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	Jeffrey	Jensen	Johnstone	Huntington	Johnson	Morisky	Kluberton
Committees							
Committee on Committees			Chair		X	X	
Bd. of Fisheries/Bd. of Game				X	Chair	X	
Federal/State Subsistence	Chair	X		X			
Habitat				Chair	X		X
Joint BOF/NPFMC Protocol	X	Chair	Alt.				X
Legislation			X	X		Chair	
Task Forces / Workgroups							
Possession limits	\mathbf{X}		Chair			\mathbf{X}	
Sustainable Salmon Fisheries	X	X					Chair

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Representative Tammie Wilson Fairbanks Advisory Committee Paul Shadura

MEMORANDUM

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Boards Support Section

TO: Alaska Board of Fisheries DATE: October 7, 2015

THRU: PHONE: 907-465-6095

FROM: Glenn Haight, Executive Director SUBJECT: Boards Support Budget

Alaska Board of Fisheries Overview and Potential Savings From Process

Savings From Process

Change

Available revenue is a major issue in state government. The April 2015 revenue forecast from the Department of Revenue projected unrestricted general fund (UGF) in FY17¹ at \$3.1 billion, leaving a shortfall of \$2-3 billion depending on the budget target.

Since FY14, Boards Support's budget declined \$240K as part of ADF&G's \$14.1 million cut in UGF. Boards Support is managing in FY16 by holding off on further staff hiring, running only one Board of Game meeting, closely watching advisory committee travel, and reducing reliance on vendors for services. The FY17 budget projections will bring change to the programs within Boards Support. Given in-house projections for the normal 2016/2017 meeting schedule, there is a projected revenue shortfall of \$170K without any reduction in revenues. Table 1.

In order to illustrate the impact of revenue reductions to Boards, the following program reduction scenarios put forward a series of potential cost cutting measures. Actual scenario reductions will be the purview of management at the time and the items below are for example purposes only. The following scenarios are for program changes required to meet projected budget shortfall at status quo, and UGF reductions of 5 and 10 percent.

Reduction Scenario at Status Quo (see Table 1 for detailed budget impacts)

- Eliminate staff training budget.
- Eliminate staff travel to attend advisory committee meetings.
- Reduce to \$3,000 non-board meeting staff travel.
- Reduce to \$3,000 non-board meeting board travel.
- Eliminate coffee, etc. from board meetings.
- Eliminate debriefing meeting budgets.
- Eliminate honorarium for Big Game Commercial Services Board service.
- Further proposals book reduction to minimum statutory requirements.
- Reduce funding for committee work.
- Eliminate use of rental cars at board meetings.
- Run Board of Fisheries work session as a teleconference.

¹ Fiscal years run from July-June. FY16 is July 2015-June 2016. FY17 is July 2016-June 2017.

- Furlough executive directors two weeks each.
- Set administrative assistant position to other duties for 25% of time.

Reduction Scenario at 5 Percent

Reductions under Status quo and -

- Furlough executive directors for one month each.
- Move publication specialists to 11 months.
- Reduce advisory committee travel funds by \$25K.
- Remove one day from each Board of Fisheries regulatory meeting.

Reduction Scenario at 10 Percent

Reductions under 5 percent scenario and -

- Furlough executive directors for two months each.
- Combine BOG Interior and Arctic meetings.

Potential Savings

There are three cost drivers in Boards Support including administration, board meetings, and advisory committee travel. Savings may be realized to the extent the boards can minimize meeting days. By the Board of Game moving to a three year cycle in January 2015, they eliminated a board meeting each year which will save \$30-50K annually and lower costs to divisions.

Along with less meeting days, a change in board process may find greater savings to divisions. Divisions spend a large block of time writing comments and reports, meeting with advisory committees, and working at board meetings. Changes in board process that reduce this workload might help divisions mitigate program reductions from budget cuts they will sustain in the future.

On the subject of changes to board process, the board received three proposals seeking changes to process. As the proposals were outside the call, they are not part of the formal meeting cycle this year. However, they are provided in record copies for this meeting (RC #6). There has also been significant attention on board process through the Governor's Transition Team findings, the legislature this past session, and discussions regarding tribal co-management. There is additional information on these subjects in this Miscellaneous Section following this memo.

Potential Meeting Cycle Changes

Starting in the early 1990s the board employed a three-year meeting cycle. The three-year cycle provides consistency and opportunity to compel regulatory change on a predictable basis. Some stakeholders say the three-year cycle is too much time between cycles, not allowing for an adequate chance to make critical adjustments. Others say it is not enough time, citing difficulties in developing consistent business plans and high costs from attending meetings. ADF&G is requesting the board review the pros and cons of changing its meeting cycle, and its regulatory process in cooperation with the Board of Game.

In the spirit of discussion, this memo provides a slate of options for meeting cycle change and cost assumptions with each.² It is not Boards Support's position that these options provide a better system than the current schedule, nor are we recommending one over another. Rather, the challenge is to maintain meaningful service to the public during times of dwindling oil revenues. The options below will help promote discussions on ways to approach cost savings. Cost projections for each option are detailed on Table 2 starting on page 7. It is anticipated there may be other scenarios that have greater support following additional review.

- Status Quo: The board makes no changes to its existing schedule.
- Option 1: The board consolidates its Southeast finfish and shellfish proposals to one meeting that lasts up to thirteen days. This is the basis for recommended meeting dates later in this memorandum.
- Option 2: Move to a four-year cycle for regions. An example of groupings may be 1.) Bristol Bay, Chignik, Alaska Peninsula/Bering Sea-Aleutian Island, Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim, 2.) Cook Inlet, 3.) Southeast and Prince William Sound, and 4.) Kodiak and all Statewide regulations.
- Option 3: Keep Bristol Bay, Upper Cook Inlet, and Southeast Finfish on a three year cycle and move all other areas to six year cycles.
- Option 4: Move five year cycle for regions. An example of groupings may be 1.) Upper Cook Inlet, 2.) Southeast Finfish and Shellfish, and Kodiak Finfish, 3.) Bristol Bay, Chignik, Alaska Peninsula/Bering Sea-Aleutian Island, 4.) Lower Cook Inlet, Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim, and Prince William Sound, and 5.) Statewide Finfish and Shellfish.

Status Quo: No change to existing schedule

If the board opts to maintain status quo on its meeting schedule, Boards Support recommends reducing the number of days for Prince William Sound and Southeast Shellfish by two days each to 5 and 4 days, respectively. Costs in 2014/2015 for all regulatory meetings were \$222,510. Combining this meeting cycle with the previous two meetings based on most recent costs shows the average annual cost to hold regularly scheduled regulatory meetings is \$243,246.

Option 1: Maintain existing three year schedule, but combine Southeast finfish and shellfish

This option brings the Southeast finfish and shellfish together in one meeting. It creates a long meeting, but given the sparse public turnout and interaction at the Wrangell shellfish meeting it appears appropriate to consider. Under this scenario, approximately \$23K is saved by combining these meetings, mainly due to a reduction in travel costs. Averaging this one-year savings over the three year meeting cycle results in an average annual savings of approximately \$7.7K.

Option 2: Move to a four-year cycle with meeting groups of 1.) Western and Southwestern, 2.) Cook Inlet, 3.) Southeast and Prince William Sound, and 4.) Kodiak and all current Statewide regulations

² This analysis does not include the costs of meeting on emergency petitions or work sessions. The board cannot control the number of emergency petitions it receives. Work sessions are generally two days and range from \$30-40K. The most obtainable cost savings associated with work sessions is to conduct the meeting by video- or teleconferencing. This would save upwards of \$30K in travel, venue, and associated costs.

This option casts a meeting cycle of four years for each region. Recommended groups are based on regional similarities and attempting to find balance among workload. The analysis adds work days to some meetings as noted in Table 3. It is assumed the numbers of proposals will increase as more time exists between regions. It is also likely the board will sustain an increase in agenda change requests, but that is not assigned a cost here. Based on these assumptions, the board would save an average of \$66.6K annually by moving to a four year cycle.

Option 3: Keep Bristol Bay, Upper Cook Inlet, and Southeast Finfish on a three year cycle and move all other areas to six year cycles

Under this option, heavily contested regions would remain on three-year cycles while the remainder move to six-year cycles. Six-year cycles are set to better coincide with three-year cycles. Cost savings for this modified schedule are estimated at \$74.7K less than the current three-year average.

Option 4: Move all regions to a five year cycle with meeting groups of 1.) Upper Cook Inlet, 2.) Southeast Finfish and Shellfish and Kodiak Finfish, 3.) Bristol Bay, Chignik, Alaska Peninsula/Bering Sea-Aleutian Island, 4.) Lower Cook Inlet, Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim, and Prince William Sound, and 5.) Statewide Finfish and Shellfish

Under this final option, all regions would shift to a five-year cycle. Similar to the other options, proposal numbers and days for meetings is anticipated to increase. The meeting structure is based mainly on workload and not compatibility of regions in a given year. The average annual cost to conduct this meeting schedule is \$142K, over \$100K less on average annually.

