike four miles roundtrip to the worksite. This is a moderate hike where you will be carrying tools as well. Volunteers must be physically fit enough to complete this hike and work a full day. To register go to https://www.eventbrite.com/e/portage-pass-trail-day-tickets-64571129988.

**August 2 – 4
NINILCHIK - SALMONFEST 2019 - CELEBRATE WILD SALMON! From its roots as a conservation-oriented fundraising concert to its ongoing unofficial reign as the Woodstock of Alaska, Salmonfest aims to deliver “three days of fish, love and music” by top national and local musical acts during the wet, green climax of Alaska’s long summer season. Each year, more than 8,000 people converge on Kenai Peninsula Fairgrounds for the celebration, which includes
venders selling food, arts and crafts. More than 20 nationally known performers are expected in 2019, with scores of additional acts playing on the event’s four stages. Patrons typically spend a night or two in the vicinity, often camping at Deep Creek State Recreation Area. Proceeds go toward salmon conservation and other Alaskan environmental and cultural causes. For more information, go to [https://salmonfestalaska.org/2019-lineup/](https://salmonfestalaska.org/2019-lineup/).

**August 3**

**SEWARD – 21st ANNUAL WILDLIFE RESCUE RUN and WALK 5K** will start at Noon at the Alaska SeaLife Center for a fun run along the shore of Resurrection Bay and help injured and stranded marine animals. Cost: $35 before August 2; $40 on race day. Registration is now open. Want to support Wildlife Response at a higher level? Become a sponsor of the race and have your name or logo displayed on the t-shirt. Please email development@alaskasealife.org for any questions.

**August 4**

**TALKEETNA - PAINT WILDFLOWERS**, enjoy the community, and indulge in delicious treats and snacks in one of Alaska’s best watersheds! **ARTIST, KERRI LATHROP** will teach you how to paint with alcohol ink on Yupo paper. All supplies and templates provided so you can leave with a finished 9”x12” piece of art. Beverages and snacks are available to purchase. $50 - Tickets available for purchase online.

**August 11**

**ESTER - CALYPSO FARM & ECOLOGY CENTER, OPEN HOUSE** will be held from noon to 4pm that was postpone because of air pollution from forest fires. Hopefully the smoke will clear. August is a beautiful month on the farm, so we hope to see you then!!

**August 15**

**SEWARD –** Public hearing will be held from 5 to 7:30pm in the K.M. Rae Marine Education Building, 125 Third Avenue, to comment on the proposal to **IMPROVE the AIRPORT** through the **SEWARD AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT** and address the proposed actions, potential economic, social, and environmental impacts, and the project’s consistency with the DOT&PF documented its Proposed Action to close Runway 13-31 and upgrade Runway 16-34 by relocating/reconstructing it, raising it above the 100-year flood level, and extending it to 3,300 feet long in the Draft EA. The project website can be found at [www.dot.state.ak.us/creg/sewardairport](http://www.dot.state.ak.us/creg/sewardairport). The Draft EA is available at [http://www.dot.state.ak.us/creg/sewardairport/documents.shtml](http://www.dot.state.ak.us/creg/sewardairport/documents.shtml). Submit written comments to Brian Elliott, Environmental Manager, at brian.elliott@alaska.gov.

**August 17**

**HOPE - MINESHAFT GRINDER RACE** will be held to celebrate the mining history by ushering racers up **PALMER CREEK ROAD IN THE INAUGURAL MINESHAFT GRINDER**. Participants will choose between Gold, Silver, or Quartz Grinders. The Gold Grinder is an uphill-only bike race for riders to grind up ~1900’ gain over ~11 miles. At the end of Palmer Creek Road, riders may opt to work their claim for a time deduction by hauling a bucket of rocks a short distance along the roadway before joining friends for an untimed social ride back down. Runners will race both up and down hill, turning at ~2 miles with ~300’ gain for
the Quartz Grinder or at the switchbacks ~4 miles in with ~1200’ gain the Silver Grinder Quartz and Silver Grinders (Running): $35 adults, $15 youth. Start: 10:30am Gold Grinder (Biking): $50 adults, youth contact the race director for entry. Start 10am. For more info go to www.kmtacorridor.org/mineshaft or contact liaslemons@kmtacorridor.org.

