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**CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, SPECIAL EVENTS**

**SPRING 2020 SUSTAINABLE ENERGY ONLINE CLASSES, UAF-BRISTOL BAY** are offered through the UAF-Bristol Bay Sustainable Energy program.

- **INTRODUCTION to SUSTAINABLE ENERGY**, ENVI F220, 3-cr, 15 weeks, will be held Tuesdays & Thursdays from 3:40 to 5:10pm, January 13 to May 2, CRN 36875
- **ENERGY & SOCIETY**, PHYS 102X, 4-cr, 15 weeks, will be held Tuesdays & Thursdays from 5:10 to 6:40pm, January 13 to May 2, CRN 36892
- **ALASKA ENERGY UTILITY LECTURE SERIES**, ENVI F150 1-cr, 15 weeks, on Fridays from 1 to 2pm, January 3 to May 2, CRN 37946
- **BASICS SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS**, ENVI F150, 1-cr, 5 wks, on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 8pm, February 5 to March 4, Wed 5:20-8pm, CRN 37947
- **SMALL WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS**, ENVI F150, 1-cr, 5 wks, 5:20 to 8pm April 1 to April 29, CRN 37949
- **ENERGY EFFICIENT BUILDING DESIGN AND SIMULATION**, ENVI F122, 1-cr, 3 days, May 8 - 10, CRN TBD

For more info contact Mark Masteller, Asst. Prof. Sustainable Energy, at 907-414-0198 or email mamasteller@alaska.edu.

January 16 – April 23
PALMER - GARDENING CLASS SERIES will be held at the Annex, 247 S Alaska Street on Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30pm on the following dates:

**January 16** - Learn how to locate the perfect placement for a new garden or enhance the design of an existing one and the skills you need to create your own Permaculture Garden designs. By applying the fundamental Permaculture design process, we will locate the existing microclimates on your property. Defining microclimates increases the diversity of food crops we can grow in the Arctic.

**January 30** - Healthy soil is the foundation for healthy food crops. Come and learn as we venture “below” and learn how to care for the delicate yet persistent soil food web. We will learn cost effective ways to determine our soil type, pH, texture, soil tilth and how to care for your soil regeneratively.

**February 13** - Learn how to restore your landscape and create a cultivated ecology. We have been using regenerative theory in our home garden for a long time. We are applying regenerative theory to our Market Farm and the gains are enormous.

**February 27** - Join us as we explore Edible Landscaping for Alaska! This class provides simple and effective design tools on how to create growing spaces throughout your home layout. Using traditional landscaping techniques coupled with a Permaculture flair- you will learn how create, design and implement spaces that are both functional and beautiful. Taking our Permaculture Design for Growing Spaces is recommended but not required.

**March 12** - How to balance your soil so that you can reap the rewards of the spring sow. We grow by the mantra “Feed your soil- not your plants”. Learn all the regenerative practices for caring for your soil.

**March 26** - Where do you fit into your landscape. Are you making the proper decisions for the land? Learn how to manage your growing spaces effectively. Learn the tools you need for prevention of pests and disease. Increase yields with decreased work!

**April 23** - We supply the seeds and the soil! Organic, Heirloom and open pollinated varieties. Everyone will go home with at least 72 seed starts. Starting seeds can extend the growing season 4-6 weeks! Learn how to provide your starts the nutrition and care they need. For more information, go to [https://seedsandsoilorganics.com/product/palmer-seven-class-series/](https://seedsandsoilorganics.com/product/palmer-seven-class-series/).

**January 23 – April 30**

WASILLA - GARDENING CLASS SERIES will be held in the Wasilla Museum and Visitor Center from 6:30 to 8:30pm on the following dates:
January 23 - Learn how to locate the perfect placement for a new garden or enhance the design of an existing one and the skills needed to create your own Permaculture Garden designs. By applying the fundamental Permaculture design process, we will locate the existing microclimates on your property. Defining microclimates increases the diversity of food crops we can grow in the Arctic.

February 6 - Healthy soil is the foundation for healthy food crops. Come and learn as we venture “below” and learn how to care for the delicate yet persistent soil food web. Learn cost effective ways to determine our soil type, pH, texture, soil tilth and how to care for your soil regeneratively.

February 20 - Learn how to heal your landscape and create a cultivated ecology. We have been using regenerative theory in our home garden for a long time. We are applying regenerative theory to our Market Farm and the gains are enormous.

March 5 - Explore Edible Landscaping for Alaska! This class provides simple and effective design tools on how to create growing spaces throughout your home layout. Using traditional landscaping techniques coupled with a Permaculture flair- learn how create, design and implement spaces that are both functional and beautiful. Taking our Permaculture Design for Growing Spaces is recommended but not required.

March 19 - How to balance your soil so that you can reap the rewards of the spring sow. Learn all the regenerative practices for caring for your soil.

April 2 - Where do you fit into your landscape. Are you making the proper decisions for the land? Learn how to manage your growing spaces effectively. Learn the tools you need for prevention of pests and disease. Increase yields with decreased work!

April 30 - We supply the seeds and the soil! Organic, Heirloom and open pollinated varieties. Everyone will go home with at least 72 seed starts. Starting seeds can extend the growing season 4-6 weeks! Learn how to provide your starts the nutrition and care they need.

For more information, go to https://seedsandsoilorganics.com/product/wasilla-class-series-all-seven-classes/.

January 27 - 31

ANCHORAGE – 26TH ANNUAL ALASKA MARINE SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM will be held at the Hotel Captain Cook and the Egan Convention Center. This is Alaska’s premier marine research conference bringing together scientists, educators, resource managers, students, and interested public to discuss the latest marine research conducted in Alaska waters. Many of this year’s conference presentations will highlight the dramatic changes
happening in the Alaska’s marine ecosystems. Keynote presentations include DR. FRANCISCO (CISCO) WERNER, Chief Science Advisor for NOAA Fisheries, and MAIJA LUKIN, Western Arctic Parklands Superintendent, and a native of Kotzebue, Alaska. For more information, including registration, go to https://www.alaskamarinescience.org/general-info-1.

