**Ruckelshaus Institute Updates**

* The Ruckelshaus Institute recently welcomed its eighth cohort of the Collaboration Program in Natural Resources.
	+ Fifteen mid-career professionals from throughout Wyoming, and as far away as California and Connecticut, will attend six sessions over the coming year to gain skills and knowledge in negotiation, facilitation, and collaborative leadership.
	+ This year’s participants represent a diversity of occupations and professional backgrounds, from patent law to forestry, conservation non-profits to state agencies, the National Park Service and academia.
	+ Due to the coronavirus pandemic, we have adjusted the CPNR schedule to meet monthly between August and January, with a final in-person session scheduled for April 2021. However, the situation remains fluid and we will make further adjustments as needed.

**Academic Programs Updates**

* 6 of the 8 Outdoor Recreation Tourism Management graduates have accepted full time job offers, and current undergraduate students are active in internships ranging from Fishing Guide to Safety Leader and High Adventure Director.
* The Haub School is partnering with the Biodiversity Institute and UW Foundation to fundraise for a Grand Teton Scholars program at the UW National Park Service Research Station at the AMK Ranch. Donors are pledging to support various student and faculty projects that elevate experiences, inspire discoveries, and connect communities in the Grand Teton and Yellowstone Ecosystems.

**Dean and Faculty Searches**

* After a successful, fully virtual interview process, the lead candidate for the Haub School Dean position is currently in negotiation with Interim Provost Alexander
* Our search for the endowed Knobloch Professorship in Conservation Economics, has concluded with our lead candidate accepting an offer. Like the dean search, this was a successful fully virtual interview process.
* We are currently interviewing to fill the Professor of Practice position in Outdoor Recreation and Tourism Management. The search is focusing on candidates with hospitality and tourism management expertise.