

Red Dog Subsistence Advisory Board and Noatak and Kivalina AC Joint Meeting
2/17/14

AC Members: Janet Mills, Austin Swan, Joe Luther, Enoch Mitchell, Frank Onalik, Raymond Hawley, Stan Hawley, Thurston Booth

Additional Meeting Attendees: Stan Van Auburg, Ben Sherman, Duke Mills, Roland Booth, Walter Sampson (NANA Management resources), Robby Kyle, Chris Ekhert, Darren Jones (Red Dog), Tim Nelson and his class, Alice, Russell Adams, Paul Norton, and Virgil Adams

Four people from Noatak and four from Kivalina

Comments on Proposal 177: Unlawful methods of taking game; exceptions, and Definitions. Modify the restriction for using snow machines for taking wolves and wolverine.

- Add all furbearers instead of just wolves and wolverines.

Resources around Red Dog and Kivalina make sure Red Dog don't have any impact on resources, seepage problem from tailings dam committee went to Comicko say correct it or shut it down. Shortly testing caribou along the Red Dog Road to do testing to make sure the caribou is good enough to eat, water quality, Red Dog Creek fish weir was put in the Red Dog Creek (until Kivalina folks get done hunting). State subregional advisory council-subregional Enoch Adams, Stan Hawley and Noatak Enoch Mitchell, Janet Mills, Frank Onalik, Thurston Booth, Joseph Luther and Melford.

Department of Fish and Game has the responsibility to manage the game – State of Alaska has to have regulations to manage them. State Game Board makes regulations, legislative confirmation. Equal protection clause of the Constitution mandated by the state everyone is equal in taking state resources, (Walter served on the State Game Board for six years back in the 80's or 90s) State Advisory Council ran out of Kotzebue review proposals to bring before the state, Subregional state advisory committee, They can propose regulations or review and support or don't support regulations, Proposals we did with allocations, Also did with methods and means how you go out with boat snow machine Honda, etc. Public meetings need to be advertised if someone wants to make a proposal they can do that, on allocation and methods and means. ADFG put out an officer enforces the laws, what the State Game Passes, cannot waste resources. A month a half ago- spotted four caribou was out scouting and I turn motor on he saw someone chasing a wolverine. It is illegal to chase or harass an animal with a snow machine one that person shot and killed in Kivalina was honest the officer took the wolverine but never took anything else, triggered Red Dog Subsistence Committee to hold a meeting last month in Kotz and heard from Noatak and Kivalina after hearing the public game board went back and made a proposal draft to change this regulation, unlawful methods of taking fur bearers from a snow machine so people try to hunt wolves and wolverines can do so encourage people to support this proposal that way it's written looking at what our people are doing in bush Alaska. Good for Unit 23- Jim biologist for State of Alaska if we have question we will ask Jim specifics about the animal in question, doing surveys from 500,000 to little over 300,000 now Western Arctic Herd caribou population. Robbie letters of support from everyone, IRA, School, elders, committee, etc. Every entity write letters of support for this proposal.

Next month State Board of Game meeting in Anchorage.

Actually have a quorum to support this proposal.

This proposal

Illegal Motorized vehicle

Harrass wildlife other two regulations

Current regulation that is in effect.

Meetings where I went are they are held. What day?

Sub Regional Council Meetings

Caribou if there is something wrong that leave it out there bring them to the village and let Jim know. Notify when the trooper came in to was the whole village was ready to go to war. Don't have a state liaison in the village in Otz doodling on computer in the villages don't know the way a regulation to not hunt with snow machine. State does not recognize the customary way of life. Incident at Cape Thompson few years back cowboy in plane chasing Kivalina people now take our young kids who have access to snow machine gas grab their young got to tell from his brothers watching you let the people know your plane need the liaison in the village and not get caught up in the emotion and war path.

Unit 23 look at regulations if you can't understand call Fish and Game to go explain. Call your Advisory Council for meeting to discuss regulations

Enoch run down overview on the incident at Kivalina. Need support, Support to change these laws.

Walter-read the draft proposal

2 year cycle for regulation

1st of July effect if passed in March

Paul Norton did get caught one time over-talked in Inupiaq read changes in regulations on wolf and wolverine on caribou can go and want other short term-(write letters of support)

Austin-request from ADFG are the qauvik back?

Jim Dau-gave an overview on the regulation no number yet