

Alaska

Patrick McClanahan, in his first NPS assignment, has started work as the Computer Systems Analyst for the Region's GIS. Pat comes from the Salt Lake City area where he spent the last seven years working as a computer systems programmer, first for the Army and then for UNISYS Computer Corporation. He has a Bachelor's degree in park management and is finishing a Master's degree in computer science. Pat's father is Les McClanahan, who worked for the NPS for almost 30 years before retiring from the superintendency of Wind Cave NP in 1983.

Mike Britten was selected as the Resource Management Specialist Trainee for Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve and Penny Knuckles was selected for a similar position at Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve. Both bring experience gained through assignments in other units of the NP System, including several in the Alaska Region.

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Layne Adams, Wildlife Research Biologist (ARO), was injured while pursuing a darted wolf near the Arrigetch Peaks in Gates of the Arctic NP. He lost his footing and

slid approximately 500 feet down a very steep snow chute before hitting a rock outcrop and then continued his slide for an additional 200 feet before stopping. Undaunted, he placed a radio-collar on the darted wolf before being evacuated to the hospital in Fairbanks. Although he escaped major injuries, he was sore enough to direct the project from Anchorage for the next week.