
WTCAK Tradeline E-newsletter



Dear Members and Friends of the Center:

Last week was a busy one for the Center as we conducted the **2010 Statewide Economic Forecast Luncheon** in three cities, in three days. We started the series of luncheons in Fairbanks, then Anchorage, and then on to Juneau. A combined audience of approximately 800 business and community leaders attended the events, including nearly 500 in Anchorage. The events garnered significant media coverage including the front page, headline article in the *Juneau Empire* newspaper and prominent coverage by KTUU television in Anchorage.



A sold-out audience of nearly 500 people filled the Howard Rock Ballroom at the Sheraton Anchorage Hotel to hear the 2010 Statewide Economic Forecast.

I want to recognize and thank **Wells Fargo Bank** for sponsoring these three luncheons. This marks the seventh year that Wells Fargo has served as the exclusive sponsor of these events. I also want to thank **Pat Burden** and his colleagues at **Northern Economics** for preparing and presenting the statewide forecast each year. They do a great job, and provide the community with thoughtful and accurate analysis.



Pat Burden, President of Northern Economic presented the 2010 Statewide Economic Forecast and review of 2009.



Gary Schlossberg, Vice President and Senior Economist at Wells Fargo Capital Management, discussed national and international economic trends.

This year, I want to express our appreciation to **Governor Sean Parnell** for making the opening remarks at the luncheon in Anchorage. The State of Alaska is one of the Center's important strategic partners and throughout the year we work closely with the Governor's staff as well as with the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, and other state agencies. I also want thank **Lieutenant Governor Craig Campbell** for joining us at the head table at the Anchorage event.



Alaska Governor Sean Parnell made the opening remarks.

In case you missed the luncheon, I have included links to the 2010 Statewide Economic Forecast presented by Pat Burden and my report on Alaska's international trade performance and forecast. Also, you will find links to some of the media coverage we received from around the state.



Greg Wolf, Executive Director of World Trade Center Alaska, and a Consultant to the U.S. Department of Commerce, reported on Alaska's major export industries and the outlook for 2010.

Finally, I want to thank all of you who attended. We hope you found the presentations to be informative and useful for your planning as the year progresses. I hope you will join us next January when we gather once again to review the state's economy and make the forecast for the year ahead.

For presentations, please click on the following links:

[Pat Burden Presentation](#)

[Greg Wolf Presentation](#)

In case you missed the luncheon, please find links to some media coverage below:

[Juneau Empire](#)

[Fairbanks Daily News- Miner](#)

[KTUU](#)

Best Regards,

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