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

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

- **February 5 to March 4 - BASICS SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS**, ENVI F150, 1-cr, 5 wks., on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 8pm, CRN 37947
- **April 1 to April 29 - SMALL WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS**, ENVI F150, 1-cr, 5 wks., 5:20 to 8pm, CRN 37949
- **May 8 – 10 - ENERGY EFFICIENT BUILDING DESIGN AND SIMULATION**, ENVI F122, 1-cr 3 days, CRN TBD

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

**January 26**
**ANCHORAGE - AMERICAN GEOPHYSICAL UNION SHARING SCIENCE WORKSHOP** will be held at the NPRB/OOOS office, 1007 West 3rd Ave, Suite 100, on behalf of the North Pacific Research Board, Alaska Ocean Observing System, and NOAA Alaska Fisheries Science Center in advance of the 2020 Alaska Marine Science Symposium (AMSS). The Sharing Science Program will be leading a hands-on science communication workshop focusing on messaging to journalists and policy makers. This marks the third year they have offered their services during the week-long AMSS event. This workshop is open to all scientists, science communicators, media, and other audiences. The cost is $125, which includes lunch and continental breakfast. As workshop coordinators we continue to strive to keep the cost low for everyone. To register, go to [https://www.alaskamarinescience.org/workshops](https://www.alaskamarinescience.org/workshops).

**January 27**
**COMMUNICATING OCEAN SCIENCES WORKSHOP** featuring Dr. BRIAN BRETTSCHEINER will be held from 9am- to Noon in the| Captain Cook Ballroom. Each year, the Communicating Ocean Sciences Workshop provides practical information, great speakers and information on current best practices in education, outreach and media. In this hands-on workshop, Dr. Brettschneider will focus on how to effectively use social media to deliver scientific content. Dr. Brettschneider is one of Alaska’s esteemed climatologists with a social media following of over 16,000 people. This workshop is free, and space is not limited.

January 30 – 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 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/](https://seedsandsoilorganics.com/product/wasilla-class-series-all-seven-classes/).

**January 25**

**WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE CONFERENCE: HEALTHY FARMER, HEALTHY FARMS**, a one-day event held simultaneously at following locations:

- **ANCHORAGE** - in the Anchorage Outreach Center, Loussac Library
- **FAIRBANKS** – in University of Alaska Fairbanks - Margaret Murie Bldg., Room 101
- **HOMER** – at Kachemak Bay Campus of the Kenai Peninsular College, UAA
- **PALMER** – at the UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm & Extension Center
- **SOLDOTNA** – at the Kenai River Center

Whether you have been farming for several years, are a new or aspiring farmer or employed on a farm or ranch, our conference has something for you. If you are a supporting spouse, student, intern or own an agriculture-related business, make plans to attend this event. There is something for everyone. If you have a farming partner, spouse or friend, bring them with you. Men are welcome too! Through the day you will be learning how to cultivate your personal resiliency to handle all the "ups and downs" as a woman farmer. With positive psychology and mindfulness from national speakers but also a local panel and discussions. Visit the website for more information and to register: [www.WomenInAg.wsu.edu](http://www.WomenInAg.wsu.edu) or call 299-4920. Registration Details: Conference registration is $35, but if you register by January 17, you will receive our Early Bird price of $30. The conference registration fee includes the workshop, a light breakfast, lunch and all the conference materials. No refunds after January 18.

**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](https://www.alaskamarinescience.org/general-info-1). **January 22 is the deadline for registration.**
**February 8**
The ALASKA SEALIFE CENTER GALA will be held from 6 to 10 pm at the Dena’ina Center. STEPHANIE ARNE, Wildlife Ambassador for Curiosity Stream and host for Mutual of Omaha Wild Kingdom. For tickets, go to https://alaskasealife.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/2020AlaskaMarineGala/Tickets/tabid/1096974/Default.aspx. For more information, go to https://alaskasealife.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/2020AlaskaMarineGala/Tickets/tabid/1096974/Default.aspx.

**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 13
ANCHORAGE - DRAWDOWN: SOLUTIONS for ENDING the CLIMATE CRISIS will be presented by PAUL HAWKEN at the UAA Wendy Williamson Auditorium. Paul Hawken is an environmentalist, entrepreneur, author and activist who has dedicated his life to environmental sustainability and changing the relationship between business and the environment. He is one of the environmental movement’s leading voices, and a pioneering architect of corporate reform with respect to ecological practices. His work includes founding successful, ecologically conscious businesses, writing about the impacts of commerce on living systems, and consulting with heads of state and CEOs on economic development, industrial ecology, and environmental policy. Paul is editor of the book Drawdown: The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming, a UAA Book of the Year. He is founder of Project Drawdown, a non-profit dedicated to researching when and how global warming can be reversed. The organization maps and models the scaling of one hundred substantive technological, social, and ecological solutions to global warming. His forthcoming book is entitled Regeneration: Ending the Climate Crisis in One Generation. Hawken will also speak at the Alaska Forum on the Environment conference. Free and open to the public. Hosted by the UAA Difficult Dialogues Books of the Year program For more information, contact Libby Roderick at eroderick@alaska.edu.

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.

March 2 & 3
DILLINGHAM - INDOOR AIR QUALITY IN ALASKA NATIVE COMMUNITIES (a Level 1 mini-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 for the protection of human health and the total environment. This course will focus on indoor air. 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 walk-throughs. There will be hands-on practice with a comprehensive assessment checklist used to identify IAQ problems. Topics include: • 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). Pre-Requisites: None. To apply, go to https://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/forms/aqReg. For more information, contact Mansel Adelbert Nelson at Mansel.Nelson@nau.edu or call 928-523-8410. Applications received by February 4, 2020 will have priority consideration.

March 4 – 6
DILLINGHAM - INDOOR AIR QUALITY DIAGNOSTIC TOOLS for ALASKA (a Level 2 Course for Alaska Native Villages). This Level 2 course will bring together Alaska Native Village environmental, housing, and facilities staff to learn how to use diagnostic instruments as a tools to assess indoor air quality (IAQ). After completing this course, participants will be able to use diagnostic instruments and interpret data to assess a home and educate the occupants about a healthful indoor environment. The course is structured as an intensive training that uses multiple approaches to learning: lecture/discussion, hands-on, and site visits. Topics include: • Managing IAQ in the home – Holistic approach to occupant behaviors; • Making the building healthier – Holistic approach to the structure; • Weatherization and IAQ; • Building investigations using diagnostic instruments; • Hands-on use of equipment during site visits to local homes; • Moving from interpretation into action; and • Building Science. Pre-Requisites: One of the following classroom courses (or equivalent training/experience): • Indoor Air Quality in Alaska Native Communities (offered March 2-3, 2020 in Dillingham, AK); • Indoor Air Quality in Alaska; • Tribal Healthy Homes; or • Independent Study IAQ Level 1 - contact ITEP Staff to discuss this option. To apply, go to https://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/forms/aqReg. Applications received by February 4 will have priority consideration. For more information, contact Christal Marie Black at cristal.black@mau.edu or call 928-523-8410.

April 2 – 4
ANCHORAGE - 3RD ALASKA FARMERS MARKET CONFERENCE: BUY LOCAL, GROW LOCAL will be held at the Sheraton Anchorage Hotel & Spa to highlight how markets are a vital piece of local economies. Alaska is experiencing the most agricultural growth in the entire nation! In 2005 the Division of Agriculture listed 13 markets throughout the State. In 2014 that number grew to 37, and in 2019, there were more than 50 markets throughout the state. Markets and farming have become a thriving part of Alaska’s economy. Join market organizers and supporters from around the state for a weekend devoted to growing your farmers’ market! Share ideas develop new skills and strengthen your support network. For more information, go to http://www.alaskafarmersmarkets.org/2020-afma-conference/.