TABLES

Table 1. 2017 Projection Scenarios

Alaska Department of Fish & Game, Boards Support	Cu	rrent w/ No						
/17 Boards Support Summary Projections Change				Redu	ctic	:		
Revenues		0%		0%		5%		10%
General Fund	\$	1,389,100	\$	1,389,100	ċ	1,319,645	ć	1,250,190
I/A Receipts	\$	320,000	\$	320,000	\$	320,000	\$	320,000
Total Revenues	\$	1,709,100	\$		_	1,639,645	_	1,570,190
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Expenditure Assumptions								
Headquarters								
Employee Payroll Projection	\$	706,367	\$	670,959	\$	639,941	\$	611,582
Non-board meeting travel / staff meeting	\$	18,077	\$	3,000	\$	3,000	\$	3,000
Training	\$	3,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Equipment, overhead, supplies	\$	86,907	\$	86,907	\$	86,907	\$	86,907
Total Boards Support Expenses	\$	814,351	\$	760,865	\$	729,847	\$	701,488
Board Meetings / Other								
BOF Work Session - Kenai	\$	38,681	\$	4,232	\$	4,232	\$	4,232
BOG Orientation TBA	\$	1,358		1,308	\$	1,308	\$	1,308
BOF Lower Cook Inlet - Homer	\$	52,710	\$	48,560	\$	44,322	\$	44,322
BOF Kodiak - Kodiak	\$	53,903	\$	49,543	\$	45,572	\$	45,572
BOF Upper Cook Inlet - Anchorage	\$	131,380	\$	116,980	\$	112,812	\$	112,812
BOF Statewide K&T - Anchorage	\$	56,592	\$	51,177	\$	47,312	\$	47,312
BOG Work session	\$	5,190	\$	5,090	\$	5,090	\$	5,090
BOG Interior Meeting	\$	61,864	\$	61,364	\$	61,364	\$	48,886
BOG Arctic/Western	\$	45,058	\$	44,583	\$	44,583	\$	34,405
BOF Debriefing Meeting	\$	1,006	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
BOG Debriefing Meeting	\$	3,774		-	\$	-	\$	-
Big Game Commercial Services Board	\$	1,814	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
BOF Notices	\$	3,300	\$	3,300	\$	3,300	\$	3,300
BOG Notices	\$	3,300	\$	3,300	\$	3,300	\$	3,300
BOF Call for Proposals	\$	600	\$	600	\$	600	\$	600
BOG Call for Proposals	\$	600	\$	600	\$	600	\$	600
Proposal books	\$	13,000	\$	5,000	\$	5,000	\$	5,000
BOF Potential Emergency Petitions	\$	9,148	\$	9,148	\$	9,148	\$	9,148
BOF Committee Meetings	\$	16,081	\$	5,000	\$	5,000	\$	5,000
BOG Potential Emergency Petitions	\$	9,964		9,964	\$	9,964	\$	9,964
BOG Committee Meetings	\$	8,281	\$	5,000	\$	5,000	\$	5,000
BOG Planning Meetings	\$	1,107	\$	1,107	\$	1,107	\$	1,107
BOF Miscellaneous Travel	\$	5,000	\$	1,500	\$	1,500	\$	1,500
BOG Miscellaneous Travel	\$	5,000	\$	1,500	\$	1,500	\$	1,500
Total Board Meetings / Other	\$	528,709		428,855	\$	412,614	\$	389,957
Advisory Committees								
Reg. Coor. & Prg & Cap Costs	\$	346,644	\$	329,986	\$	329,986	\$	329,986
Southeast Region	\$	1,700		1,700	\$	1,484	\$	1,283
Southcentral Region	\$	22,900		22,900	\$	19,990	\$	17,278
Southwest Region	\$	35,900		35,900	\$	31,338	\$	27,086
Western Region	\$	48,145		48,145	\$	42,027	\$	36,325
Arctic Region	\$	27,935		27,935	\$	24,385	\$	21,077
Interior Region	\$	53,700		53,700	\$	46,876	\$	40,516
Total Advisory Committees	\$	536,923		520,265	\$	496,086	\$	473,550
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Total Expenditures	\$	1,879,983	\$	1,709,985	\$	1,638,547	\$	1,564,995

Table 2: Boards Support Section Cost Estimates for Changes in Meeting Schedules

Status Quo

Status Quo: No change from existing schedule							
	Projected				Average Proposals /	Αv	erage Cost
Meeting Scenario	Days	Proposals	Estir	nated Cost	Day		/ Day
Cycle 1: Upper and Lower Cook Inlet Finfish, Kodiak, Statewide							
King and Tanner	26	361	\$	241,552	13.9	\$	9,290.46
Cycle 2: Southeast/Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish, PWS Finfish,							
Statewide Dungeness, Other	22	328	\$	222,510	14.9	\$	10,114.09
Cycle 3: Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Islands-Bering Sea/Chignik,							
AYK, Bristol Bay, Statewide Finfish	29	251	\$	265,675	8.7	\$	9,161.21
AVERAGE ANNUAL COST UNDER STATUS QUO			\$ 2	243,246			

Notes: Projected days are based on the number of meeting days in the most recent cycle. The number of proposals is the average from the last four meeting cycles. Estimated costs are from the most recent meeting cycles and includes travel, honorariums, staff overtime, venue, and rental expenses.

Option 1

Option 1: Consolidate Southeast finfish and shellfish	meetings						
	Projected				Average Proposals /	Av	erage Cost
Meeting Scenario	Days	Proposals	Estir	nated Cost	Day		/ Day
Cycle 1: Upper and Lower Cook Inlet Finfish, Kodiak, Statewide							
King and Tanner	26	361	\$	241,552	13.9	\$	9,290.46
Cycle 2: Southeast/Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish, PWS Finfish, Statewide Dungeness, Other	22	328	\$	199,273	14.9	\$	9,057.86
Cycle 3: Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Islands-Bering Sea/Chignik,							
AYK, Bristol Bay, Statewide Finfish	29	251	\$	265,675	8.7	\$	9,161.21
AVERAGE ANNUAL COST UNDER OPTION 1			\$ 2	235,500			
NET ANNUAL SAVINGS FROM STATUS QUO			\$	7,746			

Notes: The change in cost is calculated at \$5,000/day once at a meeting. Cost savings is mainly related to travel costs to and from.

Option 2

Option 2: Change to a four year meeting cycle							
	Projected				Average Proposals /	Av	erage Cost
Meeting Scenario	Days	Proposals	Esti	mated Cost	Day		/ Day
Cycle 1: Upper and Lower Cook Inlet Finfish - Starting in 2016	20	310	\$	163,169	15.5	\$	8,158.45
Cycle 2: Southeast/Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish, PWS Finfish -							
Starts in 2017	20	286	\$	159,038	14.3	\$	7,951.90
Cycle 3: Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Islands-Bering Sea/Chignik,							
AYK, Bristol Bay - Starts in 2018	26	245	\$	210,893	9.4	\$	8,111.27
Cycle 4: Statewide Dungeness, Other Kodiak, Statewide King and							
Tanner, Statewide Finfish - Starts in 2019	20	149	\$	160,017	7.5	\$	8,000.85
AVERAGE ANNUAL COST UNDER OPTION 2			\$.	176,649			
NET ANNUAL SAVINGS FROM STATUS QUO			\$	66,596			

Notes/Assumptions:

- * There will be a 10% increase in the number of proposals over the historical average.
- * Costs for adding days is held consistent at \$5,000/day.
- * Cycle 1 is two meetings for Lower and Upper Cook Inlet. Upper Cook Inlet increases the number of days by 2 to 16 days.
- * Cycle 2 is two meetings for Southeast and Prince William Sound. Southeast includes both shellfish and finfish, increases the number of days by 2 to 15 days. May consider adding Prince William Sound Shellfish to the PWS finfish meeting.
- * Cycle 3 is three meetings. One day is added to each meeting.
- * Cycle 4 is two meetings, one for all Statewide shellfish and one for Kodiak Finfish and Statewide finfish. The current schedule for these combined meetings is 9 days each. One day will be added to each meeting.

Table 3 (cont.)

Option 3

Option 3: Bristol Bay, Upper Cook Inlet, Southeast sta	y at three y	ears, all of	thers	go to six			
	Projected				Average Proposals /	Ave	erage Cost
Meeting Scenario	Days	Proposals	Esti	mated Cost	Day		/ Day
Cycle 1: Upper and Lower Cook Inlet Finfish, Kodiak Finfish - Starting in 2016	23	353	\$	200,437	15.4	\$	8,714.65
Cycle 2: Southeast/Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish, PWS Finfish - Starts in 2017	19	286	\$	149,038	15.1	\$	7,844.11
Cycle 3: Bristol Bay Finfish, Chignik, Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Islands - Bering Sea - Starts in 2018	18	176	\$	160,866	9.8	\$	8,937.00
Cycle 4: Upper Cook Inlet and Statewide Finfish - Starting in 2019	20	298	\$	176,014	14.9	\$	8,800.70
Cycle 5: Southeast/Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish, Statewide Shellfish - Starts in 2020	24	299	\$	180,845	12.5	\$	7,535.21
Cycle 6: Bristol Bay, AYK - Starts in 2021	15	158	\$	144,198	10.5	\$	9,613.20
AVERAGE ANNUAL COST UNDER OPTION 3			\$.	168,566			
NET ANNUAL SAVINGS FROM STATUS QUO			\$	74,679			

Notes/Assumptions:

- * There will be a 10% increase in the number of proposals over the historical average for all meetings.
- * Costs for adding days is held consistent at \$5,000/day.
- * Cycle 1 is three meetings for Kodiak, Lower Cook Inlet, and Upper Cook Inlet. Upper Cook Inlet and Kodiak hold at 14 and 4 days respectively, while Lower Cook Inlet increases one day.
- * Cycle 2 is two meetings for Southeast and Prince William Sound. Southeast includes both shellfish and finfish and holds at 13 days. PWS is at 6 days.
- * Cycle 3 is two meetings. Bristol Bay holds at 8 days while Alaska Pen, all, increases one day.
- * Cycle 4 is two meetings. Upper Cook Inlet holds at 14 days while Statewide Finfish increases 1 day to 6 days.
- * Cycle 5 is two meetings for Southeast and Statewide Shellfish. Southeast includes both shellfish and finfish and holds at 13 days. Statewide shellfish combines Tanner, King, Dungeness, and all others and adds two days total.
- * Cycle 6 is two meetings. Bristol Bay holds at 8 days while AYK increases 1 day to 7 days.

Option 4

Option 4: Meeting cycles go to five years	Projected				Average Proposals /	Δ.,,	erage Cost
Meeting Scenario	Days	Proposals	Ectio	nated Cost	Day	AV	/ Day
Cycle 1: Upper Cook Inlet Finfish - Starting in 2016	14	269	\$	116,232	19.2	ċ	8,302.29
1	14	209	Ş	110,232	19.2	Þ	8,302.29
Cycle 2: Southeast/Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish, Kodiak Finfish -							
Starts in 2017	17	265	\$	142,878	15.6	\$	8,404.59
Cycle 3: Bristol Bay Finfish, Chignik, Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian							
Islands - Bering Sea - Starts in 2018	18	176	\$	160,866	9.8	\$	8,937.00
Cycle 4: Lower Cook Inlet, AYK, Prince William Sound - Starting in							
2019	18	175	\$	140,392	9.7	\$	7,799.56
Cycle 5: Statewide Finfish and Shellfish - Starts in 2020	17	106	\$	151,132	6.3	\$	8,890.12
AVERAGE ANNUAL COST UNDER OPTION 4			\$ 1	142,300			
NET ANNUAL SAVINGS FROM STATUS QUO			\$ 1	100,946	·		

Notes/Assumptions:

- * There will be a 10% increase in the number of proposals over the historical average for all meetings.
- * Costs for adding days is held consistent at \$5,000/day.
- * Cycle 1 is one meeting for Upper Cook Inlet. Upper Cook Inlet holds at 14.
- * Cycle 2 is two meetings for Southeast and Kodiak. Southeast includes both shellfish and finfish and holds at 13 days. Kodiak increases a day.
- * Cycle 3 is two meetings. Bristol Bay holds at 8 days while Alaska Pen, all, increases one day.
- * Cycle 4 is three meetings. Lower Cook Inlet holds at 5 days, while PWS and AYK increase one day to 6 and 6 respectively.
- * Cycle 5 is two meetings for Statewide Shellfish and Finfish. Statewide shellfish combines Tanner, King, Dungeness, and all others and adds two days total. Statewide finfish adds a day.

