

2016 Alaska Society of American Foresters Annual Meeting at Sheep Creek Lodge, Willow AK

The 2016 Alaska Society of American Foresters Annual Meeting on April 21-23 will be held at Sheep Creek Lodge, 59429 Parks Hwy, Willow, Alaska. The lodge is located approximately 90 road miles from Anchorage on the east side of the Parks Highway. The lodge property includes 8 dry cabins that will accommodate 2-3 people per cabin. Reduced rate lodging (\$79 night per cabin) is available at the Lodge by calling (907) 495-6227 and mentioning the group name "Alaska Society of American Foresters." Bunking with others is encouraged as it will provide significant savings for your stay. Two additional rooms are also available in the lodge (queen bed; each at \$115.50/night). Limited RV parking is also available. To book lodging and obtain other details you will need to inquire directly with the lodge; either call or email Molly Crawford mcrawford@gmail.com). Wireless internet is available in the lodge.

Registration & Lodging

Meeting Registration Form, area map and additional area lodging options are included on the following pages.

Registrants needing transportation to the meeting from Anchorage need to indicate that on the Registration form and send a message to Roger Burnside, Cook Inlet Chapter treasurer (reburnsi@gci.net) with their planned travel schedule/itinerary. Either Roger or a representative of the Cook Inlet Chapter will verify transportation plans with registrants approximately 1 week prior to the annual meeting.

Meeting Overview

The annual meeting will include organized sessions at the Sheep Creek Lodge to conduct Society business on day 1 (April 21: the AKSAF Executive Committee and Membership Business meetings), a full slate of forestry presentations on day 2 (April 22nd) and a field trip on day 3 (April 23rd).

Presentations are currently being organized around the theme "Forests, Fire and Fish" to learn more in the aftermath of the 2015 South-central Alaska fires (e.g., Sockeye, Salmon). Topics and issues will be addressed relating to fire incident management, coordination and control challenges; fire recovery issues, replanting plans, fire effects on fisheries and post-fire fish recovery, homeowner issues, firebreak studies, etc. A one-day registration is included on April 22nd to encourage local property owners to attend.

A final meeting agenda will be available soon on the AKSAF website at www.forestry.org/alaska

Foresters Fund Raffle

To donate to the raffle, please bring contributions/items to the SAF registration desk or you may send items ahead to: Roger Burnside, 3711 Runestad Circle, Anchorage, AK 99502-1514.

SAF CFE credits will be available; be sure to sign the CFE sheet to receive credit.



2016 SAF STATE MEETING - **Forestry, Fire and Fish**
- Proposed Agenda

Thursday April 21, 2016

10:00 State Society Business meeting
11:30 Region Perspective – Keith Blatner
Noon Lunch
1:00 Chapter reports/ Breakouts
Yukon River
1:30 Dixon Entrance
2:00 Break
2:30 Juneau
3:00 Sitka
3:30 Cook Inlet
4:00 Open Discussion
5:00 No Host happy hour – Ice Breaker
6:00 Dinner
7:00 Aspen Alliance – Paul Rogers
8:00 Free time

Friday April 22, 2016

7:00	Breakfast	
8:00	Welcome & Introductions – Eric, Brian, Keith	
8:30	Forestry and Fire Education	- Meg Burgett
9:00	FireWise	- Judith Reese
9:30	Stewardship	- Jeff Graham
10:00	Break	
10:15	Sockeye Fire History and Behavior	– Tom Kurth
11:00	Cooperative Fire Management Agreement	- Mike Butteri
11:45	Lunch	
12:45	Fire effects on Wildlife	- Bill Collins
1:30	Fuel Break Study	- Joseph Little
2:15	Break	
2:30	Replanting the Forest	- Casey Cook
3:15	USFS Chugach Fires	- Mitch Michaud
4:00	The Fuels Guide to Alaska Vegetation	- Lisa Saperstein
4:45	Home owner Issues	- TBD
5:15	Wrap up for the day	
5:30	Adjourn	
6:00	Dinner	
6:45	Home Owner Experience with Sockeye Fire	- Charles Wood
7:30	Free time	

Saturday April 23, 2016

7:00	Breakfast	
8:00	Sockeye Field tour – Lunch Included	- Rick Jandreau
3:00	Return to Sheep Creek Lodge	

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Registration Form

Name _____ Spouse/Guest Name _____

Company/Affiliation _____

Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____ Email _____

Daytime or cell phone _____ Fax _____

Do you need transportation from Anchorage to the Sheep Creek Lodge? _____

(you will be contacted ahead of the meeting to verify your itinerary)

Registration Options:

Early Registration for all is requested **by April 4th - discounted to \$150 ***

- *Regular or non-member registration postmarked after April 4th includes all indoor sessions: April 21st & 22nd, meals (L & D on April 21st; B, L & banquet on April 22nd) and icebreaker/reception (no-host bar on April 21). Field Trip on Sat. April 23rd includes breakfast and field lunch (\$175) **
- One-day registration for Friday, April 22nd only (includes Bkfst, Lunch & Banquet): \$60
- Extra banquet ticket for April 22nd: \$30

Registration:

