Ignite Session:
Land Management on the Kenai Peninsula Forum

Kenai Peninsula Borough
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The Kenai Peninsula Borough was incorporated in 1964 as a second-class borough under the authority of the State of Alaska Borough Act of 1961. The Borough's governmental responsibilities are comparable to those of a county. The five first-class and home-rule cities in the borough are Kenai, Soldotna, Homer, Seldovia, and Seward. Other locally governed communities include Kachemak City and the native villages of Tyonek, Port Graham, and Nanwalek.
What planning process or document are you sharing at this meeting?

### Kenai Peninsula Borough 2018 Comprehensive Plan

#### Schedule of Project Tasks

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Includes biweekly check-ins and monthly status reports.

- = meeting or workshop

- = product or deliverable
Challenges/Opportunities

• Managing Public Lands While Protecting Private Land Rights
  – Two national parks
  – A national forest
  – Two national wildlife refuges
  – State-owned land
  – Five first-class and home-rule cities, and other locally governed communities and tribal partners

• Strengthening and Diversifying the Local Economy

• Leveraging the Breadth and Diversity of the Borough’s Natural Landscape and People
Needs

Plan Components

- Vision and Mission Statement
- **Current Conditions, Project Future Growth and Change**
- Key Issues and Opportunities
- Land Use
- Economic Development and Fiscal Health
- Housing
- Transportation
- Community/Public Facilities

- Natural Resources
- Hazardous Areas
- Recreation and Tourism
- Special Areas or Sites
- Education
- Health and Wellness
- Borough Management and Administration

- Maps: current land uses, future land uses, transportation and road classifications, special sites, natural resources and hazardous areas
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- 2018 Comprehensive Planning process webpage and related social media forthcoming