



The secret is out that mountains and glaciers are not just the perfect backdrops for a memorable vacation. Alaska is now ready for the big screen, and with a film incentive program in place, the state is likely to appear in more films and television shows than ever before.

The **Alaska Film Production Incentive Program** was enacted in 2008, to encourage growth of the film industry in Alaska by offering up to 44 percent in a transferable tax credit on qualified production expenditures in Alaska. Eligible projects include film, documentary, commercial, and video productions with a minimum of \$100,000 of qualified expenditures in Alaska. In the fall of 2010, a major motion picture, "Big Miracle" broke new ground by being filmed entirely in Alaska with assistance of the incentive program. Other features and television shows are actively shooting in Alaska, so expect to see much more of Alaska on big (and little) screens.

Across Alaska there are nearly unlimited filming locations, from quaint coastal towns to wide open tundra, harbors teeming with fishing boats or flourishing cities. With almost 22 hours of summer daylight in many areas of the state, Alaska's locations are beaming with natural light.

Filming in Alaska is not only beneficial to film makers who wish to tell their stories of the Last Frontier, but it's good business for Alaska as well. The Alaska Film Office will assist with finding the right people to do the jobs needed to create a production and are located right in Alaska, including location scouts, grips, and production assistants — all skilled at working in Alaska's unique conditions. They will also provide contacts for transportation, food and lodging, gear and equipment, set design and construction, and more.

The Alaska Film Office encourages all films to incorporate the use of products made in Alaska, verified by the Made in Alaska program's emblem of a mother bear and cub. Products containing the Made in Alaska logo have met the program's criteria of being produced in Alaska with Alaska materials by an Alaska resident.

For more information on filming in Alaska, visit www.film.alaska.gov.

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