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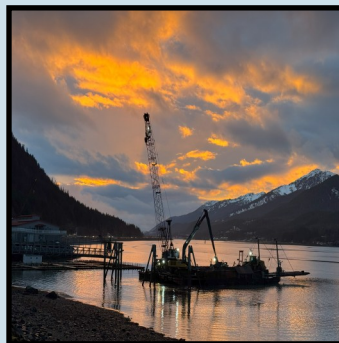


Harbormasters & Port Administrators



46th Annual Conference

October 20th - 24th, 2025



City and Borough of Juneau - Docks and Harbors

PND Engineers, Inc. (PND) is a dynamic civil engineering firm with more than 130 full-time employees, nearly half of whom are professionally licensed engineers and land surveyors based in our nine North America office locations. PND was founded in Anchorage, Alaska, in 1979.

We have successfully executed more than 12,000 projects worldwide, and we have successfully completed the design, retrofit, and/or rehabilitation of over 1,000 marine infrastructure projects worldwide in our 46-year history. A proud recipient of the AAHPA 2019 Golden Anchor Award, PND specializes in arctic, coastal, and waterfront engineering, delivering expert marine structure design, analysis, and construction support services. PND's design experience includes breasting/mooring of large vessels, dolphins with high-capacity fender panels and mooring bollards, highway load-rated vehicular bridges with floating support, pile-supported and floating wave barriers, and effective coatings and cathodic protection to extend service life of marine infrastructure in Alaska's extreme environment. PND prides itself in delivering cost-effective and resilient solutions for Alaska's ports and harbors and the Alaskan people and communities they serve. From Adak to Yakutat, PND has provided coastal and waterfront engineering services in over 50 Alaska harbors, and our award-winning past performances showcase our innovative and constructable solutions in challenging maritime environments.

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RE: Call to Conference

Hello AAHPA,

Summer is in the books, the fleet is home and you can finally make a left turn in town. Now it's time to look ahead and chart the course for what's next.

The 2025 Alaska Association of Harbor Masters and Port Administrators Conference is set for Juneau. This is where we come together to sharpen our tools, share hard-earned lessons, and work together to keep Alaska's ports and harbors strong—one harbor to the next, hands across the water.

This isn't just another meeting. It's where we tackle the issues that matter, learn from shared experiences and work to meet current and future needs of our facilities.

The Juneau team is working double-time to make this conference come together. Register today and be part of the network that keeps Alaska's ports and harbors strong.

I look forward to seeing you in Juneau!

Bryan Hawkins
Port Director, City of Homer
Pres. AAHPA
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October 15th, 2025

Dear Alaska Harbormasters,

On behalf of the 32,000 residents of the City & Borough of Juneau (CBJ), welcome to your Capital City. We are delighted you have traveled here to experience what is often called *“the most beautiful capital city in the United States.”*

CBJ is unique in that we manage a wide range of municipal operations—including the international airport, cruise ship docks, small boat harbors, ski resort, rock quarry, water and wastewater utilities, and even ownership of a gold mine.

While the Tlingit people have lived on these lands since time immemorial, the present community of Juneau was founded by prospectors Joe Juneau and Richard Harris around 1880. Today, our economy is diverse, shaped by mining, commercial fisheries, tourism, arts and culture, federal and state government, and Juneau’s role as the regional business and transportation hub for northern Southeast Alaska.

It is especially fitting for Juneau to host the Alaska Association of Harbormasters & Port Administrators. More than most Alaska communities, our economy and quality of life depend on robust waterfront infrastructure—supporting small boat harbors, cruise ship docks, barge landings, and the Alaska Marine Highway System. We are proud to partner with industry leaders to expand opportunities and address challenges that impact our community.

We encourage you to take time outside of your conference to enjoy Juneau. Stroll through our vibrant downtown filled with shops, restaurants, bars, and breweries. Visit our museums and experience Sealaska Heritage’s Northwest Coast Alaska Native art. If your schedule allows, a trip to the Mendenhall Glacier – Alaska’s most visited natural attraction – is a must.

