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Capitol Hill Update

Last week, President Eric Feldbaum, Madeline Wade (Brumidi Group) and Executive Director Brian Stith traveled to Washington, DC to meet with National Park Service Staff, Congressional Staff and Committee Staff about the merits of the Stateside LWCF Program. They were able to meet with congressional staff from Missouri, Oregon and New Hampshire. In addition, meetings were held with staff from the House Natural Resources Committee, House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

Overall, the meetings went well, and we are planning more meetings in the coming months. We also attended a reception hosted by the Outdoor Recreation Roundtable to celebrate the passage of the EXPLORE Act in December of 2024. The EXPLORE Act passed both legislative bodies with unprecedented bipartisan support and is an important piece of legislation for Outdoor Recreation. Among other things, it codified the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) program and serves to improve outdoor recreation opportunities for all by improving accessibility and restoring and improving infrastructure.

We plan on hosting a Congressional Update Webinar with Brumidi Group on March 7, 2025 from 12:30 -1:30 CST. Invitation coming soon.

SAVE THE DATE!

NASORLO Congressional Update Webinar

12:30 - 1:30 CST

March 7, 2025



Alaska 2025

Just a reminder, we are continuing to plan for the 2025 NASORLO Annual Workshop to be held in Girdwood, Alaska October 14 - 17, 2025. We are currently planning to hold the event at the Alyeska Resort, located approximately 40 miles South of Anchorage, Alaska.

We anticipate the registration fees will be slightly higher than last year but will include more meals within the registration cost. As we work to finalize the contract we will share more details about the event. I intend to send a survey monkey poll within the next week to determine interest levels for in person attendance. This will help us plan for the size of the event. I appreciate it in advance if you take the time to complete our survey.



2025 Annual Dues Update

I wanted to send a few updates as we begin 2025. At our December 2024 Board Meeting, the NASORLO Board of Directors approved an annual dues increase of \$200 for 2025. For nearly a decade, the annual dues have been set at \$1250. In 2025, the NASORLO Annual Membership Dues will be \$1450. This increase will be utilized at making improvements to our website, organizational planning and improving overall communications. I expect to send out invoices for 2025 by March 1, 2025

Trust For Public Land Partnership

In January, the NASORLO Board of Directors approved NASORLO to commit to a partnership with the Trust for Public Lands as part of a grant proposal with the Appalachian Regional Commission.

The Grant Proposal was submitted last week and if successful, NASORLO will participate in a series of educational workshops over the next five years within the Appalachian Region. The intent would be to educate communities on the opportunities available within the Stateside Land and Water Conservation Fund Program.

Social Media

NASORLO now has a Facebook page and an Instagram account. If you haven't looked us up, I encourage you to follow our pages.

Facebook: National Association of State Outdoor Recreation Liaison Officers

Instagram: [nasorlo.executivedirector](https://www.instagram.com/nasorlo.executivedirector)