Board Process Topics

Board of Fisheries Orientation

October 20, 2015



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Outline



- Transition Team Findings
- HB 103 and Process Proposals
- Advisory Committee concerns
- Tribal co-management
- Budget realities

Transition Team Findings



- Fisheries Committee
 - SSSF into statute (in Priority #1)
 - Priority #4: "Science over politics" (in Priority #4)
 - Board generated proposals
 - Process review
 - Conflict of interest
 - Increase advisory committee authority
 - Locally based adaptive fisheries management (Priority #5)

Other

- Inter-governmental relations
- Subsistence incorporate tribes and Alaska Natives into state and federal management systems (in Priority #3)

HB 103 and Process Proposals



- HB 103
 - Version 1 No BGPs, no substitute language
 - Version 2 (draft) Step by step process in statute
- Process Proposals
 - Representative Tammy Wilson
 - Fairbanks AC BGP policy into statute
 - Shadura Petition process

Advisory Committee Concerns



- Seat at the table
- Going unheard
- Use of board generated proposals
- Use of substitute language

Tribal Relations / Co-management



- Ahtna update
- AVCP's Kuskokwim Intertribal Fisheries
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- Department/Board's Policy (2002-216-FB)
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Thank You



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November 21-23, 2014

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For each of the priority issues identified we were also tasked with identifying what success or resolution of the priority issues would look like and what actions would lead to success or resolution. The committee also discussed what barriers to achieving the success elements would be, and what actions might be taken to help resolve the barriers.

Priority Issues and Recommendations for Alaska Fisheries:

Transition Team Committees were asked to identify the top five priority issues in their topic areas by identifying the biggest challenges they believe the State of Alaska needs to work on. Out of many ideas that were brought forward, the top five were voted on and solidified. The top five priority issues for the Fisheries Committee were:

- 1. Clear "Fish First" Policy for Alaska
- 2. Prioritize and Improve Fishery Access for Alaskans: Develop policies, strategies, management to return fishery access opportunities to residents of Alaska's fishing communities
- 3. Adequate Funding for ADF&G and Fisheries Science
- 4. Alaska fisheries should be managed based on Science over politics
- 5. Alaska fisheries management should be locally based and adaptive

Other issues considered that had commonalities to the major issues included:

- Define Subsistence/Personal Use
- Technology Utilization
- Increase and improve public understanding of dollar value of fisheries
- Recruitment and retention in fisheries management

Priority Issue #1: Fish First Policy for Alaska

Success Elements Considered Agreeable to Most Alaskans

- #1 Instream flows necessary for fish propagation and fish habitat conservation should be automatically reserved for fish in waters lacking instream flow reservations
- #2 There should be no significant loss of fish habitat knowingly permitted in the State of Alaska
- #3 A Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP) that incorporates viewpoints of all stakeholders should be reinstated
- #4 All new road construction should not restrict fish passage

Actions to Address Barriers

- Barrier: Lack of scientific data:
 - o Prioritize baseline data collection and routine stock assessment
 - o Look for partnership opportunities to conduct research that may allow fisheries to open based on adequate data analysis by managers
 - o Provide a transparent process and documentation of how prioritization of research funding is decided
- Barrier: Lack of education and information to the general public on habitat conservation
 - o Governor Walker to create "fish first" education team to better inform Alaska public UNITE subsistence, sport, charter, commercial to accomplish this
 - Launch public campaign using effective modern media tools to explain why fish, fishermen and fish habitat matter
 - o Emphasize community supported fisheries and local consumption of seafood
- Barrier: Lack of votes from public/legislators (see above educate)
 - o Annual seafood briefing to Legislature
 - o Greater visibility of fishing industry and work in support of fish and fish habitat in Juneau
- Barrier: Lack of holistic/basin wide/watershed management
 - o Educate
 - o Mandate evaluation of cumulative impact in the development and permitting process
 - o ADF&G needs stronger voice, ability to veto or improve projects that threaten fish
 - o Restore powers and resources of the Habitat division to ADF&G
 - State/federal/international disconnect Strong state presence at international and federal forums (Pacific Salmon Treaty, NPAFC, IPHC, ESA listing, trans boundary development issues)
- Barrier: No compendium
 - o Compile a "bible" of best practices in conservation-based fisheries management to be used in permitting processes and fisheries management (e.g. roads, riparian management, hydro, hatcheries, seafloor habitat, and culverts!)
- Barrier: Subversion of science to politics, Sustainability rhetoric
 - o Recommit to sustainability and precautionary management walk the talk
 - o Allow State scientists to present at State/national/international scientific forums, allow findings to be presented that might at times be contrary to existing state policy.
- Barrier: Myth that we can re-create fish
 - o Educate! Every legislator should be familiar with Author David Montgomery's book <u>King</u> of Fish
 - o Explain why Hatcheries cannot replace wild and why
- Barrier: Fish and fishermen as barriers to development
 - o Look for mitigation and coexistence opportunities, but make the hard choices. Say "no" to some projects that compromise fish production and clean water for fish
 - o Educate the public on the seafood industry's contribution to Alaska's economy.

Actions to Address Barriers

- Continued access to harvest the resources
- A stable regulatory environment
- Constitutional amendment and legislation
- A lot more entities to hold licenses and permits and quota shares
- Unorganized communities need to become legal entities or partner with existing legal entity
- Alaska Maritime Workforce Development Plan
 - o Fund vocational education
 - o Promote Career awareness, follow example of, or tie in with Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program at UAA
 - o Teach basic fishing, boat repair, and business skills
- Educate Alaskans about how to acquire fishing permits, licenses, quota shares
- Consider possible changes to federal loan program for quota shares
 - o (Provided IRS cannot seize quota shares)

Priority Issue #3: Adequate Funding for ADF&G and Fisheries Science

Success Elements Considered to be Agreeable to Most Alaskans

- ADF&G has funds required to:
 - o Sustainably manage (harvest, habitat, etc.)
 - o Manage based on science
 - o Manage to the benefit of all users
 - o Restore Habitat Division & resources back to ADF&G from DNR

Possible Actions to Success on Agreed Success Elements

- Eliminate "future, free" lifetime license, Alaska residency (*Action not likely supported by most Alaskans*)
- Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC) generates \$1.5M additional dollars into ADF&G budget or research endowment
- New tax on sport and charter fish
 - o Exported outside
- Fish landing tax and give to general fund (ADF&G as recipient)
- Work with DC delegation to amend Dingell-Johnson
 - o Increased tax on retail recreation items
- Ask DC delegation to review Sustainable/Salmon/Fish fund and how the funds are distributed (22-0)
- Tax on sport fish derbies (Action not likely supported by most Alaskans)
- Silver/Sockeye salmon stamp (similar to king stamp)
- Be cognizant that some decrease in state expenditure may have outsized impact on federal money coming in
- Tax on Limited Entry permit sales
- Seek efficiency
 - o More temps/interns
 - o Retire/rehire
 - o Contract for some services
 - o Share the equipment and expertise between divisions

- o Digitize current paper reporting system
- Tele meetings/teleconferences by videos
- Include rural people/agencies in data collection
- Establish digital standards for data sharing between agencies and governments (State, Federal, and Tribal). Outsource!
- Administrative panel to review department and division personnel costs4. Science Over Politics

Priority Issue #4: Alaska Fisheries should be Managed based on Science over Politics

Success Elements Considered to be Agreeable to Most Alaskans

- Develop policies to ensure that the best available science is applied to management decisions
- Develop policies to require Board of Fisheries generated proposals adhere to public process like other proposals
 - o Enlarge, regionalize and professionalize the Board of Fish; Reopen conversation.
 - o Regional
 - o Explore possibilities
 - o Split shellfish from finfish
 - o Board selection process, board processes
 - o Review reoccurring problems
 - o Conflicts of interest issues
 - o Access and transparency to department "report" information
 - o Improve timely access to information
 - o Increase authority of advisory groups
 - o Ability of Alaska Board of Fisheries representative to speak, participate (re: conflict of interest related)
 - o Ask Governor to form a working group to consider Alaska Board of Fish reforms
 - o Consider forming a workgroup to review regional concerns
 - o Evaluation of Board of Fish process that results in changes and improvements
 - o Regionalization is good but need departmental support to these areas
 - o Recommend the Administration review and evaluate policies, procedures and practices of the Alaska Board of Fish, including the interaction between the Board and ADF&G, and provide a series of possible improvements to the overall process.
 - Unanimous vote to adopt all points listed above as corresponding success elements for Priority Issue #4

Possible Actions to Success on Agreed Success Elements

- Adopt state legislation to require use of best available science, similar to or equal to Magnuson-Stevens Act National Standards
- The Governor or the Legislature should adopt policies requiring the Board of Fish generated proposals adhere to public process requirements like other proposals

Actions to Address Barriers

- State expertise and data
- ID private, federal funding
- Create/support process to solicit and incorporate local ideas and knowledge with aim of creating a LAMP or other local management regime (State helps locals get to yes)
- Mediation

Intergovernmental Relations

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The Intergovernmental Relations working group agreed that it is imperative for the State of Alaska to formally recognize the Tribes in Alaska and ensure funding is shared across governments to support intended programs and provide rural governments dependable revenue sharing. We agreed that the state should reestablish Coastal Zone Management with amplified local control. We agreed that we can build trust and increase cooperation between governments if data is made interoperable between departments and accessible to the public. And we suggest a long term plan for the State of Alaska is created that also includes implementing intergovernmental decision-making, and that all departments are aligned with the Governor's intergovernmental priorities.

PRIORITY ISSUES

- 1. Tribal State relations need to be on a formal government-to-government basis
- 2. Funding between governments needs to flow, inclusive of revenue sharing/offshore leases/etc. so that money meant for Tribes and local governments goes to them
- 3. Reestablish, reinstate Coastal Zone Management
- 4. "State" administrative issues, based on a lack of trust for other governments, causes not knowing stakeholders, bad/lack of communication, no access to data and no long-term plan
- 5. Structural issues within the State cause silos to be created such as the Department of Transportation, Division of Elections/voting problems etc.

PRIORITY SUCCESS ELEMENTS & ACTIONS

The following charts for each priority attempt to summarize a great deal of dialogue, refinement and critical thinking. The barriers that were identified by the committee have been absorbed and/or responded to in the success actions/steps as much as possible. Many of the priority areas and success elements are complimentary to and build upon each other. There may also be some crossover and where that happens it is to be interpreted as "and" not "or"; as an opportunity for collaboration. A final summary is included at the end of this document.

