

## **Suggested Travel for Fairbanks**

### **Airfare Discounts:**

The conference has procured an airline discount code for travel on Alaska Airlines. This code is good for travel to and from both Anchorage and Fairbanks conferences. Note blackout dates will impact return flights from Fairbanks. Information is as follows:

Meeting Name: Cold Climate Conference  
Meeting Fare Code: ECME578  
Departure City(s): Any Alaska Airlines/Horizon Air US, Canadian, Mexican or Central America city  
Meeting City: Anchorage or Fairbanks, Alaska  
Not Included: Prudhoe Bay, Alaska  
Beginning Travel Date: March 2, 2023  
Last Travel Date: March 16, 2023  
**Blackout Dates: March 9 - 12, 2023**

### **Air Travel in Alaska:**

Historically, a one hour pre-flight check in is all that is needed for Anchorage and Fairbanks airports. Note that ulus (traditional Alaska Native knife) must be put in checked baggage.

### **Anchorage to Fairbanks Travel**

All Arctic Mini Conference attendees must be at Cold Climate Housing Research Center (CCHRC) by 1:00 pm Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> in order to board the bus for Chena Hot Springs.

**Cold Climate Housing Research Center is located at 955 Draanjik Drive, Fairbanks, Alaska.**

In addition to technical presentations and lunch at CCHRC from 11:30 to 1:00, there are also technical site tours planned for Thursday morning for conference attendees. Transportation to and from CCHRC for those site tours will start at 8:00 am and continue until the lunch program. To maximize the technical tour opportunities, Wednesday evening travel is recommended.

Recommended flights for the **evening of Wednesday, March 8, 2023 from Anchorage to Fairbanks via Alaska Airlines:**

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 2410   ANC 7:35 pm  8:35 pm  
1h 0m | Nonstop | [Details](#) | [Preview seats](#)  
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 232    ANC 10:50 pm  11:55 pm  
1h 5m | Nonstop | [Details](#) | [Preview seats](#)

The following recommended hotels for Wednesday evening have free airport shuttle services.

- Hampton Inn & Suites Fairbanks
- Candlewood Suites Fairbanks
- Best Western Plus Chena River Lodge

Recommended flights for the **morning of Thursday, March 9, 2023 from Anchorage to Fairbanks via Alaska Airlines:**

 2137   ANC 7:05 am FAI 8:09 am

1h 4m | Nonstop | [Details](#) | [Preview seats](#)

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 2406   ANC 8:45 am FAI 9:49 am

1h 4m | Nonstop | [Details](#) | [Preview seats](#)

Flight 2406 is operated by Horizon Air as AlaskaHorizon

 68   ANC 11:05 am FAI 12:07 pm

1h 2m | Nonstop | [Details](#) | [Preview seats](#)

There will be a bus that will transport conference attendees from the airport to CCHRC for these three flights. Volunteers will be at the airport to direct conference attendees to the bus location.

### **Transportation To and From Chena Hot Springs**

Conference registration includes bus travel from CCHRC to Chena Hot Springs on Thursday March 9. It is critical that all conference attendees and guests are registered for the conference to ensure there are enough seats on the buses. Conference attendees must be at CCHRC by 1:00 pm for a timely bus departure.

A conference bus will be leaving Chena Hot Springs at 4:30 pm on Friday March 10. The bus will drop conference attendees off at the Fairbanks International Airport.

### **Fairbanks Departure Travel**

The conference includes bus transportation from Chena Hot Springs to Fairbanks International Airport. Conference attendees that want to spend additional time in Chena Hot Springs should arrange for alternate transportation from the resort.

Based on potential winter weather driving conditions, we are recommending that conference attendees reserve departure flights AFTER 7:30 pm on Friday, March 10, 2023.

Recommended flights for the **evening of Friday, March 10, 2023 from Fairbanks via Alaska Airlines:**

Fairbanks to Anchorage, Alaska

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*Alaska* 2410   9:35 pm *ANC* 10:40 pm  
1h 5m | Nonstop | [Details](#) | [Preview seats](#)  
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Fairbanks to Seattle, Washington (Note these are the morning of Saturday March 11, 2023)

*Alaska* 98   1:20 am *SEA* 5:52 am  
3h 32m | Nonstop | [Details](#) | [Preview seats](#)

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*Alaska* 210   2:50 am *SEA* 7:22 am  
3h 32m | Nonstop | [Details](#) | [Preview seats](#)

**Car Rental Recommendations:**

Though air travel and conference provided transportation is what is recommended, some visitors may wish to rent a vehicle for additional exploration outside of the conference.

Traditional/National rental companies in both Anchorage and Fairbanks do not come with winter driving rated tires. If conference attendees want to rent a car in Fairbanks, it is highly recommended that they use a rental service such as Turo where they are renting vehicles from Alaskans that have been outfitted for winter driving conditions. Ensure that the vehicles have studded or winter tires. "All-season" tires are typically not enough. Vehicle rentals for travel outside of Fairbanks are highly recommended to be four-wheel drive, or at least all-wheel drive.

**Questions:**

If you have any questions about travel arrangements or recommendations, please reach out to the conference staff.