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MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 7, 2024
TO: Mayor and Assembly
FROM: Michael Brown, Borough Manager
RE: Manager's Weekly Post

Waterbody Setback Advisory Board (WSAB) Schedule: The ordinance adopted by the Assembly forming the WSAB requires the Board to prepare a written report and for the chair to present it to the Assembly by September 17, 2024.

The WSAB has requested staff to prepare a resolution requesting a six-month extension to the Board so that they may solicit comments from community councils before presenting their final report to the Assembly. The WSAB will consider the resolution at their August 13 meeting.

The staff has drafted an ordinance for Assembly consideration granting an extension to the WSAB for an introduction on August 20 and a public hearing on September 3.

Mat-Su Central School Tours: The School District is offering elected officials tours of the new Mat-Su Central School as it is being constructed. The tours are every other Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. onsite just north of Pioneer Peak Elementary School. The dates are August 13 and 27, September 10 and 24, and October 8 and 22.

Big Lake Lions Center Tours: As the Assembly considers potentially acquiring the Big Lake Lions Center, staff will facilitate a tour of the grounds and facility as desired. If you would like a facility tour, please contact Jillian Morrissey at (907) 861-8634.

Public Affairs Media Flyover:

Fisheries

- **Peak Coho fishing in the Mat-Su Valley**
Frontiersman
- **Fish Creek Youth-Only Fishery set for this weekend**
Sporting Journal
- **Dipnetting on Kenai closes, but flossing for reds remains consistent**
Alaska News Source

- Susitna – River coho limits reduced to one fish and bait prohibited
Alaska Sporting Journal
- With few exceptions, Southcentral Alaska coho salmon run is sluggish
ADN

Transportation

- Scoping period begins for West-Su Access Road
KTNA
- Opinion: Now is the time to act on commuter rail for Southcentral Alaska
ADN

Assembly

- Mat-Su Assembly will consider repeal of mobile home park rules
Mat-Su Sentinal
- A proposed ballot measure seeks \$58 million for Mat-Su charter school buildings
Mat-Su Sentinal

Future Events:

- Wed., August 14 at 2 p.m., Jay Nolfi Fish Creek Park Playground Groundbreaking, 4132 S. Casey Drive, Big Lake
- Mon., August 26 at Noon, Annual State Fair Joint Chamber Luncheon; advance ticket purchase: <https://business.palmerchamber.org/ap/Events/Register/aZFOemYUvCqCZ>
- Sat., September 28 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., 16th Annual Mat-Su Emergency Preparedness Expo, Menard Sports Complex, 1001 S. Clapp Street, Wasilla