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CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, SPECIAL EVENTS

February 2 – 6 (**In-person & virtual**)

ANCHORAGE – The ALASKA FORUM will be held at the Dena'ina Center or Online. Registration is now open. This year, the [Alaska Forum](#) is excited to offer even more opportunities to learn and connect. In addition to the valuable content you've always counted on, we're expanding into new areas such as housing and health, broadband, tribal administration, grant writing and management and more. These additions will help us better serve communities across Alaska while continuing to provide the trusted learning and resources you value most. [View AF26's pricing structure](#). For more information, go to [Alaska Forum](#).

February 27

ANCHORAGE - The ALASKA OUTDOOR and ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION SYMPOSIUM: BRIDGING COMMUNITIES THROUGH OUTDOOR LEARNING will be held at the Kincaid Chalet, [6998 Raspberry Road](#). Do you take youth outside in Alaska, work as an informal educator looking for community, or support the growth of outdoor learning across our state? Connect with a network of educators dedicated to building community, advancing professional skills, and strengthening outdoor programs that benefit all of Alaska. This symposium is your chance to gain practical tools, share experiences, and be part of a supportive community that values connection to place and the power of outdoor experiences. [Register here!](#)
Call for Proposals: Please consider contributing your knowledge, skills, program insights, outdoor/environmental education curriculum, innovative ideas or successful partnerships with a community of passionate educators, youth leaders and outdoor education enthusiasts with a 1-hp. session that speaks to this year's theme: Bridging Communities through Outdoor Learning. [Call For Session Proposals - Alaska Outdoor and Environmental Education Symposium](#).

March 10 – 13

ANCHORAGE – The 2026 MARICULTURE CONFERENCE of ALASKA, will be held at The Captain Cook Hotel to bring farmers, researchers, community leaders, and professionals in mariculture-related industries and agencies to present and discuss the latest mariculture science, policy and innovation in Alaska. Now in its fifth year, the annual conference supports the continued development of Alaska’s shellfish and seaweed industries by showcasing accomplishments and opportunities in research, education, workforce development, market expansion, and the vital role of traditional knowledge in sustainable mariculture. This year’s conference will be held in conjunction with annual meetings for members of the [Alaska Mariculture Alliance](#) and [Alaska Shellfish Growers Association](#). For more information, go to [conference website](#).

April 7 – 9

BETHEL The WESTERN ALASKA SCIENCE CONFERENCE coming will share knowledge and ideas across cultures and disciplines, with the goal of learning and working together on issues important to Alaska’s rural communities. **Abstracts are due by January 30. [Learn more about the WAISC call for abstracts.](#)**

****April 15-17**

ANCHORAGE - ARCTIC ENCOUNTER SUMMIT will be held at the Dena’ina Civic & Convention Center from 8am to 7pm. The Arctic Encounter Summit (AES) is an annual U.S.- based gathering that brings together policymakers, diplomats, Indigenous leaders, researchers, national security officials, and industry representatives to discuss key issues shaping the Arctic. It will include keynote sessions, expert panels, breakout discussions, reports, and exhibitions, offering a quorum to examine regional challenges such as infrastructure, public health, climate research, national security, development, investment, and innovation across the Far North.[Event Link.](#)

May 5 – 8

KODIAK – The 34TH LOWEL WAKEFIELD FISHERIES SYMPOSIUM will be held by Alaska Sea Grant and the University of Alaska Fairbanks. The theme for the symposium is **MARINE HEATWAVES at HIGH LATITUDES: TOOLS for TRACKING and SUPPORTING FISHERIES RESILIENCE. The 2026 Wakefield Fisheries Symposium will bring together fishery researchers and managers to address the impacts of extreme warming events on northern fisheries and share tools and strategies to build resilience. Participants worldwide are invited to share case studies and contrast approaches in different regions. For the conference website, go to <https://alaskaseagrant.org/events/wakefield-fisheries-symposium-2026/>.**

May 11-14

ANCHORAGE – The 2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE & TRAINING SYMPOSIUM of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONALS (NAEP). <https://conference.naep.org/>. Enthusiastic environmental professionals from across the country gather each year to share in the opportunity to learn about new projects, share technical knowledge, network with other industry professionals, and engage with environmental leaders. NEPA training, poster sessions, and mobile workshops are always part of the fun. The 2026 conference will be held at the Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center in Anchorage.

P|PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS/OPEN HOUSE

****January 28**

KODIAK - Public Open House will be held from 5:30 to 7:30pm in the: Kodiak Public Library Multipurpose Room to discuss the proposed **KODIAK OTMELOI WAY REHABILITATION** that will reconstruct and pave Otmeloi Way along the unpaved road from its intersection with Monashka Bay Road to its intersection with E. Rezanoff Drive. The project will also reconstruct and pave approximately 563 feet of Mallard Way from Otelo Way to the existing pavement at North Star Elementary. The proposed project will necessitate encroachments to the unmapped floodplain. The project does not involve a regulatory floodway. The project may encroach into the base 100-year floodplain. Proposed project activities are not anticipated to result in significant encroachments. For more information or to submit comments, contact Joseph Galgano,, Environmental Impact Analyst, at (907) 465-4447 or email joseph.galgano@alaska.gov.

****February 3 (Virtual)**

COPPER CENTER - The WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS SUBSISTENCE RESOURCE COMMISSION will hold a special meeting from 5pm until business on the [Secretarial Review of the Federal Subsistence Management Program](#). The meeting is open to the public, and the public can provide testimony. The meeting agenda will be posted before the meeting at <https://go.nps.gov/SpecialSRCMeeting>. Click to [join the online meeting](#). For more information, contact Amber Cohen at 907-822-7284 or email wrst_subsistence@nps.gov.

