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CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, SPECIAL EVENTS

October 31 – November 3
SITKA – SITKA WHALEFEST will be held at the Harrigan Centennial Hall. The WhaleFest is a unique science festival to celebrate marine life. Attendees gather to hear an international lineup of renowned biologists and researchers share their current research and exciting experiences over the three-day symposium. This innovative science outreach event gives future scientists and lifelong learners opportunities to meet and interact with the passionate and diverse group of speakers. Each afternoon, symposium participants and guest speakers will explore a daily theme connected to the overall theme of the symposium. Surrounded by community and cultural activities, the weekend events include lectures, marine wildlife cruises in beautiful Sitka Sound, a marine-themed artisan market, music, local foods, art show, interactive student sessions, and a fun run/walk. For more information, go to http://sitkawhalefest.org/#events or call 907-747-8878, ext. 2.

November 6 – 9
HAINES – BALD EAGLE FESTIVAL - More than 3,000 eagles gather along a four-mile stretch of the Chilkat River north of Haines, Alaska each fall to feed on a late run of salmon. This wildlife spectacle is the largest gathering of eagles in the world. The peak of the gathering usually occurs in mid-November. The festival features a full schedule of events catering to birdwatchers, photographers, and nature lovers, including educational programs, guest speakers, and workshops. Events include regular round-trip bus transportation between the American Bald Eagle Foundation Natural History Museum and the Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve; outreach activities, arts and crafts, and guided bird walks. For more information, go to https://baldeagles.org/alaska-bald-eagle-festival/about/festival-schedule/ or call (907) 766-3094.

December 3 - 6
BETHEL - AIR QUALITY IN ALASKA NATIVE COMMUNITIES COURSE. This is an entry-level course for environmental staff from Alaska Native Communities who are interested in air quality issues. The content is basic and assumes the participant has no background in science or air quality management. The course provides an understanding of the importance of clean air (outdoors and indoors) for the protection of human health and the total environment. Approximately half of the course will deal with ambient (outdoor) air and half of the course will deal with indoor air. We encourage attendance from environmental, housing, and health departments. Topics include: • Criteria Pollutants and the NAAQS; • Air Toxics; • Bioaccumulation; • Outdoor air quality concerns (road dust, trash burning, etc.) and possible solutions; • Indoor air concerns in tribal communities; • Building dynamics and weatherization; • Indoor air
quality (IAQ) and asthma; • Controlling moisture and mold in the home; • Household hazardous materials and green cleaning; • Home heating safety; • Outreach: prevention of AQ/IAQ problems; and • Purple Air Network (Citizen Science). Instructors and participants will explore ways in which Alaska Native Communities can take action to solve air quality problems, protect human health, and preserve cultural values. This course consists of lectures, demonstrations, small-group activities, and a building walkthrough. There will be hands-on practice with a comprehensive assessment checklist used to identify IAQ problems. For registration go to https://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Training/training_aq_aknc. For more information, contact Mansel.nelson@nau.edu.

**December 16**

ANCHORAGE - ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICIAN TRAINING: GPS/GIS BASICS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL WORKERS will be held at the APU Campus from 8am to 5pm. This class introduces students to basic GPS and GIS principles through hands-on exercises. Hand-held Garmin GPS receivers are used as part of a field mapping exercise and collected data are imported into GIS to allow calculation of basic spatial statistics and produce a map. Taught by instructors from Alaska Pacific University. Part of this class will take place outside regardless of weather conditions. Please wear appropriate clothing and bring your own water bottle. Training provided at no cost to qualified applicants. Minimum Qualifications: Must be at least 18 years old. Must have HS diploma or GED. Must be an Alaskan Resident. Must have contributed to Unemployment Insurance sometime during the last 5 years through current or previous job. Space is limited and preference given. To register for this class, go to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ETAP_GPS_GIS_Class_Registration or contact Meg Burgett at 907-202-9612 or email mburgett@akforum.org. Registration deadline: December 6.

WEBINARS, TELECONFERENCES & VIDEOS

New video that focuses on ALASKA’S ACIDIFYING OCEANS is available at https://alaskaseagrant.org/2019/08/26/new-video-focuses-on-alaskas-acidifying-oceans/. Ocean acidification is how scientists describe the lowering of the oceans’ pH. The oceans today are roughly 30 percent more acidic than they were during the Industrial Revolution some 300 years ago. The rise in ocean acidification (OA) is tied to higher levels of carbon dioxide being released into the atmosphere by fossil fuel burning and deforestation. As carbon dioxide (CO₂) is released, about one-third gets absorbed by the ocean, making it more acidic. Northern waters, like those around Alaska, are particularly susceptible to OA because cold water can absorb more CO₂. That’s why Alaska and other high latitude seas will likely see the effects of OA sooner than areas farther south. The chemistry of OA is well understood, but how this process affects fish and other marine resources is more of a mystery. Given Alaska’s nearly two-billion-dollar seafood industry, and the state’s reliance on fish, marine mammals, shellfish and other ocean products for subsistence and recreation, the risks of OA in Alaska are profound. Follow UAF assistant professor AMANDA KELLEY, a top researcher on ocean acidification’s effects in Alaska, for a couple of days in Seward and in Kachemak
Bay to better understand her research, and how tribal members and other citizen scientists are getting involved in monitoring OA.

October 29
The ALASKA HISTORICAL COMMISSION will meet by teleconference from 9am to 4:30pm. The agenda includes review of applications for projects from Certified Local Governments, consideration of geographic name proposals, updates on historic preservation programs, and review of the Alaska Historical Commission's policies and procedures. The tentative agenda is posted at http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/.
The meeting center is open to the public at the Atwood Building, 550 W. 7th Ave., Room 106. For more information, call 907-269-8700.

November 5 (TELECONFERENCE MEETING)
FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE BOARD will hold teleconference on WILDLIFE TEMPORARY SPECIAL ACTION REQUESTS WSA19-07 (MULCHATNA CARIBOU HERD) and WSA19-08 (Unit 13E PTARMIGAN) beginning at 1:30 to take action. The public is invited to participate in this teleconference. To participate, dial toll-free (888) 566-1030, the passcode is 3344290. Temporary Special Action Request WSA19-07, submitted by Togiak National Wildlife Refuge and Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge, requests that the harvest limit for Mulchatna caribou be decreased from two caribou to one caribou in all or portions of Units 9A, 9B, 9C, 17A, 17B, 17C, 18, 19A, and 19B for the 2019/20 regulatory year. Temporary Special Action Request WSA19-08, submitted by the Denali National Park Subsistence Resource Commission, requests that the Board change the harvest limit for ptarmigan from 20 per day, 40 in possession, to 10 per day, 20 in possession, and shorten the season from August 10 to March. 31 to August 10 to February 15 in Unit 13E for the 2019/20 regulatory year. For more information, contact the Office of Subsistence Management at (800) 478-1456 or (907) 786-3888 or by e-mail at subsistence@fws.gov.

GRANTS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/ CONTESTS/RFPs

POSTGRADUATE PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIP for TRUSTEES FOR ALASKA seeks a full-time legal fellow to join our team of lawyers working to protect a wild and vibrant Alaska where fish, wildlife, and people thrive. This is a two-year position in Anchorage, Alaska, starting as soon as possible. The ideal candidate will have recently graduated from law school or completed a judicial clerkship and have a proven commitment to public interest environmental law. This position is an opportunity to gain environmental law experience on a variety of legal issues while working to achieve environmental protections for Alaska. Working Conditions. We work a 40-hour week, with occasional additional night and weekend hours, in a supportive, dog-friendly office. We occasionally travel, including to remote areas by small plane, boat, or snow machine. Qualifications. We seek candidates who have excellent legal skills and are results oriented. Knowledge of Alaska, environmental and administrative law, and a scientific background are ideal qualities. Compensation and Hiring Commitment. We offer a competitive non-profit salary, plus medical, dental, life, long-term disability, and retirement benefits, generous leave policy, and supportive co-workers. How to Apply. E-
mail cover letter, resume, references, and writing sample to Ashley Boyd, Office Manager, at aboyd@trustees.org. The position is open until filled. Position based in Anchorage. For more information see http://www.trustees.org.