February 10 – 14

ANCHORAGE – The 22ND ALASKA FORUM ON THE ENVIRONMENT will be held at the Dena'ina Convention Center, 600 W 7th Avenue. There will be over 100 presentation, panel discussion, special events and workshops. Technical sessions include: climate change, emergency response, brownfields, marine debris, environmental regulations, fish and wildlife, forests, rural issues, energy, military issues, business issues, pollution prevention, contaminants, and more. The Alaska Forum on the Environment (AFE) is a statewide gathering of environmental professionals from government agencies, non-profit and for-profit businesses, community leaders, Alaskan youth, conservationists, biologists, and community elders. For more information, including registration, go to http://www.akforum.org/.

February 10 – 14,

ANCHORAGE - ALASKA CHAPTER of the WILDLIFE SOCIETY 2020 ANNUAL MEETING and WORKSHOPS will be held at Alaska Pacific University. The theme this year is WILDLIFE AND ADVANCING TECHNOLOGIES. Keynote speakers: DICK SHIDELER will highlight methods to detect bear dens using recent and historic technology, MATT WOOLLER will share his expertise on applications of advanced isotope technologies to wildlife research, and BRITTA SCHROEDER will discuss current and potential drone capabilities for habitat and wildlife surveys. They are looking for participants interested in sharing their experiences using technology for wildlife research, management, or monitoring at the "Technology Show and Tell" segment. To complement our theme, Wildlife and Advancing Technologies, our poster session will include displays of technologies used in the wildlife field. Participants will have the opportunity to get hands-on experience or view demonstrations or hardware associated with these technologies. This could include information technology, sensors, equipment, or any tool used for research, data collection, or data processing. Our goal for this session is to show conference participants what type of technology is out there and give them inspiration for the future. If you have experience with technology you would like to share, then please submit an abstract for consideration. Additionally, we will offer Remote Participation this year. There are registration costs for both, online and in-person participation. This will be a trial year to test the feasibility of remote participation to our meeting. Remote participation will be limited to listening to sessions and presenting during select sessions from 11 through 13 February. You are able to choose
remote participation as an option when registering on the website. To sign up for workshops, field trips or the Technology Show and Tell, you need to register for the conference at twsalaskameeting.com. For more information, go to http://twsalaskameeting.com/?post=678.

February 18 -20

COPPER RIVER CENTER - COPPER RIVER BASIN SYMPOSIUM: TRADITION, SCIENCE, and STEWARDSHIP will be held at the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park Visitor Center. WISE is partnering with Wrangell-St. Elias National Park, Copper River Watershed Project, Wrangell Mountains Center, Ahtna Intertribal Resource Commission, and others to present a symposium on current science projects and traditional ecological knowledge in the Copper River Basin. The purpose is to bring together many diverse disciplines and points of view to share knowledge, encourage stewardship, and celebrate the Copper River Basin. For more information, go to https://copperriver.org/news-events/copper-river-basin-symposium/
The symposium is open to the public.

WEBINARS, TELECONFERENCES & VIDEOS

December 18 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)

The ALASKA STATE PARKS STATEWIDE CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD will meet at 6pm in the Atwood Building, 550 West 7th Ave. Suite 106. The primary purpose of the meeting is for the division to express appreciation to these volunteer leaders who provide critical input to state park management. Other potential agenda items may include how regional advisory boards can work more effectively together, and the current status of statewide Alaska State Parks projects for the next year. Alaska State Parks has advisory boards throughout the state appointed by the Division Director and the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources. Members are selected to ensure representation of a variety of public interests and assist with public input into managing State Park units. For more information, contact Matt Wedeking at 269-8702 or email matt.wedeking@alaska.gov. Teleconference call in number is 1.877.226.9607; Conference Code: 7547916061#

December 20 (WEBINAR)
DECEMBER 2019 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE ALASKA CLIMATE OUTLOOK BRIEFING with RICK THOMAN will be held from Noon to 1pm. The tools and techniques for making monthly and season scale climate forecasts are rapidly changing, with the potential to provide useful forecasts at the month and longer range. Hear the review recent climate conditions around Alaska, review some forecast tools and finish up the Climate Prediction Center's forecast for the coming months. To join the webinar, go to Register.

GRANTS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/ CONTESTS/RFPs

January 8

Deadline for pre-proposals for the COASTAL AND MARINE HABITAT RESTORATION GRANTS, the $4 million in Community-based Restoration Program funding available for coastal and marine habitat restoration in 2020. Award amounts range from $75,000 to $3 million over one to three years. The pre-proposal process will help determine if proposed projects are well-suited for this specific funding competition and if a full application is warranted. The full application deadline, which will be in April 2020, will be sent to eligible applicants that were successful in the pre-proposal process. For more information go to https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/grant/coastal-and-marine-habitat-restoration-grants. Contact Erika Ammann at erika.ammann@noaa.gov or call (907)271-5118 if you have any questions.

January 15

Deadline for applications for the ALASKA GEOGRAPHIC and the NATIONAL PARK SERVICE SCHOLARSHIPS to TEACHERS for ACCREDITED COURSES in DENALI NATIONAL PARK and PRESERVE. Making use of a field camp 30 miles into Denali, these small group intensives expose teachers to science, research and educational opportunities using Denali as their classroom. Courses are three days in length. Professional development credit is included through the University of Alaska Anchorage. For additional information and to apply, please visit the Alaska Geographic website at http://akgeo.org/field-courses/teacher-opportunities/teacher-scholarships/. The courses available for the 2020 scholarships are:

Birds of Denali (June 8 - 10); Wildflowers of Denali (June 23 - 25); Paleontology in Denali (June 26 - 28); Wolves of Denali (July 8 – 10); Denali’s Large Mammals (July 29 - 31); Denali’s Mosses and Lichens (August 5 - 7); Denali’s Alpine Wildlife and Climate Change (August 7 – 9); and Geology of Denali (August 12 - 14). For additional information or questions email courses@alaskageographic.org or call 907-683-6432.
**January 15**

Deadline for applications for the **YOUTH PROJECTS USING TECHNOLOGY to ADDRESS ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES EcoTECK GRANTS** from the Captain Planet Foundation. The Captain Planet Foundation is dedicated to giving the next generation of environmental stewards an active understanding and love for the natural world in which they live. The Foundation is offering ecoTech Grants to schools and nonprofit organizations for the purpose of encouraging educators and students to explore the role technology can play in designing and implementing solutions to some of our most pressing environmental challenges. Grants of up to $2,500 may be used for the purchase of materials and other expenses required to implement the project. For more information, go to [https://captainplanetfoundation.org/grants/](https://captainplanetfoundation.org/grants/).