****February 3 (In-person & virtually)**

ANCHORAGE – Public meeting will be held from 3 to 7pm at the Gordon Watson Conference Room, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Office at: [1011 E. Tudor Road](#) on the **FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**. The Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture are undertaking a limited review of this Program, and this event is part of a public scoping

process to inform the review. To join via Microsoft Teams, go to [Click here to join event](#). **Deadline for comments is February 13**. For more information, go to https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/FSMP_Scoping_Process.

****February 3**

FAIRBANKS - Public Open House will be held on the MINNIE STREET IMPROVEMENTS at the Fairbanks City Hall in the Council Chambers, from 5:30 through 7:00 p.m. to discuss the proposed Minnie Street Improvements project. DOT&PF is proposing to complete upgrades and improvements to Minnie Street between Illinois Street and the Noyes Slough bridge. Drainage improvements, which would include installing a new Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4), new curb and gutters, laterals, and new curb inlets. Drainage improvements also include modifying the roadway's profile to facilitate surface water drainage away from the neighboring properties and roadway into the new MS4. The surface water runoff which will be treated by a Stormceptor prior to being discharged into Noyes Slough. Improvements to Minnie Street would include establishment of 11-foot driving lanes and 4-foot shoulders along both sides of Minnie Street. The project's side street intersections with Minnie Street will be repaved, as needed, in order to match the new pavement and the utility tie-ins to Minnie Street. Additional right-of-way acquisition of small areas beyond the two feet will be needed to move light poles, fire hydrants, and utility cabinets beyond the proposed sidewalk. Temporary Construction Easements and Temporary Construct Permits are also anticipated. Earthen material needed to construct this project will be contractor furnished from local sources. Comments are due on February 17. For more information or to submit comments, contact Ivet Hall, P.E., Engineering Manager at (907) 451-5386 or email ivet.hall@alaska.gov.

****February 10**

The ALASKA BOARD OF FORESTRY will hold a teleconference meeting from 8am to 4pm to discuss: * Forestry and forest practices-related legislation and budget updates; * State and federal forest management issues including reports on Mental Health Trust and U.S. Forest Service forestry activity; * Division of Forestry & Fire Protection timber sales, and other timber related initiatives; * Wood Energy Development Task Group update; * Alaska Forest Association update. The public is invited to participate to discuss statewide forestry issues. The public comment period will begin at 1pm. The meeting will be accessible via Teams as a teleconference and webinar. Public comment is scheduled for 1:00pm. Join the Teams meeting online at:

https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting_ZGQxODMwM2ltMmNhNy00N2NmLTliZmMtNjdiZTVhMDImOWFI%40thread.v2/0?context=%7

[b%22Tid%22%3a%2220030bf6-7ad9-42f7-9273-59ea83fcfa38%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%2258392a3b-fd32-4193-9ff1-46391f5c19ec%22%7d](#) Meeting ID: 275 114 442 531 7 Passcode: iP3DV6Lm. For more information, contact Lily Coyle
Special Projects Coordinator at (907) 317-5057 or email lily.coyle@alaska.gov.

****February 13 & 14**

ANCHORAGE - The CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMISSION on FEDERAL AREAS (CACFA) at a time to be determined. There will also be a virtual and call-in option. Proposed Agenda Items Includes: * Training on: CACFA statutes and legislative Intent; * Bylaws and Open Meetings Act; * Statehood Act, ANSCA, and ANILCA; * Election of Officers; * Election of Executive Committee; * Executive Director Position; * Public Comment; * Budget, These meetings are open to the public. Periods of public comment/testimony will be available. Portions of each meeting may be recorded. Written comments may be submitted to CACFA at any time; any comments received will become public records and subject to inspection.

WEBINARS & VIRTUAL

January 27 (Webinar)

POLICY, PREVENTION, and PROTECTION: OPPORTUNITIES for STATES to LEAD on TOXIC CHEMICALS and PLASTICS POLICIES will be presented at 10am by CHE-Alaska to examine how state and local policy initiatives are shaping the future of chemical safety and public health protection. Featuring PAMELA MILLER, Executive Director of Alaska Community Action on Toxics, and GRETCHEN SALTER of Safer States, the session will explore how prevention-focused policies, community-driven advocacy, and strong coalitions are helping reduce toxic chemical exposures across the country. Safer States is a national alliance of environmental health organizations and coalitions from across the nation working to safeguard people and the planet from toxic chemicals, and to ensure availability of safer solutions for a healthier world. Led by state-based organizations, the alliance seeks government and corporate action that led to safer chemicals and materials, and protection of public health and communities by transitioning away from harmful chemicals and holding chemical polluters accountable. Speakers will discuss Safer States' role in advancing protective state policies, supporting transparency and accountability, and elevating health and environmental justice in decision-making. The webinar will also highlight the importance of research, organizing, and cross-state collaboration in building durable policy solutions that protect vulnerable communities and promote healthier, safer environments for all. [RSVP Here](#)

January 27 (Webinar)

The ARCTIC REPORT CARD 2026: CELEBRATING the 20th EDITION will be presented 2026 from 11am to Noon by RICK THOMAN, Climate Specialist, AK Center for Climate Assessment and Preparedness, and an additional speaker to be determined. The Arctic Report Card provides an annual update on the state of the Arctic system, highlighting key climate indicators and the impacts of rapid environmental change on Arctic communities and ecosystems. This ACCAP webinar will review major findings from this year's 20th edition, marking two decades of sustained observations and scientific assessment. Speakers will share insights from the newest essays and indicators compiled by international research teams. [Register Here.](#)

January 27 (Webinar)

SAFER STATES INITIATIVES will be presented by CHE-Alaska at 10am with ACAT's PAMELA MILLER and Safer State's GRETCHEN SALTER. Any additional information, including a link to register can be found at [Policy, Prevention, and Protection: Opportunities for States to Lead on Toxic Chemicals and Plastics Policies | ACAT](#)

January 29 (Virtual)