April 2–4
DILLINGHAM – The ANNUAL WESTERN ALASKA INTERDISCIPLINARY SCIENCE CONFERENCE AND FORUM: VISIONS FOR THE FUTURE aims to bring together local and indigenous knowledge of subsistence–based communities and other scientific research relevant to Western Alaska; including economic, ecological, social, and health
issues important to rural communities. This is the fourth time WAISC will be held in Dillingham, and this year’s conference focuses on the future threats and opportunities in the face of a changing climate. **Topics:** Social and Ecological Effects of Climate Change; Southwest Interagency Meeting; Fisheries: Sustainable Energy; Pebble Mine; Topics in Rural Education; Sustaining community: local arts, culture, and subsistence. Call for papers; Abstract submissions for oral and poster presentations will be due March 1. Online registration is now open at [https://seagrant.uaf.edu/events/ssl/register.php?id=374](https://seagrant.uaf.edu/events/ssl/register.php?id=374). The registration fee is $130, or $105 early registration until March 1. Residents of the Bristol Bay region can enter code bristolbay during checkout to have the registration fee waived. The Friday banquet is included for those paying the registration fee, but if you are claiming the resident fee waiver and wish to attend the banquet, please select the option to purchase a $30 banquet ticket during online registration. Other attendees can also use this option to purchase a second ticket for a guest. Attendees paying the full registration fee should not purchase a banquet ticket for themselves. For questions: contact Gabe Dunham, Alaska Sea Grant, UAF Bristol Bay Campus, at (907) 842-8321 or Dr. Todd Radenbaugh, Environmental Science Professor, UAF Bristol Bay Campus, at (907) 842-8363.

**April 21 – 24**

**KODIAK – 4TH KODIAK AREA MARINE SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM – 2020** connects the Kodiak community to the marine science research around them. Hosted by the Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program with support from regional partners and contributors, KAMSS provides a forum for researchers to share findings within the research community and to the general public. The symposium offers opportunity for stakeholders to engage and understand how Kodiak’s marine environment and resources function, change, and affect our lives and livelihoods and offers a venue for researchers to plan for integrated, cooperative and community-inspired marine research. Patterned after the preceding symposia, KAMSS 2020 oral and poster presentations will span all dimensions of Kodiak’s marine science. Topics will be organized thematically, with a cross-disciplinary approach to best encourage dialogue between disciplines. To register, go to [https://seagrant.uaf.edu/events/ssl/register.php?id=375](https://seagrant.uaf.edu/events/ssl/register.php?id=375). There is no charge to attend the symposium, but we encourage you to register online so that we can better accommodate the total number of participants for the symposium. The Call for Abstracts is open. Please visit the [KAMSS 2020 Call for Abstracts](https://seagrant.uaf.edu/events/ssl/register.php?id=375) for instructions, deadlines, and submission information.

**WEBINARS, TELECONFERENCES & VIDEOS**

**January 21 (WEBINAR)**

**ALASKA GARDEN HELPER: EXPLORE LOCAL GROWING CONDITIONS UNDER a CHANGING CLIMATE** will be held from 10 to 11am with **NANCY FRESCO**, Network Coordinator, SNAP & Associate Director, CIFAR. How is climate change affecting agriculture in Alaska? What might the growing seasons look like in the near and distant future, in communities from Utqiagvik to Kodiak, from Gambell to Ketchikan? How cold
will “cold” be, in the future? Should you plant tomatoes? Peonies? Apple trees? What do these changes suggest about natural vegetation and ecosystems? A new set of online tools created by the Scenarios Network for Alaska and Arctic Planning, with funding from the USDA and the Alaska Climate Adaptation Science Center, allows you to explore these questions and more. Registration.

January 24 (WEBINAR)
JANUARY NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE ALASKA CLIMATE OUTLOOK BRIEFING will be held from Noon to 1pm with Rick Thoman, ACCAP who will review recent climate conditions around Alaska. 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. We will review recent climate conditions around Alaska, review some forecast tools and finish up the Climate Prediction Center’s forecast for the coming months. See How to Join a Webinar for instructions on participating through your home office or at a satellite viewing location with others in your community. Register.

**January 28 (TELECONFERENCE MEETING)
LOWER BRISTOL BAY FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE will hold a public meeting by teleconference at 10am. To participate by teleconference first dial 1-800-504-8071, then enter the access code: 8425142#. Agenda items include: • Elections for three undesignated seats; • Elections for officers; • Commercial Fisheries Skills Camp; • Board of Fisheries Proposal 279: Requirements and specifications for use of 200 fathoms of drift gillnet in Bristol Bay; • Board of Game Proposal 166: Brown Bear Tag Fee Reauthorization; • Discussion of Board of Game Proposals for submission to the 2020/2021 board cycle. For further information contact Taryn O'Connor-Brito at 907.842.5142.

January 29 (TELECONFERENCE)
FROM the ST. LAWRENCE RIVER to ST. LAWRENCE ISLAND: THE ROLE of COMMUNITY ENGAGED RESEARCH in ACHIEVING ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH and JUSTICE is the topic for the Collaborative on Health and the Environment (CHE-Alaska) at 9am AKST. The CHE-Alaska speaker this month is Dr. ELIZABETH HOOVER, an Associate Professor of American Studies at Brown University who teaches about environmental health and justice in Native communities, indigenous food movements, and community-engaged research. She is joining us to discuss her first book, The River is In Us: Fighting Toxics in a Mohawk Community and parallels with environmental health and justice issues on St. Lawrence Island. The book delves into the effects of Superfund contamination in Akwesasne along the St. Lawrence River and the environmental health research projects undertaken by the community to try and protect their health and preserve their culture. Register at https://salsa4.salsalabs.com/o/51290/p/salsa/event/common/public/?event_KEY=11679.

GRANTS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/ CONTESTS/RFPs
January 30
Deadline for applications for the HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROJECTS GRANTS from the Office of History & Archaeology for historic preservation development and pre-development projects in Alaska. Projects would need to be completed by September 30, 2020. The Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) grant program provides up to 50 percent matching assistance for the cost of a project and anticipates $150,000 will be awarded to eligible projects. Development grants are for rehabilitation of Alaska buildings and structures listed in the National Register of Historic Places, individually or as contributing properties to a historic district. Pre-development requests are limited to $3,500 minimum and $10,000 maximum in matching assistance. Development projects have a $10,000 minimum and $25,000 maximum in matching assistance. The application package is available online at http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/designations/grants.htm or by contacting the HPF Grants Administrator at jean.ayers@alaska.gov or 907-269-8694.

January 31
Deadline for SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY INITIATIVE (SFI): COMMUNITY GRANTS that promote collaboration with the SFI Network to support local communities' understanding of the value of and benefits from sustainably managed forests. Projects supported have included traditional Indigenous knowledge transfer from elders to youth, workshops to discuss forest management, educational field trips for underserved populations, and programming focused on the value of mass timber. Grants will range from $5,000 to $10,000. All projects must include an SFI Implementation Committee and/or SFI Program Participant and be based in the U.S. or Canada. For more information, go to https://www.sfiprogram.org/sfi-community-grants-rfp-process/.

