

OFFICE OF PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND PERMITTING (OPMP)

2024 YEAR IN REVIEW

OPMP supports private industry, regulators, and the Alaska public by leading and implementing multiagency permit coordination to ensure consistent, defensible, transparent, and timely permit decisions for a range of responsible natural resource and infrastructure development projects.

OPMP furthers Alaskan interests by coordinating State responses to proposed Federal actions, pursuing Federal funding opportunities, and creating carbon reduction projects that generate State revenue and provide additional co-benefits.

Mission: To coordinate State multi-agency regulatory reviews and authorizations while collaboratively engaging federal agencies on land use planning and policy initiatives to maintain and enhance the State's economy and quality of life, and to maximize the value of Alaska's vast natural resources.

Photo: Red Dog Mine operated by Teck Resources on NANA land in Northwest Alaska, courtesy DNR



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Note from Office of Project Management and Permitting (OPMP)

Executive Director, Ashlee Adoko:

In 2024, Associate Director Kate Harper and I continued to support the State of Alaska's policy goals of increasing Alaskan production of conventional and critical minerals, promoting energy abundance, and fostering the responsible natural resource development that drives the State's economy. In the last two years, we have added five new professionals to our team, promoted highly experienced Program Managers to lead some of our core functions, and expanded our in-house expertise on archaeological and cultural resources to support work under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 process.

OPMP's 2024 highlights include:

- Mining and Energy Programs: Facilitated review and timely approval of State authorizations, led State engagement through multiple Federal National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) processes – mitigating delays and challenges associated with Federal assessments, resulting in issuance of necessary Federal authorizations – and supported the Alaska Department of Law during litigation.
- Arctic Strategic Transportation and Resources (ASTAR): Coordinated with State agencies and North Slope communities and their leaderships to
 plan and fund preliminary work on the Triangle Community Road an all-season road connecting Utqiagvik, Atqasuk, and Wainwright and the
 Arctic Test Road.
- Carbon Offset Program: Developed and promulgated regulations to implement the new State Legislatively enacted carbon offset program, and through a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process, awarded a contract to Terra Verde, an Alaska-based carbon offset project developer and forestry consultant, to assess and develop forest carbon offset projects on State lands.
- Broadband Program: Organized several presentations and permitting workshops for potential broadband grant awardees including at the
 Connecting Alaska Consortium, the Alaska Telecom Association (ATA) 2024 Broadband Showcase, and for Broadband Equity Access and
 Deployment (BEAD) Program projects funded through the Alaska Broadband Office and developed frameworks to integrate State and Federal
 permitting and processes for potential broadband projects including NEPA and NHPA Section 106 processes.
- Federal Program: Led State responses to proposed Federal actions to further the State's policy goals and promote job growth, economic activity, public revenues, and land use and access including close work on multiple significant actions by the outgoing Federal administration and support for opportunities with the transition to a new Federal administration.
- Grants Assistance Program: Applied for Federal funding to increase capacity for archeological and cultural reviews and supported several public land and infrastructure projects.
- Outreach: Conducted multiple informational meetings about OPMP's services and hosted an "Open House" for our private industry and regulator team members an OPMP tradition we hope to restart and continue in the coming years.

OPMP's success requires close coordination and collaboration with a variety of other State and local government agencies – and we appreciate all the stakeholders who actively participated in OPMP reviews this past year. We are especially grateful for the technical and regulatory experts across the Alaska Departments of Natural Resources (DNR), Fish and Game, and Environmental Conservation (DEC) that we regularly engage with.

We are looking forward to OPMP continuing to play a crucial role in keeping high priority, coordinated projects on schedule; avoiding unnecessary costs and inefficiency; promoting certainty; resolving disputes; and strengthening the economic foundation of Alaska.

I look forward to continuing to serve OPMP-coordinated applicants for the benefit of all Alaskans. Please contact Kate or I at any time with questions about how we can help your project!

Sincerely,

Ashlee Adoko

Executive Director, OPMP



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Mining Program – including the Large Mine Permitting Team (LMPT)

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This multi-agency permit coordination Program is intended to keep mining, transportation, and related projects on schedule; avoid inefficiency and unnecessary costs; resolve issues and disputes; and support investment and economic activity in Alaska. Coordinated projects include:

 Aktigiruq-Anarraaq, Red Dog, Ambler Access Project, Pogo, Donlin, Greens Creek, Kensington, Fort Knox, Palmer Prospect, Graphite One, Johnson Tract, Manh Choh, Arctic, Gil, Illinois Creek, Livengood, Niblack, and Pebble.

