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Alaska Board of Forestry Meeting is Aug. 1 in Ketchikan

(Ketchikan, AK) – Media, Alaskans and other members of the public are invited to participate in a Board of Forestry meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 1, in Ketchikan to discuss statewide forestry issues.

What: Board of Forestry meeting
Where: Landing Hotel, Sunny Point Reception Room,
3434 Tongass Avenue, Ketchikan
When: Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2023, at 8:00 a.m.
(Public testimony in-person and via Zoom scheduled for 1:00 p.m.)

The nine-member Board of Forestry advises the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources on forestry regulations, provides a forum for those interested in forestry to discuss and seek resolution of issues concerning Alaska's forest resources, and makes recommendations to the Governor and Legislature on research needs.

Topics on the board's agenda for the upcoming meeting include:

- Forestry and forest practices related legislation and budget updates
- State and federal forest management issues, including reports on the Tongass Roadless Rule, Mental Health Trust forestry activity, USFS forestry activity, and Division of Forestry & Fire Protection timber sales, forest management plan revisions, and other timber related initiatives
- Biomass and wood energy projects and opportunities
- Public comment

Other forestry matters may be included on the agenda. The meeting is intended to comply with the requirements of AS 41.17.047(b) and (d). The board meeting will be accessible via Zoom as a teleconference and webinar.

Connect via Zoom:

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Meeting ID: 819 3933 9668; Passcode: EKz2Cc

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For a copy of the agenda and an online link to the meeting, go to www.forestry.alaska.gov/recentnews. Contact Trever Fulton before 12 p.m. on Friday, July 28, for additional information or for special accommodations due to audio or visual impairment. Contact him at any time to be added to the mailing list for announcements of future Board of Forestry meetings.

The Department of Natural Resources' mission is to develop, conserve, and maximize the use of Alaska's natural resources consistent with the public interest.

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