February 1, June 1, and October 1
Deadlines for the CLIFF BAR FAMILY FOUNDATION: SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM to FUND COMMUNITY GRASSROOTS GROUPS that have the ability to engage local groups, positively impact their communities, and focus most of their resources on useful and positive actions. Through the Small Grants Program, the Foundation supports innovative small and mid-sized groups working to protect the Earth’s beauty and bounty, create a healthy food system, increase opportunities for outdoor activity, reduce environmental health hazards, and build stronger communities. Applications are reviewed three times per year; the application deadlines are February 1, June 1, and October 1, annually. Visit the Foundation’s website at http://clifbarfamilyfoundation.org/Grants-Programs/Small-Grants to learn more about the Small Grants Program and to take the eligibility quiz.

February 4
Deadline for entries for the HAIKU POETRY CONTEST: "WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT THE KMTA?" sponsored by the Poetry Contest: The KENAI MOUNTAINS-TURNAGAIN ARM (KMTA) NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA for two categories: Youth (5-17) and Adult (18+). One winner from each category will be awarded a $25 Gift Certificate to a business in the KMTA Area. Winners will be announced Feb. 14 in honor of Valentine's Day. For more information go to www.kmtacorridor.org/poetry2020
February 14
Deadline for applications for the ALASKA SEA GRANT STATE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM that is a unique professional opportunity for soon-to-graduate or recently finished graduate students interested in the science and policy needed to keep our marine resources healthy. Modeled after the highly successful Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship, the state fellowship program provides an opportunity to acquire on-the-job experience in the planning and implementation of marine resource policies and programs in Alaska. The program matches highly motivated graduate students and recent graduates with hosts in Alaska-based state or federal agencies for a 12-month paid fellowship. For more information, go to https://alaskaseagrant.org/education/awards-fellowships/state-fellowship/.

February 21
Deadline for applications for the 2021 KNAUSS FELLOWSHIP that annually provides 30–50 students with a year of experience working on marine issues in a Congressional staff office or in a federal agency. Applications are encouraged from students enrolled in graduate or professional programs who have an interest in ocean, coastal and Great Lakes resources and in the national policy decisions affecting those resources. The Sea Grant Knauss Fellowship Program has allowed more than 650 students to share their expertise with policymakers in Washington, D.C., to see firsthand how science is used in the policy arena, and to participate in policy making. For more information, go to https://alaskaseagrant.org/education/awards-fellowships/knauss/.

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. 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 6
Deadline for applications for the KENAI MOUNTAINS-TURNAGAIN ARM (KMTA)
NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA ANNUAL GRANT CYCLE. Applications will be reviewed at the April Board meeting. KMTA awards grants to community projects that recognize, preserve, and interpret the historic, scenic, and natural recreational resources and cultural landscapes of the Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm historic transportation corridor. Projects promote and facilitate public enjoyment of these resources. For more information and to apply visit https://kmtacorridor.org/grant-guidelines/.

**March 9**
Deadline for submittals for the 14TH ANNUAL NORTH PACIFIC RESEARCH BOARD 2020 PHOTO CONTEST. Each year, NPRB conducts a photo contest featuring beautiful images of sea life, seascapes, coastal scenes and marine research within the waters of the North Pacific Ocean including the Gulf of Alaska, Prince William Sound, Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands, Bering Strait or Chukchi/Beaufort Seas. Professionals, amateurs, adult, and youth are all encouraged to apply. NPRB awards up to $3,300 in cash prizes to the top finalists in adult and youth categories. To apply online and for official rules, go to https://www.nprb.org/nprb/annual-photo-contest/.

**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.

**March 27**
KETCHIKAN - Deadline for entries for the ALASKA HUMMINGBIRD FESTIVAL JURIED ART SHOW. Artwork must include birds, avian habitat and/or migratory bird patterns provided in the guidelines. Artwork must be recent, original and not previously exhibited in Ketchikan. It is open to all Alaskan artists working in all media with a maximum of two entries per artist. Label each piece with “item 1” and “item 2” to correspond with each entry form. All two-dimensional entries must be framed and ready to hang (hardware, wire etc.). All three-dimensional entries must be ready for display. Note on entry form if you are including stands or props with your piece. You may sell your artwork at the exhibit. Proceeds benefit the artist (65%) with 25% going to SEADC educational programs including this juried art show and 10% to KVB. The art show will be on display at the Southeast Alaska Discovery Center until June 26. Prizes: Adult Best of Show (18 & up) - $500; Juvenile Best of Show - $100; Adult First Prize - $300; Juvenile First Prize - $75; Adult Honorable Mention - $200; Juvenile Honorable Mention - $50. Mailed entries must include return postage. Submit your work to: Southeast Alaska Discovery Center, 50Main Street, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901, C/O Hummingbird Festival. For bird list, guidelines, and entry form, go to https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd605674.pdf. For more information, contact Leslie Swada at 228-6290 or leslie.swada@usda.gov.
March 31
Deadline for applications for the MARThA LEVEnSALER LEADERSHIP FUND. The Fund was created to honor Martha’s legacy and specifically to benefit the people who are involved in improving conservation efforts across Alaska. To accomplish this, the Fund will provide support for training, skill building and organization development. Grant awards range from $500-$2,500. The Fund will support projects that provide training and organization development to enhance leadership capacity for the conservation movement. For more details, including how to apply, visit: https://alaskaconservation.org/take-action/legacy-giving/endowment-funds/current-endowment-funds/martha-levensaler-leadership-fund/

March 31
Deadline for entries to the ALASKA STATE FISH CONTEST for STUDENTS, kindergarten through 12th grade. To enter, young artists create an original illustration of any official state-fish and written words detailing its behavior, habitat, and efforts to conserve it. Entries are categorized in four grade levels: K-3, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12. Educators nationwide utilize Fish On!, the full-color State-Fish Art Lesson Plan, integrating the disciplines of science and art. Entries are due postmarked by March 31st each year. www.statefishart.org. Students from Alaska should create their Fish Heritage Award entry consisting of three parts: Horizontal artwork featuring a King Salmon, 9" by 12" in size; Essay about the King Salmon that is no longer than one page with name and grade on the back; Alaska State-Fish Art Contest entry form, attached to the back of the artwork. Completed entries should be mailed no later than to Alaska Regional Forest Service Office, ATTN: Alaska State Fish Contest/Bobbie Jo, PO Box 21628, 709 W. 9th Street, Juneau, AK 99802. For more information, go to Wildlife Forever State-Fish Art® Contest.

April 2
Deadline for applications for applications for the BYCATCH REDUCTION ENGINEERING PROGRAM FISCAL YEAR 2020 FUNDING OPPORTUNITY to support applied management projects and activities to reduce bycatch. Bycatch reduction is a top priority for NOAA Fisheries, as outlined in the National Bycatch Reduction Strategy. Bycatch contributes to overfishing, threatens endangered and threatened species and protected marine mammals, and can close fisheries, significantly impacting U.S. economic growth. Through this program, we support the development and testing of fishing gears that minimize bycatch and habitat impacts. To apply go to https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/grant/bycatch-reduction-engineering-program-fiscal-year-2020-funding-opportunity.

DEADLINES

January 21
NPR-A - Deadline for comments on the DRAFT NPR-A INTEGRATED ACTIVITY PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DEIS) that 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 as unavailable. ● 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. To see the DEIS, go to https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/planAndProjectSite.do?methodName=dispatchToPatternPage&currentPageld=174096.