Amount

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| • *Early registration by April 4th –includes all presentations,
Thursday L & D, Friday B, L & D (banquet); and fieldtrip (B & L) | \$150 ____ |
| • **Regular registration (postmarked after April 4 th) | \$175 ____ |
| • One-day full registration (<u>Friday, April 22nd</u> ; includes B, L & banquet) | \$ 60 ____ |
| • Extra Banquet Ticket (Friday April 22 nd) | \$ 30 ____ |
| • Field Trip registration only (includes morning breakfast & bag lunch) | \$ 30 ____ |
| <u>Total Enclosed (Check only)</u> | \$ _____ |

Payment Information: AK SAF Tax ID # 23-7261430

Make checks payable to: **Cook Inlet Chapter SAF**
Please mail this registration form with payment to:

Cook Inlet Chapter SAF
Attn: Annual Meeting Registration
PO Box 240432
Anchorage, AK 99524-0432

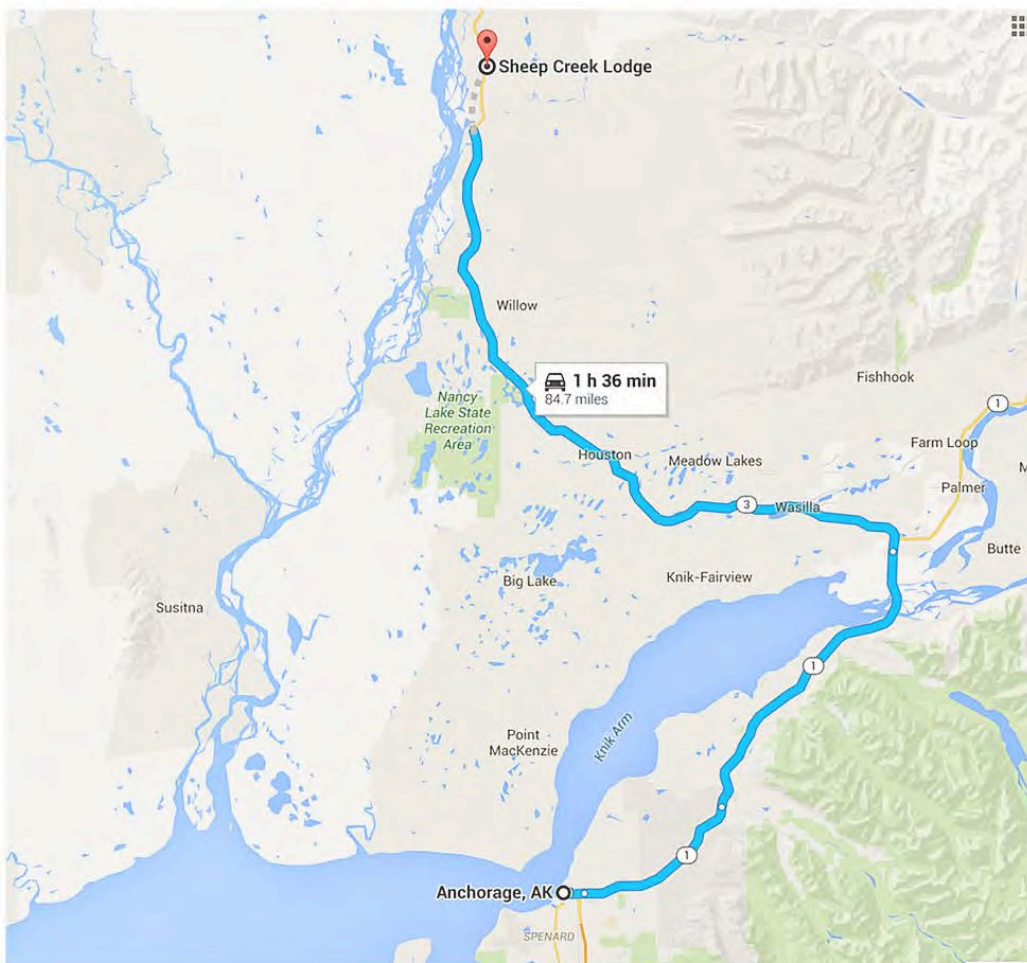




59429 S Parks Hwy, Willow, AK 99688

sheepcreeklodgeak.com

(907) 495-6227



Registration by April 4th is requested and costs less. Please work out your lodging accommodations as soon as possible. We encourage you to reserve the dry cabins at the Sheep Creek Lodge and share with others, if possible. Registration will also be available at the meeting. For more Registration information contact Roger Burnside, AKSAF Cook Inlet Chapter at (907) 229-5754 or reburnsi@gci.net.

Additional lodging options:

GIGGLEWOOD LAKESIDE INN

Mile 87.9 Parks Highway

907-495-1014 or 907-315-1947 cell

gigglewood@mtaonline.net

2 Cabins

Lakeside – Sleeps 5 - \$140 plus tax + \$15 each after 2 guests

Woodland – Sleeps 4 - \$135 plus tax + \$15 each after 2 guests

Birch Cover – Sleeps 2 - \$100 plus tax

ALASKA HOST B&B (17 miles south of Sheep Creek Lodge)

907-495-4000

27803 Parks Highway

Willow, AK 99674

2 Beds per room - \$168 per night

TALKEETNA DENALI VIEW (19 miles north of Sheep Creek Lodge)

907-733-4111 or 907-354-2411

Cost: \$125-\$180

FIREWEED STATION (18 miles north of Sheep Creek Lodge)

Tallkeetna AK

907-733-1457

Cost: \$175-\$195