The Program also involves OPMP facilitation of the State's response to proposed Federal actions. OPMP leads multi-agency State engagement and review and submits consolidated State comments:

- Throughout the Federal NEPA process on projects in its Mining Program.
- On proposed Federal rules, plans, and policies affecting mining, associated transportation, and other projects and Alaskan interests.

OPMP's 2024 Highlights from our Mining Program: OPMP led multiple State engagements and participation as a Cooperating Agency throughout Federal NEPA processes, and coordinated assessment and efficient approvals of multiple State authorizations, to support responsible exploration, construction, and operation, including:

- **Aktigiruq-Anarraaq:** Conclusion of NHPA Section 106 and Federal NEPA processes and issuance of the necessary USACE permit and several State authorizations.
- Red Dog: Approval of the Reclamation Plan Amendment.
- Ambler Access Project: Facilitation through challenges to the interpretation and application of the Programmatic Agreement, and support to the Alaska Department of Law in defending the State's guarantee to access under Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA).
- **Pogo:** Issuance of the Waste Management Permit and approvals of the Plan of Operations and Reclamation Plan.
- **Donlin:** Issuance of the Air Permit Extension and approval of the Reclamation Plan and support to the Alaska Department of Law in defending authorizations in the Alaska Supreme Court.
- **Greens Creek:** Conclusion of the Federal NEPA process and issuance of the necessary USFS permit, including defending the right to mine under ANILCA.
- Kensington: Issuance of multiple State authorizations.
- Fort Knox: Issuance of multiple State authorizations.
- Palmer Prospect: Approval of the Reclamation Plan and issuance of a Temporary Water Use Authorization.
- **Graphite One:** Organization of a multi-agency State permitting presentation in Nome for Kawerak, Inc., and an onsite LMPT meeting in Nome to discuss State permitting.

OPMP also closely followed several Federal rulemakings and administrative actions affecting mining opportunities in Alaska in 2024: OPMP submitted State comments:

- Section 30D(a) of the Internal Revenue Code Excluded Entities: Confirming that mining in Alaska can play a vital role in meeting the increasing demand for critical minerals while supporting domestic economic opportunities with world-leading environmental, safety, and labor standards.
- Lake Clark National Park and Preserve easement applications: Supporting Cook Inlet Region, Incorporated (CIRI) access for a port and trail to the Johnson Tract development and ensuring that Alaska Native Corporation landowners also can use and develop their resources.

- Continue to support efficient permitting for existing mines and projects in the Mining Program.
- Seek out new prospects and opportunities to support at the exploration stage.
- Engage on proposed Federal actions affecting mining, associated projects, and Alaskan interests including advocacy to the incoming administration to coordinate and improve Federal permitting processes.



Photo: Osprey Platform in Cook Inlet, Southcentral Alaska, courtesy DNR

Energy Program

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This multi-agency permit coordination Program is intended to keep energy and oil and gas projects on schedule; avoid inefficiency and unnecessary costs; resolve issues and disputes; and support investment and economic activity in Alaska. Coordinated projects include:

• ASTAR, Triangle Community Road, Arctic Test Road, Compensatory Mitigation, Excelerate, Willow, Pikka, and Orphan Well Remediation Efforts.

The Program also involves OPMP facilitation of the State's response to proposed Federal actions. OPMP leads multi-agency State engagement and review and submits consolidated State comments.

• OPMP worked with the Alaska Department of Law on review and assessment of the recent National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska (NPR-A) rulemaking, which raises significant concerns about its consistency with Federal law.

OPMP's 2024 Highlights from our Energy Program:

- **ASTAR and Triangle Community Road:** Coordinated with State agencies and North Slope communities on providing all-season community infrastructure connecting Utgiagvik, Atgasuk, and Wainwright.
- **ASTAR and Arctic Test Road:** Developed and executed concept and initial design work, and led ongoing communications to support future funding, permitting, and gravel surveys.
- **Compensatory Mitigation:** Supported analyzing the State's needs and opportunities and identifying wetlands resources on State-managed lands.
- Excelerate: Facilitated ongoing communications.
- **Willow:** Advanced to issuance of multiple State authorizations and supported the Alaska Department of Law in defending authorizations in the Alaska Supreme Court.
- Pikka: Facilitated ongoing communications.
- **Orphan Well Remediation Efforts:** Facilitated Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission's work to use Federal funds to cap and plug abandoned and orphaned wells throughout the State.

