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Attachments: Dillingham Invite .pdf

All,

I have not forgotten you!! I am currently visiting the Bristol Bay Region listening to growers, school nutrition directors, community members, school and university staff, and district superintendents about how to support their Farm to School efforts – FANTASTIC TIMES!!! Meeting in Dillingham tomorrow evening – attached is the invitation for Bristol Bay Region residents!!

I am unable to put together a whole huge normal listserv for you this week and I'm already a day behind schedule. Please know I'll have a regular listserv posting out next week (though it will be on Wednesday as that will be my first day back in the office!).

Here are a few cool things that floated across my desk this week that I want you to know about even though this isn't a normal listserv:

- **HEADS UP: Natural Resources Conservation Service** has just announced its 2018 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) that funds conservation practices associated with soil health, manure management, high tunnels, organic transition and more. All applications for FY18 funding are due Nov. 30. See the attached timeline and this link for more information:
<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/ak/programs/financial/eqip/>
- Moby, the Mobile Greenhouse application is now open to Southeast AK communities. It's free, and a fun way to try out growing! More info here: <http://sustainablesoutheast.net/foodsystems/mobilegreenhouse/> - Give Lia Heifetz, Director of Grow Southeast a call if you have any questions at 321.5425
- **Quick Turnaround Required!! Annie's Grants for Gardens** – Annie's believe that showing future generations how sustainable food is grown can change their lives. Connecting kids to gardens helps them to start thinking more holistically about their food, their communities, and the planet. Want a garden? Apply today! Applications are due **November 11**, 2017. [Learn more here.](#)
- **Kids Gardening 2018 Youth Garden Grants** (this may be a repeat from past listserv posts but I want to make sure you have this!!)
The 2018 Youth Garden Grant is an award designed to support school and youth educational garden projects that enhance the quality of life for students and their communities. Any nonprofit organization, public or private school, or youth program in the United States planning a new garden program or expanding an established one that serves at least 15 youth between the ages of 3 and 18 is eligible to apply. Applications are due December 8, 2017. [Learn more and apply](#)

Send me success and fun stories from your Farm to School Month experiences!! I'll be drawing for great prizes in mid-November so get me those stories soon!! Remember, it isn't bragging if it's true!!

Be well,

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