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APPLICATIONS FOR VISITOR SERVICES AVAILABLE

Applications for conducting commercial visitor services on Kenai National Wildlife Refuge are now available from Refuge Headquarters. A special use permit is required for conducting any commercial visitor services on Refuge lands and waters including portions of the Kenai River within Refuge boundaries. Certain areas and commercial visitor services within the Refuge have a limited number of permits that are awarded by competitive selection.

Applications will be accepted for the 2009-2010 permit year in person at Refuge headquarters or postmarked no later than April 1, 2009. The permit year begins May 1, 2009 and runs until April 30, 2010. Permit holders with a multi-year permit expiring later than 2009 must update relevant permit requirements and receive the annual commercial visitor services decal(s). Multi-year permit holders should be certain that all required licenses, employee lists, boats and vehicle registrations, and insurance is current. Multi-year permittees must update relevant information before seasonal activities begin or no later than June 1, 2009.

Application packets and additional information are available by contacting Refuge headquarters at (907) 262-7021 or writing Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 2139, Soldotna, Alaska, 99669.

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