ALASKA'S ENERGY LANDSCAPE: PAST PRESENT and FUTURE, will be presented at 6:30pm on. Zoom and Facebook Live Hosted by Susitna River Coalition. Every time a switch is flipped, Alaska's energy system influences communities, landscapes, and household costs. This double-header speaker event presents two perspectives on Alaska's energy development, examining past decisions and future directions. The program begins with a presentation by DOUG JOHNSON, Director of Development for ORPC Alaska, focused on emerging renewable energy technologies in Alaska. The second presentation features Dr. PHILIP WIGHT, Associate Professor of History and Arctic & Northern Studies at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. Dr. Wight will discuss the history of electrification in Alaska's Railbelt, including how infrastructure decisions were made and how those decisions continue to shape the region today. Together, the presentations provide historical and contemporary context for current discussions about energy infrastructure in Alaska, including proposals affecting the Susitna Basin and the Railbelt. Learn more on the Facebook event page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1881248632476716/> and Register on Zoom https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DhB_zBcARE2HcdE_6w8KWw.

****February 11 (Virtual)**

BEV HOFFMAN will talk about how the City of Bethel enacted its PLASTIC AND STYROFOAM BAN at 6pm on [Zoom](#). We're excited to welcome those who played a key role in helping the City of Bethel enact its PLASTIC BAG AND STYROFOAM BAN. Bev will share how the policy came together and what made it successful. The ordinance also prohibits restaurants and other businesses from using Styrofoam takeout containers.

EVENTS & MEETINGS in the ANCHORAGE AREA

****January 28 (In-person or virtually)**

The SIERRA CLUB ALASKA CHAPTER will hold a meeting with options to join in person or online at 6pm at the REI community space. Come meet the local staff and volunteers of the Chapter and learn about our mission to enjoy, explore, and protect the environment. We will share information about getting involved with our conservation and climate work at the local, state, and federal level and welcome you to share about the conservation issues that are most important to you. Everyone welcome. [RSVP HERE!](#)

****January 28 & 29**

AMATS will hold two (2) meetings on the draft of the RECREATIONAL TRAILS PLAN at the following dates and locations:

January 28 - ANCHORAGE from 5:30 to 7:30pm at the Lidia Selkregg Chalet () in Russian Jack Springs Park. Free cross-country ski demos for kids

January 29 - EAGLE RIVER/CHUGIAK from 5:30 to 7:30pm at the Beach Lake Chale. [Facebook Event](#).

To see a draft of the plan, go to [Recreational Trails Plan](#). For more information, contact Nicolette Dent, at Nicolette.Dent@AnchorageAK.gov or call (907) 343-4137.

February 1 & 8

OUTDOOR WINTER FILM SERIES will be held at the Cuddy Park Amphitheatre Sundays at 6pm featuring local films. including works from the *See Stories* projects. Enjoy free snacks, hot beverages, and a warming station inside the AK Bookmobile. Dress in layers and settle in for a uniquely Alaskan winter movie night. This free series is a collaboration among the Alaska Bookmobile, Anchorage Park Foundation, Out North Contemporary Art, See Stories, Anchorage Museum Seed Lab, Parks and Recreation, AK Filmmakers, with support from the Municipality of Anchorage and the Anchorage Community Development

****February 10**

ALASKA TRAILS is hosting TRAIL TALES in partnership with BIKE ANCHORAGE at 7pm at the Anchorage Museum. Hear outdoor enthusiasts and trail lovers as they share seven-minute stories about their trail experiences, adventures, and life in general. All proceeds are split between Alaska Trails and Bike Anchorage to continue their important work. Doors open at 6:30pm and tickets cost \$20. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to <http://www.alaska-trails.org/trail-tales>.

EVENTS & MEETINGS OUTSIDE of ANCHORAGE

February 7

WHITTIER - WHITTIER HARBOR CLEAN UP – Dive Alaska is hosting the fourth annual Whittier Harbor Clean Up from 10am to 3pm, at the main Whittier Boat Launch. All levels of scuba divers and free divers are welcome, as well as non-divers! Non-divers are always in high demand and can help transport trash carts and catalogue debris. Volunteers from past events have cleaned up around 4,000 pounds of marine litter! There will be no fee for the Whittier Tunnel, courtesy of Alaska DOT. Food and drinks will be provided, and there will be prizes given out. There will also be warm up stations, fire pits, and educational tables. For more information, contact Dive Alaska at info@divealaska.net.

February 7

PALMER - The CABIN FEVER RELIEVER will be held by the Hatcher Pass Avalanche Center at the Palmer Senior Center,. This fundraiser supports avalanche forecasting and community avalanche education. The Cabin Fever Reliever will be at the Palmer Senior Center with live music by the Super Saturated Sugar Strings. We'll have a generous appetizer spread, local craft beverages, and door prizes. Tickets are available at <https://events.humanitix.com/hpac2026>. Kids 13 and under are free with an adult, and all proceeds directly support the Hatcher Pass Avalanche Center. Come out to celebrate HPAC's 18th year of forecasting in Hatcher Pass!

****February 9**

WASILLA – GLACIOLOGY of the MATANUSKA VALLEY will be presented by JOE MOORE at 7pm WASILLA – GLACIOLOGY of the MATANUSKA VALLEY will be presented by JOE MOORE at 7pm at the Mat-Su Health Foundation, 777 N Crusey St, Much of the Matanuska Valley has been formed and reworked by the constant activity of glaciers and rivers. Evidence of historical and current activity will be discussed and locations where you can easily observe the results as you trek through the valley. Mat-Su Trails and Parks Foundation and Revel Treks. Free.