**February 21**

Deadline for submissions to the **FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ANNUAL ART CONTEST** for ALL STUDENTS IN ALASKA, GRADES 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**

**December 16**

Deadline for comments on the **DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT, ALTERNATIVES to a PROPOSED ALASKA ROADLESS RULE**. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is proposing to exempt the Tongass National Forest from the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule, which prohibits tree harvest and road construction/reconstruction within inventoried roadless areas with certain limited exceptions. In addition, the proposed rule would provide an administrative procedure for correcting and modifying inventoried roadless area boundaries on the Chugach National Forest. For more information, go to [https://www.fs.usda.gov/roadmain/roadless/alaskaroadlessrule](https://www.fs.usda.gov/roadmain/roadless/alaskaroadlessrule). Submit comments at [http://www.regulations.gov/#!submitComment;D=FS-2019-0023-0001](http://www.regulations.gov/#!submitComment;D=FS-2019-0023-0001).

**December 19**

**FAIRBANKS** – Comments are due on the proposal to **RESURFACE DAVIS ROAD from UNIVERSITY AVENUE to LATHROP STREET**. This project will recondition the surface material and clear existing drainage ditches to provide a suitable travel surface and reduce maintenance needs. Access to businesses and residences will be maintained during construction activities. For more information or to submit comments, contact John Netardus, Engineering Manager at (907) 451-5448 or email john.netardus@alaska.gov.

**December 20**

Deadline for **CALL for PRESENTERS** at the **SPRING GARDEN CONFERENCE** to be held on **February 22**. Do you have an area of expertise you would love to share with the larger gardening community? We welcome lecture and workshop style presentations (60 minutes) and shorter 15-minute sessions that can be included in "downtime" during or after the Conference. The conference reaches a wide audience of long-time garden enthusiasts to the first-time gardeners. For more information or to submit, contact ABG’s Program Director at stacey.shriner@alaskabg.org. For presenter form, go to [Presenter Form](#).
December 20

Comments are due on a wide array of proposed activities included in the “OUT-YEAR PLAN” for the PRINCE OF WALES LANDSCAPE LEVEL ANALYSIS PROJECT. The POW LLA Project “Out-year Plan” is a living document that allows the public to track activities through the implementation process. The Forest is specifically looking for comments on activity design components, locations, methods, mitigation measures, and integration opportunities for items listed as “draft” in the Out-year Plan. The updated project implementation information is available at http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/tongass/powlla. Upload comments to the project website at https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public//CommentInput?project=50337. A Record of Decision was signed for the POW LLA Project on March 16. To view the Final Environmental Impact Statement, and Record of Decision, or to sign up for electronic notifications, go to http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/tongass/powlla. For more information, contact Project Leader Delilah Brigham at 907-828-3232, or email delilah.brigham@usda.gov.

December 27

ANCHORAGE – Deadline for comment on the UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM NARRATIVE PROGRAM (UPWP) that is required when federal funds are used for transportation planning. The Draft 2020-21 UPWP defines the transportation planning activities and products to be developed by AMATS and other transportation planning agencies during the fiscal year (January 1 to December 31). It is the basis for allocating federal, state, and local funds for short- and long-range transportation planning activities within the AMATS area. Go to Draft UPWP Narrative to see the narrative. Submit comments to AMATSInfo@ci.anchorage.ak.us. For more information, contact Craig Lyon at 907.343.7996.

December 30

JUNEAU – Deadline for comments on the application for an INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT PERMIT for the Hecla Greens Creek Mining Company for the GREENS CREEK MINE, an underground silver, zinc, lead, and gold mine located in the Admiralty Island National Monument near Hawk Inlet. The permit application is for containing wastewater and disposing of tailings and waste rock in designated facilities. Copies of the proposed permit and application documents are available at http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/mining/largemine/greenscreek/. For more information or to submit comments, contact Kyle Moselle at 907-465-6849 or email kyle.moselle@alaska.gov.
STERLING HIGHWAY - Comments are due on the proposal to RECONSTRUCT APPROXIMATELY 11 MILES of the STERLING HIGHWAY between STERLING and SOLDOTNA. The reconstruction would widen the highway from two to four lanes from approximately MP 82.5 to 94. The proposed work would: • Expand the existing road to a four-lane divided facility. • Five-lane sections would be constructed to tie into existing lane configurations at each end of the project. • Install median breaks with dedicated left-turn lanes to accommodate reasonable access to adjacent lands. • Dedicated right-turn lanes would be installed at some side road intersections. • Some access would change to right-in/right-out with U-turn lanes available at the median breaks. • Adjust access management. • Realign a portion of Scout Lake Road. • Upgrade or construct new frontage and connection roads. • Consolidate access points and realign approaches to frontage or connection roads. • Minimize driveways directly accessing the Sterling Highway. • Construct pedestrian facilities. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in summer 2026. For more information, contact Kelly Summers, Project Manager, at 269-0546 or Drew von Lindern, Environmental Impact Analyst, at 269-0551. Submit comments to Brian Elliott, Regional Environmental Manager, at brian.elliott@alaska.gov.