Whether this is your first visit or a return trip, know that you are a special guest in our Capital City. We wish you a productive conference and hope you leave with valuable insights into managing your waterfront infrastructure, along with lasting memories from your time in Juneau and the connections made with colleagues.

Sincerely,

Beth Weldon
Mayor, City & Borough of Juneau



Alaska Association of Harbormasters & Port Administrators 46th Annual Conference October 20th – October 24th, 2025

Dear AAHPA Members and Conference Attendees,

It gives me great pride to welcome you to the 46th Annual AAHPA Conference in your Capital City and my hometown! The City & Borough of Juneau (CBJ) Docks & Harbors staff has invested time and effort under a condensed timeline to host this year's conference. The theme: ***Building Collaboration*** will leverage lessons learned from Juneau's experiences in the recapitalization of more than \$250M in waterfront infrastructure and providing exceptional customer service to our patrons.

Our vision for the conference is to showcase our local Juneau talent along with the expertise of other AAHPA members to motivate and inspire harbormasters and port administrators to plan infrastructure improvements well as tips to operate harbors efficiently.

Each and every year, I look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new AAHPA acquaintances at the conference. We are fortunate to live in Alaska and to have "harbormaster comradery" which looks after one another. The strength of our organization lies, in part, to our ability to work collegially and recognize that the success of our harbors is linked from community to community.

We are excited to continue the Association's philanthropic efforts to raise funds to support scholarship opportunities for college students pursuing maritime careers with the intent to build greater capacity in Alaska. Since initiating the AAHPA and TRANSPAC scholarships, more than \$50K in scholarships have been awarded. Our banquet dinner on Thursday will provide another opportunity to help this cause by purchasing raffle tickets. This year's grand prize is a 10 day Mexican cruise on UnCruise, which include airfare courtesy of Alaska Air.

Our membership is also fortunate to have active participation from our sustaining members who provide world class professional services and innovative products meeting our harbor needs. Please take time to meet and thank our sustaining members who generously support this conference as well as the operations of the Association. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me or my staff should you have any questions or needs.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carl Uchytel".

Carl Uchytel, P.E.
Port of Juneau, Port Director

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The Officers and Board of Directors for AAHPA are elected at our annual meeting. Corporate members are encouraged to run for seats on our Board.

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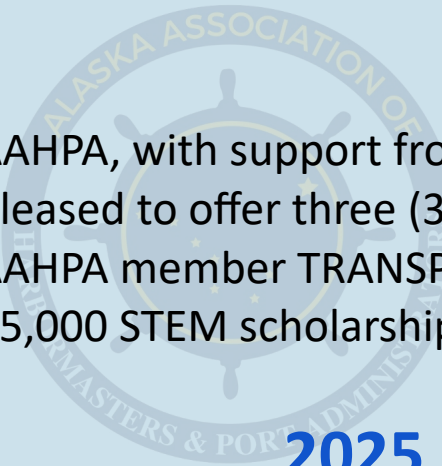
Each year, the membership of AAHPA adopts resolutions supporting various legislative actions that we believe will help to improve Alaska's port and harbor infrastructure and operations statewide.

2025 Resolutions

2025-1 A RESOLUTION OF THE ALASKA ASSOCIATION OF HARBORMASTERS AND PORT ADMINISTRATORS SUPPORTING FULL FUNDING (\$18,186,535) FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA MUNICIPAL HARBOR FACILITY GRANT PROGRAM IN THE FY 2027 STATE CAPITAL BUDGET.

2025-2 A RESOLUTION OF THE ALASKA ASSOCIATION OF HARBORMASTERS AND PORT ADMINISTRATORS IN SUPPORT OF RAISING THE MAXIMUM AVAILABLE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HARBOR FACILITY GRANT TO \$7,500,000 FOR ELIGIBLE PROJECTS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS.



The seal of the Alaska Association of Harbormasters & Port Administrators is visible in the background. It features a ship's wheel with a star in the center, surrounded by the text "ALASKA ASSOCIATION OF HARBORMASTERS & PORT ADMINISTRATORS".