****February 13 (In-person & virtual)**

COPPER CENTER - FOOD SECURITY AND PROTECTED AREAS: REFLECTIONS OF A FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR EXPERIENCE will be presented by Ben BOBOWSKI. at 7pm at the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park Visitor Center or register to join us online at bit.ly/4sHqjwn. Ben will share insights on his 2025 experience as a Fulbright Global Scholar. His project provided the opportunity to meet with representatives of the Huetar people of Costa Rica and the Gorale people of Poland. His project concept proposal was supported by the Ahtna Intertribal Resource Commission. He will introduce concepts and tools that he found helpful in understanding food security as he compared and contrasted cultural connections to the land among these three locations. These concepts can apply broadly to any issue or community of people who have an identity with, or attachment to, a landscape or seascape. Ben Bobowski is a conservation practitioner with more than thirty years of experience, including nine years serving as the Superintendent of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park. Much of his career has been in rural and wilderness areas creating safe environments to work through difficult issues.

****February 20 13 (In-person & virtual)**

COPPER CENTER - NELCHINA CARIBOU HERD UPDATE will be presented by HEIDI HATCHER, Alaska Department of Fish and Game. at 7pm at the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park Visitor Center. Also available online, register at bit.ly/4b1jtf2. Heidi Hatcher is the Glennallen Area Wildlife Biologist and has been working with the Nelchina caribou herd since 2015. Heidi shares the history of the Nelchina caribou herd, management and monitoring efforts, the latest status of the herd, and expectations as the herd recovers.

D EADLINES

January 28

ANCHOORAGE – GIRWOOD - Deadline for comments on the SAFER SEWARD HIGHWAY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) and DRAFT INDIVIDUAL SECTION 4(F) EVALUATION to consider the economic, social, and environmental effects of the project and its consistency with the goals and objectives of community planning. The Draft EA is available for public review at safersewardhighway.com. The Draft EA evaluates proposed highway safety and mobility improvements between Anchorage and Girdwood. Members of the public are encouraged to review the Draft EA and Draft Individual Section 4(f) Evaluation and provide feedback. For

more information, go to SaferSewardHighway.com or contact (907) 802-3656 or info@safersewardhighway.com

****February 7**

Comments are due on the Notice Of Intent to Begin Engineering and Environmental Studies for the MAT-SU VALLEY PLANNING FOR TRANSPORTATION (MVP) IMPROVEMENT. The purpose of the proposed project is to extend the service life, reduce maintenance costs, and improve safety and accessibility of the facilities. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in summer of 2026. For more information or to submit comments, contact Heidi Zimmer, Regional Environmental Manager, Heidi.Zimmer@Alaska.gov.

****February 8**

HOMER -Notice of Intent to Begin Engineering and Environmental Studies and Notice of Floodplain Involvement for KACHEMAK BAY DRIVE MILEPOST 0-3.5 RECONSTRUCTION. on a proposal to strengthen and protect the designated Tsunami evacuation route from the intersection of Kachemak Bay Drive and Sterling Highway to the intersection of Kachemak Bay Drive and East End Road. Work includes raising and widening 3.5 miles to improve motorized and non-motorized passage. The road improvement would increase the safety and efficiency of travel by the public along this route both before and during an emergency. For more information and to submit comments, contact Brian Elliott, Regional Environmental Manager, at Brian.Elliott@Alaska.gov.

February 20

Deadline for nominations for the NORTH PACIFIC RESEARCH BOARD (NPRB) to fill four seats on its Advisory Panel. Two designated seats will represent the Gulf of Alaska Region, and two designated seats will represent the Arctic Region. The Advisory Panel meets twice each year for 2 days in Anchorage (April and September). Appointments are for three-year terms, with a maximum of two consecutive terms. The mission of the North Pacific Research Board (NPRB) is to develop a comprehensive science program that will further understanding of the North Pacific, Bering Sea, and Arctic Ocean ecosystems, inform effective management of fisheries, and help to sustain and enhance marine resources. For more information and application form, go to <https://nprb.org/nprb-seeking-nominations-for-gulf-of-alaska-and-arctic-advisory-panel-members-2026/>.

****February 21**

Comments are due on the Notice of Intent to Begin Engineering and Environmental Studies for the SPENARD ROAD REHABILITATION – NORTHWOOD DRIVE to MINNESOTA DRIVE to continue improvements within the Spenard corridor including ADA improvements, roadside hardware, drainage improvements, and utilities as necessary. The purpose of the proposed project is to improve driver and pedestrian safety, improve traffic flow, and update and replace outdated and deteriorating transportation and utility infrastructure including non-motorized improvements. For more information and to submit comments, contact Heidi Zimmer at heidi.zimmer@alaska.gov

****February 28 (Deadline Extended)**

Deadline for comments for the SAFER SEWARD HIGHWAY PROJECT has been extended. Because the Environmental Assessment is *massive* (over 2,400 pages in a 6-inch binder), the public comment period has been extended. The On-line Open House has also been extended and is available at <https://safersewardhighwayonline.com/> Submit written comments to info@safersewardhighway.com

March 9

Deadline for nominations for the NATIONAL PARK SERVICE ALASKA REGION SUBSISTENCE RESOURCE COMMISSION PROGRAM for individuals to represent subsistence users on the Subsistence Resource Commissions (SRC): the Aniakchak National Monument SRC, the Cape Krusenstern National Monument SRC, the Denali National Park SRC, the Gates of the Arctic National Park SRC, the Kobuk Valley National Park SRC, the Lake Clark National Park SRC, and the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park SRC. For more information, go to [Federal Register](#)

March 21

Deadline for nominations for ALASKA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS. Do you know an individual or organization making an impact in their efforts to protect Alaska's natural environment and ways of life? [Recognize the environmental leaders in your community by nominating them for a Conservation Achievement Award by March 31, 2026.](#) The nomination process is simple! [Learn More and Nominate a Conservation Hero Today!](#) Each year, Alaska Conservation Foundation honors the volunteers, educators, professionals, young people, and organizations who go above and beyond to help ensure Alaska persists as a biologically and culturally thriving place for generations to come. We offer eight unique awards to recognize the diverse set of people and organizations making a difference in Alaska. Award Categories Include: Lifetime Achievement Award; Celia Hunter Award for Outstanding

Volunteer Contributions'; Olaus Murie Award for Outstanding Professional Contributions; Denny Wilcher Award for Young Environmental Activists; Lowell Thomas, Jr. Award for Outstanding Achievements by an Organization Doing Conservation Work; Jerry S. Dixon Award for Excellence in Environmental Education; Daniel Housberg Image Award for Excellence in Still Photography, Film, or Video; Caleb Punagowiyi Award for Outstanding Achievements by an Alaska Native Organization or Individual. Awardees will be celebrated at the Alaska Conservation Achievement Awards Reception this fall. Recipients do not need to be present to be recognized.