October 28
Deadline for submissions for the ALASKA WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST sponsored by the Alaska Wildlife Alliance (AWA). The winners will have their photo featured in our 2020 calendar. Last year’s calendar was a big hit and folks said they especially loved the personal stories that accompanied each photo. We are also hosting a HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST that must feature Alaska’s wildlife. The winning pumpkin will be the photo for October in our 2020 calendar. Send high resolution images along with a couple sentences about the photo, including where it was taken to mandy@AKwildlife.org. Send pumpkin pictures to mandy@AKwildlife.org.

November 5
Deadline for submissions of short proposals for the MARINE DEBRIS PREVENTION GRANT that provides funding to support eligible organizations for activities to prevent the introduction of marine debris into the marine and coastal environment and are actively engage and educate a target audience (such as students, teachers, industries, or the public) in hands-on programs designed to raise awareness, provide practical approaches, reduce barriers, and encourage and support changes in behaviors to ensure long-term prevention of marine debris. PLEASE NOTE - The structure for this opportunity is a little different and is a two-part proposal process. Applicants must first submit a short Letter of Intent (LOI) that is reviewed by NOAA to confirm that projects are a good match for the opportunity. If the LOI is successful, then the applicant is invited to submit a full proposal. MDP Summary located at https://blog.marinedebris.noaa.gov/now-open-fy-2020-grant-opportunity-marine-debris-prevention-projects. To see full grant information, go to https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=320683. For questions on the opportunity, please contact Peter Murphy at peter.murphy@noaa.gov.

November 13
Deadline for applications for the WATERSHED MANAGEMENT GRANTS from the Department of the Interior. The WaterSMART Cooperative Watershed Management Program provides support to develop watershed groups, complete watershed restoration planning activities, and design watershed management projects. The goal is to leverage federal and non-federal funding to support stakeholder efforts to stretch scarce water supplies and avoid conflicts over water. For more information, go to https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=320579.

November 18
Deadline for proposal for FACILITATING LEARNING EXPERIENCES with EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL REGION YOUTH from the PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND REGIONAL CITIZENS’ ADVISORY COUNCIL. Youth in this case can include students from K-12 formal education, homeschool students, informal education programs, and
either formal or informal college-level education. In the past, PWSRCAC has also sponsored projects for teachers that benefit area youth. Working with area youth is vital to fight complacency that can arise if new generations of citizens are not continually reminded of the need for ongoing oil spill prevention. Projects should result in better understanding of such topics as: citizens’ oversight, environmental impacts of the operation of the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company oil terminal in Valdez and the oil tankers that use it, oil spill prevention and response planning and operation, and/or other topics related to the Council’s mission. See details and download the RFP instructions here: [http://www.pwsrcac.org/announcements/funds-available-for-educational-projects-related-to-our-使命](http://www.pwsrcac.org/announcements/funds-available-for-educational-projects-related-to-our-使命). For more information, contact Betsi Oliver at 907-273.6235 or email betsii.oliver@pwsrcac.org.

**November 21**

Deadline for proposal for the ALASKA FISH and WILDLIFE FUND 2020 to further conservation of species and habitats in Alaska. Our conservation strategy for Alaska follows NFWF’s institutional outcome focused approach to species conservation and includes three primary focal geographies: the Yukon-Kuskokwim Region, Cook Inlet/Matanuska-Susitna watershed, and Alaska North Slope. Projects outside of these geographies that support fishery conservation and involve Alaska Natives on National Forest lands may also be considered on a case by case basis, particularly those projects targeting Pacific salmon protection, enhancement and restoration initiatives through the Alaska Fish Habitat Partnerships and/or partnerships that expand access to recreational fishing and wildlife viewing/interpretation. Program funds will be allocated to projects that: Achieve or substantially lead to measurable on-the-ground conservation outcomes; Fill key information gaps through assessments and strategic monitoring that result in or substantially lead to measurable management actions. For complete information, go to [https://www.nfwf.org/afwf/Pages/2020rfp.aspx](https://www.nfwf.org/afwf/Pages/2020rfp.aspx).

**November 22**

Deadline for applications for the RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM GRANTS from the Div. of Parks and Outdoor Recreation (DPOR). Eligible applicants include non-profit, educational institutions, state government, local government, federal government and native corporations or tribal governments. The RTP grant program provides up to 90% matching assistance for the cost of a project. DPOR anticipates that $1.2 million may be awarded to eligible Alaska projects. Applications will only be accepted for Stipulation 1 in the FY2020 grant year. The application package will be available at website: [http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/trails.htm](http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/trails.htm).

**November 22**

Deadline for requests for the RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (RTP) that provides reimbursable, matching funds to develop and repair recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both non-motorized and motorized recreational trail uses. The RTP program also provides funds for trail related environmental protection, safety and educational projects. The Outdoor Recreational Trails Advisory Board (ORTAB) is responsible for reviewing and recommending funding for the Recreational Trails Program. For additional information regarding ORTAB go to ORTAB. If you are
interested in applying for a Recreational Trails Program grant, please complete the application, located at [http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/trailsgrantpage/2019/rtpapp.pdf](http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/trailsgrantpage/2019/rtpapp.pdf). For general grant questions regarding the program, go to [http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/trails.htm](http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/trails.htm) or send a message to parks.RTPgrantapp@alaska.gov.

**November 30**

Deadline for submission for the **NOAA MARINE DEBRIS ART CONTEST**. All students in grades Kindergarten through 8th grade from all U.S. states and territories—recognized public, private, and home schools are eligible to participate. Schools, including home schools, must be in compliance with federal and state civil rights and nondiscrimination statutes are eligible to participate. Students must work individually. **Criteria for Art & Description**: Each entry must be composed of a piece of artwork and a description (on entry form). All must meet the requirements outlined on the NOAA Marine Debris Program Annual Art Contest Entry Form. Students are highly encouraged to check out the rest of the NOAA Marine Debris Program's website for information about marine debris. Entries (entry form and artwork) should be mailed to: Marine Debris Art Contest, NOAA Marine Debris Program, 1305 East-West Highway, SSMC4, 10th Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Please note that entries will not be returned. If you have any questions, please email marinedebris.web@noaa.gov.

**December 10**

Deadline for nominations for the **2020 ALASKA OCEAN LEADERSHIP AWARDS** to the **ALASKA SEALIFE CENTER (ASLC)**. ASLC established the Awards to recognize those who have made significant contributions to ocean sciences, education, and resource management in Alaska. Awards will be presented at the **Alaska Marine Gala on February 8**. To see the award categories and other information, go to [https://www.alaskasealife.org/news_item/103](https://www.alaskasealife.org/news_item/103).

**February 21**

Deadline for submissions to the **FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ANNUAL ART CONTEST** for **ALL STUDENTS IN ALASKA, GRADERS K-12**. This year, entries may focus on either subsistence wildlife or fish, and two winners will be selected. The winners’ artwork will be published on either the cover of the 2020-2022 Subsistence Management Regulations for the Harvest of Wildlife on Federal Public Lands in Alaska book, or the 2021-2023 Subsistence Management Regulations for the Harvest of Fish and Shellfish on Federal Public Lands in Alaska book, both distributed statewide. The art contest offers an exciting opportunity for students to express their talent and creativity while sharing their knowledge of subsistence resources. Each entry must be 8.5 by 11 inches and have a theme related to subsistence species or activities in Alaska. All artwork must be original. Submit entries to: Office of Subsistence Management Attn: Caron McKee, 1011 E. Tudor Rd., Mail Stop 121, Anchorage, Alaska 99503-6199. The official rules and entry forms are available by contacting the Office of Subsistence Management at (800) 478-1456 or by email at subsistence@fws.gov, or go to [www.doi.gov/subsistence/art-contest](http://www.doi.gov/subsistence/art-contest). Scanned student artwork may be retained for use in website or social media posts, brochures, regulation books, and other publications produced by the Office of Subsistence Management.
**March 15**
Deadline for submissions for the 2020 ALASKA JUNIOR DUCK STAMP CONTEST from K-12 students. Participants select a species of North American waterfowl, do research on this species and its habitat, and then depict their findings through art and writing. Prizes, cash awards, and national recognition await the winners. Get to know North America’s waterfowl and enter the contest! Visit the Jr. Duck webpage or contact Tamara_Zeller@fws.gov/ (907) 786-3517.