AAHPA, with support from our members and TransPac Marinas, is pleased to offer three (3)- \$4,000 scholarships in 2025. In addition, AAHPA member TRANSPAC Marinas is partnering with us again to offer a \$5,000 STEM scholarship.

2025 Scholarship Awardees:

TRANSPAC Scholarship Selection Committee awarded one \$5,000:

- **Pacific Ricke** is from Juneau, Alaska and will attend Bates College to study Earth and Climate Sciences.

TRANSPAC/AAHPA Scholarship Selection Committee awarded three \$4,000 scholarships to:

- **Trent Kittams** is from Petersburg, Alaska and will attend Oregon State University to study Business Administration and Financial Management with intentions of owning and operating his own commercial fishing vessel.
- **Jackson Harmon** is from Sitka, Alaska and will attend California Maritime Academy to study Marine Transportation with intentions of working for the Alaska Marine Highway.
- **Oscar Pickrell** is from Ketchikan, Alaska and will attend California Maritime Academy to study Marine Transportation with intentions of working for the Alaska Marine Highway.

TRANSPAC/Moffatt & Nichol Scholarship Committee awarded one \$2,000 scholarship to:

- **Joshua Duong** is from Valdez and will attend University of Alaska Southeast Juneau to study Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.



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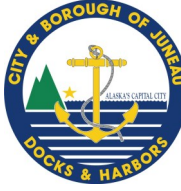
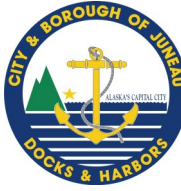
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JUNEAU LOCATION MAP





0800		STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING	
AAHPA board member meeting for strategic planning at Port Director's Office at 76 Egan Drive, 2nd floor.			
1300		Area Maritime Security Committee	
USCG Sector Southeast Alaska Area Maritime Security Committee at the Federal Building for South-east Alaska Harbormasters.			
TBD		TWIC CARD PROCESSING	
Conference attendants who signed up for TWIC card processing will have the opportunity to attend TWIC card interviews.			
0830—NOON		FIRST AID/CPR TRAINING	
Conference attendants who signed up for First Aid/CPR Training will receive training, located at the Downtown Library Large Meeting Room.			
1730		WELCOME RECEPTION	
Please join us at TK Maguire's restaurant for conference check-in and registration. The welcome reception will feature light snacks, including Teriyaki Skewers, Mini Cordon Bleu, Scallops Monaco, Cheese and Crackers, Deli Platter and a Vegetable tray. Two drink tickets will be provided for a variety of beer, wine, cock-tails, and non-alcoholic beverages		Event Sponsored by : 	



TK Maguire's Restaurant
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21st—OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

0730 BREAKFAST SPONSORED BY:

Hot scrambled eggs • Oven roasted potatoes with fresh herbs • Delicately baked pastries and bread • Fruit preserves and whipped butter • Seasonal fruit and berry platter • Applewood smoked bacon, country sausage links • Griddle Pancakes • Oatmeal, • Bananas • Asst. Yogurt • Fresh brewed coffee • Juice



0815 CONFERENCE WELCOME

Introductions and Icebreakers - Opening Remarks - **Assembly Member Greg Smith & Docks and Harbors Board Chair Shem Sooter.**

0900 OVERVIEW OF CBJ D&H FACILITIES SPEAKER:

A brief historical overview of the City & Borough of Juneau and efforts relating to the development of Juneau's waterfront. From its start as a mining town to commercial fishing and now tourism, Alaska's capitol has relied on maritime for its economic prosperity. The presentation will focus on the quarter billion-dollar improvements Juneau has invested in its harbors and cruise ship developments.



Carl Uchtyl
City and Borough of Juneau
Port Director

0930 CALL OF THE SPONSORS

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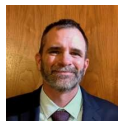
1015 MORNING BREAK SPONSORED BY:

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1030 A RECIPE FOR HARBOR SUCCESS SPEAKER:

Juneau Harbormaster and 2023 AAPHA Harbormaster of the Year, Matt Creswell, will share his personal experience in managing a highly effective organization and insight to engaging with harbor patrons turning adversaries into advocates.