GRANTS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/CONTESTS/RFP

March 15

Deadline for submissions for the 2026 ALASKA JUNIOR DUCK STAMP COMMUNITIES 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 Stamp webpage](#) for more information or contact Tamara_Zeller@fws.gov / (907) 231-5537.

ITEMS of INTEREST

[CORaL Network](#), a partnership of 6 mission-driven organizations in Southcentral Alaska working together to co-create educational opportunities with communities in the Exxon-Valdez Oil Spill (EVOS) regions, using a two-eyed seeing lens and worldview. The CORaL Network empowers our region by collaborating, learning from one another, and sharing scientific, cultural, and traditional knowledge. We foster community co-creation and responsiveness to meet the needs of our partners and their service After a 9-month hiatus, our network has published a January issue featuring spotlight programs, community stories, Sug'sten words, jobs, and more. Through our newsletter, we encourage folks to reach out to our network and explore our programs and other offerings.

We will release our newsletter each month in 2026 and hope to expand our viewership and reach.

MAP the TRAP - SAFE TRAILS is a resource to help keep you and your pups safe! The Alaska Wildlife Alliance produces the MAP THE TRAP PLATFORM that maps recent and historical trap encounters. If you encounter a trap yourself, complete the form on the site to have it mapped on our platform. To see the platform, go to [Check Out the Platform Here](#).

FELLOWSHIPS/INTERSHIPS

January 31

The SUMMER 2026 ITEP TRIBAL WELLBEING for SEVEN GENERATIONS INTERNSHIP APPLICATIONS are now available.. All internship opportunities are full-time paid positions during the summer of 2026. If an intern is relocating for a position, housing and travel costs are also provided. More information and the application can be found at our [website](#) We are excited to announce that the SUMMER 2026 ITEP AIR QUALITY INTERNSHIP APPLICATIONS are now available. For more information, contact Kim.Shaw@nau.edu More information and the application can be found at https://itep.nau.edu/internships/ssi_internship or contact Kim.Shaw@nau.edu.

**January 31

The ALASKA WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CENTER has the following position available:

NATURALIST INTERNSHIP to assist the year-round education team in all interpretation, educational programming, and tours both at AWCC and off site. This position is designed for college students, recent graduates, or career changing individuals interested in working in this field regardless of relation to their degree path. In this position, interns will have the opportunity to gain experience and skills related to position duties, and cross train on animal care duties and procedures. Workdays and hours will vary by week; full 40 hours and 5 days per week, maximum 8 hours per day. Positions are available beginning in May and ending in September. [Click HERE for a full job description or to submit an application.](#) To apply please submit a single page resume, a single page cover letter detailing why this position is an appropriate fit for your career path, phone and email contact for three professional or academic references..

ANIMAL CARE INTERNSHIP to assist the year-round Animal Care team with husbandry tasks and assisting the year-round Education team with facilitating animal encounters and daily programs as needed. This position is designed for the college student interested in working with wildlife, or for entry-level animal care professionals looking to gain more experience. Works days and hours are full 40 hours and 5 days per week, maximum 8 hours per day. The internship position is for up to 20 weeks with a minimum duration of 16 weeks available for the right candidate. [Click HERE for a full job description or to submit an application.](#) To apply please submit a single page resume, a single page cover letter detailing why this position is an appropriate fit for your career path, phone and email contact for three professional or academic references.

February 6

Deadline for applications for the ALASKA SEA GRANT STATE*FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM. Launch your career through a unique professional opportunity for soon-to-graduate or recent graduate students interested in marine, coastal and watershed science and policy. Fellows gain hands-on experience at Alaska-based organizations while building professional networks and real-world skills. For more information, go to [Learn about the Alaska Sea Grant State Fellowship Program.](#)

February 6

Applications are open for the **COMMUNITY COASTAL EXPERIENCE INTERNSHIP**, an adult internship program organized by the CORaL Network to increase opportunities in marine & coastal research, environmental monitoring, and Alaska Native cultural history & arts that will run from June 8 to July 3, and interns will receive a \$3,500 stipend as well as travel, food, and lodging. This program is open to all Alaskans 18+ who live within or who hold strong ties to the region affected by the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill. At-large Tribal citizens or others who hold lineal ties to the spill-affected region, but who no longer live within Alaska, are also eligible to apply. Learn more and apply at tinyurl.com/infoCCE.