OPMP saw several major Federal actions affecting the Energy Program – and Alaska's opportunities – in 2024:

- NPR-A Final Rule and Request for Nominations of Special Areas in the NPR-A: Argued that the public process
 in promulgating the rulemaking was defective; that it is inappropriate to manage the NPR-A in contradiction to
 Congressional direction in the National Petroleum Reserves Production Act and ANILCA; and that the restrictions
 in the rule directly harmed communities in the NPR-A.
- Arctic National Wildlife Reserve (ANWR) Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program: Led State participation
 as a Cooperating Agency throughout the Federal NEPA process. The State is now relying on this record as it
 pursues legal challenges against the deficient Federal actions that resulted in no bids being submitted during the
 second lease sale.
- U.S. Bureau of Ocean and Energy Management (BOEM)-State Cook Inlet Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Work Group: Collaborated on energy development in the Cook Inlet OCS.
- **BOEM-State MOU:** Collaborated on energy and marine minerals development and environmental stewardship in the Cook Inlet OCS.
- U.S.-Japan CO2 Shipping Work Group: Collaborated regarding U.S. storage resources and the feasibility of shipping CO2 considering recent Carbon Capture and Storage activities in U.S. and Japan.
- Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee Arctic Research 2025-2026 Biennial Implementation Plan: Coordinated DNR comments regarding sustainable economic opportunities in the Arctic.

- Engage and continue to support the projects in its Energy Program and look to take on additional opportunities.
- Engage on proposed Federal actions affecting energy, associated projects, and Alaskan interest.



Photo: Alaska paper birch forest, Southcentral Alaska, courtesy DNR

Carbon Offset Program

<u>Carbon Offset Program Manager</u>: Trevor Fulton, trevor.fulton@alaska.gov, 907.269.8755

Function: This innovative new program seeks to use the State's natural resources and lands to create sustainable carbon-reducing projects that generate State revenue and provide co-benefits to State and local economies and existing resource-based industries, while providing an opportunity for businesses to meet voluntary emissions-reduction targets. This program was authorized in 2023 when Governor Mike Dunleavy's Legislation, Senate Bill (SB) 48, was passed by the Alaska State Legislature. Revenue from these projects will go to the State General Fund (80%) and the Alaska Renewable Energy Fund (20%).

OPMP's Role: The Carbon Offset Program Manager:

- Is responsible for program implementation including developing the regulatory framework, implementing policy direction from the DNR Commissioner, hiring staff, budgeting, managing contracts, assessing project opportunities, and developing and managing projects on State lands.
- Manages and coordinates carbon offset project development including identifying potential project areas, contracting for project services, writing project best interest findings, project registration, carbon offset credit marketing and sales, project reporting, and ongoing monitoring and auditing of projects.



Photo: Forest regeneration, Tanana Valley State Forest in Interior Alaska, courtesy DNR

OPMP's 2024 Highlights on this Program:

- Program development and implementation: OPMP developed program regulations, implemented policy direction
 from the DNR Commissioner, established process and procedures for project development, educated stakeholders
 on the structure and intent of the program, and marketed the program as an opportunity for potential project
 development partners.
- Carbon offset project development and processes: The Carbon Offset Program Manager engaged with stakeholders to identify State-owned resources that present carbon offset projects opportunities for generating State revenue and providing additional co-benefits; engaged with carbon registries to assess best-fit standards and project methodologies for Alaska's resources; through a competitive RFP process, negotiated and awarded a contract to Terra Verde, an Alaska-based carbon offset project developer and forestry consultant, to assess and develop forest carbon offset projects on State lands in the Tanana Valley, Kenai Peninsula, Mat-Su Valley, and Haines; and compiled and submitted an Annual Report to the State Legislature.

In 2025, the Carbon Offset Program Manager will continue to:

Lead development of the program and look to take on additional opportunities.

