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WRANGELL-ST, ELIAS NATIONAL PARK SUBSISTENCE RESOURCE COMMISSION

The Wrangell-St. Elias National Park Subsistence Resource Commission (SRC) provides a venue for local subsistence users to have input into the management of subsistence resources in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park. Since the establishment of the Federal Subsistence Management Program in 1990, the nine-member commission has also been making recommendations on proposals affecting the park directly to Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) and the Federal Subsistence Board.

Regional Advisory Councils appoint three members to the SRC. These members provide an important link between the SRC and the Federal Subsistence Program. The Regional Advisory Councils that address issues in Wrangell-St. Elias include the Southcentral RAC, the Eastern Interior RAC, and the Southeast RAC. In addition to the RAC appointments, three members of the SRC are appointed by the Governor of Alaska and three members are appointed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Sue Entsminger of Mentasta Pass is currently the Eastern Interior RAC appointee to the WRST SRC. Her term on the SRC expires in November 2024.

At its October 2024 meeting, the Eastern Interior RAC has the opportunity to take action on its appointment to the WRST SRC. According to ANILCA Section 808(a), RAC appointees to the SRC must be a member of either the RAC or a local Fish and Game Advisory Committee (AC) within the region and also engage in subsistence uses within the park. In order to be eligible to engage in subsistence uses within the park, rural residents must make their primary permanent home in one of the park's resident zone communities, live within the park, or hold a subsistence permit issued pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 13.440. Additional information about candidates for this appointment will be presented during the meeting.



Wrangell-St. Elias SRC members and key staff in Gakona, AK, March 2024.

Wrangell-St. Elias SRC Roster August 2024

<u>Name</u>	Community	Appointing Source	Expires*
Bruce L. Ervin	Tok	Secretary of Interior	1/17/2027
Clint Marshall	Tazlina	Secretary of Interior	6/28/2026
Daniel E. Stevens	Chitina	Secretary of Interior	3/28/2026
Edward GreyBear (alt.)**	Copper Center	Secretary of Interior	9/27/2026
Kaleb Rowland	McCarthy	Governor of Alaska	12/01/2026
Suzanne McCarthy	Gakona	Governor of Alaska	12/01/2024
Nathan Brown	Slana	Governor of Alaska	3/11/2027
Starr Knighten	Glennallen	Southcentral RAC	11/04/2026
Daryl James	Yakutat	Southeast RAC	10/27/2025
Sue Entsminger	Mentasta Pass	Eastern Interior RAC	11/04/2024

^{*} All members serve for three-year terms. According to 54 U.S. Code § 100906(c), members continue to serve until re-appointed or replaced. However, RAC appointees must be current members of a RAC or AC for their appointments to be valid.

Subsistence users who have questions about or are interested in applying for a seat on the WRST SRC should contact Barbara Cellarius at 822-7236 or barbara_cellarius@nps.gov.

^{**} Edward GreyBear serves as an alternate for Clint Marshall and Daniel Stevens.