**ITEMS of INTEREST**

**Buy a KACHEMAK HERITAGE LAND TRUST RAFFLE TICKET** and support great and lasting conservation? It's for a TRIP to HAWAII! It includes $1,000 Alaska Airlines gift certificates (2 x $500) - unrestricted so you don't HAVE to use them to go to Hawaii. You can use them for whatever you want! Only 300 tickets are being sold. Help protect salmon and wildlife habitat. $100 per ticket and Kachemak Heritage Land Trust is having a live Facebook drawing on August 23 at Homer's Grace Ridge brewery. Call (907) 235-5263 or stop by at 315 Klondike, Homer for your tickets.

**KEEPING OUR OCEANS SAFE AND CLEAN** is an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) video showcasing the work conducted by EPA Chief Scientists, who are critical to ensuring that the marine environment is protected, while supporting navigational safety, national security, and a multi-billion-dollar marine transportation economy. Check out the video at https://youtu.be/vmOBI-TBIxk.

**VOLUNTEER and BOARD OPPORTUNITIES**

**INTERPRETIVE BELUGA GUIDE (VOLUNTEER)** for THE BELUGA WHALE ALLIANCE (BWA) that is currently recruiting 1-2 volunteer Interpretive Beluga Guides to help us interact with and educate the public as part of our Cook Inlet Beluga Citizen Science & Interpretation Project, running in the field from mid-August through October and sponsored by the Kenai Mountains Turnagain Arm (KMTA) National Heritage Area! We are looking for passionate individuals based in Anchorage and/or along the Turnagain Arm who can commit a solid chunk of hours per week to chatting with visitors and locals about belugas (at various locations along Turnagain Arm and in Anchorage. They will also need to undergo interpretive training in advance of field season with BWA's project leadership. This is great experience for a college student, budding naturalist &/or passionate local wishing to share and improve their knowledge of these charismatic yet critically endangered creatures with which we share our habitat. If interested and for more information, please email volunteer@belugawhalealliance.org or call (907) 201-7329.

ANCHORAGE AUDUBON needs a COMMUNICATIONS TECHNICIAN to assist with Newsletters and the New Audubon Facebook page. If you are a hotshot writer and completely at home with Birds, Facebook, and Online Newsletter production, we’d love to give you the dubious title of Press Secretary. Just contact Keys at cic@anchorageaudubon.org.

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.

To apply, email Mushroomchristin@gmail.com.

**INTERNSHIP**

**ALASKA MARITIME NATIONAL WILDLIFE RESERVE** is seeking a YEAR-LONG **INTERN** team member to join our education & outreach team starting in September 2019! Seeking an individual enthusiastic about engaging with the public through education work, event programming, volunteer management, communications and marketing, and supporting our visitor center! To join the team and share stories of amazing wildlife. Travel Stipend; Housing; Weekly Living Allowance Provided. **Apply at [https://bit.ly/2HCzJ6P](https://bit.ly/2HCzJ6P).** For more information, contact Marianne Aplin at 907-226-4619 or email Marianne_Aplin@fws.gov ; 907-226-4619.

**FARMERS in HOMER** are often seeking part-time to FULL-TIME HELP in the field and around the farm. If you or someone you know would like such work (it’s better if you are looking for experience rather than looking to make lots of money), then please contact the Homer Soil and Water office. They are keeping a list of interested possibilities to match up with farmers. Call 907-235-8177 ext 5 or email Kyra@homerSWCD.org.

**POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

**DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR** for the **ANCHORAGE PARK FOUNDATION** to support efforts to fund and tell the stories of neighborhood parks and trails projects that improve our community. This position is ideal for a skilled storyteller with passion and creativity. An ideal candidate possesses excellent writing skills and 3-5 years of experience with nonprofits. This role works collaboratively with all members of the organization and requires an ability to manage multiple priorities. The position offers health care benefits, 403(b), professional development opportunities and a flexible work environment. Salary: $50,000–$75,000. **To Apply**, send cover letter, résumé and one writing sample to info@AnchorageParkFoundation.org. Include your favorite Anchorage park or trail in the subject line. To see the full job description, go to [https://anchorageparkfoundation.org/2019/06/employment-opportunities-development-director/](https://anchorageparkfoundation.org/2019/06/employment-opportunities-development-director/).