FAIRBANKS – Deadline for response to the Div. of Parks & Outdoor Recreation’s request for comments on the FUTURE MANAGEMENT of the SHOOTING RANGE at the CHENA RIVER STATE RECREATION AREA. The division is using a survey to seek public input to help guide future management decisions for the facility. Take the survey at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BNWH69H

Deadline for a design for a DIGITAL LOGO DESIGN for the ALASKA INVASIVE SPECIES PARTNERSHIP In 2018, the Committee for Noxious and Invasive Plant Management officially changed its name to the AKISP to reflect an all-taxa approach to invasive species management in Alaska. We’re now looking for a new, creative, digital professional design that incorporates our name (or acronym or both), outline of the state, and represents all-taxa (marine, freshwater, and terrestrial species). A high resolution, color PDF is required. Please contact Danielle Verna at dverna@pdx.edu with questions and to submit your logo design. The winning design will be featured on letterhead, future communications, and outreach materials of the AKISP. The winner will receive free registration to the Annual Invasive Species Workshop to be held in Anchorage in fall 2020. For more information, go to https://www.uaf.edu/ces/invasives/aisp/,
January 15

Deadline for applications for the NORTH PACIFIC RESEARCH BOARD ADVISORY PANEL seat representing the GULF OF ALASKA and two SCIENCE PANEL SEATS representing SOCIAL SCIENCE AND/OR INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIP. The Advisory Panel represents stakeholders, user groups, and other interested parties from regions within the Board’s purview: The Gulf of Alaska, the Bering Sea, and the Arctic, and one at-large seat. Appointments are for three-year terms, with a maximum of two consecutive terms.

Advisory Panel members advise the Board on accomplishing its overall mission of fielding a high caliber, comprehensive research program that will: 1) improve our understanding of the Gulf of Alaska, Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands, and Arctic Ocean ecosystems and their fisheries, and 2) help to sustain and enhance marine resources. Go to Full Advisory Panel Announcement for more information.

EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD

December 13 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)

JUNEAU - The MARICULTURE TASK FORCE (MTF), 302 Gold Street, will meet from 8:30am to Noon in the Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association (APICDA) conference room or using the ZOOM videoconference system at https://zoom.us/j/555086572 via internet or via phone at 1-669-900-6833 Meeting ID: 555-086-572. For more information, contact Julie Decker at 907-276-7315, email jdecker@afdf.org or go to www.afdf.org.

December 13

The HOLIDAY HO-HO-HOEDOWN will be held from 4 to 8pm at the Flattop Pizza & Pool, 600 W 6th Avenue. Celebrate all the hard work and accomplishments this year of The Alaska Center, Wild Salmon Center, SalmonState, and the Mobilization Center. Happy hour food will be available in addition to one drink coupon. Please RSVP to ryan_a@akcenter.org so we can get a headcount.

December 14
The **Citizen’s Climate Lobby** will meet from 8:30 to 10:30am in Room 220, Rasmuson Hall, UAA campus. The International call begins at 9am. Guest speaker is **Carolyn Woo**, Former CEO of Catholic Relief Services, who has been leveraging the power of the faith community to address climate change. Earlier this year, Carolyn Woo spearheaded a dialogue at the Pontifical Academy of the Sciences on **The Energy Transition and Care for Our Common Home**. Woo, currently a Distinguished President’s Fellow for Global Development at Purdue University, served as President and CEO of Catholic Relief Services from 2012 to 2016.

**December 14**

The **Anchorage Christmas Bird Count** will be held. If you have participated in The Count before, just contact your Area Leader and tell them you’ll be back. You DO NOT have to register through National Audubon this year. If you don’t know your area leader, contact Louann Feldmann at louannf@alaska.net. To join the Christmas Bird Count for the first time, contact Louann and she’ll help you find a place in the count. PLEASE REGISTER WITH YOUR AREA LEADER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. A fabulous Chili Feed and Tally Party will follow the Christmas Count at 6pm at the Congregational Church, 2610 E. Northern Lights. Chili and cornbread will be provided. Please bring salad, side dish or dessert for the potluck. This is Citizen Science at its best accompanied by fabulous food, good times, great people, and tall tales of the day's conquest. It's the 119th annual count and we'd love to have you join us for the biggest national birding event of the year.

**December 16, 17 & 18**

**Anchorage Fish & Game Advisory Committee Fish Subcommittee** will meet each day at Copper River Seafoods, 1118 E 5th Avenue. Agenda items include: • Upper Cook Inlet proposals; • Other business as needed. The Anchorage Fish and Game Advisory Committee is a collection of community members from all user groups that come together, discuss Fish and Game issues and recommend changes to current regulations. They also represent their community before the Board of Fisheries and Board of Game at board meetings. This meeting is open to the public. For more information contact: Charity Lehman – Regional Coordinator (907) 267-2354 Or Martin Weiser – mweiser@crsalaska.com.

**December 18**

**Alaska Water Recourses Association Brown Bag Lunch** will feature **Crane Johnson**, National Weather Service, discussing **History and**
HYDROLOGY OF THE LOWELL CREEK TUNNEL at Noon at the USGS in Glen Olds building, APU campus. Parking: is limited; additional parking is available at the Moseley Sports Center or the lot between Carrs-Gottstein and Atwood buildings. If you would like to participate via web conferencing, please contact Garrett Yager at garrett.yager@mbakerintl.com to obtain meeting call in information. For more AAWRA information, go to https://ak-awra.org/.

December 18

WILD RELATIONSHIPS in ALASKA will be presented by Alaska authors CAROLINE VAN HEMERT, LISA MALONEY and ERIN MCKITTRICK from 4 to 6pm in UAA/APU Consortium Library room 307. Caroline Van Hemert is a wildlife biologist and author of The Sun Is A Compass, A 4,000-Mile Journey into The Alaskan Wilds. She received her PhD in the Dept. of Biology and Wildlife at UAF with a research focus on avian health and disease. Lisa Maloney has lived in Alaska for more than 25 years. She is a former outdoors columnist for the Anchorage Press and served as senior editor at Alaska magazine. Her guidebook Day Hiking Southcentral Alaska features 100 hikes with detailed route descriptions and color photos. Erin McKittrick is author of Mudflats and Fish Camps: 800 Miles around Alaska’s Cook Inlet. In it, she explores the history of the inlet, the culture of the area, and shares her family’s adventures and observation with wildlife. Erin McKittrick has a master’s degree in molecular and cellular biology and is cofounder of Ground Truth Trekking, a nonprofit organization that combines “ground truth” with “researched truth”. Everyone is encouraged to attend. There is free parking for this event in the Library Lot and Library NE Lot. This is the last UAA Bookstore event. Deep appreciation to Rachel Epstein for hosting these informative presentations over the years.