TRUSTEES for ALASKA is accepting applicants for the **SEPTEMBER 2026 LEGAL FELLOWSHIP** for a two-year full-time position in Anchorage starting in September 2026 and continuing through September 028. Responsibilities include: Working with staff attorneys to research, develop, and implement legal and other strategies Assisting with various aspects of litigation, including substantive work and other tasks. Candidates must be licensed in Alaska before, or shortly after starting work We offer a competitive non-profit salary of \$74,000/year, plus medical, dental, life, long-term disability, and retirement benefits. We are committed to diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice. To apply, please submit (1) cover letter, (2) resume, (3) references, (4) law school transcript, and (5) writing sample (max. 25 pages) to Ashley Boyd, Administrative Director, at aboyd@trustees.org: Please include "Fellowship" in the subject line of the email. To facilitate our anonymous review of application materials, please do not reach out directly to the executive director, legal director, or staff attorneys at Trustees for Alaska. To see the full position description, go to <https://trustees.org/trustees-employment/>.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Cook Inlet Harbor Safety Committee is seeking members to fill a number of vacancies in the committee's stakeholder seats. The enclosed attachment lists the available seats, the qualifications required to apply, and information for anyone interested in serving on this

Committee. Please note the following: *All vacant seats are open for solicitation of interest, regardless of expiration date. * All term lengths are 2 years, unless filled mid-term. * There are no term limits. The primary and alternate positions for the *Cruise Ship Operators, Small Passenger Vessel Operators, and Tug & Barge Operators* are currently vacant, while the rest of the listed vacancies are for the alternate seats only. If you are interested in being considered for appointment to one of these seats, please submit a Send Letter of Interest and Resume to haley@nukaresearch.com.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

****CONSERVATION PROJECT MANAGER for the KACHEMAK HERITAGE LAND TRUST** to be responsible for the development and completion of KHLT's fee acquisitions, conservation easements, tradeland acquisitions and sales, and partner acquisitions or projects in which KHLT is involved. This position requires working closely with other staff to ensure project and organizational success and smooth project execution. To see a full position description, go to <https://www.kachemaklandtrust.org/job-opportunities.html>. To apply, send three references, a resume, and a cover letter to Operations Manager, Hayley Patton, at haley@kachemaklandtrust.org. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

****NATURALIST TOUR GUIDE for the WRANGELL INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE & ENVIRONMENT (WISE)** to share the outdoors with visitors for our 2026 tour season leading the Copper Country Discovery Tour, which has been sharing the Copper River Basin with guests from around the world since 2008. The Guide also supports our Alaska Native Cultural Tour, which we provide in partnership with the Native Village of Tazlina. On the job training provided. Learn more at www.wise-edu.org/employment.html. or contact Robin Mayo, Executive Director. robin@wise-edu.org, (907) 822-3575

****SUMMER CAMP LEADER for the PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND SCIENCE CENTER** to be the main point of contact for our Headwaters to Ocean (H2O) summer camps. They will plan, prepare, and lead summer camp activities while prioritizing a safe and positive environment that balances education and exploration. For more information, contact Lauren Bien. Education Director, at lbien@pwssc.org or call o: 907.424.5800 or go to www.pwssc.org

****AYEA YOUTH LEADERSHIP COORDINATOR for ALASKA YOUTH FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION (AYEA) at THE ALASKA CENTER EDUCATION FUND.** The AYEY Youth Leadership Coordinator will lead workshops, summits, and leadership opportunities that empower Alaska youth ages 13-18 to build advocacy, community organizing, and public-speaking skills. This role supports youth-led action projects and statewide convenings while coordinating logistics, partnerships, and mentorship throughout the

year. To learn about the AYE program [go here](#), and to view the job description and apply - [go here!](#)

CONTAMINATED LANDS SPECIALIST for the **NATIVE VILLAGE of EYAK (NVE)** requires 100% onsite work in Cordova. The **Brownfields & NALEMP Contaminated Lands Manager** leads environmental assessment, cleanup, and restoration activities on tribal lands under the EPA Brownfields Tribal Response Program (TRP) and the Department of Defense Native American Lands Environmental Mitigation Program (NALEMP). The **Manager coordinates technical, regulatory, and cultural considerations, ensures compliance with federal requirements, and works closely with Tribal leadership, community members,** To see the full position description and how to apply, go to <https://ats.rippling.com/nve/jobs/df0d5327-ed5b-4c25-9c22-8f691ff68b69>.

NATURALIST - SEASONAL for the **ALASKA WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CENTER** to support and lead educational and interpretive programs to reach the mission of the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center (AWCC). This is a Full-time, 30-week Seasonal position. Preferred Dates: Early April – November. As a team member of a small not-for-profit, the ideal candidate will show their ability to work with flexibility shifting between duties. Amongst team members all programs and tasks required to complete educational programming are assigned to work collaboratively, exact programs and tasks may vary over the duration on the position to adjust for strengths and growths. As our programs primarily feature Alaskan wildlife, environment, history, and geography, we are seeking an applicant with a background and knowledge in these areas, especially pertaining to the dynamic ecosystem of Portage Valley. Preference will be given to applicants who may return for multiple seasons. Wage is \$16-\$18 per hour DOE. A valid driver's license is required for all job listings. Click [HERE](#) to view a complete job description and apply. Questions? Email education@alaskawildlife.org

..**ALASKA WILDLIFE ALLIANCE** is hiring a **PART-TIME SOCIAL MEDIA COORDINATOR - CONTRACT POSITION**. The Social Media Coordinator will help us share stories about Alaska's wildlife and the challenges they face, grow our online community, and inspire conservation action among our members and the general public. Applicants should have 2+ years of social media management experience, with experience making short-form video content, and be comfortable with Meta Suite, Google Suite, and Canva. The position is up to 20 hours a week, with a flexible, remote schedule. Click [here](#) for a full job description and how to apply. Questions? Email chelsey@akwildlife.org.