**ARCTIC DIRECTOR** for the **PACIFIC ENVIRONMENT** located in Anchorage or possibly San Francisco. Pacific Environment seeks to protect the communities and wildlife of the Pacific Rim by strengthening local leadership and championing social justice in Alaska and the Arctic, China, California, Vietnam, and elsewhere on the Pacific Rim. Learn more at [www.pacificenvironment.org](http://www.pacificenvironment.org). The Arctic Director provides strategic direction, leadership on Arctic issues and campaigns, and staff and campaign management. We are particularly interested in candidates with experience in one or more of the following subjects and geographies: based in San Francisco. The position will require frequent international and domestic travel. **Key Qualifications:** B.A./B.S. degree or equivalent experience. Advanced degrees are a strong plus. Significant, demonstrated experience and achievement in strategic advocacy, policy, and campaign work; in program leadership and implementation; and in managing staff.
Demonstrated success as an effective team player and collaborator with allied stakeholders. Experience in one or more of the policy areas or geographies listed above, especially involving matters involving the Arctic, Alaska, and/or Indigenous peoples. Demonstrated success in foundation fundraising. Experience in individual fundraising a plus. Personal commitment to helping communities have a strong voice in decision-making. **Compensation and Benefits:** Pacific Environment provides compensation commensurate with experience and a full benefits package. The employee will enjoy a flexible working environment with a dedicated, diverse group of colleagues. **How to Apply:** Please send an email to hr@pacificenvironment.org with “Arctic Director” in the subject line and attach a cover letter and resume, references, salary expectations, and your answer to the question in #2, below. In a separate document, please answer one of the following questions in 100–250 words: Arctic sea ice is melting, creating new shipping routes and industrial threats to communities and wildlife. What are the key solutions for Arctic protection? What motivates you? **Timing:** Applications received by early July will definitely be reviewed. However, this position will remain open until filled and we encourage even late applications. Pacific Environment values diversity. Pacific Environment is an equal opportunity employer and encourages applications from candidates regardless of age, class, sex, creed, ethnicity, race, national origin, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, gender expression, or veteran status. No phone calls, please.

**FULL-TIME, YEAR-ROUND EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH and VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR** for the **ALASKA WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CENTER** to teach others to care about and care for Alaska’s wildlife, all while working in beautiful Portage, Alaska. The Outreach & Volunteer Coordinator will serve as developer and coordinator for public programs and volunteers. **Minimum Requirements/Experience** • BA or BS in Education or equivalent work experience. • Must have Valid Alaska Driver's license with an acceptable driving record. • Must be able to pass a background check. • Must work a flexible schedule including nights, weekends, and holidays. To see the complete job description, go to [https://www.alaskawildlife.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Educational-Outreach-Volunteer-Coordinator-Job-Description-.pdf](https://www.alaskawildlife.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Educational-Outreach-Volunteer-Coordinator-Job-Description-.pdf). To apply please send resume, cover letter, and 3 references to Lily@alaskawildlife.org.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** for the **COPPER RIVER WATERSHED PROJECT**. This is a chance to live and work in one of the last intact salmon strongholds in North America, continuing our 20-year commitment to projects which diversify the region's economy while sustaining its resource base and cultural heritage. The ideal candidate has a background in nonprofit management, demonstrated community convening, a deep understanding of natural ecosystems, and a commitment to watershed sustainability. The Executive Director leads a committed staff, manages the financial health of the organization, cultivates and nurtures stakeholder and partnership relationships, directly participates in fund development, is the public face of the organization and works directly with the Board to fulfill CRWP’s mission to promote a salmon-rich intact watershed and culturally diverse communities by forming partnerships for watershed-scale planning and projects. This is an opportunity for a versatile, highly motivated individual to make a difference at a local level, in a dynamic position with opportunities for creativity, strategic thinking, boots-on-the-ground field work, and community engagement. **Application Process:** The salary range for this position is $60,000 to $80,000 annually commensurate with qualifications and experience. The full Position Profile and more information
are available at copperriver.org/news. To apply, send an email with a cover letter detailing qualifications, vitae/resume, and salary requirements to execdir.application@copperriver.org (email applications are required). For questions, contact Robin Mayo, Board Chair, execdir.application@copperriver.org. Communications will be treated with confidence and resumes will be accepted until July 31.