December 18

NOMADS of the NORTH with LAYNE ADAMS will be held at 7pm at the BLM Campbell Creek Science Center, 5600 Science Center Drive Caribou are iconic residents of Alaska and Canada. Throughout the year, caribou must contend with large carnivores and harsh weather in order to survive and reproduce. Join US Geological Service wildlife researcher Layne Adams to explore population dynamics and predator/prey relationships of caribou in Denali National Park and Preserve. For more information, please call 267-1241.

December 26, 27, 30 & 31
BLM CAMPBELL CREEK SCIENCE CENTER, 5600 Science Center Drive, is holding the following special programs:

**December 26: LIFE UNDER the SNOW** will be held from Noon to 1pm. A lot goes on under the snow in winter. Learn more about this subnivean environment during the Noontime Naturalist program. Participants should dress for being outdoors in a place consistently at least 10 degrees colder than the rest of Anchorage. For more information, please call 267-1247.

**December 27: NATURE AWARENESS HIKE** will be held from 1 to 2pm. Take a naturalist-led interpretive walk and become more aware of the connections between living things in our woods. It is free and will take place entirely outdoors. Participants should dress for being outdoors in a place consistently 10 degrees colder than the rest of Anchorage. For more information, please call 267-1247.

**December 30: WINTER OUTDOOR SKILLS** will be held from Noon to 3pm. Increase your basic outdoor knowledge so that you feel more confident on your next winter adventure. This program is free and will be conducted mostly outside. Participants should dress for being outside for an extended period of time in a place consistently 10 degrees colder than the rest of Anchorage. For more information, please call 267-1247.

**December 31: Presence In Nature** will be held from 10 to 11:30. Cast off holiday stress and start to build a deeper awareness of your natural surroundings. Come stop, listen, and feel your innate connection to the beautiful world around us using a variety of mindfulness activities, including nature sketching and journaling. The program is designed for all ages and will be held outside regardless of the weather so participants should dress for being outdoors in a place consistently 10 degrees colder than the rest of Anchorage. Writing paper and pencils will be provided. Participants are encouraged to bring their own journals, notebooks, or sketchpads and drawing pencils if they have them. For more information, please call 267-1247.

**MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE**

**December 14**

**CORDOVA - CORDOVA’S 48TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT** will start at 8am in Cordova Center’s education room to get route assignments. This is open to the public and beginner birders are welcome. If you have a feeder and want to record birds during count day – please give us a call! There will be a potluck Saturday evening at 6pm to tally sightings. For more information, call Milo Burcham at 907-429-5878.
December 16

HAINES - The UPPER LYNN CANAL FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will meet at 5pm in the Haines City Council Chambers. Agenda Items Include: Reports from Fish & Game biologists; Update of information gathered on the clean-up of a fuel spill near 15-mile Haines Highway and other business. For further information, contact Annie Bartholomew 907.465.4046 or email annie.bartholomew@alaska.gov.

December 16, 17, 18, January 7, 9

Public meetings will be held on the DRAFT NPR-A INTEGRATED ACTIVITY PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DEIS) in the following locations:

December 16 – UTQIAGVIK from 6:30 to 9pm, presentation at 7pm, at the Inupiat Heritage Center

December 17 - ATQASUK from 6:30 to 9pm, presentation at 7pm, at the Community Center

December 18 – FAIRBANKS from 6 to 9pm, presentation at 7pm, at the Morris Thompson Center

January 7 – NUIQSUT from 6:30 to 9pm, presentation at 7pm at the Kisik Community Center

January 9 - ANAKTUVUK PASS from 6:30 to 9pm, presentation at 7pm at the Community Center

Please note that these days and times may be subject to change based on weather or other external factors

To see the DEIS, go to https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/planAndProjectSite.do?methodName=dispatchToPatternPage&currentPageld=174096 . The Draft EIS outlines four alternatives providing a range of options for leasing and development. The Final EIS will be informed by public comments received and identify a preferred alternative that can be a combination of different aspects of the range of alternatives. The BLM is required to include the status quo as an alternative, • Alternative A, which maintains the 11.8 million acres for development under the 2013 record of decision. • Alternative B, which decreases the land available for leasing and new infrastructure to 11.4 million acres and designates all special areas as unavailable. • Alternative C, which increases the land available for leasing and new infrastructure to 17.1 million acres and keeps a core area around Teshekpuk Lake
Alternative D which increases the land available for leasing and new infrastructure to 18.3 million acres allowing for the entire Teshekpuk Lake special area, as well as parts of the Utukok River Uplands special area, to be available for development. The EIS identifies new management alternatives that consider different land allocation combinations, opening new areas to leasing, new or revised lease stipulations and best management practices and examining current special area boundaries. **Deadline for comments is January 21.**

**December 17**

**CORDOVA** - Public meeting will be held from 11am to 2pm in The Cordova Center Community Room A and 2nd floor Atrium on the **COPPER RIVER HIGHWAY PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL LINKAGE STUDY** to get your ideas and options (preliminary alternates) on what it would take to reconstruct, repair, and replace the damaged transportation infrastructure along a segment of the Copper River Highway, from approximately Milepost (MP) 27 through Abercrombie Creek, approximate MP 51. DOT&PF’s Northern Region Director, Ryan Anderson, P.E. will be hosting this discussion, along with other members of the Copper River Highway Planning and Environmental Linkage (PEL) team. PEL studies are a flexible approach that offers planning organizations the options to use the transportation planning process to produce decisions or analyses that can later be adopted or cited by reference into the subsequent National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document. A PEL study is particularly useful when there is a large study area and it’s unlikely that funding will be available to address all the issues or the entire area in a single project, as is the case with this PEL study. Some of the goals the DOT&PF hopes to achieve during this meeting is to: Reach general consensus within the community that the PEL’s draft Purpose and Need statement is accurate and complete.

