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The Land-Grant Mission

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Outreach and Education

Translating information learned during research to the stakeholders to improve their lives.



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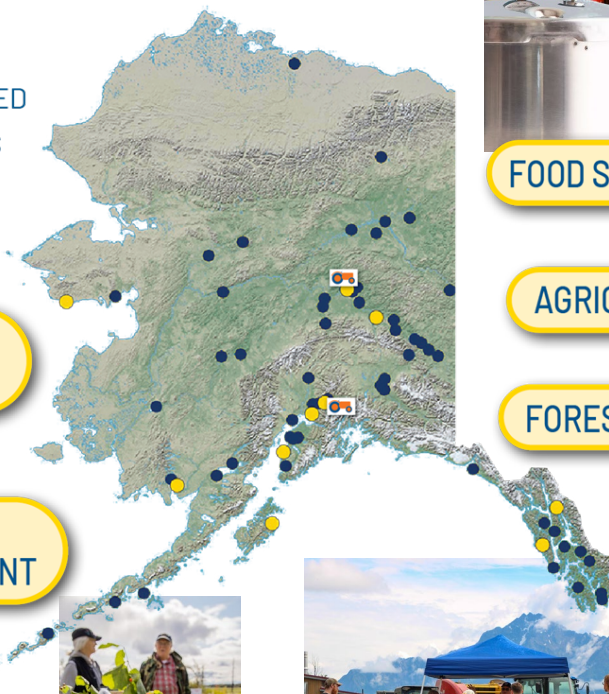




- 69 COMMUNITIES VISITED
- 10 EXTENSION OFFICES
- 2 EXPERIMENT FARMS

POSITIVE
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

COMMUNITY AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



FOOD SECURITY



AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

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Extension in Alaska: Community and Economic Development



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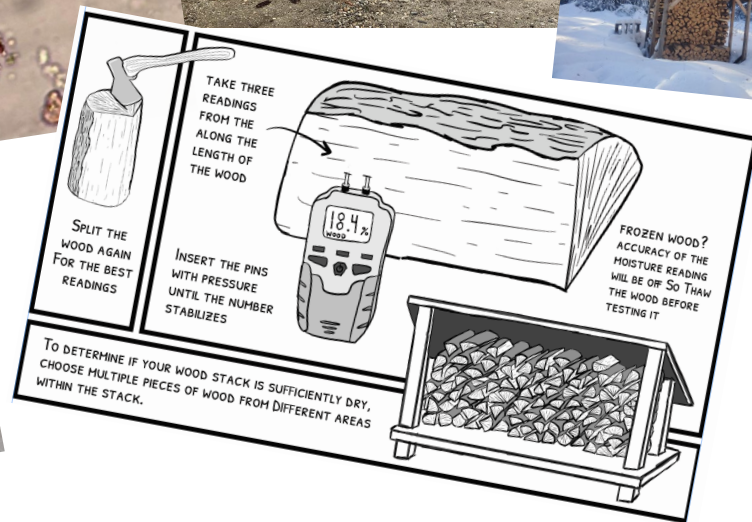
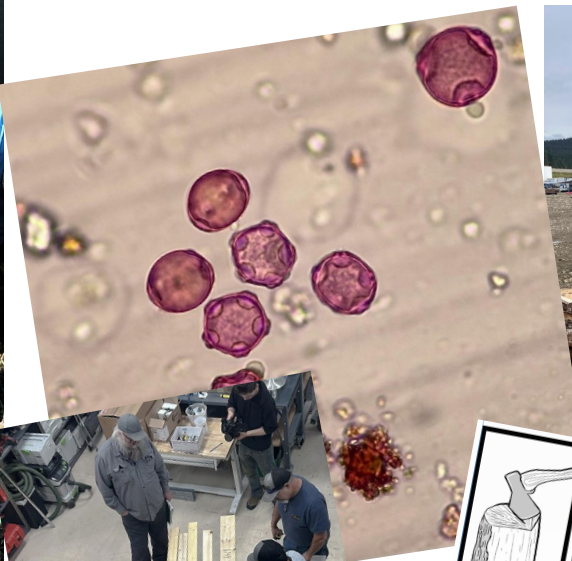
Extension in Alaska: Food Systems and Food Security



Extension in Alaska: 4-H and Youth Development

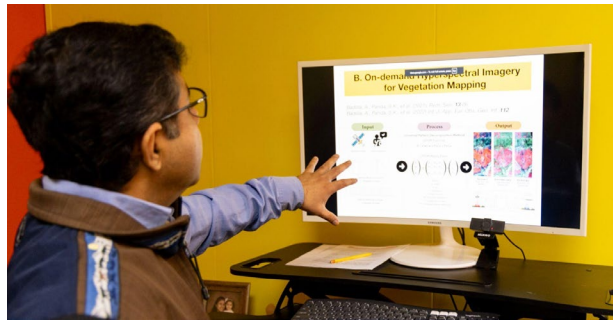


Extension in Alaska: Forestry and Environment



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Current Research: Forestry



Current Research: Agriculture





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Participants from:

- United States
- Canada
- Norway
- Sweden
- Finland
- Denmark
- Scotland
- Iceland
- Greenland
- Faroe Islands



Circumpolar Connections

A Dialogue on Arctic Food Systems



Collaboration at the Gardens

How the botanical garden strengthens
Alaska's food system with Lacey Higham



Tuesday, February 10

noon - 1 p.m.

UAF Elvey Building Globe Room, Fairbanks

Zoom: <https://bit.ly/CircumpolarConnections>



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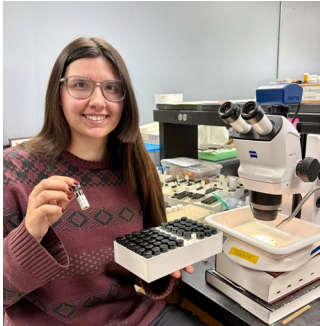


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Cooperative Extension Service: Looking toward the future



Our funding request for FY27

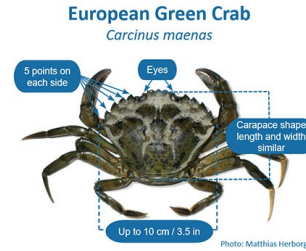




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