Matt Creswell
City and Borough of Juneau
Harbormaster

1115 ROV CASE STUDY SPEAKER:

Juneau purchased a remote operating vessel (ROV) to determine whether historic artifacts would be damaged during the Statter Harbor breakwater geotechnical investigations. Juneau Harbor Officer Jeremiah Cryts will discuss the versatility of ROV's and the potential practical application of this technology in ports and harbors.



Jeremiah Cryts
City and Borough of Juneau
Harbor Officer

1130 ASSET MANAGEMENT SPEAKER:

Maintenance of existing infrastructure is key to establishing functional and operational facilities. Knowing your total operating costs is a requirement if a harbormaster expects to run a sustainable business. Port Engineer Matthew Sill will provide an overview of how to use asset management tools to aid in repair schedule development and cost analysis.



Matthew D. Sill, P.E.
City and Borough of Juneau
Port Engineer

1200 LUNCH SPONSOR:

Fry Bread Beef Tacos • Chicken and Cheese Enchiladas • Cookies/Brownies • Soft Drinks • Sparkling Water



1300 HARBOR SAFETY & SPILL RESPONSE

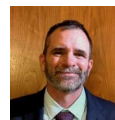
Highly functional harbors must establish great rapport with regulatory organizations. For harbormasters, knowing who and when to call after a report of an oil spill or vessel sinking is a key responsibility. DEC will provide guidance to take the correct response.



Chris Salazar
Alaska Department of Environmental
Conservation
Environmental Program Specialist

1330 AI FOR HARBOR DUMMIES SPEAKER:

Artificial Intelligence is an essential tool in the modern era of technology. It provides tremendous benefits to those who use it wisely. Juneau Harbormaster Matthew Creswell will provide tips, tricks, and how to get started for those ready to dive in.



Matt Creswell
City and Borough of Juneau
Harbormaster

1400 PORT OF ALASKA UPDATE

WSP will give an update on the Port of Alaska North Extension Stabilization Project.



Presenters: **David Street and Josh Voecks**

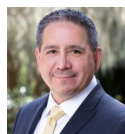
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1445 TRIBAL & AK NATIVE CORPORATION PANEL

Tribal governments and Alaska Native Corporations share common goals with municipal ports & harbors. This panel discussion with executives from Huna Totem Corporation and Goldbelt, Inc will delve into the possibilities of strategic partnerships.



Steve Sahlender
Goldbelt Incorporated
VP of Alaska Group



Susan Bell
Huna Totem Corporation
VP Strategic Initiatives

1515 COMMUNICATION & OUTREACH SPEAKER:

Effective communication is an essential practice for all harbormasters. Knowing your audience, selecting effective media, and choosing the right timing are critical components to an effective communications strategy. CBJ's Public Information Officer, Ashley Heimbigner, and Juneau Harbormaster Matthew Creswell offer communications practices to better engage with your target audience.



Ashley Heimbigner
City and Borough of Juneau
Communications and Engagement
Director

1600 CALL OF THE SPONSORS

- ARC Industries, LLC
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- WSP
- R&M Consultants

1700 SPONSOR'S RECEPTION SPONSOR:

Please join us at the Sponsor's reception at Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall for 50/50 Sliders • Bacon Wrapped Alaska Scallops • Deep Fried Mac n Cheese Bites • Mozzarella Caprese Skewers and Full Bar Service. Two drink tickets will be provided for beer, wine, mixed drinks and non-alcoholic beverages.



WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 22nd—PLANNING FOR SUCCESS

0730 BREAKFAST SPONSORED BY:

Hot scrambled eggs • Oven roasted potatoes with fresh herbs • Delicately baked pastries and bread • Fruit preserves and whipped butter • Seasonal fruit and berry platter • Applewood smoked bacon, turkey sausage links • Brioche French Toast • Oatmeal, • Bananas • Asst. Yogurt • Fresh brewed coffee • Juice



Solstice Alaska Consulting Inc.