January 21
ANCHORAGE - Deadline for comments on the TRANSIT ON THE MOVE DRAFT PLAN that examines how the current transit system is operating and identify possible changes to; route alignments, schedules, service hours, and bus stops. Discussions will result in a list of future system adjustments ranked by priority. Recommendations will include suggestions for People Mover, AnchorRIDES, and RideShare. Transit on the Move is the short-range transit plan for the Municipality of Anchorage. Short-range means short-term. We will make recommendations looking forward over the next three to five years. This plan will help determine what's next; where should we add or modify service and how can we make the system better? For more information, go to https://www.muni.org/Departments/transit/PeopleMover/Pages/transitonthemove.aspx.

January 21
KACHEMAK BAY – Deadline for comment on the ADF&G to REPEAL the CURRENT BAN on JETSKIS and OTHER PERSONAL WATERCRAFT in the KACHEMAK BAY CRITICAL HABITAT AREA. The Alaska Legislature created the Kachemak Bay Critical Habitat Area (CHA) in 1974 “to protect and preserve habitat areas especially crucial to the perpetuation of fish and wildlife, and to restrict all other uses not compatible with that primary purpose.” The proposed repeal of the personal watercraft ban is being done as a “stand-alone” regulation change. It is being conducted separately from the current ongoing revision to the management plan that governs the two critical habitat areas, according to a Nov. 19 memo from a Fish and Game biologist to members of the planning team working on that management plan revision. For more information or to submit comments, contact Rick Green at rick.green@alaska.gov.

**February 3
Deadline for application for the EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE to fill THREE MEMBERSHIP VACANCIES that represent sport hunting/fishing, science/technology, and conservation/environmental
interests. For more information on the role of the Public Advisory Committee or the nomination process, or copies of documents relating to the Public Advisory Committee or the work of the Trustee Council, go to www.evostc.state.ak.us, or contact Cherri Womac at the Trustee Council Office, at 907/278-8012 or email cherri.womac@alaska.gov.

**February 3**

**KODIAK** – Comments are due on a **DRAFT PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES** from a **BULK FUEL STORAGE FACILITY** located on the northern shore of St. Paul Harbor, in the city of Kodiak. The facility receives diesel fuel and gasoline from barges and distributes product via tanker trucks to local land-based users. In addition, the facility refuels vessels moored to their 200-foot dock located on St. Paul Harbor. Facility components include bulk fuel storage tanks, a truck loading rack, a mooring area/dock, and secondary containment areas (SCAs) that accumulate precipitation that needs to be discharge periodically. Fact Sheet and associated documents are available for review at https://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/public-notices#AK0029441. For more information or to submit comments, Marc Bentley at 907-465-5171 or email Marc.Bentley@alaska.gov.

**February 10**

Deadline for comments for the **RECERTIFICATION of the PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND REGIONAL CITIZENS’ ADVISORY COUNCIL (PWSRCAC)** as the alternative voluntary advisory group for Prince William Sound, as authorized under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990. The application has been submitted to the U.S. Coast Guard, which is charged with assessing whether PWSRCAC fosters the general goals and purposes of OPA 90 and is broadly representative of communities and interests as envisioned under OPA 90. The recertification application is available for public review at http://www.pwsrcac.org/announcements/recertification-application-available-for-public-review/. For more information, contact Brooke Taylor at (907) 277-7222, toll-free (800) 478-7221, or email brooke.taylor@pwsrcac.org. Submit comments to LT Ian McPhillips at Ian.P.McPhillips@uscg.mil with “PWSRCAC Recertification Docket USCG-2019-0946” in the subject line.

**February 15**

Deadline for comments on the **PROPOSED CHANGES TO PARK COMPENDIUMS in ALASKA**. A compendium – one for each NPS area in Alaska – is a compilation of designations, closures and restrictions adopted under the discretionary authority within the regulations covering national parks. This regulatory tool helps manage Alaska’s national park areas for the public’s enjoyment, use and protection. A handful of changes are proposed for this year. They include, but are not limited to: · All national park units in Alaska are proposing provisions governing the use of electronic bicycles (e-bikes); · **Denali National Park** proposes to change the hours generators may be operated in the Riley Creek, Savage River, and Teklanika River campgrounds; · **Glacier Bay National Park** proposes changes to the use of the Bartlett Cove dock; · **Lake Clark National Park** is proposing to require bear resistant electric fencing when camping on national park lands along the coast; · Katmai National Park proposes to relax parking
restrictions at Lake Camp; · Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park is proposing changes related to use of the Dyea Campground and also proposes mandatory registration for overnight use of the Chilkoot trail during the shoulder seasons. Information on how to view all proposed changes and instructions on how to comment is available at https://www.nps.gov/locations/alaska/proposed-compendiums.htm.

May 15
Deadline for applications for ALASKA COASTAL SUMMER INSTITUTE (Summer 2020) FOR UNDERGRADUATE AND CONTINUING EDUCATION STUDENTS that is built around core experiences (each about a week in duration) hosted by local research agencies and community-organizations in the Kachemak Bay area. Each core experience determined by the partner agencies offers students insight into their most interesting and important research, community-based monitoring, and science communication work. Students will also attain job-related skills in research design, data collection, analysis, and scientific communication. A 2-Credit Science Communication Course (ENGL 278: Sharing Science with Diverse Audiences) is woven into each week of AK-CSI. New This Year, all students successfully completing the core experiences and required reflection activities will also receive 3 internship credits (BIOL 495A: Internship in the Biological Sciences) through the Kachemak Bay Campus-Kenai Peninsula College. The cost is approximately $4000; some scholarship assistance may be available, especially for residents of Alaska or students with the goal of working long-term in Alaska. For more information, go to https://www.akcoastalstudies.org/education-programs/alaska-coastal-summer-institute.html.

EVENTS & MEETINGS in ANCHORAGE, EAGLE RIVER & GIRDWOOD

**January 21
ADVENTURES WITH a UNIQUE ALASKAN SHOREBIRD : THE BRISTLE-THIGHED CURLEW will be presented by biologist KRISTINE SOWL from 5 to 6pm at the Friends of Alaska National Wildlife Refuges monthly meeting at US Fish & Wildlife Service Regional Office, 1011 E. Tudor, Rd. Over the course of three summers, studying this bird took Sowl to the remote, Adrafsky Wilderness in the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge. The curlews proved to be elusive, difficult, and yet fascinating. Come hear about her experiences. For 25 years Sowl has worked in Alaska as a field biologist on three different National Wildlife Refuges and other public lands. For more information go to https://alaskarefugefriends.org/ or call Poppy Benson, (907) 299-0092.

**January 21
FOOD SECURITY & RESILIENCE will be presented from 7 to 9pm at the Carr-Gottstein Academic Center, Room 102, APU, 4225 University Dive. Spend an evening with Alaska food systems experts discussing what a food system is, why it matters to everyone and learn about the challenges and opportunities in Alaska and the North. Moderator – Dr. GARY FERGUSON; Panel: RONALDA ANGASAN – Agricultural Program Director, Alaska Village Initiatives; DR. ZEYNEP KILIC – food systems sociologist, UAA; RACHAEL MILLER – The Food Research, Enterprise & Sustainability
Hub director, APU. All are welcome! Light refreshments provided and free parking. The panel discussion will be live cast to a family-friendly room on campus for those with small children. Did you know Alaska imports 95% of its food? Did you also know Alaska leads the nation in new farmers? Presented in partnership with Alaska Native Media Group, Alaska Pacific University, Alaska Village Initiatives and Indian Country Today. For more information, contact irowan@alaska.net.

**January 22 & 23 (TELECONFERENCE MEETING)**
The OUTDOOR RECREATION TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD (ORTAB) will meet telephonically and in Atwood Building Suite 1236 to discuss and recommend grant awards from the Recreational Trails Program from 9am to 3pm each day. Please come in person or to join us via teleconference by dialing 866-918-8374. When prompted, enter code 5569714090#. To see the agenda, go to https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=120849.

