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## Tanana Valley State Forest advisory committee seeks new members

(Fairbanks, AK) – The Division of Forestry is seeking applications to fill four seats on the Tanana Valley State Forest Citizens' Advisory Committee that expire on December 31, 2015. Reappointments will be reconsidered for members with expired terms. This 12-member committee advises the division on plans and proposals for managing the 1.8 million-acre Tanana Valley State Forest and other forested lands in the Tanana Valley. The committee is a forum for gathering public opinion on management of state forests and helps build a regional consensus on forestry issues. These are unpaid volunteer positions. Meetings are held about four times each year. More information about the committee may be found at [http://www.forestry.alaska.gov/tvsf\\_committee.htm](http://www.forestry.alaska.gov/tvsf_committee.htm). Descriptions of the vacant or expired seats are provided below:

- Regional Representative - Lower Tanana Valley: This seat represents the public on a regional basis. This includes commercial and non-commercial, as well as consumptive and non-consumptive uses of the forest area. The representative should reside in the western Tanana Valley west of the Fairbanks North Star Borough.
- Private Forest User: Represents the incidental forest user for both consumptive and non-consumptive activities including subsistence and personal use.
- Mining Industry: Represents organizations and individuals involved in the mineral exploration, extraction, and processing industries.
- Tourism Industry: Represents the commercial operators who directly use forest lands as well as those whose customers are incidentally exposed.

All those interested in one of these positions should provide an application letter explaining their interests and qualifications to: Jim Schwarber, Alaska Division of Forestry, 3700 Airport Way, Fairbanks, AK 99709-4699; fax it to (907) 451-2690; or e-mail to [james.schwarber@alaska.gov](mailto:james.schwarber@alaska.gov). The deadline to apply is 5 p.m., Wednesday, January 6, 2016. For more information, call a Division of Forestry area office at 907-451-2704 (Fairbanks), 907-895-4225 (Delta Junction) or 907-883-5134 (Tok).

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