0815 ARCHITECTURAL PLANNING PANEL SPEAKERS:

The saying “one doesn’t plan to fail...one fails to plan” is true with harbor masters in their pursuit to recapitalize harbor infrastructure. This panel of experienced architects, skilled in working with municipalities, will discuss their experience facilitating and planning the first steps of major recapitalization.



James Bibb
Northwind Architects, LLC
Principal Partner



Zane Jones
MRV Architects
Principal in Charge



Corey Wall
Jensen Yorba Wall, Inc
Principal Architect

0900 PUBLIC PROCESS PANEL SPEAKERS:

Soliciting public feedback is a critical feature of an effective design process. An effective public process is supported by accurate cost data for our construction projects.



Christopher Merti
Corvus Design



Meilani Schijvens
Rain Coast Data

0930 CALL OF THE PORTS

Representatives from Ports and Harbors across the state will have the opportunity to share triumphs and challenges experienced in the last year.

1000 MORNING BREAK SPONSORED BY:

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1015 ENGINEERING PROCESS SPEAKER:

After creating a plan and consulting with local patrons, you’ll need to solicit the services of qualified engineers to advance your vision. Selecting and negotiating with engineering (and architectural) firms can be a daunting task for harbor masters who do not regularly perform professional services selection. This presentation will provide tips to navigating this often confusing process.



Brandon Ivanowicz
PND Engineers, Inc.
Staff Engineer

1100 ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING SPEAKER:

National Electrical Code (NEC) is one of the most nuanced regulatory documents in existence, and is a headscratcher for most harbor masters and port administrators. Mark Morris will demystify some of this guidance to give attendees working knowledge of what the new NEC means to new harbor construction.



Mark Morris P.E.
Morris Engineering Group

1130 BUILDING LOCAL CAPACITY SPEAKER:

This research explores how local governments’ capacity has evolved to effectively provision operations, maintenance, and improvements of harbor facilities since the transfer of ownership from the State of Alaska. Findings identify key barriers and successes in strengthening local management, assess existing harbor infrastructure condition, and provide approaches for improving local capacity to reliably administer harbor services.



Stephanie Hernandez McGavin
University of Washington
Master of Infrastructure Planning and Management

1200 LUNCH SPONSOR:

Chicken Parmesan • Seafood Alfredo Pasta • Roasted Seasonal Vegetables • Warm Garlic Bread • Classic Caesar Salad • Fresh Fruit • Cookies or Brownies



1300 ADOT/PF UPDATE SPEAKER:

Alaska DOT/PF will provide an overview of several state level initiatives including partnerships with federal & state grants, multimodal transportation needs, and state regulation reform known as Administrative Order 360.



Chris Goins, P.E.
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities
Southcoast Regional Director

1340 GRANT OPPORTUNITIES PANEL

This panel consists of the major players involved in the planning and grant execution of ports & harbors projects in Alaska. This segment will start with Alaska Municipal League providing the results of a survey regarding harbor master infrastructure needs. Followed by panelists representing ADOT, USACE and MARAD on opportunities to rebuild and advance needed waterfront facilities in Alaska.



Sarah Cripe
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities
Waterways & Freight Planner



Erin Stockdale—Chief of Planning
Mike Rouse—Interim Chief of Civil Works



Grace Fluharty
Alaska Municipal League

1420 PROJECT PERMITTING SPEAKER:

The presentation will provide an overview regarding marine mammals and permitting/executing construction. This topic is a major consideration for design, permitting, maintenance and construction at all harbors in Alaska.



Chris Hoffman
High Tide Environmental

1500 CAPITOL TOUR

Walk to the Alaska State Capitol for a tour of the facility.



1615 TAKU SMOKERIES TOUR SPONSORED BY:

Walk to Taku Smokeries for a tour of a working fish processing plant.



1700 TRIANGLE CLUB SPONSOR

Triangle Club Cocktail hour and hors d'oeuvres and drink specials! - Check in with ARC Marine for drink chips and specials. See ya there!!



