

JUNEAU MINING FORUM

FEBRUARY 24, 2026 | 7:00 am - 2:00 pm
BARANOF HOTEL, TREADWELL ROOM

7:00: DOORS OPEN, BREAKFAST IS SERVED

7:30 WELCOME REMARKS

Deantha Skibinski, Alaska Miners Association

**UPDATES FROM FEDERAL AGENCIES, PERMITTING COUNCIL, AND
FAST-41 PROJECTS**

Kara Moriarty, Senior Advisor for Alaska Affairs, US Department of the Interior
Anderson Tran, Chief Policy Counsel & Senior Advisor, The Permitting
Council

Mike Satre, Hecla Mining Company

Ben Machlis, NOVAGOLD

Moderated by Representative Kevin McCabe

8:30 - TULSEQUAH CHIEF: AN UPDATE FROM TECK

Speaker TBA, Teck

**9:00 - UPDATE FROM ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
CONSERVATION**

Commissioner-Designee Randy Bates

9:30 - PANEL: ALASKA'S BUSINESSES SUPPORTING ALASKA'S MINES

Houston Morris, Industrial Pumps of Alaska

Craig Jennison, TEMSCO Helicopters

TJ Mason, Southeast Road Builders

Moderated by Representative Chuck Kopp

10:15 - BREAK

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10:30 - PANEL: BRINGING ALASKANS INTO THE MINING WORKFORCE

Introduction to Mining Operations & Occupations

Reed Loree, Hecla Greens Creek, MAPTS graduate

Oliver Mendoza, Hecla Greens Creek MAPTS graduate

Nathan Burkhart, Hecla Greens Creek MAPTS graduate

Kristopher Ely, Coeur Alaska Kensington Mobile Maintenance Trainee graduate

Moderated by TBA

11:30 - BREAK: LUNCH IS SERVED

NOON - LUNCHEON PANEL: MANAGING ALASKA'S OPERATING MINES

Steve Ball, Coeur Alaska Kensington Mine

Bill Kloth, Hecla Greens Creek Mine

Les Yesnik, Teck Red Dog Mine

Moderated by Senator Mike Cronk

1:30 - PEBBLE PROJECT: FIVE THINGS TO KNOW

Mike Heatwole, Pebble Project

2:00 - ADJOURN JUNEAU MINING FORUM

5:00 - LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION

Hosted by Alaska Miners Association, Alaska Trucking Association, and

Associated General Contractors of Alaska

Treadwell Room at Baranof Hotel