**DEADLINES**

**October 29 (DEADLINE EXTENDED)**
Deadline for the comments on the proposed AMBLER MINING DISTRICT INDUSTRIAL ACCESS ROAD DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) from 45 to 60 days. Members of the public are encouraged to participate in the environmental review process by attending one of the meetings or submitting comments on the draft analysis for the BLM to consider in preparing the final analysis. Feedback on the Draft EIS will inform the Final EIS and the Record of Decision. Those unable to attend one of the meetings are encouraged to review and comment on the Draft EIS via BLM’s project website at https://www.blm.gov/AmblerRoadEIS. Comments on the draft analysis should be specific to the document itself, referencing sections or pages, and include specific details regarding issues or concerns that also provide rationale for the concern or suggestion. Submit comments to https://parkplanning.nps.gov/Ambler._

**October 31 (DEADLINE EXTENDED)**
Deadline for comments Period for KANTISHNA and WONDER LAKE PLANNING EFFORT that is exploring ways to provide and support additional recreational use in the Kantishna and Wonder Lake areas of Denali National Park. A range of proposals covering infrastructure, management, visitor experience, guided services, and visitor capacity are described in the Kantishna and Wonder Lake Area Plan: Range of Proposals for Public Feedback. A copy of the planning document can be found online at https://www.nps.gov/dena/getinvolved/kantishna-plan.htm. Park staff believe the following points can assist the public in crafting effective input. Are the park’s assumptions and facts correct? Details about why or why not are helpful. • Are there areas of analysis not mentioned that need to be considered in a future compliance document? • Is there a concept/alternative that hasn’t been proposed that should be considered? • Be specific in your reasons on why the park should or should not continue an analysis of proposals. • Have you had any negative experiences walking on the park road or on an informal trail that you can share? • What is your stance on classifying heavily used, informal trails in Kantishna as formal, class 2 trails until the plan is complete? In combination with the public feedback, park staff intend to complete an operating cost analysis, visitor capacity study, cultural and wetland studies, and transportation model to shape alternatives for a future compliance document. Submit comments to http://parkplanning.nps.gov/kantishnaplan. For more information, contact Emily Buhr, Outdoor Recreation Planner, at 907-683-6242.
November 1
FAIRBANKS – Comments are due on the DRAFT MINNIE STREET CORRIDOR STUDY (MSCS) that was completed through a Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) study, a collaborative and integrated approach to transportation decision making that: * considers environmental, community, and economic goals early in the transportation planning process; and * uses information, analysis, and products developed during planning to inform the environmental review process. The MSCS dually focused on and evaluated the segment of Minnie Street between Illinois Street and the Old Steese Highway, and its overall functionality within the wider Fairbanks transportation network. The existing Minnie Street corridor has several transportation deficiencies, including a narrow, crowded right-of-way that results in conflicts between pedestrians, bicyclers, and vehicles. The MSCS recommends improvements to Minnie Street by replacing the Noyes Slough bridge with a wider bridge, replacing the road surface, improving drainage and water quality, and improving the quality and safety for non-motorized facilities. The MSCS also recommends improving Johansen Expressway connection to Minnie Street by improving capacity, connectivity, and mobility for all modes of transportation. The plan is available at www.minniestreet.com. For more information, contact Alexa Greene, DOWL Public Involvement Lead, at 374-0275.

November 4
Deadline for comments on the PROPOSED PERMIT for OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION in THE GULF OF ALASKA for preliminary approval for oil and gas exploration in KATALLA and CONTROLLER BAY that would allow an Alaska firm to begin exploring for oil and gas beneath land and water east of the Copper River and west of Yakutat, along the shores of the Gulf of Alaska. The draft license is for 10 years and requires Cassandra Energy to spend at least $1 million in the region. The license would be canceled if at least 25% of that work has not been done by the fourth year of the license. The draft license also includes an eight-page list of restrictions intended to protect the environment and historic sites. Among the restrictions: No work within 500 feet of “all fish-bearing waterbodies” or within a half-mile of the area’s larger rivers. In addition, each proposed structure installed by Cassandra Energy must be approved by the state Division of Oil and Gas and reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Additional permits would be needed before wells are drilled. The Preliminary Best Interest Finding is available on DO&G’s website at http://dog.dnr.alaska.gov/Services/ExplorationLicensing?page=explorationlicensing. For more information or to submit comments email dog.bif@alaska.gov.

November 7
JUNEAU - Deadline for comments on the proposal to AMEND the 2005 PLAN of OPERATIONS for the KENSINGTON GOLD MINE. This proposed life of mine extension, as described in Coeur Alaska’s proposed Plan of Operations Amendment 1 (POA 1), would expand the disturbance area currently approved by the Forest Service under the 2004 Kensington Gold Project Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS). To assess Coeur Alaska’s proposed POA 1, the Forest Service will prepare a new SEIS. This notice advises the public that the Tongass National Forest is
gathering information necessary to prepare an SEIS to evaluate the effects of changing the Plan of Operations via Coeur Alaska’s proposed POA1. Coeur Alaska has proposed POA 1 to attain a life of mine extension. Through ongoing exploration efforts, additional ore resources have been identified within the Kensington and Jualin deposits at the Mine. Both deposits are currently being mined and the estimated ore production would result in the need for additional tailings and waste rock storage capacity. The proposal to expand the disturbance area authorized under the approved 2005 Plan of Operations by approximately 150 acres and achieve a life of mine extension of about 10 years. For more information, go to https://www.fs.usda.gov/nfs/11558/www/nepa/110916_FSPLT3_4860361.pdf#page=1&zoom=auto,-27,792.

**November 10**

HAINES - Deadline for comments on the FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) for the PROPOSED HAINES AMENDMENT to the RING of FIRE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN. The amendment will guide future land management action on approximately 317,000 acres of BLM-managed public lands in the Haines area. One of the key issues in this process centered on sensitive mountain goat populations, and this proposed plan amendment strikes an appropriate balance between economic development and protection of wildlife habitat. In addition, the management practices outlined in the amendment provide flexibility to manage these public lands based upon the changing conditions. Instructions for filing a protest can be found at https://www.blm.gov/programs/planning-and-nepa/public-participation/filing-a-plan-protest. The BLM expects to release the record of decision on the proposed plan in January 2020. The Proposed Haines Amendment and Final EIS is available at www.blm.gov/alaska/rof-haines-amendment.

**November 13**

Comments are due on the APDES DRAFT GENERAL PERMIT WASTEWATER DISCHARGES from SEAFOOD PROCESSEORS operating onshore. Permit documents can be accessed from the ADEC Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program website (http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater.aspx). For more information or to submit comments contact Anne Weaver at 907-269-7483 or email Anne.Weaver@alaska.gov.

EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD

October 26

ALASKA’S BERRIES and their CHANGING SEASONS will be presented at 7pm at the BLM Campbell Creek Science Center, 5600 Science Center Drive. UAF Arctic Research Center researcher Dr. KATIE SPELLMAN will discuss the ongoing research on berries by UAF and USGS that spans the life cycle of the berry plants and illustrates how Winterberry Citizen science helps improve our knowledge of how berries are changing in the far North. The program is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 267-1247.
October 28
RICK THOMAN, International Arctic Research Center and the Alaska Center for Climate Assessment and Policy, will give two presentations in the UAA/APU Consortium Library Room 307.

COMMUNICATING CLIMATE SCIENCE will take place from 2:30 to 4 pm. Gone are the days when weather and climate science practitioners could do their work without regards to the use or impacts of the implications of their results. Fed by a rapidly changing environment, communications and social expectations, climate science has grown larger than any one person and “good science” now requires a team effort. We’ll discuss this changed paradigm, successes and challenges, and what the future might hold for communicating science-based information in societally meaningful ways.