730	BREAKFAST	SPONSORED BY:
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0815	AMI	SPEAKERS:
	AAHPA is a member organization within the Association of Marina Industries, which offers a multitude of training and educational opportunities to Alaskan harbormasters. This presentation will introduce available programs designed to enhance practical skills for harbormasters and their staff.	 Eric Kretsch ASSOCIATION OF MARINA INDUSTRIES US Legislative Coordinator
0830	CUSTOMER SERVICE FOR LEADERS	SPEAKER:
	Customer Service for Leaders: Serving Your Internal and External Customers Customer service is the single most important soft skill a Harbormaster must acquire. As leaders, how do we serve our internal and external customers? Juneau Harbor Operations Supervisor Angie Thrower will provide insight to improving relationships and building partnership with your patrons, employees, and peers.	 ANGELA THROWER City and Borough of Juneau Harbor Operations Supervisor
0915	CONNECTING w/ CITY MANAGEMENT	SPEAKERS:
	Harbormasters must be able to manage up and down their chain-of-command. This panel leverages the experiences of the CBJ HR Director, the CBJ Finance Director and Juneau Fire Chief to share information germane to municipal harbormasters and port administrators on how to be more effective within your role. This CBJ trio brings a wealth of knowledge in creating a highly successful and functional local government.	 Dallas Hargrave HR and Risk Management Director Angie Flick Finance Director Rich Etheridge CCFR Fire Chief
1000	MORNING BREAK	SPONSORED BY:
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1015	POLITICS AND PERSEVERANCE PANEL	SPEAKERS:
	The ability for harbormasters and port administrators to engage with their elected officials should be in every job's position description. This panel of Juneau elected officials (Senator, Representative & Assembly) will provide commentary on how harbormasters should demonstrate need and advocate for political support in advancing projects and legislation.	<div>  Senator Jesse Kiehl Alaska Senate District Q </div> <div>  Representative Sara Hannan Alaska House of Representatives District 4 </div> <div>  Assembly Member Ella Adkison City and Borough of Juneau Areawide Assembly Member </div>

1115	CALL OF THE PORTS
	Representatives from Ports and Harbors across the state will have the opportunity to share triumphs and challenges experienced in the last year.
1200	LUNCH/AAHPA ANNUAL MEETING SPONSOR:
	Lunch will be a selection of delicious flatbread wraps, including Southwestern Chicken, Garlic Shrimp, Grilled Vegetable served with Classic Caesar Salad, assorted potato chips and cookies or brownies. During Lunch, we will hold the AAHPA Annual Board meeting. This is required for all AAHPA corporate members to elect Board leadership and vote on 2025 resolutions. All harbormasters should plan to attend.
	
1300	ALASKA CLEAN HARBORS SPEAKER:
	Latest news from Alaska Clean Harbors, including the latest certified harbors. Pax Templeton Alaska Clean Harbors
1315	CALL OF THE PORTS
	Representatives from Ports and Harbors across the state will have the opportunity to share triumphs and challenges experienced in the last year.
1345	COMMERCIAL FISHING PANEL
	This panel brings a wealth of commercial fishing experience. Each panelist will provide suggestions, insight and ideas to harbormasters in managing harbor facilities frequented by the commercial fisherman.
	<div>  Tyler Emerson F/V Natalie K Captain </div> <div>  Luke Fanning APICDA Chief Executive Officer </div> <div>  Hank Baumgart Icy Strait Seafoods President </div>
1430	FACILITY TOUR
	Conference attendees will board tour buses for a tour of interesting Juneau Locations. We plan to visit the MARINE EXCHANGE OF ALASKA to learn how they provide vital ship tracking and weather tracking. Next we will visit our AURORA HARBOR which is currently under construction with the 4th and final phase of construction started over a decade ago. Next we will tour the STATTER HARBOR Uplands improvements project, which consists uplands improvements to accommodate tour buses serving the whale watch fleet, this will be the last phase in a harbor improvement project started two decades ago. Finally we will visit the NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE for a tour of their facilities.
1800	AAHPA AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET
	This dinner banquet celebrates the successes of our AAHPA members throughout the past year. The banquet will honor municipal harbors' Employees-of-the-Year, Golden Anchor awardees, and the statewide Harbormaster-of-the-Year. In addition, there will be the annual raffle of swag, local gifts, and the grand prize of a ten-day Mexican cruise aboard UnCruise with Alaska Air transportation included. The proceeds from the raffle go to the AAHPA scholarship program which last year helped to provide \$19K in educational needs to Alaskans pursuing maritime careers.





