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State Board of Forestry plans Feb. 23 teleconference meeting

(Anchorage, AK) - The public is invited to participate in a Board of Forestry teleconference meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 23, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to discuss statewide forestry issues.

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 to 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. 23 meeting include:

- Annual resource agency and Board of Forestry reports on the effectiveness of the Forest Resources and Practices Act
- Results of 2020's compliance monitoring
- Forestry and forest practices budgets and proposed legislation
- Statewide forest management issues, including reports on the Tongass Roadless Rule, the Mental Health Trust land exchange, and Division of Forestry timber sales
- Presentations on predicting windthrow and Tongass sustainable trails projects

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). Public comment is scheduled for 1:10 p.m.

The board meeting will be accessible via WebEx as a teleconference and webinar.

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For a copy of the agenda and an online link to the meeting, go to <http://forestry.alaska.gov/whatsnew.htm>. Contact Alison Arians before noon on Monday, Feb. 22 for additional information, or for special accommodations due to audio or visual impairment. Contact her at any time to get on the mailing list for announcements of future Board of Forestry meetings.

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