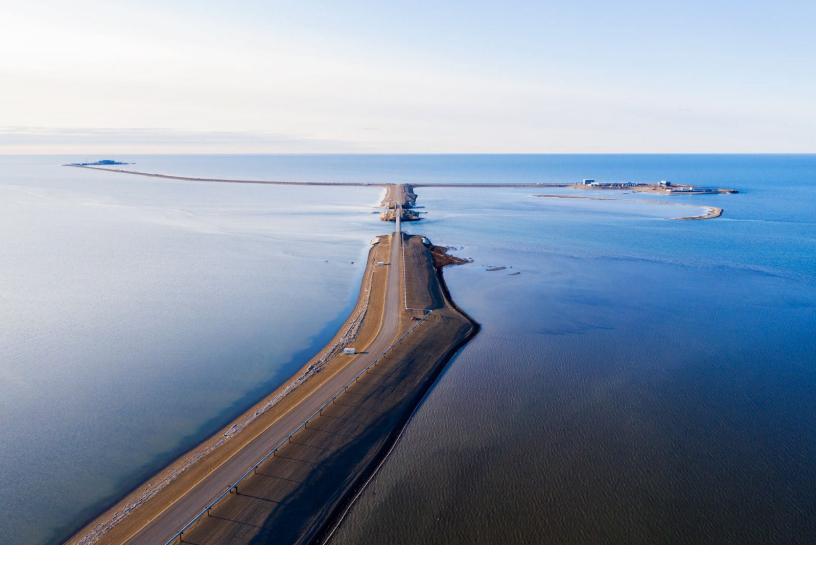


Photo: Causeway to Endicott (2020), North Slope of Alaska, courtesy DNR

Broadband Program

Function: This Program implements a multi-agency permit coordination effort to streamline authorizations for broadband projects funded through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law), the U.S. National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

OPMP's Role: OPMP is leading development of this Program, in coordination with State and Federal agencies, to keep projects on schedule, avoid inefficiency and unnecessary costs, and create certainty and clarity for entities that are not familiar with complex project permitting.

OPMP's 2024 Highlights on this Program:

Presentations, permitting workshops, and Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED) map resource: OPMP coordinated State and Federal presentations and permitting workshops – including at the Connecting Alaska Consortium and the Alaska Telecom Association (ATA) 2024 Broadband Showcase, supported development of the DCCED map resource, and collaborated with State and Federal agencies to create resources on jurisdictional triggers, requirements, permitting processes and points of contact to complement the Broadband Pre-Application Checklist and Permitting Dashboard.



Photo: Nenana Ridge in Interior Alaska, courtesy DNR

OPMP's 2024 Highlights on its Broadband Program:

• Tailored OPMP permitting coordination: In anticipation of Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) Program projects funded through the Alaska Broadband Office, OPMP continued to develop a framework to integrate State and Federal permitting and processes – including NEPA and NHPA Section 106 processes.

OPMP's 2024 Highlights on engagement on proposed Federal actions affecting broadband, associated projects, and Alaskan interests:

• OTZ Telephone Cooperative, Incorporated broadband towers: OPMP led State evaluation of the BLM Environmental Analysis and FWS Compatibility Determination for an application to install towers across BLM lands and the FWS-managed Selawik National Wildlife Refuge and argued that ANILCA Title 11 (regarding Transportation and Utility Systems) entitles adequate internet connectivity to meet social and economic needs.

- Lead development of this Program and look to take on additional opportunities.
- Engage on proposed Federal actions affecting broadband, associated projects, and Alaskan interests.



Photo: Caribou and the Trans-Alaska Pipeline in the Kuparuk River Unit, North Slope, Alaska, courtesy DNR

Federal Program - including ANILCA and Statehood Defense

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OPMP protects future State and public revenue, public land uses, and public access in leading ongoing State engagement and response to proposed Federal rules, plans, and policies to ensure they are consistent with all Federal laws and Statehood guarantees – including ANILCA and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act.

