

Public Notice

The **Recreational Trails Program grant applicant** (<https://dot.alaska.gov/atlas/multi-use-trails/>) listed below provides this courtesy notice. If you have any questions, public comments, or concerns about the proposed project, please contact the grant applicant at the contact information listed below and by the deadline listed below.

Posting Date: by or before September 22, 2026 **Comment Deadline:** by or before 11:00am October 23, 2026

1. Grant Applicant Contact Information:

Name of Organization or Agency: DPOR (Alaska State Parks)
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2. Project Title:

Eagle River Nature Center Accessibility, Safety, and Education Project

3. Brief Project Description:

The project timeline is scheduled for 4/1/2027-9/30/2027, if awarded.

This project proposes Trail Access Information (TAI) evaluations on portions of the Rodak, Albert, and/or Crow Pass trails. Information from these evaluations provides objective details about trail conditions, helping users of all abilities choose trails that match their needs (slope, cross slope, trail length and width, surface firmness and stability, obstructions, and trail features).

This project will also implement signage recommended in the Eagle River Nature Center Master Interpretive Plan. They are proposed for installation at the park entrance area and along the Rodak, Albert, and Crow Pass trails

DPOR’s Interpretive and Education Unit uses industry best practices to include accurate and up-to-date orientation, wayfinding, regulation, and safety information. Additional education and interpretive signage addresses a variety of needs and interests, provoking a response toward stewardship: recreating responsibly (e.g. Leave-No-Trace principles, fire safety,

cold-weather safety, boating safety), accessibility (e.g. Trail Access Information, braille, etc.), introduction to outdoor recreation (e.g. types of recreation, site seasonality, skills/abilities required, etc.), introduction to natural resources (e.g. wildlife, geology, forestry, etc.), cultural or historical context about a site, indigenous placenames and Native language, etc.

All panels will be distributed to these sites at no cost to the public.

4. Project Location:

Nearest community(ies): Municipality of Anchorage & Eagle River, Alaska

Map attached:

