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Recruits sought for Chugach State Park Citizens Advisory Board

(Anchorage, AK) – The Chugach State Park Citizens Advisory Board is seeking applications to fill upcoming vacancies on the 15-member board. The role of the advisory board is to advise the Division of Parks & Outdoor Recreation on matters involving Chugach State Park, to promote protection of the park's natural and cultural resources, and to facilitate communication between the public and the park managers. The board meets monthly and each member is expected to serve on two committees.

Board members serve for three years and terms are staggered so that seats open each year. Applicants will be considered for the term beginning in January 2017. The application deadline is November 23. An application form is available at: http://dnr.alaska.gov/Assets/uploads/DNRPublic/parks/misc/chugachstateprkappv7.pdf.

Board members represent a broad spectrum of public interests and the nomination process is designed to ensure that no single viewpoint dominates the board. In addition, the board's bylaws call upon each member to represent all-encompassing public interests that are consistent with park purposes rather than advocate for a specific group.

Board meetings are held the second Monday of the month starting at 6 p.m. Committee meetings are scheduled by the committee chairs and vary in frequency depending on project needs and deadlines. Current committees include: Access, Budget, Nominations, Trails, Planning, Seward Highway Design and Wildlife.

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