- Solicit the community for their ideas (alternatives) on how to best address the project elements cited within the draft PEL and request their participation on deciding which preliminarily alternatives should be eliminated do to it being unreasonable.  
- Solicit the community for their preference on which project element should be completed first and their preference in sequencing the remaining project elements. To see the Draft Copper River Highway PEL Document, go to [https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=120405](https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=120405). For more information or to submit comments outside of the public meeting, contact Jeff Stutzke at (907) 451-5389 or email jeff.stutzke@alaska.gov

**December 17**

**KENAI** - The **KENAI/SOLDOTNA FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE** will hold a public meeting at the Cook Inlet Aquaculture building, 40610 Kalifornsky Beach Road at
6:30pm. Agenda topics include: Upper Cook Inlet Finfish proposals and any Board of Game proposals that may be brought before the committee. 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.

**December 18**

**JUNEAU** - The **JUNEAU-DOUGLAS FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE** will meet at 6pm in UAS Egan Library, Room 108. The agenda will include the following items:

Elections; Proposals for discussion; and Other business. For further information, contact Annie Bartholomew at 907-465-4046 or email annie.bartholomew@alaska.gov.

December 18 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)

**FAIRBANKS - FAST PLANNING POLICY BOARD** will meet from Noon to 2pm in the City Council Chambers, 800 Cushman Street. Main Agenda Items include: * Minnie Street Corridor Study; * PM2.5 Non-Attainment Area Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Funding - Call for Project Nominations; * State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Fiscal Constraint Solutions Presentation by DOT&PF; * FAST Planning Office Annual Dues Starting January 1, 2020; * FAST Planning Bylaws Article IX, Conflict of Interest Annual Statements; * Final Serious State Implementation Plan (SIP) for Fairbanks PM2.5 Non-Attainment Area; * Executive Session for Selection of CPA for Annual Audit, Annual Tax Return Review, and Employee Merit Increases; * FFY20 Budget Amendment. This meeting is open to the public. To participate via telephone please call (907)459-6769. For more information, please contact Jackson Fox, FAST Planning Executive Director, at (907) 205-4276, email jackson.fox@fastplanning.us or go to www.fastplanning.us.

December 18

**TALKEETNA** - The **SUSITNA VALLEY FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE** will hold a public meeting at the Latitude 62, 22687 Talkeetna Spur Road at 6pm. Agenda topics will include: ADF&G staff presentation about the development of new stock based escapement goals for Susitna drainage king salmon, and discussion of Upper Cook Inlet Finfish proposals that effect the Susitna Valley area. For more information contact Steve Harrison at 345-6172 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 further information contact Charity Lehman. At 907-267-2354 or email charity.lehman@alaska.gov.

**December 19**

KENAI - The ADF&G announces the **COOK INLET REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM (CIRPT)** will meet at 10am at the Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association conference room in Kenai. The primary topic of the meeting will be review of the 2019 season/operations and expectations for the 2020 season. The meeting is open to public attendance and participation. For additional information please email ethan.ford@alaska.gov

**December 20**

DENALI NATIONAL PARK – The **5TH ANNUAL WINTERSOLSTICE SKI & STROLL** will be held from 4:30 to 7pm at the park. This is a family-friendly, community event open to all. Park rangers are hosting this special event at the Murie Science and Learning Center (MSLC). Visitors can ski, snowshoe, or stroll on a snowy winter trail lit by luminarias. Trails are appropriate for all levels of skiing or snowshoeing ability. Hot drinks will be served around a campfire and parking is available at the MSLC. In support of our Zero Landfill Initiative, we encourage visitors to avoid feeding the landfill by bringing their own coffee mug to enjoy the free hot beverages. Guests should also bring warm clothes, a headlamp, and their own skis, snowshoes, or warm boots. The 1-mile route starts at the MSLC, passes along the McKinley Station Trail, and then loops through Morino and Spruce trails. For safety, the loops will be one-way. People can make several loops if they'd like more mileage. A fireplace inside the MSLC serves as a cozy place to warm up and indoor restrooms will be available. The event may be postponed, if temperatures drop below -20. Throughout the winter, camping in the Bear Loop of Riley Creek Campground is free on a first-come basis. A limited number of snowshoes are also offered for use. Gas, food, and lodging are available year-round in the communities of Healy and Cantwell.

**December 21**

PALMER - **WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION & MEDICINE WHEEL 2019 & POTLUCK** at Artemisia Acres at 3pm. Come join us in celebrating: * Our changing season;

* Longest night...then lengthening days; and * Mother Earth's continual gifts. Connect, give thanks, & revel! Bring: 1. drums, rattles; 2. poems, readings; 3. something to offer to
the Earth (poem, feather, etc.); 4. food to share—non-GMO please. Parking is limited, so please ask for names of people to carpool with near your area. Dress for a short outdoor portion. Free; but please register in advance by emailing Good Earth Garden School at information@goodearthgardenschool.com.

ITEMS of INTEREST

THREATS to DRINKING WATER and PUBLIC HEALTH IN ALASKA: THE SCOPE of the PFAS PROBLEM, CONSEQUENCES of REGULATORY INACTION, and RECOMMENDATIONS. DIANA DEFAZIO, Environmental Health Program Coordinator with Alaska Community Action on Toxics, is the primary author of the report. TIMOTHY TYNAN, graduate student intern with Alaska Community Action on Toxics, wrote the health effects section. Tim is a dual degree master’s student at Emory University in the PA Program at the medical school and the Rollins School of Public Health. The report is available at https://www.akaction.org/.

