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**Alaska Wilderness League's Hidden Gems Photo Contest Winners to Be Displayed in  
Fairbanks Alaska Public Lands Information Center**

WHAT: Alaska Wilderness League's Hidden Gems Photo Contest Display

WHERE: Fairbanks Alaska Public Lands Information Center

WHEN: Opens on Friday, December 3, 2010

MORE INFO: [www.alaskawild.org](http://www.alaskawild.org)

Alaska Wilderness League and Fairbanks Alaska Public Lands Information Center will be featuring the winners of a national photography contest to showcase extraordinary public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

Photos will include the four winners of the contest. Jake Schas from Redmond, OR was the overall contest winner and was the first place winner in the Wildlife category with his photograph "American Piplit, Toolik Lake Field Station." Laura Vines from Fairbanks, AK took second place in the overall contest and was the first place winner of the Landscapes and Natural Features category with "Pinnell Mountain Trail, Eagle Summit." Susan Stevenson from North Pole, AK took third place in the overall contest and was the first place winner of the Humans and the Environment category with her photograph "Dalton Highway." Krystin Bogan from North Pole, AK took fourth place in the overall contest and was the first place winner of the Historical and Cultural Features category with her photograph "Abandoned Gold Dredge, Steese Highway."

Alaska's BLM lands include some of our nation's greatest treasures, such as the world's largest wild salmon fishery, the largest surging glacier in North America, millions of migratory and resident bird populations, the largest caribou herd in Alaska, and Alaska's longest running river – the mighty Yukon. Alaska's BLM lands are a destination for both tourists and locals, alike, including such vacation spots as the White Mountains, Gulkana and Delta River Recreation Areas, Bristol Bay, Nulato Hills, Squirrel River, Mount Osborn, the Steese, the Fortymile River Area, and the Scenic Dalton Highway.

**About Alaska Wilderness League – Your Land. Your Voice.**

Alaska Wilderness League's mission is to lead the effort to preserve Alaska's wilderness by engaging citizens, sharing resources, collaborating with other organizations, educating the public, and providing a courageous, constant and victorious voice for Alaska in the nation's capital. It is the only organization dedicated solely to the preservation of Alaska's wilderness in the nation's capital. To learn more go to [www.alaskawild.org](http://www.alaskawild.org).

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