Welcome to the Southeast Conference Mid Session Summit
February 13th and 14th, 2018
Tuesday, February 13, 2018
Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall 320 W. Willoughby Ave, Juneau

Agenda

7:00 AM  Registration: *Sponsored by Wostmann Associates*
Breakfast sponsored by Alaska Marine Lines

8:00 AM  Opening
• National Anthem: Sung by the Thunder Mountain High School Concert Choir
• Welcome – Jan Hill, President, Southeast Conference
• Welcome – Richard Peterson, President, CCTHITA
• Welcome – Ken Koelsch Mayor, City & Borough of Juneau

8:30 AM  **Keynote Address**
Alaska Governor Bill Walker

8:55 AM  The Southeast Conference 2020 Economic Plan – *Meilani Schijvens*

9:00 AM  **Maritime and Fisheries**
Mark Scheer, Chair Attorney for Williams Kastner
• Maritime Building: Vigor Shipyard – *Doug Ward* Director of Shipyard Development for Vigor Alaska and *Sierra Callis* Vigor Alaska’s Work Force Development Specialist
• Ship and Boat Building – *Britteny Cioni Haywood* - Director Division of Economic Development
• Mariculture Development – *Julie Decker AFDF Director* and *Mark Scheer*
• King Salmon Fisheries Closures – *Deborah Lyons*
• Introduction to new UFA Executive Director – *Frances Leach*

10:00 AM  *Maritime/Fisheries Networking Coffee Break Sponsored by AFDF*

10:15 AM  **Energy Industry**
Alec Mesdag, Chair Director of Energy Services at AEL&P
• *Janet Reiser*, Executive Director Alaska Energy Authority
• State and federal Updates on Regulatory Issues – *Michael Rovito* Alaska Power Association
• H.E.L.P. and Energy Efficiency Initiatives – *Robert Venables*
• Biomass updates – *Devany Plentovich* (AEA), *Bob Deering* (USFS)
• Energy Roundtable – Reports from the region

11:15 AM  *Energy Networking Coffee Break*

11:30 AM  Commissioner of the Department of Commerce Community and Economic Development, Mike Navarre

11:50 AM  Community Shorts: Mayors updates from across the region
Noon  

Chris French Associate Deputy Chief at U.S. Forest Service  
Luncheon Speaker

Lunch Sponsored by the Alaska Committee and the Alaska Forest Association

1:15 PM  

Timber and Mining Industries  
Joint Committee Meeting

- Status of the Roadless Rule Litigation – Tom Lenhart State of Alaska Assistant Attorney General
- Petition for Tongass Roadless Exemption and Tongass Plan Revision – Heidi Hansen Alaska Department of Resources Deputy Commissioner
- Interior Appropriations Bill Update – Jim Clark attorney
- Tier 3 Wilderness Waters designation process - Liz Cornejo Constantine
- Stand for Alaska Initiative proposed resolution and HB 199 legislative update Josh Kindred from the Alaska Oil and Gas Association

2:15 PM  

Timber Committee Meeting  
Bryce Dahlstrom, Chair  
Vice President Viking Lumber

- Timber Sale Program Update – Owen Graham
- Sealaska Land Management Update – Anthony Mallott: President and CEO, Sealaska
- University’s Timber Activities and Large Landowners Group – Christine Klein

2:45 PM  

Mining Committee Meeting  
Jan Hill, Chair  
Mayor of Haines

- Mark Kiessling, General Manager, Coeur Alaska Kensington Mine
- Palmer Project – Liz Cornejo: Vice President, Community & External Affairs Constantine Mining
- Deantha Crockett: Executive Director of the Alaska Miners Association

3:15 PM  

Mining and Timber Networking Coffee Break
sponsored by Viking Lumber

3:30 PM  

Economic Development  
Maegan Bosak, Chair  
Community Affairs Director, City and Borough of Sitka

- University of Alaska Southeast – Rick Caulfield Chancellor, University of Alaska Southeast: UAS and the region
- Northwest Coast Arts Initiative – Rick Harris Sealaska Heritage Institute
- Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy: Annette Ulmer Acting Manager of Business and Economic Development Department
- The Nature Conservancy “The Communities, Economies, and Place Initiative” Christine Woll

4:30 PM  

Economic Development Networking Coffee Break

4:30 PM  

Conference of Mayors Meeting (Breakout)

5:30 PM  

Legislative Reception  
Held at the Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall sponsored by Sealaska
Wednesday, February 14, 2018

7:30 AM  Registration Sponsored by Wostmann Associates
Breakfast Sponsored by
Cruise Line International Association Alaska

8:15 AM  **Keynote Address**
Alaska Lieutenant Governor Byron Mallott

8:45 AM  **Transportation Committee**
Dennis Watson, Chair  Executive Director of the IFA
- Marc Luiken, Commissioner, AK DOT&PF
- AMHS Update, Capt. John Falvey
- AMHS Reform: Phase 2 Overview: John Waterhouse, PE, Elliott Bay Design Group
- Phase 3 Implementation Concepts, Susan Bell McDowell Group

10:30 AM  **Visitor Industry**
KC Hostetler, Chair  Alaska Airlines Sales & Community Marketing Manager
- Cruise Industry 2018 and 2019 expectations: Cruise Line International Association Alaska President John Binkley
- Icy Strait Point - Russell Dick President/CEO, Huna Totem Corporation
- Southeast Alaska Tourism Council: Elizabeth Arnett and Liz Perry
- Juneau Visitor Infrastructure Update – Rorie Watt City Manager of City and Borough of Juneau

11:45 AM  Visitor Industry Networking Coffee Break
Sponsored by the Ketchikan Visitors Bureau

Noon  Community Shorts: Mayors updates from across the region

12:15  **Luncheon: Effectively Presenting to Your Alaska Legislators:** Kathie Wasserman, AML; Michael Rovito, APA

1:30 PM  **Southeast Solid Waste Authority**

2:00 PM  **AMHS Reform Steering Committee** (Breakout)

2:00 PM  **Southeast Cruise Port Association** (Breakout with Rorie Watt and John Binkley)

2:00 PM  **Meet with Legislators at the Capitol**
Appointments are being made with Legislators and staff for the afternoon. Please let Robert Venables know if you would like to be part of the group discussions.