



Chichagof Conservation Council

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The Chichagof Conservation Council (CCC) is a non-profit network dedicated to providing information about conservation issues, especially those that affect Tenakee Inlet and Chichagof Island.

In this period of rapid political and climate change, we are keenly aware that maintaining the integrity of Tenakee Inlet's vibrant salmon streams is the greatest legacy we can offer future generations.

Until passage of the Tongass Timber Reform Act in 1990, management of the entire Tongass National Forest was dictated by 50-year contracts that guaranteed profits to the voracious pulp mills located in Sitka and Ketchikan. The Chichagof Conservation Council grew from the efforts of Tenakee residents to change the direction of Tongass management toward sustainable timber harvest and protection of critical fish and wildlife habitat. Persistent local voices called for permanent protection of **Kadashan, Trap Bay and the fish-rich watersheds of Upper Tenakee Inlet.**

The original version of the Tongass Timber Reform Act included all of those areas, but the eventual compromise legislation dropped Upper Tenakee Inlet. CCC's primary goal remains finishing the job and gaining permanent protected status for **Seal Bay, Long Bay, Goose Flats, the head of Tenakee Inlet, and Saltery Bay**, while guarding the Legislated LUD II status of Kadashan and Trap Bay enacted by the Tongass Timber Reform Act.

Many local observers have commented how the steep, densely forested streams of Upper Tenakee Inlet seem cooler and appear to benefit from deeper, longer lasting snow pack than lower Inlet streams. CCC has been monitoring stream temperatures in cooperation with University of Alaska researchers for the past decade. We hope to determine whether Upper Tenakee streams will prove more resilient to rising atmospheric temperatures.

Over the years CCC has sponsored numerous other local projects including replacing energy-hungry appliances, supplying poop-scoops for the Tenakee trail, removing hazardous waste, maintaining membership in the Alaska Stranding Network, and supporting sustainable local businesses and local food production.



It is CCC's job to let members know when our voices can make a difference in Washington DC or Juneau.

Asking for your support is not about raising money. CCC's costs are low, and all donations are frugally conserved. **What's important is that CCC maintains our large list of well-informed and deeply concerned members.**

CCC's membership information and address list is never shared, but the overall number of CCC members is an important statement.

Email is now our primary method of communication with members. Please consider joining or re-enlisting today, and please be sure to include an email address. CCC's 2017 membership form is on the back page.

CCC is a registered 501 (c) (3) non profit organization, and all contributions are tax-deductible.

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**Chichagof Conservation Council
2017 membership application/renewal**

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Membership dues \$5 individual, \$10 household. Additional contributions are welcome!

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