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Alaska Community Forest Council recruiting new members

(Anchorage, AK) – The Alaska Community Forest Council is seeking individuals interested in highlighting the importance of forest and tree management in communities throughout Alaska by serving on the Council.

The council is a nonprofit organization that advises the Division of Forestry on how to improve Alaskans' quality of life by expanding and caring for urban and community forests. The council promotes the management of trees and forests within communities to maximize the many economic, environmental, and social benefits that they provide.

There are currently eight open seats on the 15-member Council. Completed applications are due no later than Wednesday May 5, 2020. New appointees will be notified in late May, and the terms begin on July 1, 2020.

The open seats are: Seat A – Arborist; Seat F - Construction/Right of Way; Seat G - Small Community Service; Seat H - Community Forestry/Beautification; Seat I - Industry/Business; Seat K - Member at-Large; Seat L - Member at-Large; and Seat M - Member at-large.

Council members are asked to attend all-day meetings four times each year. Members serve on working committees, handle the normal business responsibilities of a nonprofit, and support the care of trees and forests in the towns where they live. Members attend an orientation before the first meeting and are provided educational opportunities and hands-on training. Council members are reimbursed for travel expenses, if applicable.

Applications and information about the council and the Division of Forestry's Community Forestry Program are available on the web at:

<http://forestry.alaska.gov/community/council> and the Community Forestry Program office at 269-8466 or communityforestry@alaska.gov

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