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Captain Stan Fields assumed duties as Sector Southeast Alaska Commander and Captain of the Port in July 2024.

As Sector Commander, Captain Fields leads over 300 Coast Guard active duty, reserve, civilian, and auxiliary personnel who conduct missions throughout all of Southeast Alaska, including four strategic communities, and over 20 remote areas, native villages, 2,000 islands, and 10,000 miles of shoreline. Previously, he served as the Deputy Sector Commander, Sector Key West.

Prior assignments include serving as Staff Judge Advocate for Joint Interagency Task Force South (JIATFS), Logistics Department Head at Sector Anchorage, International Operations Officer at the Defense Institute of International Legal Studies, and Advanced Operational Law Fellow at the Center for Law and Military Operations (CLAMO), a joint, interagency, and multinational operational law command supporting global military operations.





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Steven Sahlender serves as Executive Vice President of Operations for the Alaska Division. Steven joined Goldbelt at the end of 2013. Steven served for 20 years in the Air Force, and upon retirement he flew small drones for a government contractor for three years. He then worked as a

store manager for Home Depot before coming to Goldbelt.

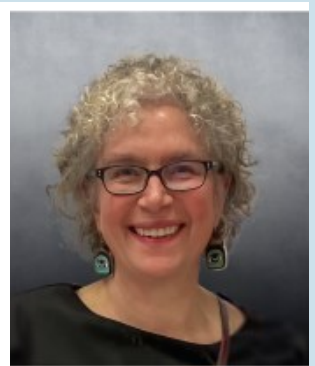
Steven started his career at Goldbelt with Nisga'a in Kuwait as a project manager, later moving to Goldbelt Falcon in Chesapeake, VA as a Program Manager. He later was hired for a Senior Business development position in Charleston, SC with Peregrine, and then moved over to CP Marine as Director of Operations before taking the position in Alaska.

Steven holds a Bachelor of Organizational Management and a Masters of Business Administration.

Susan Bell represents Huna Totem Corporation as VP of Strategic Initiatives. A lifelong Alaskan, Susan is dedicated to promoting Alaska and building strong communities and businesses. She recently helped the University of Alaska develop an Arctic Leadership Initiative. As Commissioner of the Department of Commerce, Community, and

Economic Development, she helped increase visibility and investment in Alaska's tourism, seafood, and energy sectors. As an owner and project manager of consulting firm McDowell Group, Susan helped clients in all market sectors grow, address change, and improve their competitive position.

Susan deeply appreciates Alaska's rich cultural heritage and outdoor recreation. She serves on the Juneau Symphony board and enjoys boating and hiking with her husband and Labrador Retrievers.





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Ryan Anderson P.E. currently serves as Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF). In this role, he leads the Department in initiatives that connect people and cultures through sound transportation investments that im-

prove economic vitality.

Anderson moved to Alaska in 1993 to attend the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, and graduated in 1997 with a degree in Geological Engineering. His career has spanned both mining and transportation, where he earned his Professional Civil Engineering license in 2003 working for the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities. Throughout his career he has taken lead roles in the development of large capital works projects, operations of multi modal transportation networks, and working with culturally diverse communities throughout Alaska.

Senator Jesse Kiehl represents Juneau, Haines, Skagway, Gustavus, and Klukwan. Born and raised in Anchorage, Jesse graduated from Whitman College at the end of the 1990's after an internship with US Sen. Ted Stevens in Washington, DC. But it was his internship for Gov. Tony Knowles that

brought him to Juneau - that's when he knew he'd found home.