**January 23**
**AMATS POLICY COMMITTEE** will meet from 1:30 to 3:30pm in the City Hall, 8th Floor Conference Room, 632 W. 6th Avenue. Action Items: • Unified Planning Work Program Narrative; • Freight Advisory Committee Appointment; • Connected and Autonomous Vehicle Charter. Project and Plan Updates: • 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update; • Short-Range Transit Plan Public Review; and • Comment Period. To see the full agenda and supporting documents, go to http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/AMATS/Policy_Committee/2020/012320/1_Agenda.pdf?utm_source=Public+Involvement&utm_campaign=708564c01f-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_01_16_05_43&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6e079a03c1-708564c01f-140987233.

January 23
Focus on the present moment as you move through the forest on an exploratory hike led by a CCSC educator (and dancer!). MINDFULNESS and MOVEMENT will take place from Noon to 1:30pm at the BLM Campbell Creek Science Center, 5600 Science Center Drive. Participants should dress for being outdoors in a place consistently 10 degrees colder than the rest of Anchorage. It is free and open to the public. Please call 267-1247 for more information.

January 23
ANCHORAGE TRANSPORTATION FAIR will be held from 3 to 7pm at the Alaska Airlines Center, 3550 Providence Drive. The event is an open house providing a showcase of walking, biking, and driving projects and plans within the Municipality of Anchorage. The Anchorage Transportation Fair is free and open to the public.

**January 28**
WOLVERINES in the WILD is the program from Noon to 1pm at the BLM Campbell Creek Science Center, 5600 Science Center Drive. Learn all about our usually secretive neighbor that stars in stories across Alaska. Please call 267-1247 for more information.
**January 31**

**SHOWCASE on TEACHING & RESEARCH on CLIMATE CHANGE** will be held from 11am to 1pm in the UAA/APU Consortium Library Room 307. Addressing climate change is an “all hands-on deck!” situation. Come hear how faculty at UAA across the disciplines are taking steps to address climate change by including this critical issue in their classes and/or conducting research. After the showcase, we'll host an informal discussion and networking mixer to explore ways to support one another’s efforts in this arena. Presenters include: **TIM HINTERBERGER**, WWAMI; **MARY DALLAS ALLEN**, Social Work; **BRANDON BRIGGS**, Biology; **MARY DALLAS ALLEN**, Social Work; **BRANDON BRIGGS**, Biology; **TRAVIS RECTOR**, Physics and Astronomy; **KIMBERLY PACE**, Political Science; **MARK MARTINSON**, Chemistry; **PAUL ONGTOOGUK**, Alaska Native Studies; **ERIC KLEIN**, Geological Sciences; **KEVIN BERRY**, Economics; **MICAH HAHN**, Public Health; **RYAN BUCHHOLDT**, Facilities; **SYVERINE BENTZ**, AK Center for Conservation Science.

**February 4**

**WHO’S DOING WHAT ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE IN ANCHORAGE AND BEYOND?** will be held from 6 to 8pm at the 49th State Brewing, 717 W 3rd Ave. Are you wondering what organizations are doing about climate change in Anchorage and beyond and how you can get involved with these activities? Alaska Common Ground is hosting an open house for organizations with a role for Alaskans to directly engage in activities affecting climate change in Alaska. We’ll hear from each organization about their climate change mission, and how citizens can be involved with their organization. Each organization will have a table so that you can find out more. Pizza and beverages available for purchase in the Theater, full restaurant at 49th State. Suggested $10 donation.

**February 5**

**AMATS 2040 MTP PUBLIC REVIEW DRAFT 2040 MTP PUBLIC MEETING** will be held in the Mountain View Library Community Meeting Room from 5 to 7pm with presentation at 6 PM. The AMATS 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is the long-range planning document currently under development that will recommend improvements to the surface transportation system from today to 2040 for the Anchorage Bowl and Chugiak-Eagle River. The MTP is updated every four years. The draft plan is available at [http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/AMATS/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/AMATS/Pages/default.aspx). The **deadline to for comments is February 14**

**February 6**

**TRAIL TALES** will be held at 7pm at the 49th State Brewing Co. Alaska Trails is excited to partner with Bike Anchorage for the 18th installment of the Trail Tales storytelling series. **February is Winter Bike Month** and there are great activities and events all month. In the spirit of Arctic Entries, storytellers will share seven-minute stories about their trail experiences, adventures and life in general. Come enjoy this fun event and support Alaska Trails and Bike Anchorage. Pizza by the slice and drinks will be available for purchase throughout the evening. Tickets are $15 and are available at: [http://www.alaska-trails.org/trailtales.html](http://www.alaska-trails.org/trailtales.html).
**January 18**

**ANNUAL POLAR BEAR BIRTHDAY EVENT** will be held from 11am to 1pm at the Alaska Zoo. Enrichment for Cranbeary courtesy of zoo staff and Copper River Seafoods will begin at 11am sharp, so visitors may wish to arrive 30 minutes early to be sure they get through the gate and to the polar bear habitat before 11am when she is let out of her den or watch it on the live polar bear camera. There will be lots of bear-things to do and see. Warm up in our Discovery Center and learn about the zoo’s history through pictures and archival videos.

**February 6**

**ALASKA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION OPEN HOUSE** will be held from 5 to 7pm at 1227 W. 9th Avenue, Suite 300. Drop by for refreshments, socializing, and updates on our work (including some exciting new programs!). Meet our Board of Trustees, staff, and fellow supporters. While it's not required to RSVP, it is appreciated.

**February 11**

**ALASKA’S FISCAL FUTURE OPTIONS** will be held from 7 to 9 pm at the 49th State Brewing Company. Please join Alaska Common Ground for an event discussing different fiscal options to move forward, from uses of Permanent Fund earnings, broad-based taxes, oil taxes, and additional substantial budget cuts as approaches to fill our state’s looming deficits.

**MEETINGS & EVENTS OUT OF ANCHORAGE**

**January 21 (TELECONFERENCE MEETING)**

**STATEWIDE - ADVENTURES WITH A UNIQUE ALASKAN SHOREBIRD: THE BRISTLE-THIGHED CURLEW** will be presented from 5 to 6pm by biologist KRISTINE SOWL at the Friends of Alaska National Wildlife Refuges monthly meeting. Download the presentation and get call in instructions the day of the meeting at https://alaskarefugefriends.org/category/meetings/. It can also be seen at: HOMER at the Islands & Ocean Visitor Center; 95 Sterling Highway; SOLDOTNA at the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center; and FAIRBANKS at the Watershed School, 4975 Decathlon.

**January 21**

**CORDOVA - THE GREAT BACKYARD BIRD COUNT** is the topic for the Joint Prince William Sound Audubon Meeting at 7pm at the U.S. Forest Service Building. The Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) is a free, fun, and easy Citizen Science event that engages bird watchers of all ages in counting birds to create a real-time snapshot of bird populations. Participants are asked to count birds for as little as 15 minutes (or as long as they wish) on one or more days of the four-day event and report their sightings online. You can incorporate your sightings no matter how skilled a birder you may be, whether you take a hike, or watch a feeder, by yourself, with a few friends, or a group effort! The 23rd annual GBBC will be held, February 14, through February 17.
January 21
JUNEAU - DECLARING a CLIMATE EMERGENCY 350Juneau urges you to start the New Year right – join them and take action from Noon to 1pm for our climate by taking to the streets, that is 4th Street across from the Alaska Capitol during the 2020 legislative session. Greet legislators on the first day of the session with the banner declaring a Climate Emergency to stress the urgency of climate action now. Be a voice for urgent action on the climate crisis. This will be the first of weekly demonstrations with our banner at the Capitol during the legislative session. For more information please contact Eileen Wagner at 907-209-9963 or email eileenwwagner@gmail.com or Mike Tobin at 907-321-0038 or email miketobin2046@gmail.com.