**ARCTIC DIRECTOR** for **PACIFIC ENVIRONMENT** - Pacific Environment protects the communities and wildlife of the Pacific Rim by strengthening local leadership and championing social justice in Alaska and the Arctic, among other places. We seek an Arctic Director to provide strategic direction, leadership on Arctic issues and campaigns, and staff and campaign management. Current emphasis is on marine and shipping policy, Arctic governance, and collaboration with Alaska Native and other Indigenous communities, and the new Director will have flexibility to expand Pacific Environment’s range of goals and activities. Read more and apply here: https://www.pacificenvironment.org/jobs/arctic-director/.

**FIELD WORK, DATA MANAGEMENT, AND ANALYTICAL WORK** to assess ecosystem services in areas affected by recent wildfires or fuel mitigation activities fulltime in June, July, and August. **Job duties:** Conduct fieldwork that includes identifying vegetation, invasive species, berries, and mushrooms. Navigating and using a GPS. Data management (entering, cleaning, and analyzing data). Using ArcGIS. Statistical analysis with Excel and R. Other duties as assigned. There also is the potential to work with BLM starting in September on a project that uses drones to assess spruce bark beetle killed trees. Pay $12/hr. Deadline for applications is **ongoing**. **Must be a UAA student.** Interested students need to apply to the **student pool** and contact Jen Schmidt at jischmidt@alaska.edu.

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PROGRAM DIRECTOR for GREEN STAR of INTERIOR ALASKA located in Fairbanks to be responsible for overseeing two of Green Star of Interior Alaska's key programs: Event Recycling and Education. In this newly established role, the Program Director will be responsible for the successful development and implementation of each program, working closely with two Board committees and community volunteers. **Salary:** $15-$18/hour. This is a part-time position (flexible 20-30 hours per week). **Benefits:** Mileage/travel reimbursement, flexible schedule, job-crafting, and a dog/kid friendly workplace. View the full job description at: [https://www.ziprecruiter.com/jobs/green-star-of-interior-alaska-b1def294/program-director-13e6b9be](https://www.ziprecruiter.com/jobs/green-star-of-interior-alaska-b1def294/program-director-13e6b9be). To apply, please submit a current resume and cover letter to tait@iagreenstar.org. The position will remain open until filled.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR for ALPAR (ALASKANS for LITTER PREVENTION and RECYCLING) to continue to build cooperative business relationships and communicate effectively with diverse audiences throughout the state to promote the mission of this important nonprofit to eliminating litter and increasing economically viable recycling in Alaska. **Qualifications:** Our ideal candidate is an experienced business or non-profit leader with knowledge of public relations, program management, event planning, fiscal management, and a passion for the positive impact of responsible and effective community programs. **Specific qualifications include:** Commitment to the cause of economically feasible recycling and litter prevention. Outstanding written and oral communication skills. Ability to create and implement effective publicity and educational campaigns. 4-year degree in public relations, marketing, business management, strategic communication or comparable professional experience. Knowledge of the Alaskan business community. Ability to work effectively with a wide range of businesses and organizations. Ability to manage multiple projects simultaneously and to juggle diverse tasks. Basic accounting skills with a working knowledge of QuickBooks. Successful experience working with rural communities is a plus. ALPAR offers a competitive salary and benefits package. Interested applicants should send a cover letter, resume, salary requirements and references to alpar@gci.net or mail to ALPAR at PO Box 200393, Anchorage, AK 99520.

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 workspace, 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](https://interioralaskalandtrust.files.wordpress.com/2019/02/conservation-project-coordinator.pdf). To Apply: Please email a resume/CV and cover letter detailing your qualifications to interioraklandtrust@gmail.com.

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