Jesse worked as a legislative staffer for Southeast state senators for eighteen years, working on behalf of all of the communities in Northern Southeast. He served more than seven years on the Juneau Assembly, including as chair of the finance committee. He brings his experience balancing the city budget and his work supporting public safety and education to his new role as state senator, along with statewide connections from his work on the board of the Alaska Municipal League. Jesse and his wife are raising two daughters in the capital city.





Representative Sara Hannan was born in Alaska and lives in Juneau. Hannan graduated from West Anchorage High School.

She earned a bachelor's in education from the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. Her career experience includes teaching high school for 21 years and serving as co-owner of a small business selling locally caught fish.

Hannan volunteered on the Alaska board of directors for the National Education Association and the executive board of the Juneau Education Association. She also volunteered for the Salvation Army in Juneau.

Assembly Member Ella Adkison

was born and raised in Juneau and currently serves on the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly.

She graduated from Juneau-Douglas Yadaa at Kalé High School and has a deep appreciation for the local schools. She also received a bachelor's degree in international affairs from Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Oregon.

After college, she began working as a Legislative Aide for Senator Jesse Kiehl, where she has mainly focused on education-related issues.



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Angie Flick is the CBJ Finance Director returning home to Juneau in 2022 from Maricopa County, Arizona. In the 16 years she served Maricopa County, she held several positions including: Office of Management and Budget Analyst and Supervisor; County Strategic Planning Administrator; County ERP Sys-

tems Administrator; and the Flood Control District's Chief Administrator.

Her professional career has been strongly influenced by having earned a Bachelors and a Masters Degree in Business Administration with majors in accounting, finance and information systems from the University of Arizona.

Additionally, she earned a PhD in Public Administration and Policy focusing on budgeting and financial management from Arizona State University.

Dallas Hargrave is a dedicated public sector leader based in Juneau, Alaska, known for his expertise in human resources management and organizational development.

With a strong commitment to fostering employee engagement and effective governance, he has played a key role in advancing workforce initiatives for the City and Borough of Juneau. Drawing on years of experience in both public administration and labor relations,

Dallas is recognized for his collaborative leadership style, practical problem-solving, and focus on building strong, resilient teams that serve the community with integrity and professionalism.





Rich Etheridge launched his emergency services career in 1991 as a wildland firefighter for Alaska's Division of Forestry on the Kenai Peninsula.

In 1992, he joined Juneau's Glacier Volunteer Fire Department as a volunteer firefighter and EMT until 1998, while working as an EMT at the

Juneau Recovery Center and Kensington Mine. He led roles in the local firefighters association and department board.

From 1998, he served as an Alaska State Trooper in Kenai Peninsula and Talkeetna, including as Village Public Safety Officer Supervisor and Field Training Officer.

In 2002, he joined Capital City Fire Rescue as Prevention Officer, advancing to Fire Marshal, Career Division Chief, Acting Fire Chief, and Chief since 2010.

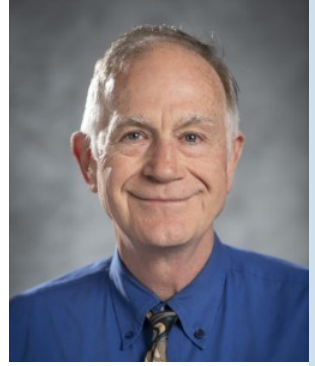
Etheridge chaired the Local Emergency Planning Committee (2002–2009), served on the Alaska Arson Investigators and Municipal League boards, and is Immediate Past President of the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association.

Recently named Citizen of Year by the Juneau Chamber of Commerce, **Port Director Carl Uchytel P.E.** has been the Juneau Port Director for 14 years, following a long and storied career in the U.S. Coast Guard. Carl leads CBJ Docks and Harbors by setting the standard for open communica-

tion, employee support and customer service. His dedication to professionalism and respect in the workplace is reflected in the successes of Docks and Harbors during his tenure.

During his 27-year Coast Guard career, he served five tours aboard the icebreakers, the Westwind, Polar Star and Polar Sea.

For two years, he served as the Polar Sea's commanding officer. He managed the cutter fleet and served as deputy director for civil rights during a tour at Coast Guard Headquarters.



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