

## Job Opening: Avalanche Forecaster - Closes August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021

Haines Avalanche Center is hiring for a part-time Avalanche Forecaster for the winter 2021-2022 season, based in Haines, Alaska.

You will work with a team of professionals to gather field snowpack and weather observations, evaluate current avalanche conditions, and generate a public avalanche advisory. We are looking for someone to strengthen our team of educators and forecasters and work collaboratively to improve our products.



### Duties include:

- Weekly field data collection on a set schedule, in areas commonly accessed by recreationalists
- Recording snow and weather observations to SWAG standards and sharing with the public
- Attend and contribute to regular forecast meetings
- Writing and publishing public avalanche forecasts on a set schedule
- Acting as a representative of HAC and setting a good example in the community

This is a part-time position scheduled for 10-20hrs per week depending on time of year and scheduling. Our operating season is mid-November through mid-April, and we expect this position to run December 1<sup>st</sup> through March 31<sup>st</sup>.

### Requirements:

- Good fitness and expert ability to travel safely in backcountry avalanche terrain by ski, splitboard, or snowmachine
- Demonstrated ability to understand snowpack, weather and avalanche trends in a field setting
- Advanced skills/experience in avalanche companion rescue scenarios
- Proven experience forecasting mountain weather and avalanche conditions

### Desired Qualifications:

- Pro 1, Level 3, or similar level of avalanche education / experience
- Professional member of the American Avalanche Association
- Local operational experience in Haines, Alaska

### Pay:

\$22 - \$25/hr depending on experience.

### About Us:

Founded in 2010, the Haines Avalanche Center is an office of the Alaska Avalanche Information Center, a registered 501c3 non-profit organization that offers professional avalanche services throughout Alaska. We're flexible and adaptive to the needs of our community, and we're looking for someone who fits into this model.

### To Apply:

Please send résumé and letter of interest to: [estevens@alaskasnow.org](mailto:estevens@alaskasnow.org) by August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021