It was a shock to learn of RICHARD NELSON’s death! For those who have enjoyed the wonderful nature stories told in his quiet voice that expressed his abiding appreciation for everything he experienced, it is a great loss. To HEAR RICHARD’S STORIES again, go to https://www.encountersnorth.org/, sit back and enjoy.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

BIRD TREATMENT AND LEARNING CENTER is recruiting for BOARD MEMBERS who have an interest in serving our nonprofit mission to present living science education that instills understanding and appreciation for wild birds and their habitats, and to provide primary medical treatment, rehabilitative care, and potential release for sick and injured wild birds. For more information email taramshea@gmail.com.

YUKON-KUSKOKWIM DELTA NEST PLOT SURVEY has TWO or THREE POSITIONS for this cooperative project between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Migratory Bird Management, and the YUKON DELTA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE. This survey serves as the primary monitoring tool to measure recovery of the threatened Spectacled Eider in western Alaska and also provides data for many waterbirds, including Emperor and Brant Geese, Common Eiders and two loon species.
This long-term survey has been possible only by keeping costs to a minimum; thus, we cannot cover salary. We will cover travel costs from Anchorage to the field; crews will get to field sites via float plane or skiff from the Yupik village of Chevak. We provide all food and equipment and all training costs. The survey, travel and prep time takes approximately 3 weeks and starts during the second week of nesting. On average, data collection begins on June 1, but we have started as early as May 27 and as late as June 11 so some flexibility in your schedule is required. This is an exciting project to be on, but it puts you into the outdoors that not everyone is familiar with; it’s a real exposure to isolated living and working conditions and is not for everyone. This said, it is an incredible place to camp and boat; the days are long, and the birds are thick. Before we know it the flood of waterbirds will be on nests along the coast of the Bering Sea and we’ll be there with them (link to Cornell video on the area at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4yyMEoqG0jA). To send a resume or inquire further, please contact Dennis Marks at dennis_marks@fws.gov and Julian Fischer at julian_fischer@fws.gov.

The SIERRA CLUB ALASKA CHAPTER is recruiting a CHAIR and SECRETARY VOLUNTEER POSITIONS. To inquire, please email Alaska.chapter@sierraclub.org.

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.

INTERNERSHIPS

2020 ALASKA CENTER FOR ENERGY & POWER (ACEP) UTILITY STUDENT INTERNSHIPS - Are you a junior or senior engineering, computer science, math, economics student with a 3.0+ GPA and an interest in working on energy projects to benefit Alaskan communities? Are you interested in gaining hands-on experience in the utility industry across the state, on the railbelt or in remote communities? Join UAF’s ALASKA CENTER for ENERGY and POWER’S PROGRAM connecting UA students with utilities in communities across the state. Join our team for Spring/Summer 2020! Go to http://ausi.alaska.edu for more information or contact Heike Merkel at 970.718.2817 or email hmerkel@alaska.edu. Interns will be partnered with one of Alaska’s utilities for a 12-week summer assignment. Interns can anticipate working with technical staff and field personnel on assignments that could include effective system management, asset deployment and integration, equipment performance analysis, and stakeholder consultation.

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](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.

**POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

**EDUCATION AND OUTREACH POSITION** for the [ALASKA DEPARTMENT of FISH & GAME, DIVISION OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION](https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/Alaska) to design and deliver wildlife education and outreach programs and materials. This full-time position is based in the ADF&G Anchorage area office and serves the southcentral region. This position works with the other regional ADF&G education specialists to assess the wildlife-related education and outreach needs of the division and desires of the public, including community members, hunters, teachers, students, and other specialized groups; and assists in the development of programs, including school-focused education, community lecture series, publications, radio programs and video production. Desired knowledge, skills, and experience include: Professional experience in the environmental, outdoor education, natural history interpretation or wildlife-related education field; Knowledge of and experience with Alaska’s wildlife and habitats; Proven ability to envision, design and implement education programs for a variety of audiences; Experience developing educational materials; Demonstrated public speaking and writing skills; Demonstrated video and audio production/editing skills; Proven ability to create partnerships and collaborate on complex issues with diverse groups. To apply, go to WorkPlace Alaska at: [https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/Alaska](https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/Alaska) and search by department or by location. **Deadline for application is January 6.** For more information, contact Kristen Romanoff at 907-465-8547 or email kristen.romanoff@alaska.gov.

**OUTREACH COORDINATOR** for the [ALASKA ZOO EDUCATION DEPARTMENT](https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/Alaska), a permanent, full-time position to develop and lead school district outreach and field trip programs, outreach program coordination, booking and invoicing, and assisting with various education events and presentations. Public presentation experience and a Bachelor’s degree in animal science, biology or related field is strongly desired. Exotic animal experience is essential, and candidate must be willing to handle a variety of education ambassador animals, including but not limited to reptiles, birds and mammals. Candidate must possess the ability to work well individually and as a team and must be comfortable instructing and presenting to all age groups, especially children. Excellent communication, organization and time management skills are a must. The ability to develop science-based program activities with a creative flare is also essential. Candidate must have a clean background and submit to a full background check, in addition to holding a valid Alaska driver's license. Work hours will
vary with some evenings, overnights and weekends required based on program schedules. Must be physically capable of lifting 50 pounds unassisted and working in a variety of outdoor weather conditions. This is a full-time, year-round, permanent position with benefits. The starting pay of the position is $13.00 per hour, 40 hours per week. Interested parties should email a cover letter and resume to Stephanie Hartman at slhartman@alaskazoo.org.

SUMMER 2020 SCIENCE EDUCATOR POSITIONS with ALASKA GEOGRAPHIC in DENALI NATIONAL PARK. Would you like to spend the summer living and working amidst spectacular mountain scenery with unparalleled wildlife viewing opportunities? Apply to join the Alaska Geographic science education team at the Murie Science and Learning Center in Denali National Park and Preserve for a summer of learning, exploration, sharing, and fun. We offer competitive pay rates and are committed to continuous learning. Learn more at http://akgeo.org/about-alaska-geographic/employment/. Applications due January 12.

