



February 11, 2025
ELIZABETH PERATROVICH HALL JUNEAU, AK

- 7:15 AM **Registration** - Sponsored by *Wostmann and Associates*
Breakfast - Sponsored by **The Alaska Committee**
- 8:00 AM **Opening Ceremony** – Alaska Flag Song & National Anthem by Juneau Chamber Singers
Welcome **Zak Kirkpatrick**, SEC President, Allen Marine/ Alaskan Dream Cruises
Beth Weldon, Mayor, City and Borough of Juneau
Richard Peterson, (*Chalyee Eesh*) President, Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
- 8:15 AM **Tribal Enterprises** – *Building the Southeast Economy*
Richard Peterson, (*Chalyee Eesh*), President, Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
McHugh Pierre, President and CEO, Goldbelt Inc.
Alana Peterson, Executive Director, Spruce Root
- 8:45 AM **Path to Prosperity Award** – **Isabella Haywood**, Spruce Root
- 9:00 AM **Southeast Alaska Economic Updates** - **Meilani Schijvens**, Rain Coast Data
- 9:30 AM **Natural Resources Roundtable**
Kara Moriarty, Alaska Oil & Gas Association, **Leila Kimbrell**, Resource Development Council,
Deantha Skibinski, Alaska Miners Association, **Jeremy Douse**, AK DNR, **Tessa Axelson**, Alaska Forest
Association, **Kati Capozzi**, President, Alaska Chamber, **Julie Decker**, President, Pacific Seafood
Processors Association
- 10:30 AM **Break** - Sponsored by **Samson Tug & Barge**
- 10:45 AM **Transportation Panel**
Ryan Anderson, Commissioner Alaska DOT&PF, **Chris Goins**, Southcoast Regional Director, Alaska
DOT&PF, **Craig Tornga**, Director, AMHS Operations Update and Long-Range Plan, **Ron Curtis** – IFA
Operations Update
- 11:45 AM **UAS Update and Southeast Conference Scholarship Check Presentation**
Aparna Palmer, Chancellor, University of Alaska Southeast, UA President, **Pat Pitney**
- 12:00 PM **Lunch** – Sponsored by
- 12:30 PM **U.S. Federal Delegation** – **U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski** – confirmed (*virtual*)
Legislative Crystal Ball - **Larry Persily** - Former Dep. Commissioner, Owner, Wrangell Sentinel
- 2:00 PM **Tourism Panel** – facilitated by **Scott Habberstad**, Alaska Market Managing Director, AK Airlines,
Alix Pierce, Tourism Manager, CBJ, **Susan Bell**, Huna Totem, **Renee Limoge Reeve**, VP of
Government and Community Relations, CLIA, **John Leach**, Municipal Administrator, Sitka
- 3:00 PM **Break** – Sponsored by
- 3:15 PM **State and Federal Partnerships**: **OneUSDA**, **EDA**, **Denali Commission**, **AIDEA**, **AK Dept. Commerce**
- 3:45 PM **Alaska Senate Panel**: **Senators Stedman**, **Kiehl**, **Giessel**, **Stevens**
- 4:45 PM **Adjourn to Legislative Reception**- Sponsored by





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- 7:55 AM **Welcome Back** – **Zak Kirkpatrick**, SEC President, Allen Marine/ Alaskan Dream Cruises
- 8:00 AM **Governor’s Office** – **Lt. Governor Nancy Dahlstrom**
- 8:15 AM **Energy** – *Adaptation and Adoption for the Electric Future, Beneficial Electrification*
Curtis Thayer, Executive Director Alaska Energy Authority, **Michael Rovito**, Dep. Director, Alaska Power Assoc., **Robert Siedman**, SEAPA, **Devany Plentovich**, Deerstone Consulting, **Cady Lister**, SE Conference
- 9:15 AM **Workforce Development**–*Meeting the Workforce Challenges*
Mariko Selle, Executive Director of the Alaska Workforce Alliance, **Charles Edwardson**, Director, Generations Southeast, **Robin Gilcrist**, UAS, **AMHS**,
- 9:45 AM **2030 CEDS** – facilitated by **Meilani Schijvens**, Rain Coast Data
- 10:15 AM **Break**- Sponsored by
- 10:40 AM **U.S. Federal Delegation** – **Senator Dan Sullivan** – *confirmed (virtual)*
- 11:00 AM **Alaska Mariculture Cluster**– *A Placed-Based Economy*
An overview of the 7 project components of the statewide mariculture project
- Noon **Lunch**
- 12:20 PM **Alaska House of Representatives Panel** – **Rep Story, Rep Hannan, Rep Himschoot, Rep Bynum, Rep Stutes**
- 1:15 PM **Break**
- 1:30 PM **U.S. Federal Delegation** – **Congressman Nick Begich** (*invited*)
- 2:00 PM **Fisheries**- *Rebuilding Southeast Fisheries and Seafood Modernization*
Alaska Department of Fish and Game (*invited*), **Julie Decker**, President, Pacific Seafood Processors Association, **Kristy Clement**, Executive Director, AFDF, **Jeremy Woodrow**, Executive Director, Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute, **Hatcheries rep**
- 2:45 PM **Break**
- 3:00 PM **Healthcare Panel**
SEARHC, **Joe Wanner**, Bartlett Regional Hospital, **Jared Kosin**, Alaska Hospital & Healthcare Association (*invited*)
- 3:45 PM **Strengthening Southeast Communities**, Facilitated by **Nils Andreassen**, Executive Director, AML
A focus on Childcare, Housing, Disaster Preparedness, Food Security and Regional Solid Waste Planning
Blue Shibler, SEA-AEYC, Tlingit & Haida, **BLANK**, Alaska Food Policy Council, **Chris Cotta**, SEASWA
- 4:30 PM *Closing Comments and Adjournment*

Southeast Conference 4th Annual Transportation Symposium, February 13th at Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall

This is the DRAFT agenda – speakers and time slots may change due to availability