1. Tribal – State relations need to be on a formal government-to-government basis

Tribal Friendly Administration	Formal Tribal Recognition	Forever
		(Made Permanent)
Utilize critical timeline of new administration already willing to work with Tribes in paradigm changing ways Administrative Action Executive Order	Expedite timeframe, begin to progressively advance State-Tribal relations Executive Order Legislative Action	Implement long term strategy resulting in permanent, formal recognition of Tribes by the State Executive Order Legislative Action
Educate/Public Relations Campaign:	Educate/Public Relations	Educate/Public Relations

- Cabinet & administration(internal)
- Legislature (intra-gov't)
- Public (external)

Short Term:

- Administrative Action: Use tools such as the Millennium Agreement to start off quickly on right foot; State of the State address to highlight priority, short and long-term strategy; the symbolic power of office to invite Tribes to functions & build relationships; collaborate with other States making progress in this area (e.g. Arizona, New Mexico, Montana); pause current and ongoing lawsuits against Tribes and Alaska Native peoples to reassess positions and legal direction/interpretation; bring Tribes and State government together for an annual government to government dialogue
- Issue Executive Order:
 1)condemning use of waivers of sovereign immunity clauses against Tribes and other internal mechanisms that seek to find fault with Tribes; establish ongoing statewide educational webinar emphasizing vision, direction, and internal mechanisms that affirm respectful, gov't to gov't relations between State and Tribes and highlight opportunities both financial and otherwise for why these are key strategic relationships for the State

Campaign:

- Cabinet & administration (internal)
- Legislature (intra-gov't)
- Public (external)

Short Term:

- Amplify cohesion on this issue at the executive leadership level and internal education at all levels
- Issue Executive Order to implement and utilize Millennium Agreement in the immediate term as a longer term permanent solution is crafted and implemented

Long Term:

- Legislative Action (law) to formally and permanently recognize the Tribes of Alaska and to facilitate and affirm respectful and ongoing government to government relations between the State and the Tribes
- Judicial Action- continue to support and emphasize the critical ongoing judicial work advancing stronger partnership, and recognition of sovereignty and jurisdiction between the courts of Alaska and the Tribes and their courts in Alaska.

Campaign:

- Cabinet & administration (internal)
- Legislature (intra-gov't)
- Public (external)

Short Term:

- Hire and embed a commission/cabinet level position on "Alaska Native Affairs"
- Utilize position to help craft and lead long term strategy and permanent solution

Long Term:

- Legislative action is taken that permanently and forever recognizes the Tribes of Alaska on a government to government basis
- Not subject to changes in Administration or legislative leadership
- Affirmed with appropriate budgetary support as needed and identified in long term strategy process
- Commissioner/Cabinet level position is also made permanent and embedded legislatively, administratively, and judicially.

Subsistence

Priority Issues

There were nine members of the Subsistence working group. We were asked to identify five priorities for the unresolved issues and challenges for subsistence management in Alaska. The working group was in close agreement in identifying the 5 priorities for addressing Subsistence issues in Alaska.

- 1. Dual Management, including federal eco-system management, is ineffective and inefficient for the resources, subsistence users, and all uses of fish and wildlife in Alaska.
- 2. We need an Alaskan solution that addresses State and Native Sovereignty.
- 3. It is necessary to incorporate tribes and Alaska Natives into State and Federal subsistence management systems.
- 4. We need to recognize the subsistence way of life and define what subsistence uses are, who is engaged in subsistence uses, and distinguish subsistence uses from other uses.
- 5. We need to ensure that subsistence users have proper access to resources and there needs to be a means to control and provide access to non-subsistence users to avoid disruption of subsistence use and subsistence opportunity.

Other Issues Considered

- User representation:
 - Commercial Fisheries interests are over represented on the Alaska Board of Fisheries.
 - There is very little representation on the Alaska Board of Game and Board of Fisheries from subsistence users.
 - It is difficult to keep up with all the changes made by the Board of Game and Board of Fisheries.
 - The Federal Subsistence Board needs to be reformed to better represent subsistence users rather than federal agencies.

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<u>Stakeholders</u> (the Committee agreed unanimously with identification of stakeholders)

- Tribes and ANCSA Corporations
- · Commercial operators, transporters, guides, air taxis
- Subsistence users, both state and federally qualified
- Sport users, recognizing that there is a diversity of interests to be represented among sport users
- Federal and state agency representatives ensuring that a proper role in discussions is defined for the agencies
- Commercial fisheries, recognizing that there is a diversity of interests to be represented among commercial fishery users

<u>Success Elements Considered to be Agreeable to Most Alaskans (Committee members agreed unanimously with Success Elements)</u>

- Management on all lands would be abundance based.
- A unified subsistence management system for state, federal and Native lands in Alaska would be established
- Tribes and other subsistence users are meaningfully empowered in management
- Sustainability of the resource comes first

Recommended Actions to Achieve Success Elements

- Management on all lands would be abundance based
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 - (Unanimous/C+)
 - Clarify federal law such that abundance based management for subsistence, and other allowable uses, is the mandate for public lands
 - Clarify that Alaska Native tribes and corporations are empowered for abundance based management on Native lands
- A unified subsistence management system for state, federal and Native lands in Alaska would be established

(Unanimous/A)

- Establish a team of experts including lawyers, anthropologists and fish and wildlife biologists to assess federal and state legislation, the state constitution and recent federal and state subsistence court decisions to identify a course of action including statutory and administrative remedies to establish a unified management system that provides for a subsistence priority and participation by subsistence users in the management of wildlife and fisheries resources
 - Amend ANILCA (deferred to later issues see below)

2. We Need an Alaskan solution that addresses State and Native Sovereignty

<u>Stakeholders</u> (Committee members agreed unanimously with identification of stakeholders)

- Tribes and ANCSA Corporations
- Commercial operators; transporters, guides, air taxis
- Subsistence users, both state and federally qualified
- Sport users, recognizing that there is a diversity of interests to be represented among sport users
- Federal and state representatives ensuring that a proper role in discussions is defined for the agencies
- Commercial fisheries, recognizing that there is a diversity of interests to be represented among commercial fishery users

<u>Success Elements Considered to be Agreeable to Most Alaskans (Committee members agreed unanimously with Success Elements)</u>

- Alaska Native subsistence uses and subsistence uses by other Alaskans are recognized as
 distinct subsistence uses that are important to Alaska and both patterns of subsistence
 uses are protected by law
- Subsistence use as the priority use of wild renewable resources in Alaska is recognized in state and federal law
- The State's sovereignty for managing fish and wildlife is recognized

Recommended Actions to Achieve Success Elements

- Alaska Native subsistence uses and other subsistence uses are recognized (Unanimous/A)
 - Educate Alaskans on tribal and subsistence issues to improve understanding and address concerns

(Majority/A)

- Issue a State Executive order that recognizes Alaska's tribes
- Conduct a poll to determine the public opinion on amending the State constitution establishing subsistence as the priority use of fish and wildlife in Alaska

(Addressed in Priority 1, Unified management & Action above)(Majority/B)

- State constitutional amendment that recognizes the federally recognized tribes in Alaska
- State constitutional amendment that provides for a subsistence priority use
- Subsistence use as a priority use is recognized (Majority/B)

<u>Success Elements Considered to be Agreeable to Most Alaskans (Committee agreed unanimously with Success Elements)</u>

- Traditional knowledge would be included in subsistence management
- Laws enacted, including a State constitutional amendment, that authorizes co-management and other elements
- A state constitutional amendment that provides for subsistence as the priority use of fish and wildlife in Alaska
- State, Federal, Tribal Cooperative management agreements

Recommended Actions to Achieve Success Elements

- Traditional knowledge is included in subsistence management (Majority/A)
 - Issue a State Executive order directing the Alaska Department of Fish and Game to develop a process and/or programs incorporating traditional knowledge into management
- Laws, including a State constitutional amendment that authorizes co-management and other elements

(Unanimous/A)

 The State should participate with the U.S. Department of the Interior in developing a demonstration project for tribal co-management of subsistence fisheries for the Kuskokwim and Yukon River Drainages

(Majority/B)

 Encouraging the state and federal fish and wildlife management agencies to enter into contracts and compacts with tribes (implementing this action could save the State money)

(Addressed in Priority 1, See "Unified management" above)(Unanimous support)

 Recommend an expert working group to provide information and advice regarding co-management and cooperative management

(Addressed in Priority 1 above, Unified management & Tribes and other subsistence users are meaningfully empowered in management)

- State constitutional amendment that provides a subsistence priority (Majority/B)
- Establish Tribal/State/Federal Cooperative management (Unanimous/A)

5. We need to ensure that subsistence users have proper access to resources and there needs to be a means to control and provide access to non-subsistence users to avoid disruption of subsistence uses and opportunity

<u>Stakeholders</u> (Committee members agreed unanimously with identification of stakeholders)

- Tribes and ANCSA Corporations
- Commercial operators; transporters, guides, air taxis
- Subsistence users both state and federally qualified
- Sport users, recognizing that there is a diversity of interests to be represented among sport users
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- Commercial fisheries, recognizing that there is a diversity of interests to be represented among commercial fishery users

<u>Success Elements Considered to be Agreeable to Most Alaskans (Committee members agreed unanimously with the Success Elements)</u>

- Subsistence use and opportunity is sufficient to fulfill economic, cultural, social, and spiritual needs
- Management that provides for non-subsistence users

Recommended Actions to Achieve Success Elements

 Subsistence use and opportunity is sufficient to fulfill economic, cultural, social, and spiritual needs

(Unanimous/A)

 Establish regulatory measures, including time and area regulations, to ensure access for subsistence uses

(Majority/A)

- Invite federal agencies (Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service) to consider closing certain migration corridors of Caribou in the Northwest Arctic Borough and to rotate the closed areas
- o Initiate scientific research that includes traditional knowledge to assess the impact of transporters and fly-in hunters on disruption of Caribou migration corridors

(Unanimous/B+)

 Federal (including Federal Aviation Administration action) and state administrative or statutory action to regulate transporters and air taxi operators

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BY REPRESENTATIVE WILSON

Introduced: 2/11/15

Referred: House Special Committee on Fisheries, Resources

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"An Act relating to the authority of the Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game to
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
* Section 1. AS 16.05.241 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(b) Notwithstanding another provision of this chapter, the boards may adopt,
amend, or repeal a regulation only if that regulation, or the amendment or repeal of
that regulation, was initially recommended by
(1) an advisory committee established under AS 16.05.260;

(2) a state agency; or

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(3) a person petitioning the boards under AS 44.62.220.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

- * Section 1. AS 16.05.241 is amended by adding new subsections to read:
 - (b) Before a board adopts, amends, or repeals a regulation, the board shall
 - (1) solicit proposals to adopt, amend, or repeal the regulation;
 - (2) provide copies of the proposals received under (1) of this subsection to
 - (A) the public through department offices; and
 - (B) advisory committees established under AS 16.05.260 that would be affected by the proposals;
 - (3) provide an advisory committee that received a copy of a proposal under (2)(B) of this subsection sufficient time to
 - (A) request technical and scientific assistance and prepared

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- (B) review the proposal at a public meeting; and
- (C) return its recommendations relating to the proposal to the
- (4) vote on the proposal at a public meeting after each advisory committee that received a copy of a proposal has
 - (A) reviewed the proposal at a public meeting; and
 - (B) returned its recommendations relating to the proposal to the
 - (c) Subsection (b) of this section does not apply to
- (1) a petition filed under AS 44.62.220 for the adoption, amendment, or repeal of a regulation; or
 - (2) an emergency regulation or order adopted under AS 44.62.250.

