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Alaska Community Forest Council seeks new members

(Anchorage, AK) – The Alaska Community Forest Council is seeking to fill six council seats in 2017. The council is a nonprofit organization and advisory body to the Division of Forestry that works 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.

Seats are open in the following categories: Seat A – Arborist; Seat C - Municipal Planner; Seat G- Small-Community Service; Seat I – Industry/Business; Seats K and M- Members at Large. The terms are July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

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 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 stephen.nickel@alaska.gov. Completed applications are due no later than **Wednesday May 3, 2017**. New appointees will be notified in late May and the terms begin on July 1, 2017.

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