



**NOLS ALUMNI TRIP – TRAVEL & LOGISTICS  
FLY FISHING ON ALASKA’S LAKE CREEK  
AUGUST 3 – 9, 2008**

Starting Date: August 3, 2008  
Starting Time: 6:30 a.m.  
Starting Location: Train Station on First Street downtown Anchorage  
Fly Into: Anchorage  
Arrive: Arrive in Anchorage on August 2  
Ending Date: August 9, 2008  
Ending Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Ending Location: Palmer AK-you will be taken to Anchorage after dinner  
Fly out of: Anchorage AK  
Leave: No earlier than late evening of August 9 (after 10:00pm)

**TRIP LOGISTICS**

We look forward to meeting you in Alaska! This alumni trip begins on August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 a.m. at the train station on First and C Street in Anchorage. Please gather in front of the antique train engine directly across the street from the train depo. Given the early start to the day, we advise you to arrive in Anchorage the day before your trip begins. You are responsible for making reservations at a hotel or bed and breakfast the night before your course begins. Several of the B&B’s will take you to the train station or you will need to get a taxi (see the list of hotels and B& B’s below).

After we meet you at the train station, we will drive north 50 miles to our headquarters in Palmer to check your equipment and issue any additional gear needed for the trip. The food for the trip will already be packed. We will have lunch at the headquarters and take a short drive to our air charter.

**Departure:**

On the last day of the trip (August 9) we will float to the airstrip on Lake Creek and pack up the rafts. The plane will pick up our group around 11:00 a.m. (weather depending) and fly us back to Willow to meet the NOLS bus for our drive back to Palmer. We will deissue any gear that you used, take showers and have dinner. After dinner the NOLS bus will drive you to your destination in Anchorage. If you are flying out that evening do not make reservations before 10:00 p.m.

**If Delayed on Arrival Day:**

If your arrival to Anchorage is delayed and you will not make the 7:00 a.m. pickup at the Anchorage downtown train station on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, please call NOLS Alaska at 907-745-4047.

**Lodging in Anchorage:**

Anchorage has a number of Bed and Breakfast establishments that are comfortable, sometimes offer free shuttle service and can be cheaper than hotels. There are many hotel options. Space may be limited, so call early.

**Alaska House of Jade**  
907.337.3400  
www.alaskahouseofjade.com

**Gallery B&B**  
907.274.2567  
Host: Leslie Evans

**Coastal Trail B&B**  
907.243.5809  
www.coastaltrail.com

**Anchorage Hilton**  
800.445.8667

**Anchorage Walkabout Town**  
907.279.7808  
www.anchoragewalkabout.com

**Comfort Inn**  
800.228.5150

**Hotel Captain Cook**  
800.843.1950

**Ramada Inn**  
800.544.0970

**Days Inn**  
800.329.7466

**Travel Insurance**

**Storage of Personal Belongings-**Any equipment or other items that you won't need on the trip will be stored in a locked storage area at the NOLS headquarters in Palmer. **NOLS ASSUMES NO LIABILITY FOR LOST, STOLEN OR DAMAGED PERSONAL PROPERTY WHILE IN OUR CARE.** Consider personal insurance coverage for your stored belongings.

**Miscellaneous Expenses:**

You are advised to bring enough cash to cover all expenses encountered while traveling to and from Anchorage AK. These potential expenses include phone calls, lodging costs before and after the trip, airport shuttle fees, cab rides to meeting location, any meals not indicated, gear purchases or rental and any costs associated with evacuations. See note below about **fishing licenses**.

**Your tuition includes meals starting with lunch on August 3 through dinner on August 9. Group gear, safety equipment, instruction and all transportation from the time we pick you up in Anchorage at the train station and when we take you to your destination on August 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Air Service to Alaska:**

Most major airlines service Anchorage. Please check their individual websites for current information. The Alaska Time Zone is 4 hours behind Eastern, 3 hours behind Central, 2 hours behind Mountain, 1 hour behind Pacific. Taxis from the airport to downtown cost between \$10 and \$15. Most hotels provide shuttle services.

**Telephones:**

You will be out of telephone contact for the duration of your trip. We have a telephone (907) 745-6269 that you can use while at our headquarters. There is also good cell coverage there. The office phone in Palmer is (907) 745-4047.

**Fishing Licenses:**

You will need to purchase a fishing license for this trip. A two-week, non-resident license is \$80 and a seven-day license is \$55. A seven day license will be appropriate for this trip. We will sell fishing licenses on the first day of your trip. Please plan to pay for your license by cash, travelers' check or personal check.