AQUATIC BIOLOGIST. For the **TYONEK TRIBAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT (TTCD)** to implement fisheries and habitat monitoring and restoration, research, and projects throughout the remote 6.6-million-acre tribal conservation district. This position oversees project research and development, grant writing and reporting, field logistics, remote fieldwork, and data collection and analysis. TTCD's current fisheries and habitat projects are focused on invasive northern pike management, salmon population monitoring and research, habitat mapping and monitoring, fish passage restoration, watershed monitoring, and terrestrial and aquatic invasive plants surveys and control. This position is based in Anchorage and involves day and multi-day travel to remote western Cook Inlet communities (Tyonek, Beluga, and Skwentna) and other locations primarily during summer months. For more information please visit our website at <https://ttcd.org/job-opportunities/>

TRAIL CREW MEMBERS and LEADERS for ALASKA TRAILS for seasonal trail work in 2026. Trail crews will work in Chugach State Park, Chugach National Forest, Denali State Park, and other areas in Southcentral Alaska. Trail crew members and leaders will play a pivotal role in trail maintenance and construction projects. Duties include daily hiking in steep, rocky terrain, structure work, and using hand and power tools to maintain and construct sustainable trails. More information for the positions and application instructions can be found at: <https://www.alaska-trails.org/jobs>

The **ALASKA CENTER** has the following positions available:

CLIMATE AND CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM MANAGE to oversees the design and implementation of advocacy strategies and campaigns around climate and clean energy for The Alaska Center and The Alaska Center Education Fund. To see the full position description and application form, go to <https://alaskacenter.bamboohr.com/careers/47>

DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE to deepen donor engagement, execute multi-channel fundraising campaigns, and support major fundraising initiatives that sustain our mission. To see the full position description and application form, go to <https://alaskacenter.bamboohr.com/careers/48>

PROGRAM MANAGER for ACCAP (Alaska Center for Climate Assessment and Preparedness) to be based in Fairbanks, a though flexible on-site/hybrid work arrangements may be considered. Join us as we work to build healthy and thriving Alaska communities, economies and ecosystems in a changing climate. [Learn more and apply at UA Careers](#). Open until filled.

The **NORTH ALASKA ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER (NAEC)** has the following Contractor Positions available: • Coalition & Policy Support Contractor; • Media & Communications Contractor; • Bookkeeping & Financial Operations Contractor; • Grant Writer, Donor Engagement & Philanthropic

Partnerships Contractor. We encourage interested individuals—and especially those from Alaska Native, rural Alaska, and underrepresented communities—to apply. Full details are available at [Now looking for contractors- RFPs live - Northern Alaska Environmental Center](#).

ALASKA LONG TRAIL PROGRAM OFFICER for ALASKA TRAILS to lead the ambitious work-in-progress Alaska Long Trail project to connect 500+ miles of Alaska's iconic terrain and diverse communities from the coast to the interior. The core responsibility of this position is to build on recent successes and identify and take the actions needed to keep the project moving forward. To see the full job description, go to:

<https://www.alaska-trails.org/jobs>

SUMMER COORDINATORS, NATURALISTS, & EDUCATORS with the **CENTER for ALASKAN COASTAL STUDIES** in Homer and Kachemak Bay to lead educational programs for children, school groups, locals, and visitors to Alaska. **Summer seasonal staff** are employed in these four unique locations: the **Wynn Nature Center** (a 145-acre boreal forest preserve), **Inspiration Ridge Preserve** (a stunning mosaic of forest, bogs, meadows, ponds and creeks), **Peterson Bay Field Station** (a semi-rustic facility across Kachemak Bay and accessible only by boat), and the **Yurt on the Spit** (exploration of invertebrate life living on and around the Homer harbor docks). Timing: Most summer positions run from May 26 to September 1 with a few endings slightly earlier due to the nature of the position.

Compensation: \$19-21/hour depending on responsibilities, with shared housing in Homer provided (\$22-24/hour without housing).. CACS will continue to accept and review applications until the role is filled. To see the full position description and more information about our organization, go to <https://akcoastalstudies.org/employment>.

MULTIPLE TEMPORARY (SEASONAL) FIELD TECHNICIANS for the **ALASKA CENTER for CONSERVATION SCIENCE** at the **UNIVERSITY of ALASKA - ANCHORAGE** to help implement the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) lotic **Assessment, Inventory, and Monitoring (AIM)** sampling in the Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim region. Technicians will help sample stream habitat conditions in remote Alaska throughout summer 2026 and will be required to work in the backcountry for long hours at mainly helicopter-access sites. Please contact Audrey Huff (aehuff2@alaska.edu) or Erin Larson (el Larson15@alaska.edu) if you have any questions. To see the full position description, go to [temporary \(seasonal\) field technicians](#).

ALASKA STATE DIRECTOR for The **NATURE CONSERVANCY** to provide experienced and visionary leader. This role offers a unique opportunity to guide conservation strategies and partnerships across Alaska's diverse

landscapes and communities. The pay range for this position is 187-200k. TNC offers a 35hr work week (with the option to consolidate hours for every other Friday off) and an 8% retirement match, alongside other competitive benefits. Candidates may reside in any major city in Alaska, with a strong preference for Anchorage or Juneau (where we have offices). A core responsibility of this role is fundraising and donor engagement. The state director will frequently travel out of state to cultivate and steward major donors, foundations and corporate partners. [Apply here.](#)

REGIONAL CATALYST FOR REGENERATIVE TOURISM for SPRUCE ROOT to work through the [Sustainable Southeast Partnership](#) to help Southeast Alaskans benefit from the visitor industry in ways that honor and sustain their communities, cultures, and ecosystems. If you're passionate about community-driven tourism, cultural integrity, and the balance between people and place, we'd love to hear from you. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis after November 24. Visit www.spruceroot.org/careers for more information.

REGIONAL CATALYST for REGENERATIVE TOURISM for SPRUCE ROOT in Juneau, to work through the [Sustainable Southeast Partnership](#) to help Southeast Alaskans benefit from the visitor industry in ways that honor and sustain their communities, cultures, and ecosystems. If you're passionate about community-driven tourism, cultural integrity, and the balance between people and place, we'd love to hear from you. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Go to www.spruceroot.org/careers for more information.