GOING UP ON THE ELEVATOR OF CLIMATE CHANGE be held from 5:30 to 7 pm. What does it mean to be on the "Elevator of Climate Change? Join climate specialist RICK THOMAN for a talk and conversation about the changes in the Alaska environment, the short- and medium-term impacts of accelerating climate and environmental change in Alaska and how we can prepare. Rick Thoman is an expert in Alaska climate and weather. He produces reliable Alaska climate change information and graphics describing Alaska’s changing environment. His work spans the bridge between climate modeling, Alaska communities and media. For more information, contact eroderick@alaska.edu. For distance options, please contact lchavezjr@alaska.edu.

October 29
ALASKA TRAILS FALL FUNDRAISER will be held from 6 to 9 pm at the 49th State Brewing Co. This is an opportunity for our supporters to meet and greet the Alaska Trails board and staff. There will be a great silent auction featuring: 2 Alaska Airlines anywhere tickets, an Alaska Wildland Adventures trip, an Alpacka pack raft, an e-Bike, cabin stays, outdoor gear and much more. Live music from the Hot Club of Nunaka. Alaska Trails Executive Director STEVE CLEARY will give an update on all the exciting summer projects that the Alaska Trail Stewards have been working on and a look at what’s to come this winter and next year for Alaska Trails. Light appetizers provided; drinks will be available for purchase. Tickets are $35 in advance and $50 at the door. Tickets can be purchased HERE.

November 1 – 9
WILDERNESS WEEK will be held at the Anchorage Museum. Examine and celebrate the ideas and values around “wilderness” and how Anchorage and Alaska culture is shaped by its physical environment at the following events:

November 1 - WILDERNESS WEEK KICKOFF WITH ALASKA TRAILS will be held at 6:30 pm in the Atrium, 7:30 p.m. moves to Auditorium. Join some of Anchorage’s favorite wilderness organizations in an interactive, multi-station act where your complete tasks for a chance to win outdoor-inspired gear. Hear Alaska Trails Initiative advocate Chris Beck explain what’s planned for Alaska’s trails and how to get involved.

November 2 - GREAT WIDE OPEN will be held from 8 pm to 1 am. Immersive art interventions meet wild exhibits in this 21+ evening event celebrating Alaska wilderness. Headlined by international electronic music duo, Digitalism, this party also features
music by Olga Bell, local bands, DJs and more. Galleries and museum lawn are activated with music, hands-on activities and artists - everything from wildlife soundscapes in the galleries to a fire circus and interactive art installations on the lawn. Alaska cuisine available for purchase from local food trucks. Cash bars throughout serving local beers, craft cocktails and wine. A Wilderness Week event. $30 to $40. Buy Tickets.

**November 3 - QUILLWORK CLASS WITH EMMA HILDEBRAND** will be held from 1 to 3pm in the Art Lab. Athabascan artist Emma Hildebrand has taught traditional materials workshops for more than 20 years, including caribou tufting, beading and quillwork. She shares her knowledge of porcupine quillwork in this Wilderness Week workshop. Materials provided. For ages 16+. $40, museum members receive 10 percent discount. Space is limited to facilitate individualized learning; registration required. **Register**

**November 5 - URBAN HARVEST: BACKPACKING HACKS with REI** will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 in the Art Lab. Join outdoor recreation experts to learn best practices and winter backpacking hacks to keep active and exploring. Learn backpacking essentials from REI staff, including what you should and shouldn’t bring, how to live on less while out in the wilderness. Perfect for beginners. For ages 12+. A Wilderness Week event. $25, museum members receive a 10% discount. Space is limited; registration required. **Register**

**November 6 - WILDERNESS WEEK: FAT TIRE BIKE RIDE** will be held at 5pm at the Museum entrance. Bundle up and hit the road with the Anchorage Museum and Bike Anchorage for a winter urban fat tire bike tour of Anchorage’s trails and biking infrastructure. Learn what new projects the Municipality of Anchorage is undertaking to be a multi-modal city. Tour leaves from Anchorage Museum main entrance and covers several miles (may not be appropriate for all ages and skill levels). Free. Don’t have a fat bike? Rent one from Greatland Adventures for $20 here. Limited number of rental bikes available. **Register**

**November 7 - WILDERNESS WEEK: TRAIL TALES** will be held at 7pm in the auditorium. In the spirit of Alaska Public Media’s Arctic Entries program, storytellers share seven-minute stories about their trail experiences, adventures and life connected to the wilderness. Produced by Alaska Trails and in support of the Alaska Trails Initiative, this Wilderness Week event is an opportunity to spend an evening with community and swap stories of our wild homeland. Doors open at 6:30, program starts at 7 p.m. Cash Bar available until 7 p.m. $15. Tickets at Alaska Trails. Please use museum’s 7th Avenue entrance.

**November 8 - AURORA PHOTO WORKSHOP with CARL JOHNSON** will be held from 6 to 7:30pm in the Art Lab. Carl Johnson of Alaska Photo Treks shares tools for chasing and capturing Alaska’s iconic northern lights amidst aurora myths and science in this hands on workshop. Bring your own camera (DSLR). Space is limited; registration required. Included with museum admission (free for museum members). **Register**

**November 8 - WILDERNESS WEEK FUTURES POSSIBLE FILM: ALONE in the WILDERNESS** will be held at 6:30 in the Chugach Gallery, West Wing, Fourth Floor. Alone in the Wilderness is a poetic documentary about Dick Proenneke, who built his own wilderness cabin in the 1960s at the base of the Aleutian Peninsula (now Lake
Clark National Park). Using color footage he shot himself, Proenneke traces how he came to this remote area, selected a homestead site and built his log cabin completely by himself. Watch his first year in-country, from his day-to-day activities to the passing of the seasons as he sought to scratch out a living alone in the wilderness. Bob Swerer Productions, 60 minutes. Included with museum admission (free for museum members).

**November 9 - TALK: EVOLUTION OF ADVENTURE—FROM BACKPACKS TO BABIES TO BOATS** will be held from 6 to 7:30pm in the Art of the North galleries. Adventure guru, wildlife biologist, writer and mother Caroline Van Hemert takes you through Alaska’s backcountry via slides, video and excerpts from her work. Book signing follows the talk. Books available for purchase. Included with museum admission (free for museum members).

**November 9 - CAMP STOVE COOK-OFF** will be held from Noon to 1pm in the Art Lab + A Street Patio. Using the same ingredients and equipment, Muse Chef Laura Cole and a fellow local chef face off in this friendly wilderness cooking competition. One will take home the title of Camp Stove Champion. A Wilderness Week event. Included with admission (free for museum members).

**November 9 - FAMILY ART CLASS: WILD BIRD SCULPTURES** will be held from 2 to 4pm in the Reynolds Classroom. Create a bird sculpture with sculptor Gina Holloman, who created the animal sculptures in the Anchorage Museum’s Discovery Center. Using a live model provided by Bird TLC, participants will create wild birds from clay. Materials provided; final pieces will be glazed and returned to museum later for pick up. Best for ages 8 and older with adult companions required for participants ages 12 and younger. A Wilderness Week event. $50 per registrant, includes museum admission; museum members receive a 10% discount. registration required. To see the entire schedule, go to [https://www.anchoragemuseum.org/polar-lab/projects/wilderness-week/](https://www.anchoragemuseum.org/polar-lab/projects/wilderness-week/).

**November 4**
**SOLARIZE ANCHORAGE 2020 WORKSHOP** will be held at 5:30pm at the Loussac Library. The Alaska Center and Alaska Center for Energy and Power (ACEP) are hosting the educational workshop for communities interested in participating in 2020. All community members interested in bringing Solarize to their neighborhood in 2020 are invited to attend. The workshop will include a case study of the recent 2019 program and information on the steps community members need to take in the coming months to bring Solarize to their neighborhood. RSVP by email kristen@akcenter.org.

**November 6**
**CLIMATE CHANGE IS HERE: WHAT CAN YOU DO?** will be held from 7 to 8:30pm at the 39th State Brewing Co. Alaska Common Ground (ACG) is hosting the first in a series of events on the topic of climate change with a discussion of Anchorage’s recently adopted Climate Action Plan. We’ll learn from our panelists what our city is planning and how we can all get involved. Find the Climate Action Plan here or the shorter Climate Action Strategy here. Suggested $10 donation.
Audience Q &A from 5:30 to 7pm on the 4th Floor, Anchorage Museum. Free Entrance - check in at the Museum front desk. For more information, contact Greg Stiegel at 907-929-7770, ext. 1 or go to REalaska.org.

