

# Just Ask

## We can Help



National Park Service  
U.S. Department of the Interior

**Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance** (RTCA) is a National Park Service program that offers assistance for locally-led outdoor recreation and conservation projects.

**The premise is simple.** Like-minded citizens bring their ideas to an RTCA professional who provides guidance to make projects happen.

# Give your community something that will last a lifetime.

Leveraging *expertise*  
and *experience*

# NPS

## Take the first step

<http://go.nps.gov/alaska/rzca>

907-644-3586



RTCA assists communities everywhere in **Alaska** in taking the necessary steps to reach their **vision**.

**Learn to:**

- Think and plan strategically
- Communicate your ideas and build relationships
- Find funding sources
- Navigate state and federal regulations
- Design and construct trails
- Create waterway and conservation networks

...from a seed of an idea



**Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance**

# RTCA



Do you have an idea for an outdoor recreation or conservation project for your community?

**RTCA** can help by guiding you through the project step by step.

We count on the drive, commitment, and enthusiasm of community members to carry out the project.

## Create a Vision

### Naknek, Alaska

RTCA guides the community of Naknek-King Salmon in developing a vision and creating an action plan for their proposed 2-mile Sockeye Run Fitness Trail and Bike Path.

*"There's a lot of planning in planning a plan! I'm glad RTCA is there to help."*

*Isabel Babiak, age 11, Naknek, AK*



## Take Action

### Hooper Bay, Alaska

RTCA teaches cutting edge wetland trail construction methods to help protect important Yup'ik conservation values and subsistence ways of life in Hooper Bay.

*"Thank you very much for a good project and one that benefits the birds and the land. We look forward to working with you on future projects."*

*RJ Murren, Sea Lion Corporation Board Member*



# SUCCESS STORIES



## Work Together

### Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Alaska

RTCA brings together interested groups to plan and design conservation networks.

*"RTCA staff was essential to the coordination and success of our four-day 'Strategic Planning Using a Green Infrastructure Approach' training course. They also helped facilitate a pilot green infrastructure community planning project for the core area of the borough. RTCA is an important resource for us."*

*Frankie Barker, Environmental Planner, Mat-Su Borough*



## Celebrate Results

### Anchorage, Alaska

RTCA celebrates 7.5 miles of new sustainably designed singletrack mountain bike trails.

*"The project never would have gotten 'on the ground' were it not for the assistance of the NPS-RTCA. RTCA technical support was invaluable for navigating the complex permitting process, identifying and securing funding, facilitating public/private partnerships and ushering the project through the public process."*

*Janice Tower, Singletrack Advocates*

You can Do It  
Ideas into Action

communities can grow...