FINANCE OFFICER for the NORTH PACIFIC RESEARCH BOARD (NPRB) to manage NPRB's financial operations, supporting the organization's mission to improve understanding of the marine ecosystems of the North Pacific. We are seeking a detail-oriented professional with strong analytical skills, a commitment to accountability, and a passion for supporting science-driven research and stewardship. For more details about the position, benefits, salary, and more, go to <https://nprb.org/job-announcement-nprb-finance-officer/>.

COMMUNITY GRANTS MANAGER III for the ANTHC CLIMATE INITIATIVES GROUP to provide advanced grant management and financial management technical assistance support to remote Alaska Native communities with climate adaptation and community development engineering and construction projects. To co-develop and implement grant and financial management policies, procedures, and tools with community staff and leadership and provide extensive ongoing assistance and training to communities to achieve compliance with all funding agency

requirements. To see the full position description, go to [https://CSS-ANTHC-PRD.INFORCLOUDSUITE.COM:443/hcm/Jobs/navigation/JobPosting\[JobPostingSet\]\(1000,3586,1\).JobPostingDisplayNav?csk.HR.Organization=1000&csk.JobBoard=ANTHCEXTERNAL_](https://CSS-ANTHC-PRD.INFORCLOUDSUITE.COM:443/hcm/Jobs/navigation/JobPosting[JobPostingSet](1000,3586,1).JobPostingDisplayNav?csk.HR.Organization=1000&csk.JobBoard=ANTHCEXTERNAL_)

1 CO-LEAD & 1 COORDINATOR for the 2026 COMMUNITY COASTAL EXPERIENCE (CCE) to help Alaskan adults explore career and internship pathways in MARINE and COASTAL RESEARCH, ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING, and ALASKA NATIVE CULTURAL HISTORY and ARTS. During the CCE, interns travel with program leaders to different locations in southcentral Alaska to observe, learn, and practice new skills in coastal ecology and environmental sciences. Through immersion in new field environments and intentional connection with land, water, and each other, interns will broaden their perspectives through discussions about the challenges facing their communities and ecosystems. We are looking to hire one co-lead and one coordinator for this upcoming CCE focused in SEWARD and KODIAK. The co-lead position runs from mid-January to August 31, 2026. Pay is \$21/hour if you wish to live in shared staff housing in Homer during the summer, or \$24/hour without staff housing. The coordinator position runs from mid-January 2026 to mid-January 2027 as a 12-month position, and the salary is \$56,160 per year. Both positions are in-person based in Homer from May-August. In-person training required April 7 - 9, 2026, in Homer. Remote work may be possible in January, February, March, & April. To see the full position description and application process, go to [coastal studies employment page](#). Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, with a priority deadline of November 7. We will begin reviewing materials as they come in.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR for the ALASKA ZOO to help us fulfil our mission of wildlife conservation, education and community enrichment. The Volunteer Coordinator plays a critical role in ensuring that our volunteer program runs smoothly and effectively, directly supporting operations, special events, and guest experiences. To see the full position description and to apply, go to https://hr.focussolutions.us/Careers/UserPortal/job-description.aspx?enc=SYRdk0GvdJEXJ/HGbXXXjoEEpMIA6pCsxWxbDDT0iCvPtpviYxRvywycltLXct4esQsRix7As2kEFd/fM9raBQ==_

CLIMATE ADAPTATION PROJECT MANAGER II, NETWORKING and KNOWLEDGE SHARING for ANTHC CLIMATE INITIATIVES (Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium) to join a dynamic team that is creating change from the local to national levels. This new position will support planning, developing, coordinating, and overseeing the activities of the networking and knowledge sharing branch. Duties include developing and leading a climate adaptation community of practice, gathering and disseminating

information on current and planned climate adaptation activities statewide, coordinating peer-to-peer learning opportunities with Tribal communities, social network analysis, and publishing the CETC monthly newsletter. Benefits include access to over a dozen subsidized health insurance plans, 11 paid holidays, generous paid leave, up to 8% retirement contribution, etc. Apply to the Climate Adaptation Project Manager III position on the ANTHC jobs website or contact hrrecruiting@anthc.org with questions.

PROTECTING FUTURE GENERATIONS COORDINATOR for the ALASKA COMMUNITY ACTION on TOXICS (ACAT) for their research project whose ultimate goal is the cleanup of military toxics on Sivuqaq (a/k/a St. Lawrence Island) and protection of health. To see the full position description, go to <https://www.akaction.org/wp-content/uploads/Job-Announcement-PFG-Coodinator.pdf>. To apply: Please submit your resumé, letter of interest, and three references to Schwan Thoma at wnathoma@northerncompassgroup.com. Include the words PFG Coordinator Application in the subject line. Position is open until filled.

DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR for the FAIRBANKS CLIMATE ACTION COALITION (FCAC) to develop and lead a fundraising strategy, build strong relationships with funders and donors, and coordinate FCAC staff, volunteers, and partners to support FCAC's fundraising efforts in order to meet the organization's annual budget and long-term budget goals. To see the full position description, go to [Job Description](#).

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL SUPPORT LEAD for the OUTER COAST to provide our undergraduates with the resources—social-emotional, intellectual, and relational they need in order to make the most of their time in Sitka. The Social-Emotional Support Lead will be the cornerstone for student guidance, ensuring students thrive across all three pillars of the program. This person will be a highly visible and approachable member of the Outer Coast team and a regular presence at meals and community events. This is a full-time role. [Learn more and apply here](#).

COMMUNITY CATALYST for the ALASKA SOUTH COAST PARTNERSHIP (ASCP) to serve as trusted bridge between their home community and the regional partnership -applicants must be based in Chenega, Cordova, Nanwalek, Port Graham, Seward, Tatitlek, or Valdez. In this position, you will help guide local projects and support the creation of strong, collaborative systems that will serve the Southcoast for generations to come; we would love for you to apply! Starting at \$23.00 DOE. To see the full position description and application form, visit <https://crrcalaska.bamboohr.com/careers/33>.

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