**November 7**  
**ALASKA BEYOND OIL** will be presented by **KATE TROLL** from 11:30am to 1pm at Kinley's Restaurant, 3230 Seward Highway. The world is moving beyond oil. By looking back at where Alaska’s economy has come since the pipeline boom started, noting new industries and growth within Alaska’s core industries, Kate Troll makes the case that Alaskans need not fear this shift in global energy policy. She also examines the ongoing clean energy economy and discusses how Alaska can benefit by joining in. Troll is an op-ed columnist, author, and speaker on conservation and climate issues. She moved to Alaska in 1977, seeking a career in natural resource management. Altogether, Kate worked for 22 years in coastal management, fisheries and climate/energy policy. She is the former executive director of the Alaska Conservation Voters, former director of United Fishermen of Alaska, and recently served on the board of directors for the Renewable Energy Alaska Project. Price (includes lunch): $25 nonmembers; $22 guests of Alaska Professional Communicators.

**November 9**  
**BORE TIDE BOOGIE**, a celebration of healthy oceans and coastal communities, will be held from 7 to 10pm at the Anchorage Museum. For the past 25 years, AK Marine Conservation Council’s (AMCC)’s dedicated staff and volunteers have worked to promote healthy ocean-dependent coastal communities while protecting the integrity of Alaska’s marine ecosystems. The event will feature gourmet seafood prepared by Muse Chef Laura Cole, a live and silent auction, as well as live music. Ticketing information will be available shortly. To mark this milestone anniversary, we are hosting our inaugural Bore Tide Boogie. This festive community gathering will feature high-quality Alaskan seafood from AMCC’s own Catch 49 sustainable seafood brand—prepared by local celebrity chef Laura Cole of The Muse; live and silent auctions; and live music by Motown Fever and dancing. Purchase tickets at Purchase Tickets.

**MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE**

**October 28 & 29 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)**  
**KOTZEBUE** - The **NORTHWEST ARCTIC SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL** will meet at the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly Room beginning at 9am daily. The Council will discuss proposals to change Federal subsistence hunting and trapping regulations and other issues related to subsistence in the Northwest Arctic Region. The public is welcome to attend and participate in this meeting. To teleconference into this meeting, dial toll-free (877) 638-8165 (passcode: 9060609). All meeting materials may be found at https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions. For more information. Contact Zach Stevenson, Coordinator, at (907) 786-3674 or (800) 478-1456 or email zachary_stevenson@fws.gov.

**October 29**
COOPER LANDING - Public Open House will be held from 5 to 7pm with presentation a 5:30 at the Cooper Landing Community Hall regarding STERLING HIGHWAY MP 45-60 PROJECT. The project has moved from the environmental analysis phase to the engineering design phase. Construction is slated to begin in 2020 and last through 2025. For more information go to www.SterlingHighway.net or contact Katherine Wood, Public Involvement Lead, at 907-644-2153.

**October 28**
KODIAK - KODIAK STATE PARKS ADVISORY BOARD will meet at 7pm in the Ft. Abercrombie State Historical Park District office. New Business: Advisory Vote on Application to Join C.A.B Public Use Cabin planning updates and discussion: Old Business: Great Land Trust (GLT) EVOS projects: Recreational Trail Grant application plans discussion. If you are interested in State Parks, or have any comments, questions or concerns - please join us or call Ben Shryock at 486-6339.

October 29
KENAI - The KENAI/SOLDOTNA FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will hold a public meeting at the Cook Inlet Aquaculture building at 6:30pm. Agenda topics will include Lower Cook Inlet Finfish Proposals. For more information contact Mike Crawford at 252-2919 or contact ADF&G Boards Support at 907-267-2354. Information on the Board proposals are available at http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.proposalbook. For more information contact Charity Lehman at 907-267-2354 or email charity.lehman@alaska.gov.

October 30 & 31 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)
DILLINGHAM - The BRISTOL BAY SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL at the Dillingham Middle School Gym in Dillingham beginning at 10am on October 30, and at 8:30am on October 31. The Council will discuss proposals to change Federal subsistence hunting and trapping regulations and other issues related to subsistence in the Bristol Bay 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.

**November 5**
FAIRBANKS – MORE POWER THAN WE KNOW: PATHS to CLEANER, MORE AFFORDABLE, and RESILIENT ELECTRICITY will be presented from 5:30 to 7:30pm at IBEW, 2000 Airport Way. This is a moderated discussion w.th CHRIS ROSE (REAP), DAVE MESSIER (GVEA and Tanana Chiefs), and JAMIE HANSEN (Information Insights, FCAC, and Solarize Fairbanks). Free entrance and appetizers. For more information, contact Greg Stiegel at 907-929-7770, ext. 1 or go to REalaska.org.

**November 5 – 7 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)**
BETHEL - The YUKON-KUSKOKWIM DELTA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL
**ADVISORY COUNCIL** will meet at the Yupiit Piciryarait Cultural Center beginning at 1:30pm on November 5, and at 9am on November 6 and 7. The Council will discuss proposals to change Federal subsistence hunting and trapping regulations and discuss other issues related to subsistence in the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Region. The public is welcome to attend and participate in this meeting. To teleconference into this meeting, dial toll-free (866) 864-5314 passcode: 3091862). All meeting materials are available at https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions. For more information, contact Caron McKee at (907) 786-3880 or email caron_mckee@fws.gov or go to https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/.

**November 5 - 7**

**KETCHIKAN** - The **SOUTHEAST ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL** will meet at the Cape Fox Lodge beginning at 8:30am daily. The Council will discuss proposals to change Federal subsistence hunting and trapping regulations and other issues related to subsistence in the Southeast Alaska Region. The public is welcome to attend and participate in this meeting. To teleconference into this meeting, dial toll-free (866) 560-5984 (passcode: 12960066). All meeting materials are available at https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions. For more information, contact Caron McKee at (907) 786-3880 or email caron_mckee@fws.gov or go to https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/.

November 6

**JUNEAU** - Free Wildlife Wednesday: **SEA LIONS, KIDS, and CONNECTIONS** will be held from 7 to 8pm in the Egan Lecture Hall. Join the Alaska Wildlife Alliance for this free presentation by **JUN RAYM-SURYAN**, Marine Biologist for the National Marine Fisheries Service, Alaska Region, to learn about Stellar sea lions, marine debris, entanglements, and how this led to the first Ocean Guardian School Program in Alaska. Kim will also share how you can start this program at your school. All are welcome. Complementary refreshments served.

November 6

**PALMER** - **WILDLIFE AND WILDFIRE** is the topic for the Wildlife Wednesdays Series from 7 to 8pm at the Matanuska Experimental Farm, S. Georgeson Drive. In select parts of the state, biologists and foresters work together to conduct prescribed fires to enhance wildlife habitat. The Delta Junction Bison Range is the site of recent prescribed fires and mechanical treatments to stimulate shrub species for moose forage and grouse habitat, as well as grass species that entice bison onto state lands. Join **SUE RODMAN** as she discusses studies that support these management techniques, along with lessons learned from the recent treatments that will help managers improve their approach in the future.

November 6 & 7 (**TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE**)

**BETHEL** - The **CENTRAL BERING SEA FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE** will hold a public meeting at the ADF&G office beginning at 9am. Agenda items will include the following: Officer Elections; Kuskokwim Season Summary; Yukon Season Summary; Board of Game Proposals: (Proposals 1-18). Please call 1-800-504-8071.
code: 5432709 to participate by teleconference. For further information contact Janet Bavilla at 907.543.2931.