**January 22 (TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE)
FAIRBANKS - FAIRBANKS AREA SURFACE TRANSPORTATION (FAST) PLANNING will hold a POLICY BOARD MEETING from Noon to 2pmM in the Fairbanks City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor City Hall, 800 Cushman Street. Main Agenda Items include:
* PM².⁵ Non-Attainment Area Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Funding–Project Nominations; * New 511 Road Condition Alert System – DOT Guest Presentation; * Gaffney/Airport/Richardson/Steece Interchange Project–DOT Guest Presentation; * Steese/Johansen Interchange Project – DOT Guest Presentation. To participate via telephone please call (907) 459-6769. For more information, contact Jackson Fox, FAST Planning Executive Director, at (907) 205-4276, email jackson.fox@fastplanning.us or go to www.fastplanning.us.

**January 23
FAIRBANKS - NAEC NORTHERN VOICES present DAVID KLEIN and KAREN BREWSTER at 7pm at Raven Landing. David and Karen will be speaking about Klein's new book, The MAKING of an ECOLOGIST, edited by Karen, released last year by University of Alaska Press. David R. Klein is a leader in promoting the role of habitat in effective management of large hoofed mammals (ungulates), including deer, moose, caribou, mountain sheep, muskoxen, and mountain goats, animals that are vital to Alaska subsistence, hunting, and wildlife tourism. The Making of an Ecologist tells the stories of Klein’s work and the inspiration behind the science. The book follows the evolution of Alaska’s wildlife management from territorial days to statehood and the era of big oil. The book will be available for purchase.

**January 27
FAIRBANKS - The FAIRBANKS FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE GAME AND TRAPPING SUBCOMMITTEE will hold a public meeting in the ADF&G Office at 6pm. Agenda items include Discussion of the Interior Region Proposals. Electronic proposals can be found at http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.proposalbook&boardcycle=2018-2019. ***If further discussion is needed, the subcommittee will reconvene on Thursday, January 30 in the same location at 6pm. Additional notice will be posted if this is to occur. For further information, contact Nissa Pilcher at 907.459.7263 or email nissa.pilcher@alaska.gov.
**January 28**

**TALKEETNA** – The SUSITNA RIVER COALITION AND CHICKALOON VILLAGE TRADITIONAL COUNCIL will hold their winter speaker series program at 6pm at the Grove, 15528 S. Birch Creek Blvd. Have you ever wanted to know more about the **INDIGENOUS HISTORIES in our REGION? ANGIE WADE**, Cultural Project Manager with Chickaloon Village Traditional Council, will share about indigenous lifeways and histories of the Matanuska and Susitna Watersheds. With a wide-ranging knowledge of Athna culture, a background in archeology and a gift for storytelling, her presentation will be sure to educate, connect and inspire. The event is FREE (though donations are always appreciated and help cover the cost of the event). For more information go to Susitna River Coalition and Chickaloon Village Traditional Council.

**January 28**

**SUTTON** – The JONESVILLE PUBLIC USE AREA SCOPING MEETING will be held from 6:30 to 8pm at the Sutton Elementary School. A management plan for the Jonesville area is being drafted and the public is invited to share their ideas at the scoping meeting. For more information on the process and the public use area, go to [http://jonesvilleslipperlake.com/](http://jonesvilleslipperlake.com/).

**ITEMS of INTEREST**

**DRAFT ALASKA MARINE HIGHWAY SYSTEM (AMHS) ECONOMIC RESHAPING REPORT** is available at [http://dot.alaska.gov/project_info/](http://dot.alaska.gov/project_info/). The report sought to identify potential reductions to the State of Alaska’s financial obligation and/or liability as related to the AMHS. Findings from the report will be used to shape future AMHS conversations, starting with the FY2021 budget. The report will remain in draft status as these conversations continue.

Bureau of Land Management is developing a **SUPPLEMENTAL DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT** for ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc.’s proposed **WILLOW MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN** located in [NPR-A (National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska)](http:/) based on changes made by the company in response to multiple stakeholder concerns and public comments. The project proposal includes the construction, operation and maintenance of an oil and gas development that may include one central processing facility, an infrastructure pad, up to five drill pads with up to fifty wells on each pad, access and infield roads, an airstrip, pipelines and a gravel mine. The Willow MDP Project is anticipated to have a peak production of 130,000 barrels of oil per day over its 30-year life (producing approximately 590 million barrels of oil) and would help offset declines in production from the North Slope oil fields and contribute to the local, state and national economies. In addition to other adjustments to CPAI’s original proposal, the supplemental draft EIS primarily addresses a revision that removes construction of a module transfer island previously analyzed in Alternative B of the draft EIS. The company’s new proposal replaces construction of the island with a plan to transport modules via sealift barge to an existing dock at Oliktok Point, Alaska, for ice road transport across the Colville River near Ocean Point. The BLM expects to have the
supplemental draft EIS available for review and comment in Spring 2020. CPAI’s updated proposal contains design optimizations for each project component of Alternative B, in addition to the new module transport option, and the supplemental draft EIS will be developed with information provided by the BLM, cooperating agencies and various stakeholders. For a link to the Willow Master Development Plan Environmental Impact Statement site, along with all other current BLM Alaska planning efforts, go to www.blm.gov/alaska/comment123.

50th ANNIVERSARY CHUGACH PARK FUND was established to enable Alaskans of all abilities to experience the beauty of Chugach State Park by enhancing trails and facilities. Chugach State Park receives minimal state funding for maintenance and construction. Much of the work that occurs in the park is financed by federal grants and non-profit partners. With this in mind, and in anticipation of the park’s The FUND IS RAISING $50,000 of the $100,000 TOTAL PROJECT COST to gain matching grants and CONSTRUCT a NEW, EASIER-TO-USE LITTLE O’MALLEY TRAIL to access the Ball Field. This goal is possible with the help of businesses, community organizations and individuals who care deeply about improving trails in Chugach State Park for this and future generations.

OUR PLANET: EARTH focuses on citizen science and earth science opportunities during April 2020 to coincide with Citizen Science Month and the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. STAR Net INVITES LIBRARIES and THEIR COMMUNITIES to PARTICIPATE in this important event by utilizing all of our programming resources. Register your Library to Qualify for the Benefits Listed Below: • A monthly newsletter announcing new resources and opportunities; • Our website curated with the best resources (we search so you don’t have to!); • Library representation on STAR Net’s Our Planet: EARTH Map; • Automatic entry for a chance to win Scholastic Earth Science books, NASA Earth science tactile books, and more! The first 2,000 registrants will receive the popular ‘Planets to Planets’ game, developed by the STAR Net team (it’s like Apples to Apples); • An opportunity to qualify for another free game (see our event webpage for details). For more information, go to www.starnetlibraries.org/our-planet-earth/.

The MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE’S NEW SUSTAINABILITY WEBSITE to keep you up to date on all of the city’s sustainability efforts INCLUDING CLIMATE ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION is available at www.muni.org/sustainability. Here you'll find information on the immediate actions the city is taking to improve sustainability and self-sufficiency. Anchorage is committed to reducing climate impacts in the future and adapting to changes residents already see.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

COMPLIANCE OFFICER for the SIERRA CLUB ALASKA CHAPTER to serve as Election Law Compliance Officer to the Chapter, advising those involved in the chapter’s political program about how to conduct political activities to ensure compliance with the provisions of its own state and local election laws, as well as Sierra Club
policies and restrictions. **No state or local political activity may be undertaken by a Sierra Club entity without a compliance officer.** Responsibilities: Ensure that the political campaign activities of the chapter adhere to all applicable state and local election regulation and reporting requirements. This includes responsibility for compliance with the laws and regulations pertaining to direct and in-kind contribution limits, public and member communications, fundraising restrictions, and the reporting of campaign contributions and expenditures. Serve as a compliance resource for the Chapter’s political program. Keep informed of any changes in regulations and reporting changes in filing dates and requirements for various state and local elections types, the application of 501(c)(4), and independent expenditures, and other information relating to the Chapter’s state and local campaign-related activities. Maintain a permanent file of campaign reports and correspondence and pass the file on to compliance officer’s successor. If interested in applying, please send an email to alaska.chapter@sierraclub.org.

**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=4yyMEeqG0jA). To send a resume or inquire further, please contact Dennis Marks at dennis_marks@fws.gov and Julian Fischer at julian_fischer@fws.gov.

**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.

INTERNSHIPS

COLLEGE INTERN III for the ALASKA DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION, DIVISION of WATER will focus on office and field activities supporting environmental research with a focus on water and sediment quality. Primarily this position will research scientific literature on water quality, draft literature reviews on water quality related topics, and assist with electronic data entry and review. This may include the downloading and review of data for completeness, entering data into a database, and maintaining electronic and paper files. Data will be reviewed, visualized and checked for quality control using spreadsheets, databases and GIS. This position will assist in taking data and relaying it to a variety of audiences. The position will be a member of field team collecting water quality data, as well as all other duties associated with field work such as cleaning equipment, gathering supplies, and participating in related trainings. A training plan detailing specific elements and activities will guide the incumbent and supervisory staff to ensure learning objectives are thoughtfully instructed and evaluated. To see complete job description and apply go to https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/alaska/jobs/2671655/college-intern-iii-pcn-18-in2001.

The ALASKA SEALIFE CENTER IS NOW RECRUITING FOR SUMMER INTERNSHIPS and other positions throughout our organization. For a complete list of descriptions and applications to our Summer 2020 Internships, please see our website at www.alaskasealife.org and click on the "Join Our Staff" tab and search for full-time
and seasonal positions in addition to our internship program. **Summer 2020 Internship recruitment is open until January 19** and include the following positions:
Aquarium Husbandry Internship
Avian Husbandry Internship
Avian Husbandry and Sea Duck Research Internship
Communications/Video Internship
Dive/Aquarium Husbandry Internship
Sea Duck Research and Sea Duck Husbandry Internship
Interpretation/Avian Husbandry Internship
Interpretation/Education Internship
Interpretation/Marine Mammal Husbandry Internship
Interpretation/National Park Service Internship
Interpretation/Remote Video Monitoring of Steller Sea Lions Internship
Interpretation/Marine Animal Wildlife Response Internship
Interpretation/Marine Mammal Husbandry Internship
Marine Mammal Husbandry Internship
Remote video monitoring of Steller Sea Lions Internship
Counihan/Research Lab Internship
Veterinary Laboratory Internship
Wildlife Response Internship
Research Internships (TBA)

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](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.

**POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

**COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER** for the **ANCHORAGE PARK FOUNDATION** to implement multiple strategies that highlight APF’s mission through both innovative and conventional communications strategies and tactics. They will conduct day-to-day work in the areas of planning, marketing, writing, print/electronic communication and publication, media and public relations, event planning, and project management. **Knowledge Skills and Abilities**: 3-5 years nonprofit experience preferred in fundraising, marketing, communications, community outreach, or a related field; Persuasive written and verbal communication skills; Ability to work independently
and manage multiple competing priorities; Ability to lift 25 pounds; Valid driver’s license and own transportation for work-related responsibilities. To see the full job description, go to https://anchorageparkfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Communications-Manager_APF-Position-Description-2020.pdf. We encourage candidates to submit materials for review by February 4, however, this position will be open until filled. Send cover letter, résumé and one writing sample to info@AnchorageParkFoundation.org. Include your favorite Anchorage park or trail in the subject line.

**STEWARDSHIP COORDINATOR** for the **SOUTH EAST ALASKA LAND TRUST (SEAL)** to be responsible for stewarding and managing SEAL Trust’s 37 conservation properties; supporting land protection projects; assisting with outreach activities; and, general organizational support. This full-time (non-exempt) position is located in Juneau (with travel throughout Southeast Alaska). Complete position description and application instructions can be found at https://www.southeastalaskalandtrust.org/about/staff/career-opportunities/.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** for the **WRANGELL MOUNTAINS CENTER** to oversee the long and short-term direction and operation of the Wrangell Mountains Center. We are seeking an enthusiastic, organized individual to guide fiscal planning and oversight; donor cultivation and member outreach; grant applications and management; programming support and coordination; staff leadership; and cultivation of productive relationships with stakeholders and partners. This position will be year-round, 30 hours per week. **Application deadline: February 7.** To view a detailed job description and instructions to apply, go to https://www.wrangells.org/employment-2020_WrangellMountainsCenter.

**ADMINISTRATIVE/BOOKKEEPING ASSISTANT** for the **WRANGELL MOUNTAINS CENTER** to be responsible for tracking of revenue and expenses, managing electronic banking, and coordination with a third-party accountant via Quickbooks. Secondary duties may include assisting the Executive Director with other administrative support such as program marketing (flyers, social media). This position will be year-round, 10-15 hours per month. **Application deadline: February 7.** To view a detailed job description and instructions to apply, go to https://www.wrangells.org/employment-2020.

**SUMMER FIELD LEADERS for 2020** for the **ALASKA GEOGRAPHIC** and its partners for a series of 1 - 2-week programs that engage young people from all over Alaska. We are looking for people who are passionate about the outdoors and have experience leading backcountry trips, including:

- **Sea Kayak Field Leader** - Our Kayak Expeditions take Alaskan high school students and teachers into remote Prince William Sound to learn leadership and wilderness skills and complete work projects. Sea kayak guiding experience required.
- **Trail Crew Field Leader** - Our trail crews camp in remote areas and complete trail work and conservation projects on the Chugach National Forest. As a leader, you are responsible for participant safety and the daily logistics of the project.
- **Documentarian Positions and Assistant Field Leader Positions** available for several of the youth expeditions. Document the program through
photographs, videos, and participant interviews. Photo and video equipment provided by Alaska Geographic. The season begins in late May and ends in August. A full season of work is available for the right candidate. Field Leaders are required to have a current Wilderness First Responder (WFR) or Wilderness First Aid (WFA) medical certification. Visit www.akgeo.org/about-alaska-geographic/employment for full position descriptions or send résumé and cover letter to William Melton at wmelton@akgeo.org or call 907-771-8466 for more information.

**GRANT WRITER** for the EYAK PRESERVATION COUNCIL to help with fundraising. This would begin as a contracted position with the potential to become a full-time salaried position. EPC is based in Cordova, with a satellite office in Anchorage, EPC is a successful grassroots non-profit organization with ecological and cultural preservation projects in the Prince William Sound, Copper River Delta and Gulf of Alaska region. EPC is focusing on collaborations and growth as a Waterkeeper organization. We are looking for an experienced writer with journalistic tendencies; applicant would be part of a multi-faceted team and understand the indigenous perspective, the nature and significance of our work and the commitment and passion necessary regarding the issues the organization undertakes. Tasks include: funding research, report writing, engaging updates, newsletters, and web updates. Applicants should possess superior writing and grammar skills, the ability to work independently and meet deadlines attention to detail, ability to understand financial and budget parameters, and familiarity with Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) and Native subsistence issues. Work can be done remotely but stays in Cordova are welcomed. Pay is hourly DOE. Position available now. Please send resume to eyak@redzone.org.

