

## SEPTEMBER 2024 MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

This month we will be hearing from:

## **David Griffin**

Title:

## Navigating Port MacKenzie: A Look at Tides, Currents, Ice, and Sediment



David Griffin is the Port Operations Manager for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Port MacKenzie. Prior to working as the port manager, David worked as a land manager for the State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources in the Trust Land Office, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, and the Division of Mining, Land and Water. David has a B.S. in Environmental Studies from the Evergreen State College in Olympia Washington (2003).

Port MacKenzie is a small industrial port located on the west side of Cook Inlet, just two miles north of Anchorage. The port deals with extreme tidal fluctuations, strong currents, heavy sediment loads in the water, and ice flows five-months of the year. This presentation will discuss the challenges of operating a port facility in such an extreme environment, and some of the ways we are dealing with infrastructure maintenance and repairs.

WHEN: September 11, 2024 1200 - 1300

WHERE: Mat-Su College, Room JKB 128

LUNCH: \$10 for PIZZA\*

<sup>\*</sup>Bring a friend who hasn't attended within the past six months and lunch for you and your guest are on ASCE.