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Explanation of Changes CSHB 103 V.W

"An Act relating to the authority of the Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game to adopt, amend, or repeal regulations."

HB 103 V.A amended AS 16.05.241 in which dictates that the boards may only adopt, amend or repeal a regulation if the regulation was initially recommended by an advisory committee, state agency, or an individual petitioning the boards under AS 44.62.220. In comparison, CSHB 103 V.W amends AS 16.05.241 by adding a two new subsections. CSHB 103 V.W allows the board to adopt, amend or repeal a regulation if the board follows a specific procedure.

CSHB 103 V.W allows two exceptions: a petition filed under AS 44.62.220 or an emergency regulation under AS 44.62.250.



Alaska Department of Fish and Game Alaska Boards of Fisheries and Game

Policy on Government-to-Government Relations With the Federally Recognized Tribes of Alaska

Purpose:

This policy articulates and reinforces a government-to-government relationship between the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) and Boards of Fisheries and Game (boards), and the federally recognized tribes in Alaska through consultation on significant matters of mutual concern.

This department policy provides guidance to all tribes and employees of the department involved in any department or boards action(s) that significantly or uniquely affect a tribal government in Alaska and pertaining to any tribal action that significantly or uniquely affects the department or boards. It also reinforces the foundation for establishing and maintaining effective government-to-government communications between the department and tribes, and between the boards and the tribes, and promotes consultation and coordination with these tribes, with the goal of ensuring the department conducts consultation in a culturally sensitive manner.

Policy:

The department and boards are committed to consulting with tribes in Alaska as early in the department's decision-making process as practicable, and as permitted by law, prior to taking action or undertaking activities that significantly or uniquely affect a tribe or tribes, except that the department is not required to consult with a tribe in those instances described in "Exclusions" below. Department and board actions shall favor meaningful participation of the affected tribe, with the goal of achieving informed decision-making.

Responsibilities, Process, and Protocols:

To ensure the department's processes and procedures throughout all of Alaska are generally uniform and consistent, while maintaining necessary flexibility, the department will adhere to the following steps when consulting with a tribe:

1. Notice to Affected Tribe. The department will make a good faith effort to notify a tribe, at the earliest practicable time, of any proposed department actions that will significantly or uniquely affect the tribe's access to or use of fish, wildlife, or habitat. The boards will notify tribal contacts by mail or other means used to inform the public about potential regulatory actions that may have an effect on the tribe's access to or use of fish, wildlife, or habitat. When circumstances permit, the department will afford the tribe reasonable time to respond to any notification and to participate in

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- consultation with the department. Consultation should continue throughout the department's decision-making process, to the extent practicable, except where expressly prohibited by law or subject to limitations described below. If the department determines that any state or federal law expressly prohibits continued consultation at a specified point in the decision-making process, the department shall so inform the tribe at the outset of the consultation process, or as soon as possible after the department becomes aware of the prohibition.
- 2. <u>Dissemination of Information</u>. At the outset of the consultation process, prior to the first consultation meeting, the department and boards should provide the affected tribe with sufficient information about the proposed action to ensure that the tribe can properly assess and respond to the action or proposed action.
- 3. <u>Identification of the Participants</u>. The department will identify their representatives for the consultation process and the affected tribe will be expected to do the same. The department should work with the representative of the affected tribe to identify any other affected tribe(s) that should be involved in the consultation.
- 4. <u>Authorized Initiators</u>. Any member of the department with decision-making authority regarding an action that may significantly affect a tribe is authorized to initiate a request for consultation with the tribe. The department will likewise accept an unsolicited request for consultation from any representative of a tribal government who has decision-making authority on behalf of that tribe. The department member will provide timely notification to the department's "key contact" regarding any consultation.
- 5. <u>Consultation Process</u>. Consultation should incorporate processes for ongoing communications. The department shall work with the tribe to develop a timeline, list of participants, and method and frequency of communication to be used during the consultation. The department will notify the tribe of any final decision on a proposed action within a reasonable time period prior to the time the decision takes effect, unless extraordinary or emergency circumstances preclude it.
- 6. <u>Tribal Request for Consultation</u>. The department shall maintain a list of its Key Contacts, including phone and email addresses, and shall provide a copy of this list to the tribes. These are the individuals the tribes should contact when requesting consultation on a department matter that they believe will significantly affect the tribe, or a tribal action that may significantly affect the department.
- 7. <u>Inter-department Cooperation</u>. The department will work cooperatively with other state and federal agencies to accomplish the goals and responsibilities of this policy. Requests for consultation determined to be out of the department's purview will be referred to the appropriate "Key Contact" of another state department.
- 8. Working Group Participation. The department recognizes the importance of participation in the Working Groups established within the State-Tribal Forum to facilitate meaningful dialogue

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- regarding issues of concern to the state and the tribes. The department will make a good faith effort to ensure its Key Contacts actively participate in meetings of any Working Group that includes the department.
- 9. Exclusions. The following actions are exempt from this policy: department participation in investigations relating to actual or suspected violations of state law, and initiation of the civil or criminal justice process; adjudicatory and rule-making decisions of the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission; emergency order (EO) announcements and management actions; preseason management strategies, outlooks, or forecasts.
- 10. <u>Limitations on Consultation</u>. The department is not required to consult with Tribes if such consultation could result in an infringement or breach of any applicable privileges, including but not limited to the attorney-client privilege, executive privilege, work product doctrine, deliberative process privilege, and law enforcement confidentiality requirements or privileges.
- 11. Other Considerations. Consultation on development of regulations by the department and all regulatory actions of the boards will occur in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act. Nothing in this policy is intended to prohibit constructive communication between the department and a tribe. Consultations on management plans may occur through specific agreements with affected tribes.

General Provisions:

- 1. This policy is intended to promote constructive dialogue between the department and the tribes, and assure consistency within the different divisions and offices of the department.
- 2. This policy clarifies the department's and boards' protocol for consulting with federally recognized tribes in Alaska in a government-to-government relationship.
- 3. This policy shall be effective upon signature of the Commissioner of the Department of Fish and Game and the board chairs.
- 4. This policy is not intended to expand, contract, or otherwise diminish or limit the sovereignty held by the state or any federally recognized tribe in Alaska.

Definitions: For the purposes of this Policy:

- 1. "Tribe" means any tribe in Alaska that is on the list of federally recognized tribes published by the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs.
- 2. "Consultation" means the timely process of meaningful inter-governmental dialogue between ADF&G divisions and/or offices and tribes, and between the boards and the tribes, regarding a

proposed department or board action that significantly or uniquely affects a tribe. When assessing what action will be subject to consultation, the department shall take into account the cultural and traditional activities of the tribe that may be significantly or uniquely affected by the proposed action, as well as any relevant state and/or federal law. "Consultation" may take place by in-person meeting, teleconference, videoconference, and exchange of written documents, e-mail, or other means appropriate to the circumstances.

- 3. "Department" means the State of Alaska, Department of Fish and Game including its divisions, offices, officials, and/or employees, the Alaska Boards of Fisheries and Game (Boards), and the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission.
- 4. "Boards" means the Alaska Boards of Fisheries and Game
- 5. "Department Action" and "Board Action" means any proposed action, activities, decision, legislation, regulation, plan, policy, procedure, program, project, service, or other actions that significantly or uniquely affect on a tribe, except as identified under "exclusions," below.

Dated: May 1, 2002

Frank Rue, Commissioner

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

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Agenda 9: 2016-2017 Call for Proposal Information

- 1. Memorandum on Call for Proposal, 2016/2017
- 2. Draft 2016/2017 Call for Proposal

MEMORANDUM

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Boards Support Section

TO: Alaska Board of Fisheries DATE: October 6, 2015

THRU: PHONE: 907-465-6095

FROM: Glenn Haight, Executive Director SUBJECT: Setting the Alaska Board of

Fisheries 2016/2017 Meeting

Cycle Call for Proposal

In accordance with 5 AAC 96.610, Procedures for developing fish and game regulations, the boards set their call for proposal through (b) Phase 1 as:

(b) Phase 1. Each board will solicit regulatory proposals or comments to facilitate their deliberations. The boards will, in their discretion, limit those sections or portions of the existing regulations that will be open for change. The board will provide forms to be used in preparing proposals. Notices soliciting proposals will be distributed statewide. ...

The next call for proposals will be issued by Boards Support in late November to early December 2015, with a deadline of April 11, 2016. Please see the draft call for proposal for review. At this juncture the call seeks regulatory proposals for the following species, uses, and regions.

- All finfish for all uses in the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet regions.
- All finfish for all uses in the Kodiak region.

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All King and tanner crab uses in all regions except Southeast and Yakutat.

CALL FOR PROPOSALS Alaska Board of Fisheries

THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES CALLS FOR PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE SUBSISTENCE, PERSONAL USE, SPORT, GUIDED SPORT, AND COMMERCIAL FISHING REGULATIONS FOR

LOWER AND UPPER COOK INLET FINFISH, KODIAK FINFISH, and STATEWIDE (EXCEPT SOUTHEAST AND YAKUTAT) KING AND TANNER CRAB GENERAL PROVISIONS.

PROPOSAL DEADLINE - MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2016

The Alaska Board of Fisheries (board) is accepting proposed changes to the subsistence, personal use, sport, guided sport, and commercial fishing regulations for Lower and Upper Cook Inlet finfish, Kodiak finfish, and Statewide (except Southeast and Yakutat) King and Tanner crab for consideration by the board in its 2016-17 meeting cycle. The board may also consider subsistence proposals for other topics (including other areas) under the subsistence proposal policy, 5 AAC 96.615, if proposals are submitted within this deadline and the board determines they meet the criteria in either 5 AAC 96.615(a)(1) or (2).

To ensure the proposal book is finished in advance of the board meetings, the board sets Monday, April 11, 2016, as the proposal deadline.

Proposals may be submitted online, email, mail or fax at:

Online: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.forms

Email: dfg.bof.comments@alaska.gov (Adobe PDF documents only)

Mail: ADF&G, Boards Support Section

P.O. Box 115526

Juneau, AK 99811-5526

Fax: (907) 465-6094

Proposals must be received by <u>Monday, April 11, 2016</u> at the Boards Support Section office in Juneau. A postmark is NOT sufficient for timely receipt.

Interested parties are encouraged to submit proposals at the earliest possible date. The Board of Fisheries proposal form, including the on-line proposal form, is available at the Boards Support website, http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.forms. Proposal forms are also available at any Boards Support office. Proposals must be submitted on the current approved form. Any additional information provided with the form, such as tables, Internet web links, or charts, will not be included in the proposal book.

