

UA Foundation seeks donations

New tax laws scheduled to become effective with the new year have led to an increase in calls to the University of Alaska Foundation from landowners interested in making a donation to the university.

"We do accept a small number of land donations each year from people who want to take advantage of the tax laws and at the same time see their property go to support a worthy cause such as the University of Alaska," said Scott Taylor, foundation acting director.

"This year, however, we've received more calls than normal," he said. "I believe landowners are just now recognizing that the new tax law is really going to happen and that in some cases, a donation made this year is more advantageous than one made after Dec. 31."

Taylor said the foundation is currently working on several such land donations in different parts of the state.

The University of Alaska Foundation, a nonprofit corporation legally distinct from the university, was established in 1974 to solicit donations and to hold and manage them for the exclusive benefit of the University of Alaska.

Those interested in knowing more about donating land to the UA Foundation are invited to call the foundation office at 474-7687 or write to UA Foundation, Suite 101, 590 University Ave., Fairbanks 99709.