DISTANCE LEARNING COORDINATOR for the ALASKA ZOO EDUCATION DEPARTMENT to develop and lead videoconferencing distance learning programs, distance learning program coordination, booking and invoicing, and assisting with various education events and presentations. Animal experience is essential, and candidate must be willing to handle a variety of education ambassador animals, including but not limited to reptiles, birds and mammals. Candidate must possess the ability to work well individually and as a team and must be comfortable instructing and presenting to all age groups. Excellent communication, organization and time management skills are a must. The ability to develop science-based program activities built to educational standards with a creative flare is also essential. Candidate must have a clean background and submit to a full background check, in addition to holding a valid Alaska driver’s license. Work hours will vary with some evenings, overnights and weekends required based on program schedules. This is a full-time, year-round, permanent position with benefits. The starting pay of the position is $13.00 per hour, 40 hours per week. Interested parties should email a cover letter and resume to Stephanie Hartman at slhartman@alaskazoo.org. To see full job description, go to https://static1.squarespace.com/static/59b9ecdeb0b0fb8293096530/t/5d3b78686c1e830017114a9/1564178537143/Job+Description+-+Distance+Learning+Coordinator.pdf.

YOUTH SUMMIT COORDINATOR for ALASKA YOUTH FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION (AYEA) in Anchorage to plan and implement AYEA’s annual Civics and Conservation Summit. AYEA inspires and trains rural and urban youth leaders to impact environmental issues through youth-led campaigns. The Civics and Conservation Summit brings 20 youth organizers from around Alaska to Juneau for a week of youth-
driven engagement with state policymakers. Pre-Summit Logistics Support and Coordination includes: recruit and select teen participants as well as adult and youth members of Training Team, fundraise airline miles and book flights, organize meetings, process registrations, prepare supplies. If you are passionate about supporting youth leadership please send a letter of interest and resume to margi@akcenter.org. Flexible start and end dates: December-March, 10-20 hours per week, compensation $5,000. To see full job description, go to AYEA Summit Coordinator Position full job description.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR for the CENTER FOR ALASKAN COASTAL STUDIES in Homer to lead educational programs for children, school groups, and visitors to Alaska. Seasonal staff are employed at the Wynn Nature Center (a 140-acre boreal forest preserve), Peterson Bay Field Station (a semi-rustic facility across Kachemak Bay and accessible only by boat), and Yurt on the Spit (exploration of invertebrate life living on and around the Homer Harbor Docks). For more information, check out the webpage at https://akcoastalstudies.org/about-us/jobs-volunteers.html.

DIRECTOR for BIKE ANCHORAGE to advance our organization’s commitment to making Anchorage more bicycle friendly. The Director will be responsible for program management, communications, policy development, research, partnership building, fundraising, volunteer management, and administration. This position has the potential for growth within the organization and would be a part of a Job Posting: Senior Campaign Representative, Our Wild America (Alaska). For more information, go to https://www.bikeanchorage.org/get_involved.

SENIOR CAMPAIGN REPRESENTATIVE, ALASKA for THE SIERRA CLUB’S OUR WILD AMERICA CAMPAIGN to lead the Arctic Refuge Campaign in planning and implementing the strategies and activities to protect the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge; foster partnerships with Indigenous led organizations and individuals at the frontlines of the fight to defend the Arctic; elevate innovative strategies to protect the Arctic Refuge within the broader coalition of organizations; and ensure equity, justice, and inclusion are centered throughout the campaign work. For full description, go to https://environmentalcareer.com/job/35283/senior-campaign-representative-our-wild-america-alaska/.

OFFICE COORDINATOR/MANAGER for the SOUTHEAST ALASKA CONSERVATION COUNCIL to work together to protect the Tongass and the Inside Passage Waters. By owning everything administrative and operational, the Office Coordinator/Manager will ensure that our office runs smoothly and efficiently.
Coordinator/Manager is a full-time permanent nonexempt position. The salary range will be between $37,000-$43,000 depending on experience and skills. This position will be structured as a coordinator or a manager based on the skills and experience of the selected candidate, and the salary range will reflect that responsibility level. SEACC offers healthcare, three weeks of paid leave annually for new hires and four weeks after the first year, twelve days of paid sick leave annually, and a 401K plan with employer match contributions after the first year. See below for a full job description including pay, benefits, and experience at or go here to see the full job description on our website. Instructions for applying are at the bottom and the preference will be given to applicants who apply by November 22 with a desired start date of as soon as possible, but no later than January 6.

FULL-TIME LEGAL ASSISTANT for TRUSTEES for ALASKA in Anchorage to support our team of lawyers working to protect a wild and vibrant Alaska where fish, wildlife, and people thrive. The ideal candidate has excellent office and computer skills and a proven ability to work well with others while managing diverse tasks. For more information about Trustees go to http://www.trustees.org. Competitive non-profit salary based on experience, plus medical, dental, life, long-term disability, retirement benefits, and generous leave policy. Trustees for Alaska is an equal opportunity employer. To Apply: e-mail cover letter, resume, and references to Ashley Boyd, Office Manager, at aboyd@trustees.org. To see the full job description, go to https://www.trustees.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Legal-Assistant-Announcement.pdf.

DIRECTOR for BIKE ANCHORAGE to advance our organization’s commitment to making Anchorage more bicycle friendly. The director will be responsible for program management, communications, policy development, research, partnership building, fundraising, volunteer management, and administration. The ideal candidate will have experience in most of the following areas: education, policy development, communications, transportation planning, local government, public health, advocacy, grassroots organizing, volunteer management, and social equity. This position has the potential for growth within the organization and would be a part of a supportive, passionate, and dynamic team. Bike Anchorage is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. The position is for 12 months and contingent on funding availability. Full job description at www.bikeanchorage.org/opportunities.

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
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. Position is open until filled. For questions, please email: ndawson@audubon.org.

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/.

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.

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