Federal actions have Statewide implications for:

- Natural resource development including mineral and oil and gas exploration, development, production, and transportation and future State and public revenue, jobs, and economic activity
- Opportunities for utility or transportation corridors on Federally managed lands and public land uses and access –
 including on Federal lands and to adjacent State and privately-owned lands
- Furthering Statehood land entitlements, State management activities, and statehood authorities
- Opportunities for recreation, hunting, fishing, trapping, and timber harvest
- Cabins in Alaska Conservation System Units, such as National Forests (as allowed by ANILCA)

OPMP's Federal Program was extremely busy in 2024: OPMP led multiple State engagements and participation as a Cooperating Agency throughout Federal NEPA processes and submitted State comments that:

- Central Yukon Resource Management Plan: Failure to recommend revoking Public Land Order 5150 and Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) 17(d)(1) withdrawals and the extensive retention and designation of Areas of Critical Environmental Concern curtail access and violate ANILCA, ANCSA, the Alaska Statehood Act, the Alaska Land Transfer Acceleration Act, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, and other State and Federal laws, policies, plans, and interests.
- ANCSA 17(d)(1) Withdrawals: BLM should revoke Public Land Order withdrawals of lands from the Bay, Bering Sea-Western Interior, East Alaska, Kobuk-Seward, and Ring of Fire Regional Management Plans (RMPs) because they long ago served their intended purpose, and because continued retention frustrates the State's ability to fulfill its remaining lands entitlement.
- Biological Integrity, Diversity, and Environmental Health (BIDEH) Proposed Rule: FWS failed to appropriately
 consult with the State and recognize State management and ANILCA authorities to enhance access; promote
 natural resource development; provide recreation opportunities and hunting, fishing, and trapping; and generally,
 conduct sufficient review under the Federal NEPA process.
- National Old Growth Amendment (NOGA) EIS: The Tongass and Chugach National Forests must be exempted
 from the proposed lands management plan amendment, or the USFS must work with the State to craft a statespecific solution that will accommodate the unique characteristics and management and economic situations in
 Southcentral and Southeast Alaska and that reflect the requirements of Alaska's Constitution, ANILCA, and Federal
 law.
- Tongass National Forest: Additional Wild and Scenic River and Wilderness designations violate ANILCA and accepted the opportunity to coordinate State participation as a Cooperating Agency.
- NPS ROW Rule: ANILCA Title 11 (regarding Transportation and Utility Systems) and associated procedures should be recognized.
- Nowitna Wild and Scenic River Comprehensive River Management Plan (CRMP), Birch Creek Wild and Scenic River CRMP, Katmai Wilderness and Backcountry Management Plan, and Castner Glacier Recreation Area Management Plan and draft Environmental Assessment: The State owns submerged lands under navigable waters and State management guidelines on State lands should encourage Federal agencies to protect access and recreation opportunities on Federal lands.
- **Izembek Land Exchange regarding King Cove Road:** OPMP led State participation as a Cooperating Agency including engaging with the FWS and the King Cove Group.

- Engage on proposed Federal actions affecting Alaskan interests that have Statewide implications.
- Work with the new federal administration on how to reorient and refocus the state/federal relationship on the rights guaranteed to Alaskans in ANILCA.



Photo: Hilcorp North Star located near shore in Beaufort Sea, Alaska, courtesy DNR

Grants Assistance Program

Grants Assistance Program Manager: Sylvia Kreel, sylvia.kreel@alaska.gov, 907.465.3177

Function: This new Program works to identify and pursue funding opportunities for the benefit of DNR and other Departments, as applicable. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law), and the Inflation Reduction Act are availing extensive Federal funding and incentives for infrastructure development projects in Alaska.

OPMP's Role: OPMP is leading development of this Program – including design, implementation, and oversight. This Program is anticipated to involve guiding DNR and other Departments, as applicable, through the grant funding process; achieving funding strategies; managing all aspects of the grant development and pursuit process – including planning, strategizing, budgeting, and developing and submitting applications; and providing status updates, next steps, and recommendations.

OPMP's 2024 Highlights on this Program:

- **Design and implementation:** OPMP assisted DNR divisions in planning, strategizing, budgeting, and developing and submitting applications for funding opportunities including identifying eligible programs, coordinating support, and building connections and collaborations
- Applications submitted: To the NPS for a Cultural Resource Management Services Master Cooperative
 Agreement to increase capacity for archaeological and cultural reviews, and to the DNR Recreational Trails
 Program, to support several public land and infrastructure projects.
- Projects Completed: OPMP collaborated with DNR divisions, the Municipality of Anchorage, the Great Land Trust, and FWS to complete a project on the Anchorage Hillside to support hydrological and other natural features of Potter Marsh.

In 2025, OPMP will continue to:

• Lead development of this Program and look to take on additional opportunities.



Photo: Repsol Drill Rig 99AC on ice pad for exploration, courtesy DNR

Outreach

OPMP is working to raise awareness of its services and benefits for projects in Alaska.

