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## **State Board of Forestry Meeting is February 16**

(Anchorage, AK) Members of the media and the public are invited to participate in the next Board of Forestry meeting on Thursday, Feb. 16, 2023 starting at 8 a.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 Feb. 16 meeting include:

- Division of Forestry and Fire Protection Annual Report and Board of Forestry report to the Governor
- Forest Resources and Practices Act compliance monitoring
- State and federal timber supply issues and forestry activity including Good Neighbor Authority timber sales
- How State land use classifications are assigned and changed
- Lessons learned from the Rosie Creek forestry and recreation partnership
- Insects & disease in Southeast Alaska
- Tanana Valley State Forest Management Plan Update

Other forestry matters may be included on the agenda (<a href="https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=139232">https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/Notices/Attachment.aspx?id=139232</a>). The meeting complies with the requirements of AS 41.17.047(b) and (d). Public comment is scheduled for 1:15 p.m.

The board meeting may be accessed via Zoom as a teleconference or webinar.

## Connect via Zoom:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85703594891?pwd=K21TMnlOVFVFUzY3blpONlk0bnlSQT09

## Connect via phone:

Meeting ID: 857 0359 4891

Passcode: forestry

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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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Members of the public may contact Alison before noon on Wednesday, Feb. 15 for additional information, or for special accommodations due to audio or visual impairment. Reach out to Alison at any time to be added to the mailing list for announcements of future Board of Forestry meetings.

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