The completed proposal form must contain a contact telephone number and address. Email addresses are appreciated. Please print or type the individual's or organization's name as appropriate.

All proposals are reviewed by the board's proposal review committee prior to publication. Language that is emotionally charged detracts from the substance of the proposal and may draw opposition not germane to the element(s) of the proposal. The proposal review committee reserves the right to edit proposals containing such language. **Proposals that do not meet the call will not be accepted**. Proposals must pertain to the region, species, and uses in this call. If duplicative proposals are received by the same individual or group only one will be included in the proposal book.

Proposals published in the proposal book will be referenced with the appropriate Alaska Administrative Code citation and include a brief description of the action requested.

Proposal books are sent to advisory committees and the public for review and comment. Proposals are online at http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.proposalbook. Those submitting proposals are encouraged to review the proposal book at their earliest convenience to ensure proposals are included and accurate. Noted errors and omissions should be reported to Boards Support immediately. The public is encouraged to visit the Board of Fisheries website frequently for news and information regarding the upcoming cycle.

Responsive proposals received by the proposal deadline will be considered by the Board of Fisheries during the October 2016 through March 2017 meeting schedule.

For more information, please contact the Alaska Board of Fisheries Executive Director, (907) 465-4110.

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Agenda #10: 2017-2018 Meeting Cycle Location and Dates

- 1. Boards Support Memorandum on Meeting Location and Dates
- 2. Meeting dates and locations worksheet for 2017/2018 with history
- 3. Working Calendar October 2017-March 2018
- 4. Board Policy 91-126-FB Board of Fisheries Long Term Goals (see Policies Section)
- 5. Board of Fisheries Criteria for Meeting Planning
- 6. Public comment on meeting locations:

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MEMORANDUM

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Boards Support Section

TO: Alaska Board of Fisheries DATE: October 6, 2015

THRU: PHONE: 907-465-6095

FROM: Glenn Haight, Executive Director SUBJECT: Meeting location, dates, and

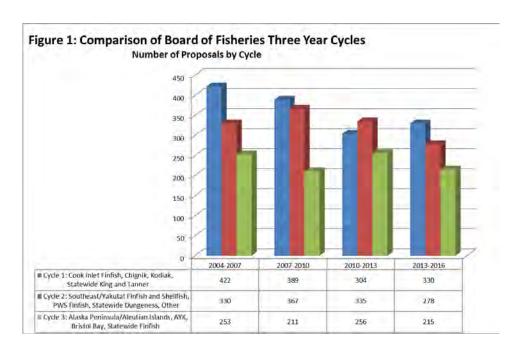
Alaska Board of Fisheries cycle scenarios for the 2017/2018 meeting cycle

The 2017/2018 Alaska Board of Fisheries (board) meeting cycle dates and locations are set for determination at the 2015 work session. The schedule for review includes the Prince William Sound finfish, Southeast and Yakutat finfish and shellfish, and statewide Dungeness crab, shrimp, and other shellfish. This memo provides past meeting metrics, recommended dates, and venue data.

Observations from the 2014/2015 meeting cycle

For the cycle under consideration, the 2014/2015 meeting cycle moved much quicker than anticipated. Having solved most of the difficult management plan issues in the past, the board dealt mainly with adjustments within the plans. With strong earnings in commercial sectors, most participants supported status quo within commercial fishing allocations.

The 278 proposals reviewed in 2014/2015 were down almost 19% from the previous three-



meeting average of 344 (Figure 1 – red column). While the average proposals / meeting day exceeded 10/day for each meetings (Table 1 starting on page 5), the meetings proceeded quickly with time to spare. In particular, the Southeast shellfish meeting in Wrangell was very quick due in part to smaller than expected in-person public participation. Although originally planned for 7 days and

rescheduled for 6 days just prior to the meeting, the meeting finished by noon on the fourth day. The Prince William Sound finfish meeting was scheduled for six days and finished in five. The total regulatory meeting days during this cycle was 22. Table 2 provides proposal outcomes by regulatory chapter for each of the meetings.

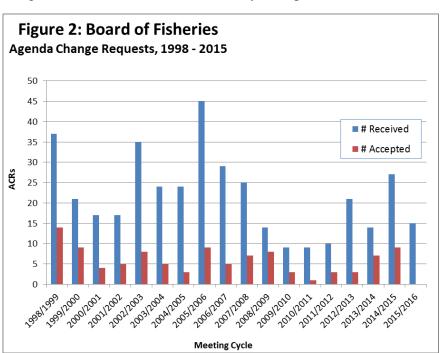
Location Information

Locations for the 2017/2018 meeting cycle from the past 10 years or more is provided in Table 3 starting on page 8. There may be alternative locations as well that work for these meetings depending on whether the board opts for status quo or combining meetings.

Work Session Considerations and Agenda Change Requests

Recent October work sessions managed well within the allotted two day time period. The

number of agenda change requests (ACRs) drives meeting workload, but even in years with a relatively high number of requests, the twoday meeting sufficed. Figure 2 offers a look at ACR numbers since 1998. The general trend for agenda change requests is down from 10 years ago. However, it is on a slight increase in the last 5 years. The average percentage accepted during this entire period is about 28% annually. That average is just slightly higher in recent years.



Proposed Days for Meetings

The following list offers the proposed and backup days for the 2017/2018 meeting schedule. Appendix 1 provides these dates in calendar view, as well as statistics on more recent meetings in these cycles and other meeting dates of interest.

Meeting (Recommended Days)	Proposed Dates	Backup Dates
Work Session (2)	October 18-19, 2017	October 25-26, 2017
Prince William Sound Finfish (5)	December 1-5, 2017	December 8-12, 2017
Combined Southeast Finfish and Shellfish (13)	January 11-23, 2018	January 18-30, 2018
or		
Southeast and Yakutat Shellfish (4)	January 11-14, 2018	January 7-10, 2018
Southeast and Yakutat Finfish (9)	January 26-February 3,	January 18-26, 2018
	2018	
Statewide Dungeness, Crab, Shrimp and other	February 27-March 2,	March 6-9, 2018
Miscellaneous Shellfish (4)	2018	

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Other Meeting Considerations

At times participants report issues related to meeting timing. At the Southeast Finfish meeting, a participating salmon troller remarked that putting deliberations for troll proposals at the very end of the meeting prevented him from participating in the winter troll fishery for nine days. He asked that the board consider moving deliberations on troll proposals closer to the front of the meeting. This is more a note for setting the roadmap than location or date decisions.

TABLES

	Table 1	. 2014/2015	Meeting	Cvcle 3	Proposals/Day
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Table 1	1. 2014/20	015 N	Ieeting (Cycle Pr	oposals/D	ay									
Year	Location	Days	Proposals	Proposals / Day	Department Reports	Time Department Reports (hrs)	Start/End	Average Time per Report (min)	Testifiers (Public/AC/R AC)	Total Testifiers	Time for Testimony (hrs)	Start/End	Average Time Per Testifier (min)	# of Record Copies	RCs / Day
									•	•					
Southeast	Finfish Meeting	Statistic	s			1	l		İ	1	1	Day 2 @ 8:35am		l	
2015	Sitka	9	121	13.4	7	3.25	Day 1 @ 2:10pm / Day 1 @ 5:28pm	28	95/5	100	9.5	/ Day 3 @ 10:55am	5.7	145	16.1
2012	Ketchikan	10	145	14.5	10	6	Day 1 @ 9:50am / Day 1 @ 5:15pm	36	95/11	106	9.5	Day 2 @ 8:30am / Day 3 @ 10:47am	5.4	183	18.3
2009	Sitka	10	168	16.8	16	6.5	Day 1 @ 9:23am / Day 2 @ 9:14am	24	178/14/1	193	14.75	Day 2 @ 9:20am / Day 3 @ 5:35pm	4.6	302	30.2
2006	Ketchikan	11	145	13.2	15	8.5	Day 1 @ 1:52pm / Day 2 @ 12:38	34	104/2	106	11.25	Day 2@ 2:40pm / uncertain of end time	6.4	122	11.1
2003	Ketchikan	9	118	13.1	10	5.5	Day 1 @ 10:35am / Day 2 @ 10:20am	33	74/6	80	6.5	Day 2 @ 10:55am / Day 3 @ 10:20am	4.9	??	
Average	Reterinan	9.8	139.4	14.2	11.6	6.0	Day 2 @ 10.20am	31.0	74/0	117.0	10.3	@ 10.200111	5.4	188.0	18.9
Southeast	Shellfish Meeti	ng Statist	tics												
2015	Wrangell	4	56	14.0	3	1.33	Day 1 @ 9:05am / Day 1 @ 10:24am	26.6	18/5	23	3	Day 1 @ 10:40am / Day 2 @ 2:49pm	7.8	44	11
2012	Petersburg	7	60	8.6	5	3	Day 1 @ 9:18am / Day 1 @ 12:12pm	36	24/7	31	4	Day 1 @ 1:30pm / Day 2 @ 9:33am	7.7	56	8.0
2009	Petersburg	7	68	9.7	6	3	Day 1 @ 10:30am / Day 1 @ 3:10pm	30	32/5	37	5.2	Day 1 @ 3:50pm / Day 2 @ 1:58pm	8.4	63	9.0
2006	Ketchikan	7	79	11.3	5	2.5	Day 1 @ 9:38am / Day 1 @ 12:05pm	30	43/3	46	5	Day 1 @ 1:40pm / Day 2 @ 10:34am	6.5	89	12.7
2003	Sitka	9	161	17.9	5	3	Day 1 @ 11:19am / Day 1 @ 3:43pm	36	84/6	90	10	Day 2 @ 8:51am / Day 3 @ 11:31pm	6.7	??	
Average		6.8	84.8	12.3	4.8	2.566		31.72		45.4	5.4		7.4	63	10.2

Prince Will	iam Sound Finf	ish Meetii	ng Statistics												
2014	Cordova	5	57	11.4	6	2.3	Day 1 @ 9:30am / Day 1 @ 11:50am	23	33/3/1	37	4	Day 1 @ 1:48pm / Day 2 @ 9:29am	6.5	63	12.6
2011	Valdez	6	96	16.0	5	2.75	Day 1 @ 9:15am / Day 1 @ 12:03pm	33	47/4	51	5	Day 1 @ 1:42pm / Day 2 @ 10:10am	5.9	64	10.7
2008	Cordova	7	139	19.9	6	3	Day 1 @ 9:21am / Day 1 @ 1:52pm	30	66/4	70	7.5	Day 1 @ 2:22pm / Day 2 @ 3:39pm	6.4	123	17.6
2005	Valdez	7	80	11.4	4	2.5	Day 1 @ 9:32am / Day 1 @ 11:59am	37.5	70/5/1	76	9	Day 1 @ 1:39pm / Day 2 @ 2:40pm	7.1	104	14.9
Average		6.25	93	14.7	5.3	2.6		30.9		58.5	6.4		6.5	88.5	13.9