**November 13**

**NO MAN’S LAND FILM FESTIVAL** will be held from 6:30 to 8:30pm at the BLM Campbell Creek Science Center. Join us for a special evening that will inspire your next outdoor adventure for a showing of female-focused outdoor films to inspire you to explore your public lands. The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a lively 30-minute discussion with a panel of female athletes, organizers, and entrepreneurs, followed by 90 minutes of films. After, there will be time to share your future adventure plans with other audience members and expand your outdoor community. This event is free but seating is limited so please go to [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/no-mans-land-film-festival-tickets-69781990813](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/no-mans-land-film-festival-tickets-69781990813) to reserve tickets. Doors open at 6 p.m. and seating is first come/first served.

**November 13 & 14 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)**

**BETHEL** - The **LOWER KUSKOKWIM FISH AND GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE** will hold a public meeting at the ADF&G at 9am. Agenda items include: Kuskokwim Salmon Season Summary; Board of Game Western Arctic/Western Region Proposals: (Proposals 1-18);If time allows: Interior and Eastern Arctic Region Proposals: (Proposals 97-106). Please call 1-800-504-8071 code: 5432709 to participate by teleconference. For further information contact Janet Bavilla at 907.543.2931.

**November 13 & 14 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)**

**FAIRBANKS** - The **NATIONAL PARK SERVICE’S GATES of the ARCTIC NATIONAL PARK SUBSISTENCE RESOURCE COMMISSION** will meet Sophie Station Hotel, Zach’s Boardroom beginning at 8:30am each day. Topics to be covered include reports from the nine-member commission on subsistence issues/concerns and updates from National Park Service staff on management issues, wildlife research, and monitoring activities. This meeting is open to the public. Those who cannot attend in person can call in free of charge at 1-888-921-5898, using the participant code of 5499349. For more information, contact Marcy Okada, Subsistence Coordinator, at (907) 455-0639 or marcy_okada@nps.gov.

**ITEMS of INTEREST**

Congratulations to **TERRY CHAPIN**, Alaskan Steward of the Earth, as the recipient the prestigious **VOLVO ENVIRONMENT PRIZE**, now in its 30th year, is awarded to those with outstanding environmental scientific achievements. The jury citation for the 2019 Volvo Environment Prize laureate reads: “Professor Terry Chapin is not only a world-leading ecologist, he is also one of the world’s most profound thinkers and actors on stewardship of the Earth System. Professor Chapin has built a long and productive career that links ecology and ethics in both theory and practice. Terry is Professor Emeritus of Ecology, Dept. of Biology & Wildlife, Institute of Arctic Biology, University of Alaska Fairbanks. For more information, go to [https://www.akbizmag.com/industry/education/uafs-terry-chapin-to-receive-2019-](https://www.akbizmag.com/industry/education/uafs-terry-chapin-to-receive-2019-)
The Alaska Conservation Foundation’s **2019 ALASKA CONSERVATION DIRECTORY** is now available to view or download at [2019 Alaska Conservation Directory](https://www.alaskaconservationdirectory.org).

The **FOREST SERVICE** has posted a **SUMMARY of the ALASKA ROADLESS RULEMAKING PUBLIC SCOPING COMMENTS** that can be found at [https://www.fs.usda.gov/nfs/11558/www/nepa/109834_FSPLT3_4616651.pdf](https://www.fs.usda.gov/nfs/11558/www/nepa/109834_FSPLT3_4616651.pdf).

**VOLUNTEER and BOARD OPPORTUNITIES**

**EXPERIENCE RURAL COMMUNITIES WHILE ASSISTING FELLOW ALASKANS.** A unique volunteer opportunity awaits those outgoing individuals located in Alaska interested in experiencing life outside the urban centers. Immerse yourself in the Alaskan Native culture while giving back by providing a valuable service to those in need. ABDC is currently **RECRUITING for TAX PREPARERS and TEAM LEADERS/EDUCATORS to TRAVEL to RURAL ALASKA;** experience is helpful but not required as training is provided. Training begins in December and most travel is completed in February, with some travel in March. Recruiting is currently open; weeklong leaders/educators and weekend preparers needed. Interested? Send an email inquiry with your (first and last) name indicating how you heard of the program to ellen@abdc.org.

**SITKA - A FULL-TIME AMERICORPS VOLUNTEER for PACIFIC HIGH SCHOOL** to run their unique school meal program in which fresh, nutritious, homemade meals are prepared and served by students as part of a service-based culinary arts class. PHS has recently developed a school garden that is adjacent to the kitchen/lunch area, from which culinary herbs, salad greens, and root vegetables are grown and harvested for use in the breakfast/lunch program. The ideal candidate will have basic food preparation skills and the ability to follow recipes precisely, strong computer literacy, and comfort working with at-risk students in an alternative school setting. The volunteer must be able to problem solve independently and be flexible enough to meet changing school and student needs. This is a full-time position serving 1700 hours over the course of one year. For more information, please contact Mandy Summer, PHS principal, summerm@sitkaschools.org or call 907.966.1375.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY ANCHORAGE (HFHA)** is recruiting **BOARD MEMBERS** who are from diverse areas of Anchorage and are passionate about affordable housing in the Anchorage area. Habitat for Humanity Anchorage’s mission is to work in partnership with people throughout the community to build houses, build hope, and change lives. We do this by building and renovating simple, decent, and affordable houses and by using our voice in the community to make adequate housing a matter of conscience and action. For more information email executivedirector@habitatanchorage.org or call (907) 272-0800.
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.

INTERNSHIP

Organizations in Alaska can APPLY to be a HOST SITE FOR SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. The Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals – Environmental Education Outreach Program at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, Arizona is seeking air quality focused offices and programs to HOST a COLLEGE STUDENT for an 8-WEEK SUMMER INTERNSHIP. Tribal environmental offices, EPA offices, and other tribal environmental organizations are encouraged to apply. The interns will be highly motivated undergraduate or graduate students majoring in environmental or related careers from different colleges and universities nationwide. ITEP provides each student intern with a $4,000 stipend, and limited housing and travel allowances. The host site provides a workplace and supervision for the intern. The projects MUST focus on addressing air quality issues in tribal communities. Submit an application online at: http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/eeop/Internships/ssi_host by January 17. For more information, contact ITEP Intern Coordinator at EEOP-INTERN@nau.edu.

DISCOVERY CENTER INTERNSHIPS for the ANCHORAGE MUSEUM to interact with museum visitors and engage with the public in the Discovery Center. Opportunities and training may include developing and facilitating educational experiences, with a focus on the Discovery Center, Thomas Planetarium, and CoLab. Interns will receive training and support to lead programs independently, including but not limited to large scale public moments such as Planetarium shows, animal presentations, and science demonstrations. Interns may assist with creating resources and providing overall support to educational programming. Interns are expected to perform basic exhibit upkeep/maintenance, follow opening/closing procedures, and provide general cleaning of the Discovery Center and Thomas Planetarium. Internships run September 2019 - May 2020, start and end dates are flexible. Work schedule will be approximately 16 to 20 hours a week, including afternoons, nights, weekends, and holidays. Interns receive a $5000 stipend. For more information and to apply, visit https://www.anchoragemuseum.org/about-us/employment. Applications are now being accepted on a rolling basis with interviews scheduled in the order applications are received.

CULTURAL RESOURCES INTERN for the NATIONAL PARK SERVICE will work with the Cultural Resource Team at the Alaska Regional Office in Anchorage to input cultural resource data in a newly developed database. Applicants should possess a background in historic preservation, landscape or historic architecture, archeology, or anthropology. Experience with databases, MS Word, ESRI GIS is helpful. To be eligible, applicants must be currently enrolled in an academic program or recently graduated (degree received May 2018 or later). Each applicant will need to submit a detailed
resume with specific dates and hours worked per week, including references; a copy of
current transcript (web-based PDF is sufficient); a short statement of interest and how
this position will further your preservation studies and career goals. This is a 400-hour
internship with a stipend of $15 per hour. Please email PDFs of application materials to
Dael Devenport at dael_devenport@nps.gov.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

**DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR** for MAT-SU TRAILS AND PARKS FOUNDATION. MSTPF
works within the community to build a wild, accessible, and world-class trails and parks
system in the Mat-Su Valley. Come join a small but mighty team to plan and implement
our fund development program. This is a full-time position based in the Valley with
offices in Palmer. Starting salary range is $50 to 55k/year, DOE. To read more and
apply, go to https://matsutrails.org/news-and-events/.

