

## Copper Basin Land and Resource Managers Meeting

April 4, 2018

### Next Meeting - October 1, 2018

#### Bureau of Land Management (BLM)-Glenvalley Field Office – Brenda Becker, Realty Specialist & Robbin Taylor, Partnership & Outreach Coordinator

- A Federal spending budget was signed with an increase to funding for the Department of the Interior. We have not learned if our office will see any of that increase.
- Staffing/job opportunities
  - Glenvalley Field Office Manager position is currently filled by Marvie Graham who is on an annual detail until a permanent manager is brought on board. A recommendation on an applicant has been made to the Washington DC office and we are waiting to hear back, hopefully within the month. Once a selection has been made, it could be another 60+ days before the manager will be here.
  - Nick Weber, a BLM Outdoor Recreation Planner has moved. We currently have a plan to temporary fill this position internally (details) this summer but there may be an opportunity for the public in the future.
  - Environmental Protection Specialist - local hire, GS - 7-9-11. Announcement is currently out. Applications must be to the office by 4:30 pm on April 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - Eventually, we will be announcing a GS-7-8 Resource Tech position as a local hire. (No training)
  - Seasonal Positions:
    - GS-05 and GS-07 Archeology Techs (announcing SOON)
    - GS-02 and GS-03 Fisheries Techs (Fish Towers) local hire. (announcing SOON)
  - You may be hearing about a nationwide reorganization. Alaska is its own region so boundaries will not change but we are the pilot program for what it may look like in other states. For hiring, any GS-10 and below positions are at the discretion of the State Director. GS-11 and above must go to the Washington DC office.
  - Campground hours needed at Sourdough and Parson Lake (GSs due to last minute cancellations) Quik turnaround needed on this.
- Federal Subsistence
  - Permits issued this season
    - Moose: 1,100 issued – 90 harvested – 97% reported
    - Caribou: 3,000 issued – 344 harvested – 93% reported
      - Season closed March 31<sup>st</sup>. Reports due by April 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - New maps being developed for upcoming subsistence seasons. Working on making maps more available online and downloadable onto a smart phone or GPS.
  - BLM is also working with the Office of Subsistence Management to make online reporting more efficient. They are trying to have one list where subsistence