2015	Anchorage	4	47	11.8	2	0.75	Day 1 @ 9:25am /	22.5	42/10	52	4.3	Day 1 @	5.0	68	17
2013	Attendrage	7	47	11.0	-	0.73	Day 1 @ 10:14am	22.3	42/10	32	4.5	10:39am / Day 1	3.0	00	1,
												@ 4:38pm			
2012	Anchorage	5	42	8.4	5	3.15	Day 1 @ 9:08am /	37.8	31/6/1	38	4	Day 1 @ 2:00pm	6.3	68	13.6
							Day 1 @ 12:20am					/ Day 2 @			
												9:08am			
2009	Anchorage	5	18	3.6	4	2	Day 1 @ 9:55am /	30	28/9	37	4.5	Day 1 @ 1:36pm	7.3	90	18.0
							Day 1 @ 11:49am					/ Day 2 @			
												9:37am			
2006	Anchorage	7	41	5.9	2	1	Day 1 @ 9:54am /	30	24/6	30	4	Day 1 @	8.0	62	8.9
							Day 1 @ 10:40am					11:08am / Day 2			
												@ 9:20am			
2003	Anchorage	11	42	3.8	2	1.5	Day 1 @ 11:10am /	45	92/10	102	11.5	Day 2 @ 8:44am	6.8	??	
							Day 1 @ 2:53pm					/ Day 3 @			
												2:09pm			
Average		6.4	38	6.7	3	1.68		33.06		51.8	5.7		6.7	72	14.4

Table 2: 2014/2015 Proposal Outcomes by Regulatory Topic

(Proposal totals may vary from Table 1. Table 1 indicates the number of proposals the board planned to deliberate. Table 2 indicates how many they took final action on. The proposal categorization here is based on the regulation the proposal sought to change. It should not be interpreted as a characterization of whether the proposal was favorable or unfavorable to the use, or a user group.)

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	Carried or				
	Carried as		No action		%
Meeting/Subjects	Amended	Failed	or Tabled	Total	Carried
Prince William Sound and Upper Copper / Susitna Rivers Fin	fish				
Total	12	37	8	57	21%
Subsistence, 5 AAC 01	0	4	2	6	0%
Commercial Salmon, 5 AAC 24	2	17	2	21	10%
Commercial Groundfish, 5 AAC 28	4	3	3	10	40%
Sport Fishing Upper Copper and Susitna Rivers, 5 AAC 52	2	5	1	8	25%
Sport Fishing Prince William Sound, 5 AAC 55	3	3	0	6	50%
Personal Use Prince William Sound, 5 AAC 77	1	5	0	6	17%
Southeast Alaska Finfish					
Total	42	46	32	120	35%
Subsistence, 5 AAC 01	4	3	4	11	36%
Commercial Herring, 5 AAC 27	3	8	4	15	20%
Commercial Groundfish, 5 AAC 28	4	2	4	10	40%
Commercial Salmon Troll, 5 AAC 29	5	6	3	14	36%
Commercial Yakutat Salmon Set Net, 5 AAC 30	4	4	1	9	44%
Commercial Salmon Drift, Seine and Enhancement, 5 AAC 33	13	10	12	35	37%
Private Nonprofit Salmon Hatcheries, 5 AAC 40	1	0	0	1	100%
Sport Fishing Southeast Alaska, 5 AAC 47	7	12	3	22	32%
Personal Use Southeast Alaska, 5 AAC 77	1	0	1	2	50%
Unknown	0	1	0	1	0%
Southeast Alaska Shellfish					
Total	17	24	15	56	30%
Subsistence, 5 AAC 02	1	1	0	2	50%
Commercial Shrimp, 5 AAC 31	4	6	4	14	29%
Commercial Dungeness Crab, 5 AAC 32	3	14	3	20	15%
Commercial King Crab, 5 AAC 34	4	2	1	7	57%
Commercial Yakutat Tanner Crab, 5 AAC 35	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial Miscellaneous Shellfish, 5 AAC 38	1	0	4	5	20%
Sport Fishing Southeast Alaska, 5 AAC 47	3	0	1	4	75%
Personal Use Southeast Alaska, 5 AAC 77	0	1	0	1	0%
Unknown	0	0	2	2	0%
Statewide Dungeness Crab, Shrimp, and Other Miscella	neous Shellfis	sh (ACRs	not counted	4)	
Total	8	13	6	27	30%
Subsistence, 5 AAC 02	0	0	2	2	0%
Commercial Prince William Sound Shrimp, 5 AAC 31	6	2	3	11	55%
Commercial Dungeness Crab General and Westward, 5 AAC 32	1	1	0	2	50%
Commercial Miscellaneous Shellfish, 5 AAC 38	1	1	1	3	33%
Commercial Miscentaneous Shemish, 5 AAC 56			0	4	0%
Sport Fishing Prince William Sound Shrimp, 5 AAC 55	0	4	0	4	0 /0
	0	2	0	2	0%

Table 3: Community Information on Meeting Locations for the 2017/2018 Meeting Cycle

(Limited search to communities with populations more than 1,000 unless connected to a road system.)

Community (BOF Meeting Year) Anchorage Area	Previous Meetings (since 2003)	Current Population ¹	Transportation	Meeting Venues (largest capacity sq ft.)	Hotel Capacity (est. # of Rooms)	Restaurants	Internet Connectivity	Cell Service
Anchorage	Annually	300,549	Major and regional air carriers Road system Alaska Railroad	Anchorage Marriott (8,000 sq. ft.) Hilton Anchorage (7,680 sq. ft.) Hotel Captain Cook (9,000 sq. ft.) Millennium Alaskan (3,496 sq. ft.) Sheraton Anchorage (9,400 sq. ft.) Westmark Anchorage (1,746 sq. ft.) Egan Convention Center (19,306 sq. ft.) Dena'ina Center (24,840 sq. ft.)	Multiple hotels (8,000 rooms in downtown) Multiple B&B and rentals	Multiple	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 100 Mbps to 1 Gbps download)	Yes
Girdwood	2013 2005	2,694	Road system	Hotel Alyeska (3,150 sq. ft.)	1 hotel (300 plus rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	5+	Not available	
Prince William Sour								
Cordova	2014 2008	2,286	Major and regional air carriers State ferry	The Cordova Center (unk) Mt. Eccles School (gymnasium)	4+ hotels (70+ rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	6+	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 10 Mbps to 25 Mbps download)	Yes
Valdez	2011 2005	3,976	Regional air carriers Road system State ferry	Valdez Civic Center (6,464 sq. ft.)	6 hotels (350+ rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	11+	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 10 Mbps to 25 Mbps download)	Yes
Whittier	None	234	Road system State ferry	Unknown	2 hotels (45 rooms) A few B&B and rentals	Indetermi nable	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; download unknown)	Yes
Fairbanks	2010 2008 2003	97,972	Multiple major and regional air carriers Road system Alaska Railroad	Carlson Center (6,220 sq. ft.) Westmark Hotel (5,400 sq. ft.)	Multiple hotels (over 3,800 hotel rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	Multiple	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 100 Mbps to 1 Gbps download)	Yes
Southeast Region		•						<u> </u>
Craig	None	1,198	Regional air carriers Inter-Island Ferry Authority	Craig City Gym Craig Tribal Association Klawock School Gym	2 hotels (32 rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	4-5	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 10 – 25 Mbps download)	Yes
Haines	None	2,537	Alaska State Ferry System Regional rural air carriers On the mainland road system.	Harriett Hall (5,000 sq. feet) Chilkat Center for the Arts (260 seating in auditorium) American Legion Hall	4 hotels (138+ rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	14	Broadband (768 kbps to 1.5 Mbps upload; 6 – 10 Mbps download)	Yes
Juneau	2014 2005	33,026	Major and regional air carriers State ferry	Centennial Hall (12,389 sq. ft.) Juneau Arts & Culture Ctr. (4,360 sq. ft.) Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall (6,156 sq. ft.) Westmark Baranof Hotel (2,068 sq. ft.)	12+ hotels (860+ rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	Multiple	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 100 Mbps to 1 Gbps download)	Yes
Ketchikan	2012 2006	13,825	Major and rural air carriers Taxi's Rental cars	Ted Ferry Civic Center (4,263 sq. ft.) Best Western Landing (2,700 sq. ft.)	6+ hotels (320+ rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	Multiple	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 100 Mbps to 1 Gbps download)	Yes

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¹ Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Community & Regional Affairs, Community Database, http://commerce.state.ak.us/cra/DCRAExternal/Community.

Community (BOF Meeting Year)	Previous Meetings (since 2003)	Current Population ¹	Transportation	Meeting Venues (largest capacity sq ft.)	Hotel Capacity (est. # of Rooms)	Restaurants	Internet Connectivity	Cell Service
			State ferry Inter-Island Ferry Authority					
Petersburg	2012 2009	2,964	Major and regional air carriers State ferry	Sons of Norway (2,142 sq. ft.)	3+ hotels/inn – 89 rooms Other B&B and rentals	4+	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 10 – 25 Mbps download)	Yes
Sitka	2015 2009	9,061	Major and regional air carriers State ferry	Harrigan Centennial Hall (4,340 sq. ft.) Alaska Native Brotherhood Hall (unk) Sheet'ka Kwaan Naa Kahidi Tribal Community House (unk) Westmark (1,664 sq. ft.)	3+ hotels (over 200 rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	10+	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 10 – 25 Mbps download)	Yes
Skagway	None	1,031	State ferry Regional rural air carriers On the mainland road system.	AB Hall (unk) School gymnasium (unk)	3+ hotels (60 rooms) Other B&B and rentals	7	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 10 Mbps to 25 Mbps download)	Yes
Wrangell	2015	2,406	Major and regional air carriers State ferry	Nolan Center (3,991 sq. ft.)	3 hotels (60 rooms) Other B&B and rentals	3	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 10 – 25 Mbps download)	Yes

APPENDICES

Alaska Board of Fisheries 2017/2018

Meeting dates and locations worksheet: Option 1

Prince William Sound and Upper Copper/Upper Susitna Finfish,
Southeast and Yakutat Shellfish and Finfish, and
Statewide (except Southeast/Yakutat) Dungeness, Shrimp, Other Miscellaneous Shellfish
and Supplemental Issues

Location

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: Monday, April 10, 2017

Topics

Dates [and Duration]