LYNKER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC is seeking to hire an **ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT
(ESA) SPECIALIST AND an ACOUSTICS SPECIALIST** to support NOAA’s National
Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Alaska Region’s Protected Resources Division (PRD)
in Anchorage. The Alaska Region’s PRD regularly consults on the effects of various
federal projects and authorizations to take threatened and endangered species under
section 7 of the ESA. It is also responsible for implementing recovery actions directed
towards conservation of threatened and endangered marine mammals. These positions
will be responsible for undertaking actions necessary to satisfy the ESA consultation
requirements of NMFS for informal and formal consultations. For additional details,
please contact Alex Michailidis, Lynker’s Regional Lead of West Coast Operations
at amichailidis@lynkertech.com and/or view the job description

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY SPECIALIST for SOUTHEAST ALASKA
CONSERVATION COUNCIL (SEACC) in Juneau to enhance and support grassroots
organizing efforts to preserve one of the most intact, carbon-dense temperate
rainforests left on earth, and help safeguard Southeast Alaska’s productive coastal
marine waters. The Environmental Policy Specialist will support our growing team by
providing oversight and analysis of all resource management actions affecting federal,
state, Tribal and/or private lands in Southeast Alaska. We are looking for someone who
is ready to help SEACC hold the “powers that be” accountable and is capable of
developing innovative policy and legal solutions that strengthen SEACC’s ability to work
alongside communities to protect Southeast Alaska pristine temperate rainforest and
glacial waters. For more information or apply, contact Dan Cannon, Tongass Forest

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR for the NORTH PACIFIC RESEARCH BOARD (NPRB).
Applications will be accepted through **October 31** and review of applications will take
place in November with an anticipated start date of February 1. The Executive Director
position is a regular, full-time position equivalent to the GS-15 level in federal service.
Applicants should have at least 5 years of experience in research and/or organizational
management with a minimum 3 years of program-level supervisory experience. Under the direction of the Board, this position provides organizational leadership while maintaining and enhancing the organization’s reputation for excellence in marine research. For those interested in applying, visit the link here.

**SENIOR SPATIAL ANALYST** for **AUDUBON ALASKA** to support Audubon’s conservation science and policy initiatives in Alaska. They will collect, map, and analyze spatial biological data, social science data, review scientific literature, and prepare maps, reports, community engagement materials, and scientific publications. The emphasis will be on compiling, managing, analyzing, and preparing products using geospatial data on Alaska’s wildlife, habitats, cultural and traditional resources and socio-political uses and boundaries. They will apply advanced skills in data management, landscape analysis, map design, and scientific writing related to a variety of projects across Alaska. Biological or social science background preferred. For full position description and application instructions, please visit [https://careers-audubon.icims.com/jobs/4203/senior-spatial-ecologist/job](https://careers-audubon.icims.com/jobs/4203/senior-spatial-ecologist/job). Position is open until filled.

For questions, please email: ndawson@audubon.org.

**ALASKA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** for the **YUKON RIVER INTER-TRIBAL WATERSHED COUNCIL (YRITWC)**. The YRITWC is a nonprofit tribal organization dedicated to water quality and environmental stewardship in the Yukon River Basin. Successful applicants will have an undergraduate degree (graduate preferred) in Business Administration, Public Administration, Environmental Science and Policy, Environmental Applied Science and Management, or a closely related field. Candidates will be able to demonstrate at least seven years' experience in comparable leadership positions; a proven track record of grant and unrestricted fund development; the history of sound fiscal management; and experience working closely with Alaska Native tribes and tribal programs. YRITWC Employment policies include a hiring preference for Alaska Native applicants. Compensation consists of a salary range of $70,000-80,000, a generous leave package that includes vacation, sick, and annual subsistence leave; health/dental/vision; and an education allowance. Interested applicants should send a cover letter outlining relevant experience, resume or CV, and list of five references, two of which should be representatives of an Alaska Native tribe to AKEDSearch@yritwc.org. Resumes will be reviewed in mid-October and will continue until the successful candidate is identified. To see the full job description, go to [https://www.yritwc.org/](https://www.yritwc.org/). Any questions may be sent to Kelly Donnelly at kdonnelly@yritwc.org.

**FULL-TIME ACCOUNTANT** for the **PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND REGIONAL CITIZENS’ ADVISORY COUNCIL (PWSRCAC)** to be responsible for accounts payable processing, contract records administration, travel and other financial records management, general ledger reconciliations, and other duties as assigned. This position requires college-level accounting, financial experience working in a non-profit environment, and experience using Great Plains Dynamics or similar products. An accounting degree is preferred. Competitive compensation DOE. Applicants will be required to agree to background checks. Please submit a detailed resume including cover letter, education, employment
history, and references to jobs@pwsrca.org by November 1. A detailed job description may be found at http://www.pwsrca.org/about/employment-2/.

FULL-TIME STAFF ATTORNEY for TRUSTEES FOR ALASKA in Anchorage to join our team of lawyers working to protect a wild and vibrant Alaska where fish, wildlife, and people thrive. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled. The ideal candidate has 4-6 years of litigation experience and a proven ability to foster coordination and cooperation among diverse groups to achieve conservation goals in Alaska. For more information, go to see http://www.trustees.org.

Job Responsibilities:
• Managing a diverse case load that may include coalition-based administrative, legislative, and judicial work;
• Working with program staff, clients, and partners to develop and implement legal, political, outreach, communications, and other strategies;
• Representing Trustees for Alaska and clients in public forums and with the press;
• Delegating and supervising projects for our paralegal and legal interns;
• Assisting with administrative, communications, and fundraising as needed.

Working Conditions: We work a 40-hour week, with occasional additional night and weekend hours, in a supportive, dog-friendly office. We occasionally travel, including to remote areas by small plane, boat, or snow machine. The position is based in Anchorage. Qualifications: We seek candidates who have excellent legal, relationship building, and project management skills, and are results oriented. Strong candidates will have:
• Excellent writing, research, analytical, and interpersonal skills;
• A demonstrated ability to think creatively;
• A track record of managing judicial, legislative, or administrative projects;
• Admitted to practice law in Alaska, eligible for reciprocity, or willing to sit for the next available bar exam;
• The ability to work in a collaborative, team-based environment, including within large and diverse coalitions.
Knowledge of Alaska, scientific experience, knowledge of environmental and administrative law are all plusses.

Competitive non-profit salary based on experience, plus medical, dental, life, long-term disability, and retirement benefits, generous leave policy, and supportive co-workers. Trustees for Alaska is an equal opportunity employer. How to Apply: E-mail cover letter and resume to Ashley Boyd, Office Manager, at aboyd@trustees.org.

OUTDOOR EDUCATOR SUMMER JOB OPPORTUNITIES in DENALI NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE are amazing seasonal summer jobs available for environmental and outdoor educators. Each summer the National Park Service hires up to three Education Technicians who instruct multi-day youth programs and camps. Most of these programs are targeted at high school ages and take place both in the frontcountry and the backcountry. The positions present unparalleled opportunities for professional development in education, interpretation, youth mentoring, risk management, and backcountry travel. The positions usually start in mid-April and last approximately six months, but shorter seasons may be possible. Position Details: Each year we hire two GS-0025-07 seasonals to serve as Education Technicians for Denali NPS. One typically focuses mostly on frontcountry-based programs and the other on backcountry-based programs (see below for details). Programs: Each summer and fall Denali runs approximately 28 multi-day youth programs that are co-instructed by these NPS Education Technicians and a non-profit partner instructor. Here are brief
summaries of the main program types: **Denali Discovery Camp** (7-8 sessions per summer packed into 2 wks.): 5 days with 1-3 overnights (age dependent), campground based. For 1st - 8th grade students with a focus on locals. **Denali Summer Science Academy** (~5 sessions per summer): 4 days and 3 nights, campground based. For high school students with a focus on underserved populations (Alaska Native, foster children, etc.). **Denali Expeditions** (~6 sessions per summer): 6 days and 5 nights, backcountry based. For high school and college students, some open enrollment and some focused on underserved populations (Alaska Native, first-in-family to university, etc.) **Denali Science School** (~9-10 sessions per fall): three days and 2 nights, classroom-based. For 5th-6th grade classes from across Alaska. Knowledge, skill and ability requirements: Wilderness First Responder certification is required by the start date; Experience and aptitude working as an outdoor educator; Experience practicing and teaching Leave No Trace principles; Ability to supervise youth in areas with dangerous large animals, few trails, and cool/cold wet weather. For the backcountry-focused position, experience with backcountry and wilderness travel and camping, and ideally experience leading youth groups in these settings. Hours/pay: The Education Technicians work up to 15 hours per day for multiple days in a row, earning comp that is spent as extended time off in subsequent weeks. How to apply: Education staff are hired off the same job application certificates as Denali's Interpretation and Backcountry Rangers, which is why it's hard to know about these positions without having the inside scoop. Here are the links to the FY18 announcements on USAJOBs for reference, and approximate dates for which the advertisements may be open for our summer 2020 positions. Interpretation (will likely be advertised November 18, 2019): [https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/482638700](https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/482638700). Backcountry (will likely be advertised in January 2020): [https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/489463000](https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/489463000). There is a limit on the number of applications that will be accepted for each position, so it's a good idea to build a resume in USAJobs prior to the application period, and to submit your application within the first two days that the position is open. Contact Sierra McLane at [sierra_mclane@nps.gov](mailto:sierra_mclane@nps.gov) or call 907-683-6436 if you are interested in receiving additional information and tips on how to apply.

