

# Video Trail Guide: Mountains to Sea

Anchorage is a trail town. When we launched the Moose Loop in 2019, our dream was a destination trail to put Anchorage on the map with the great outdoor cities of the world. Mapping our city in a loop through the ancient pathways used by the Dena'ina for millennia helps us understand that trails are critical infrastructure. They are a way of life – for active transportation, outdoor recreation, and to recruit and retain the talented workforce we need for a vibrant future.

On November 15 you are invited to join us as we launch our next initiative - Mountains to Sea. This Video Trail Guide was produced by Anchorage Park Foundation in partnership with Alaska State Parks and Will Melton Media Productions. It seeks to encourage a new wave of appreciation, celebration, and stewardship of our backyard rugged mountains and hillside trails in Chugach State Park. With more than 250 miles of trails in the urban core and hundreds more in our nation's third-largest state park, it's easy to see why Anchorage ranks the highest in the US for city area dedicated to parkland.

## Start Your Adventure at Chugach State Park

The Mountains to Sea Experience links existing trails in a traverse from the new Hemlock Burn singletrack trail at the Glen Alps (Flattop) Trailhead down through the city, ending at the Small Boat Launch near the Port of Alaska. The video provides details for an experienced trail user to bike the 23 miles in a half day, including rest stops. Similar to the Moose Loop – we will have the video and maps on our website so you can learn the route. You will not see signage that says Mountains to Sea – but you can find the route on trail apps like TrailForks and Ride with GPS.

## Chugach State Park Loop Trail from Prospect Heights Parking Lot

If you are looking for a walk with a gentle elevation gain and views of the mountains and the sea, try this loop from Prospect Heights. Plan on 90 minutes to 2 hours depending on your speed. Watch particularly for moose and cyclists. Take Golden Grass to South Fork Rim Trail (one way heading up hill) to White Spruce to Powerline Trail which takes you back to the parking lot.



### Trail Tales

Tuesday, November 15 at 7:00pm  
Anchorage Museum  
Tickets: \$20. Purchase tickets at [AlaskaTrails.org](https://alaskatrails.org)

Trail Tales is a storytelling series organized by Alaska Trails. In the spirit of Arctic Entries, storytellers will share seven minute stories about their trail experiences, adventures, and life in general. The November 15 show benefits the Anchorage Park Foundation.