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October 2017 [2 days]	Work Session, ACRs, cycle organization, Stocks of Concern	
Proposed	October 18-19, 2017 [2 days]	
Backup	October 25-26, 2017 [2 days]	
prior years	October 18-20, 2016 [2 days planned work session, ## ACRs, 1 day listening session]	Kenai/Soldotna
	October 21-22, 2015 [2 days planned, 15 ACRs]	Anchorage
	October 15-16, 2014 [2 days planned, 26 ACRs]	Juneau
	October 9-10, 2013 [2 days planned,14 ACRs]	Girdwood
	October 9-11, 2012 [3 days, 21 ACRs & large report]	Anchorage
	October 4-5, 2011 [2 days, 10 ACRs]	Anchorage
	October 13-14, 2010 [2 days, 9 ACRs]	Kenai
	October 13-14, 2009 [2 days, 9 ACRs]	Anchorage
December 2017 [5 days]	Prince William Sound and Upper Copper/Susitna Rivers	
Proposed	December 1-5, 2017 [5 days]	
Backup	December 8-12, 2017 [5 days]	
prior years	December 3-7, 2014 [5 days, 57 prop.]	Cordova
	December 2-7, 2011 [6 days, 96 prop.]	Valdez
	December 1-7, 2008 [7 days, 139 prop. included shellfish]	Cordova
	December 1-6, 2005 [7 days, 80 prop.]	Valdez
January 2018 [13 days]	Southeast and Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish	
If meetings combined:		
Proposed	January 11-23, 2018 [13 days]	
Backup	January 18-30, 2018 [13 days]	
Shellfish only		
Proposed	January 11-14, 2018 [4 days]	
Backup	January 7-10, 2018 [4 days]	
Finfish only		
Proposed	January 26-February 3, 2018 [9 days]	
Backup	January 18-30, 2018 [9 days]	
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	January 15-21, 2012 [7 days, 60 prop shellfish] and February 24-March 4, 2012 [10	Petersburg/Ketchika
	days, 145 prop. finfish]	
	January 21-27, 2009 [5 days, 68 prop shellfish] and February 17-26, 2009 [10 days,	Petersburg/Sitka

BOF Tent Schedule for 2017-2018 Updated: October 2015

	February 20-26, 2006 [7 days, 79 prop shellfish] and January 22-February 1, 2006 [11 days, 145 prop. finfish]	Ketchikan/Ketchikan
March 2018 [4 days]	Statewide (except Southeast/Yakutat) Dungeness, Shrimp, Other Miscellaneous Shellfish and Supplemental Issues	
Proposed	February 27-March 2, 2018 [4 days]	
Backup	March 6-9, 2018 [4 days]	
prior years	March 17-21, 2015 in Anchorage [4 days, 47 prop]	Anchorage
1	March 22-26, 2012 in Anchorage [5 days, 42 prop]	Anchorage
	March 16-20, 2009 in Anchorage [5 days, 18 prop]	Anchorage
	March 17-23, 2006 in Anchorage [7 days, 41 prop]	Anchorage

Total Meeting Days: 24

ACR Deadline: August _, 2017 [60 days prior to fall Work Session]

Adopted ______; subject to meeting space availability Submitted by Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Boards Support Section

BOF Tent Schedule for 2017-2018 Updated: October 2015

RELATED EVENTS / MEETINGS

Upcoming Alaska Board of Game meeting dates:

Dates for the 2017/18 cycle (Central/Southwest Region and Statewide Regulations (Cycle A and B)) have not yet been determined.

Upcoming NPFMC meeting dates:

October 2017 – Anchorage December 2017 – Anchorage February 2018 – Location unknown

Upcoming Pacific Salmon Commission meeting dates:

Dates not yet scheduled – http://www.psc.org/meetings_schedule.htm. The commissioner's web site indicates it holds meetings in October, January, and February.

Note, this list does not include meetings of the various technical committees such as Transboundary, Northern Boundary, or Chinook.

Yukon River Panel dates:

Unknown

International Pacific Halibut Commission dates:

December 2017 – Interim Meeting – Location Unknown January 2018 – Annual meeting – Location Unknown

State and Federal Holidays:

Alaska Day, October 18, 2017 Veterans Day, November 11, 2017 Thanksgiving, November 23, 2017 Christmas, December 25, 2017 News Year, January 1, 2018 Martin Luther King Day, January 15, 2018 Presidents Day, February 19, 2018 Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018

Other

Alaska Marine Science Symposium – unk. Anchorage Spring Break – unk.

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Board of Fisheries

Criteria for Consideration on Reviewing Meeting Locations

Identified March 20, 2009

From Jim Marcotte, Executive Director, memo to the Board of Fisheries, October 13, 2010 -

"In March 2009 the board decided it would identify the factors used when determining the location for holding future meetings. The board intended that no single items shall be the sole determining guideline but rather the preponderance of the items shall be considered significant in final selection of a meeting site.

- 1. Whether the community has commercial jet or turbine service.
- 2. Cellular phone service.
- 3. High speed internet available.
- 4. Adequate dining facilities/capacity for the Board of Fisheries, Fish and Game staff, and expected members of the public travelling from other communities.
- 5. Adequate meeting room facility and associated staff requirements (i.e.: copy machine, etc.).
- 6. Relative comfort (temperature inside, tables/chairs, etc.)
- 7. Adequate ground transportation
- 8. Adequate hotel rooms and capacity of rooms for expected influx.
- 9. Hospital.
- 10. Relationship of community to Board of Fisheries topic of discussion.
- 11. Cost to Department of Fish and Game.
- 12. Travel time required.
- 13. Economic and cultural importance to the location.
- 14. Economic impact on stakeholder travel."

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Agenda 11: 2015-2016 Cycle Review

1. Memorandum on 2015/2016 meeting cycle

MEMORANDUM

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Boards Support Section

TO: Alaska Board of Fisheries DATE: October 6, 2015

THRU: PHONE: 907-465-6095

FROM: Glenn Haight, Executive Director SUBJECT: Information on the

Alaska Board of Fisheries 2015/2016 meeting cycle

The 2015/2016 Alaska Board of Fisheries (board) meeting cycle is set to begin. Based on past meeting information, the board might consider decreasing the number of days set for the Alaska Peninsula Finfish and Statewide Finfish meetings by one day each. All other meeting days appear needed based on past meeting metrics. The following table summarizes past meeting information. More detailed information is provided in Table 1 starting on page 3.

Meeting	Set	Proposals	Proposal/	Historic	Proposals/Day (w 1
	Days		Day	Average	Less Day)
Pacific cod	2	21	10.5		21
Bristol Bay Finfish	8	73	9.1	9.4	10.4
Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim	6	55	9.2	10.0	11.0
Finfish					
Alaska Peninsula/BS-	8	59	7.4	8.3	8.4
AI/Chignik Finfish					
Statewide Finfish	5	21*	4.2	5.1	5.3 / 7.8**

^{*} Does not include accepted agenda change requests.

Boards Support current budget projections for FY16 shows a \$30K deficit. Reducing one day each off the Alaska Peninsula Finfish and Statewide Finfish meetings would save an estimated \$14.1K. Cost savings from reducing days well in advance of a meeting are much greater than doing so at the meeting. If a meeting finishes a day early, there is savings from less honorarium, hotel and per diem. However, that savings is reduced by air flight change fees and other associated penalties. Other costs such as room rental will be incurred. Cancelling well in advance avoids change fees and may still allow enough time for reduced venue rental charges.

^{**} Workload if accepting all 18 agenda change requests.

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2015	Anchorage	10	94	9.40											0
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2003	Anchorage	8	71	8.88	4	2	Day 1 @	30	32/5	37	8	Day 1 @	13.0	76	9.5
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2010	Fairbanks	6	58	9.7	7	4	Day 1 @ 9:01am / Day 1 @ 1:50pm	34.3	103/12/3	118	11.5	Day 1 @ 2pm / Day 2 @ 4:54pm	5.8	129	21.5
2007	Anchorage	6	55	9.2	10	4.75	Day 1 @ 9:03am / Day 1 @ 2:44pm	28.5	68/6/1	75	9	Day 1 @ 3:02pm / Day 2 @ 4:30pm	7.2	82	13.7
2004	Fairbanks	8	77	9.6	11	6	Day 1 @ 9:59am / Day 1 @ 4:53pm	32.7	46/2	48	7.5	Day 2 @ 8:45am / Day 2 @ 5:26pm	9.4	84	10.5
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2010	Anchorage	5	63	12.6	8	3	Day 1 @	22.5	108/13	121	10	Day 1 @	5.0	110	22.0
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2010	Anchorage	6	28	4.7	4	2	Day 1 @ 9:55am / Day 1 @ 11:49am	30	31/13	44	5	Day 1 @ 1:36pm / Day 2 @ 9:37am	6.8	161	26.8
2007	Anchorage	5	29	5.8	0	0	No staff reports		42/12	54	5	Day 1 @ 9:30am / Day 1 @ 3:25pm	5.6	67	13.4
2003	Anchorage	6	30	5	3	2	Day 1 @ 10am / Day 1 @ 11:50am	40	12/2	14	3	Day 1 @ 1:40pm / Day 1 @ 4:50pm	12.9	??	
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2011	Anchorage	3	19	6.3	5	3	Day 1 @ 1:23pm / Day 1 @ 4:21pm	36	14/2/1	17	2	Day 1 @ 4:39pm / Day 2 @ 8:54am	7.1	45	15.0
2008	Anchorage	3	12	4.0	2	1.3	Day 1 @ 9:25am / Day 1 @ 10:41am	39	7/1	8	1.5	Day 1 @ 1:15pm / Day 1 @ 2:48pm	11.3	17	5.7
2004	Anchorage	3	32	10.7	4	1.66	Day 1 @ 9:23am / Day 1 @ 11:03am	24.9	33/1	34	5	Day 1 @11:21am / Day 1 @ 5:30pm	8.8	??	
Average ((2004 - 2013)	2.75	18	6.4	3.5	1.9	<u> </u>	36.7	<u>.</u>	17.3	2.4		8.1	26.0	9.6

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Meeting Date Shift Request for 2017 UCI

1. Memorandum on 2017 Upper Cook Inlet Meeting Date Shift Request

MEMORANDUM

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Boards Support Section

TO: Alaska Board of Fisheries DATE: October 6, 2015

THRU: PHONE: 907-465-6095

FROM: Glenn Haight, Executive Director SUBJECT: 2017 Upper Cook Inlet

Alaska Board of Fisheries Meeting Date Shift Request

Boards Support was unsuccessful in procuring a meeting venue for the board's prescribed time of February 15-28, 2017 for the 2017 Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meeting. Vendors remarked they already had commitments within that large expanse of meeting time.

On a second procurement attempt where the Department left flexibility in the range of dates, it was successful in receiving a bid for February 22 – March 9, 2017. If the board accepted this time to meet, Boards Support would recommend pushing back the Statewide King and Tanner Crab meeting later in March. The Statewide meeting is currently set to begin on March 13. This would leave only three days between meetings.

With the board's approval, Boards Support would secure a venue for the Statewide meeting with flexibility in the dates, and notify the board and public of the final dates once the procurement is successful.

Boards Support is seeking the board's approval to move the 2017 Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meeting date to February 22 – March 9, 2017, and solicit the March 2017 Statewide meeting, with the final dates to be announced once a successful procurement is complete.