In 2024, OPMP's Mining Program staff presented, attended, and participated in:

- OPMP's "Open House" (Anchorage): OPMP hosted a meet-and-greet event to coincide with Alaska Miners Association (AMA) annual Convention for our private industry and regulator team members
- AMA Conventions (Anchorage and Fairbanks) and Southeast Conference (Juneau)
- AMA Statewide Meeting: OPMP presented on permitting coordination, leadership, and the Mining program
- AMA Juneau Mining Forum, Mining History Night, and Legislative Reception (Juneau)
- Association for Mineral Exploration (AME) Roundup (Vancouver, B.C.): OPMP hosted a booth for DNR and provided information on OPMP permitting coordination
- Regular AMA Branch Meetings (Anchorage and Juneau)
- AMA Alaska Mining Day Meeting (Juneau): Executive Director presented Governor Dunleavy Proclamation on Alaska Mining Day.
- Alaska Resource Education Presentations (Dimond High School, Anchorage)
- Alaska Sustainable Energy Conference, Alaska Infrastructure Development and Grants Symposiums, and Alaska Forum on the Environment (Anchorage), and Southeast Conference Natural Resources Committee

OPMP's 2024 Highlights on its Outreach (continued):

OPMP's Energy Program staff presented, attended, and participated in:

- Alaska Sustainable Energy Conference, Alaska Infrastructure Development and Grants Symposiums, and Alaska Forum on the Environment (Anchorage)
- Resource Development Council (RDC) Annual Alaska Resources Conference (Anchorage)
- Alaska Oil and Gas Association (AOGA, Anchorage)
- Alaska Association of Professional Landmen (Anchorage)
- North Slope Permitting Workshop (Anchorage)
- Stakeholder engagements and outreaches on ASTAR and ASTAR projects including at North Slope Borough Planning Commission, Assembly, and Port Authority; Utqiagvik; Atqasuk; Wainwright; Anaktuvuk Pass; Ukpeagvik Inupiat Corporation; Voice of the Arctic Inupiat; Inupiat Community of the Arctic Slope (ICAS); Barrow Senior Center; Arctic Slope Regional Corporation; Cully Corporation; and University of Alaska, Fairbanks

For OPMP's Carbon Offset Program:

- Carbon Offset Program Manager presented on Program development and implementation and carbon offset project development and processes – including at Alaska Sustainable Energy Conference (Anchorage), Alaska Forest Association (Ketchikan), Board of Forestry, Alaska Municipal League (Anchorage), Alaska Power Association (Juneau), AOGA (Anchorage), Tanana Valley State Forest Citizens' Advisory Committee (Fairbanks), Tanana Valley State Forest Management Plan public meeting, and Haines State Forest Management Plan public meeting
- Carbon Offset Program Manager participated in workshops and other professional development events including at Alaska FWS Refuges Carbon Workshop; U.S. Energy Association, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Energy, Regional Decarbonization Workshop; and Alaska Wildland Fire Interagency Fuels Workshop
- Carbon Offset Program Manager attended national and international conferences including at North American Carbon World (San Francisco, California) and Carbon Forward North America (Toronto, Ontario, Canada)
- Carbon Offset Program Manager engaged with a range of local, Statewide, and national media including print, online, and on televised and radio interviews such as Alaska Daily News (ADN), Fairbanks Daily News-Miner, KTUU (Anchorage), KHNS (Haines), Alaska Legislative Digest, Carbon Pulse (online), Quantum Carbon Daily (online), and RDC Alaska Resource Review

OPMP's Broadband Program staff presented, attended, and participated in:

- Connecting Alaska Consortium and ATA 2024 Broadband Showcase
- Alaska Sustainable Energy Conference, Alaska Infrastructure Development and Grants Symposiums (Anchorage)

OPMP's Federal Program staff presented at Institute of the North ANILCA Training

OPMP's Grants Assistance Program staff participated in Alaska Infrastructure Development and Grants Symposiums **OPMP's Energy Program** Manager served as DNR representative on the Alaska Resource Advisory Council (RAC) **OPMP Executive Director** presented at the Business Boot Camp for State Legislators

- Further increase our participation and attendance at events where project developers and potential permittees can learn about OPMP's functions.
- Conduct outreach regarding projects in its multi-agency permit coordination programs and proposed Federal actions affecting Alaskan interests and that have Statewide implications.