**CONSERVATION PROJECT MANAGER** for the **GREAT LAND TRUST** to be responsible for due diligence, recordkeeping, and drafting and negotiating legal documents including purchase and sale agreements and conservation easements associated with new projects. The Conservation Project Manager will be fluent in tax benefits associated with land conservation. The Conservation Project Manager will work with GLT staff, landowners, and partners on projects and will be responsible for assuring that all conservation and acquisition projects adhere to GLT’s policies and procedures and the Land Trust Alliance’s Accreditation Standards and Practices. Additionally, the Conservation Project Manager will work with the Executive Director and Conservation Director to continue developing, promoting, and utilizing GLT's successful In-Lieu Fee Wetland Mitigation program. As part of the GLT team, the Conservation Project Manager will help host and participate in GLT's events and community outreach activities. All staff on our team embrace public speaking and networking opportunities as we work to develop and sustain relationships with funders and community partners,
grow our base of supporters in both size and diversity. For a full job description and application information, go to http://greatlandtrust.org/were-hiring/.

ALASKA FIELD REP for the THEODORE ROOSEVELT CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP tasked with organizing state-based strategic support for the TRCP’s policy objectives. This part-time consulting position will be responsible for advancing the TRCP’s priorities for conserving both undeveloped forests in the Tongass National Forest of Southeast Alaska and BLM lands important for sportsmen and women in Central Alaska. A successful candidate will display communications and strategic abilities to engage, organize, and empower conservation minded hunters and anglers in public lands policy decisions that directly impact our community. This person will also demonstrate an ability to engage constructively with our partners, decision makers, and state and federal agencies. This individual will work closely with TRCP representatives from other Western states and contribute to the overall success of the organization. To apply, email a cover letter and resume with the subject line “Alaska Field Representative” to Joel Webster, TRCP Center for Western Lands Director at jwebster@trcp.org. Position will remain open until filled. Read full job description here: http://www.trcp.org/employment/part-time-alaska-field-representative/.

ACCOUNTING AND GRANTS MANAGER for the KACHEMAK HERITAGE LAND TRUST, of Homer. Qualified candidates must be knowledgeable in accounting, handling all aspects of the accounting cycle including payroll and payroll taxes, be proficient at Quickbooks and Excel, understand expense allocation as it applies to non-profits, etc. If you would like to help preserve important lands on the Kenai Peninsula for the future and this position interests you, please go to https://www.kachemaklandtrust.org/news.html for the full job description and how to apply.

LEAD NATURALIST for the DISCOVERY SOUTHEAST, to be responsible enrichment programs (after school, day, or summer) for elementary and middle schoolers, developing curricula, managing programs, fundraising, and outreach. The backgrounds we value most include classroom teaching, group and classroom management, leading groups outdoors, and developing lessons. The position is easiest as part time, but there is potential to make it ¾ time for candidates that also bring experience coordinating programs, an/or administrative work. The core responsibility of leading classroom programs requires daytime availability until 2:30 in the fall, winter, and spring, but requires little commitment over the winter holidays or summer. Pay is dependent on experience, and generally between $20 - $30 with the lower end of that range representing education in the field but limited experience, and the upper end being significant knowledge and experience in the field. We offer health insurance for staff working at least ¾ time. To Apply: For more information or to submit a cover letter and resume to Shawn Eisele, at executivedirector@discoverysoutheast.org. In applications, please specify roughly how many hours a week you would like to work. More information about our programs is at DiscoverySoutheast.org. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION for the PRATT MUSEUM in Homer to provide dynamic leadership and to direct innovative programming, planning, organization, staffing, and operations. The Pratt Museum builds relationships between people and place through stories relevant to Kachemak Bay. The Executive Director will work closely with the Board of Directors to refine, develop, and implement strategic fundraising, exhibitions, collections management, educational activities, and community outreach. We Value: Interdependence, Curiosity. Knowledge/Skills/Abilities : Expert skills and demonstrated knowledge of museum or public venue operations. Advanced knowledge of financial, budgeting, and accounting practices, standards, and regulations. Proven ability to manage a diverse team of staff, board and constituents. Working knowledge of Alaska's natural, cultural, artistic and scientific ecosystems. Proven track record in fundraising skills for earned, charitable and grant income plan. Education or Training : Undergraduate and/or higher degree preferred. At least three years of program management experience in a field relevant to the Pratt Museum’s mission and purview. This is a full-time exempt position (salary dependent on experience). Benefits limited to paid vacation, sick time, holiday pay, and a Simple IRA retirement plan. The Pratt Museum is an equal opportunity employer. To apply, please email, in PDF format, a cover letter, resume and contact information for three professional references to board@prattmuseum.org. This position is open until filled.

POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH POSITIONS - KNOWLEDGE CO-PRODUCTION AND ECONOMICS

1. SEEKING CLIMATE CHANGE KNOWLEDGE CO-PRODUCTION and BOUNDARY SPANNING on ALASKA. Climate change is occurring more rapidly in the Arctic than any region on Earth. Its impacts are being felt by Indigenous peoples as well as throughout a range of societal sectors, including wildfire management. Recent scholarship suggests that boundary spanning, translational ecology, and the process of knowledge co-production are effective in bridging the gap between science and decision-making and calls for building capacity by developing processes for effective evaluation and for training boundary spanning professionals. We seek a post-doctoral research fellow to explore one or more of these inter-related research areas of knowledge co-production and boundary spanning assessment related to climate change in Alaska. More information including application details available HERE. Questions about the position should be directed to Sarah.Trainor@alaska.edu.

2. INTERDISCIPLINARY ANALYSIS of ECONOMIC IMPACTS of CLIMATE CHANGE in ALASKA. The Arctic is warming twice as fast as lower latitudes with far-reaching consequences for access to energy and mineral resources, global trade and tourism routes, marine and terrestrial ecosystems, and human health and safety. Impacts of the changing Arctic are particularly salient for the region’s Indigenous peoples. The need for integrated, transdisciplinary research to better understand social and economic impacts and potential opportunities from climate change for Alaska is critically needed. Despite this need, there has been little work done to assess the economic costs and benefits of Arctic change, especially with regard to impacts in Alaska, or the value of existing federal and state services and products. Given that impacts and associated costs arise at scales ranging from the local to the global, there is a spectrum of opportunities for theory building and methods development that can
only be accomplished through the deep integration of disciplines. This work is critical for meeting pressing societal needs and to inform decisions and policy. We seek a post-doctoral research fellow to explore the social and economic impacts of climate change in Alaska from an interdisciplinary perspective. More information including application details available HERE. Questions about the position should be directed to Sarah.Trainor@alaska.edu.

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. To apply please send resume, cover letter, and 3 references to Lily@alaskawildlife.org.

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/.

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