FULL-TIME ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN for the PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND REGIONAL CITIZENS’ ADVISORY COUNCIL 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, although recent college graduates in accounting or related fields will be considered. Competitive compensation - $23 - $26+ DOE. To apply, please submit a detailed application packet including cover letter, resume and three professional references to jobs@pwsrcac.org. Position open until filled. A detailed job description may be found at www.pwsrcac.org.

Part-time CLIMATE CAMPAIGN CONTRACTOR for SEACC (Southeast Alaska Conservation Council) to coordinate and oversee SEACC’s climate change campaign. We are looking for someone who is excited to coordinate within a national climate campaign to ensure the Alaska delegation hears from Alaskans and takes meaningful steps to address climate change. To see the full job description and application information, go to https://www.seacc.org/employment?utm_campaign=climate_comms_jobs&utm_campaign=climate_comms_jobs&utm_medium=email&utm_medium=email&utm_source=seacc&utm_source=seacc.
Part-time COMMUNICATIONS LEAD for SEACC (Southeast Alaska Conservation Council) to lead SEACC’s written communications work. We are looking for someone who is excited to work with our staff and with the media to ensure that our writing products are as clear, persuasive, and informative as they can be, and who has the relationships or can cultivate the relationships with reporters to ensure that our hard work is reflected in the media and therefore accessible to a broad segment of the public. To see the full job description and application information, go to https://www.seacc.org/employment?utm_campaign=climate_comms_jobs&utm_campaign=climate_comms_jobs&utm_medium=email&utm_medium=email&utm_source=seacc&utm_source=seacc.

PART-TIME COMMUNICATIONS LEAD for the SOUTHEAST ALASKA CONSERVATION COUNCIL (SEACC) to lead SEACC’s written communications work. We are looking for someone who is excited to work with our staff and with the media to ensure that our writing products are as clear, persuasive, and informative as they can be, and who has the relationships or can cultivate the relationships with reporters to ensure that our hard work is reflected in the media and therefore accessible to a broad segment of the public. Deadline for applications, January 6. To see the full job description, go to www.seacc.org/employment.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR for ALASKA HUTS to engage and energize staff, volunteers, board members, partner with organizations and donors and oversee the organization. Alaska Huts’ mission is to include Alaska’s backcountry in a worldwide tradition of places in which hikers and skiers can travel hut to hut and provide warm comfortable huts in inspiring settings to foster camaraderie and promote wilderness education and stewardship. Skills & qualifications: A passion for developing and managing a world-class backcountry hut system. At least two years of experience in successful non-profit operation, management, fundraising, marketing, environmental education, parks and recreation or related field. A bachelor’s degree or higher. Demonstrable fundraising skills and experience in development and grant writing. Particular note will be taken on the candidate’s experience working in other major capital fundraising campaigns. Successful candidate may be required to pass a comprehensive civil, criminal, educational and/or credit background check. Must be able to commit to two years of employment with Alaska Huts. This is a full time, salaried position based in Anchorage with flexible scheduling, remote work opportunities. A potential range is $45,000 - $65,000. Benefits include paid leave and retirement match contribution. Interested applicants can submit a resume and cover letter and three references in PDF format to mailbox@alaskahuts.org Please also include links or files of past applicable work if appropriate. To see full job description, go to https://www.alaskahuts.org/alaska-huts/staff/. The application deadline January 24, at 5pm.

SAVE OUR DEMOCRACY CAMPAIGN ORGANIZER for the 360 CAMPAIGN CONSULTING. Timeframe: to January 31, with the possibility to extend. Responsibilities Include: Build a large, diverse and inclusive activist group by calling through members and training them on grassroots organizing strategy and tactics.
Develop volunteer leaders to recruit and train other volunteers, work with the media, work in coalition, and engage with our targets; Work with key organizational and community allies to plan creative, hard-hitting, and rapid response events and actions; Report numbers and social media daily and write detailed weekly reports on campaign results. **Qualifications:** Strong recruiter, experience with group building and volunteer management; Experience in field and volunteer organizing either on advocacy or electoral campaigns strongly preferred; Demonstrated experience working with communities of color and on issues impacting communities of color; A demonstrated commitment to equity; Detail orientation and good follow-up skills; Willingness to work evenings and weekends. **Salary:** The salary for this position is $900 per week plus a potential signing bonus. We will cover reasonable relocation costs for out of state applicants. At the end of the campaign, there may be opportunities for other campaigns with 360. We offer a generous benefits package, including paid vacation, paid sick leave, a classroom style training, and the opportunity to enroll in health insurance after two months on staff. To apply, go to https://boards.greenhouse.io/360campaignconsulting/jobs/4001056003.

**FULL-TIME DONOR RELATIONS OFFICER** the MAT-SU TRAILS AND PARKS FOUNDATION to build relationships with MSTPF donors, manage direct mail, grow monthly giving, and communicate with the public. Mat-Su Trails and Parks Foundation needs someone who will effectively promote our values and create a philanthropic powerhouse out of a young fundraising program bristling with potential. This position has flexibility depending on the candidate's skills and experience. We will provide training and professional development for the right person. For more information please visit the job advertisement here. Questions? Please contact Wes Hoskins at whoskins@matsutrails.org.

**MANAGER for 2020 SITKA FARMERS MARKETS** for the SITKA LOCAL FOODS NETWORK. This is a contract position, and the manager receives a small compensation, depending on experience, for his or her work organizing the farmers markets this summer This will be the 13th year of operation for the Sitka Farmers Market, which features 6-8 markets during the summer from July through September, plus the annual farm stand at the Running of the Boots costumed fun run fundraiser in late September. The farmers markets feature booths from local farmers/gardeners, local fishermen, and artisans and craftspeople. For full job description, go to https://sitkalocalfoodsnetwork.org/2019/11/28/sitka-local-foods-network-seeks-manager-for-2020-sitka-farmers-markets/. For more information or to submit applications, contact SLFN board president Charles Bingham at 1-907-623-7660, or email sitkalocalfoodsnetwork@gmail.com (please put “Sitka Farmers Market Manager” in the subject line).

**NATURALIST GUIDES** for CAMP DENALI and NORTH FACE LODGE in DENALI NATIONAL PARK for the summer of 2020. Our naturalist guides are teachers of experiential learning, backcountry hiking guides, and competent drivers. Guides are responsible for: leading lodge guests into the trail-less backcountry of Denali National Park on day hikes; using creative teaching techniques to expand the guests’ knowledge
of Alaskan ecosystems and to encourage land stewardship; and safely transporting people over the unpaved, mountainous park road. The position is usually combined with positions in other departments depending on company needs. Current WFR and CPR certifications and a solid academic background in the natural sciences are required (MS preferred). This is not your average job in Denali. **A three-season commitment is required.** Interviews will continue through January as needed until the positions are filled. For more information including a complete job announcement, or to apply, please see the employment page at www.campdenali.com or contact jobs@campdenali.com.

**OUTREACH COORDINATOR** for the **ALASKA ZOO EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**, 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.

**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/59b9ecdabe85ba8293096530/t/5d3b78686c1e
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.

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/.

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 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/.

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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