

ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim Finfish
January 26 – 31, 2010
Princess Hotel, Fairbanks

TENTATIVE AGENDA¹

NOTE: This tentative agenda is subject to change throughout the course of the meeting.

This Tentative Agenda is provided to give a general idea to the public of the board's anticipated schedule. The board will attempt to hold to this schedule; however, the board is not constrained by this Tentative Agenda. Those of you who wish to testify on the regulatory proposals must sign-up by the deadline. Public testimony will continue until those present at the meeting are heard; the board will continue working through its agenda immediately upon conclusion of public testimony.

Tuesday, January 26, 8:00 a.m.

Morning

OPENING BUSINESS

Call to Order; Introductions of Board Members and Staff
Board Member Ethics Disclosures

STAFF REPORTS

Afternoon

PUBLIC AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE ORAL TESTIMONY²

Deadline for SIGN-UP TO TESTIFY on regulatory proposals will be
10:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 27.

Wednesday, January 27, 8:00 a.m.

Morning

Continue PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Afternoon

Continue PUBLIC TESTIMONY
Organize for Board Committees and Public Panels³

Thursday, January 28, 8:00 a.m.

Morning

COMMITTEE A - AYK Resident Species
COMMITTEE C - Yukon Area Salmon and Freshwater Fish

Afternoon

COMMITTEE B - Kuskokwim, Kotzebue and Norton Sound-Port Clarence Areas
Salmon and Herring (*Committee B will begin after the competition of Committee A*)
Continue COMMITTEE C

Friday, January 29, 8:00 a.m.

Morning

Continue committee work as needed
Board committee report preparation and distribution to the public

Afternoon

Board committee report preparation and distribution to the public

Saturday, January 30, 8:00 a.m.

Morning

BOARD DELIBERATIONS ON REGULATORY PROPOSALS

Afternoon

Continue BOARD DELIBERATIONS ON REGULATORY PROPOSALS

Sunday, January 31, 8:00 a.m.

Morning

Continue BOARD DELIBERATIONS ON REGULATORY PROPOSALS

Afternoon

Continue BOARD DELIBERATIONS ON REGULATORY PROPOSALS
MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS, including Petitions, Findings, Resolutions, Letters,
Other
ADJOURN

AGENDA NOTES:

- 1) This agenda is TENTATIVE and subject to change during the meeting. A list of staff reports and roadmap will be available at the meeting. Schedule updates will be posted at the meeting.
- 2) Advisory Committee representatives may present reports either at the beginning or end of Public Testimony. The representative should notify the board secretary whether they prefer the beginning or end of public testimony. Testimony will be limited to three (3) minutes for individuals and groups and ten (10) minutes Advisory Committee representatives. These times may be changed by the chair in order to manage the volume of the workload.
- 3) BOARD COMMITTEES: Following staff reports and oral testimony, the board has established a number of board committees to provide additional review of proposals. Grouping of proposals will be finalized at the meeting. Board committees are comprised of board members. The board selects public advisors to the committees from qualified and interested members of the community(s). Advisory committee representatives are ex-officio advisors to all board committees, and may move between board committees as they choose. Purpose of the committee process is to: 1) broaden public participation in the regulatory process; 2) provide another forum for stakeholders to discuss resolution of contentious issues; and 3) provide additional detailed information relative to proposals.

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TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP

Approximately 8:00 a.m. Thursday, January 28

COMMITTEE A – AYK RESIDENT SPECIES

(17 Proposals) *Board committee members: Johnstone (chair); Brown, Jensen*

Sport (15 proposals)

- 49 – Update the Tanana River Management Area stocked waters list
- 50 – Align Wild Arctic Grayling Management Plans with area regulations
- 51 – Align Tanana River regulations with the Wild Arctic Grayling Plan
- 52 – Clarify regulations for Chena Slough (Badger Slough)
- 53 – Clarify single-hook regulations in the Tanana River drainage
- 54 – Open the Nome River to catch-and-release fishing for Arctic grayling
- 55 – Align sport fish boundaries with commercial/subsistence boundaries
- 56 – Move sport fishing regulatory boundary in the Chatanika River
- 57 – Amend whitefish sport bag limits in the Chatanika River
- 58 – Amend bait restrictions in Fielding Lake
- 59 – Allow for only one closely attended line in Fielding Lake
- 60 – Allow a single hook with trailer hook in Harding Lake
- 61 – Increase the northern pike bag limit in Volkmar Lake
- 62 – Amend open season for northern pike in Volkmar Lake
- 63 – Align areas in the Minto Flats Northern Pike Management Plans

Subsistence (2 proposals)

- 64 – Establish subsistence daily household limit for winter pike fishery
- 65 – Require single hooks for summer sport and winter subsistence pike fishery

Approximately 1:30 p.m. Thursday, January 28 (after Committee A)

COMMITTEE B - KUSKOKWIM, KOTZEBUE AND NORTON SOUND-PORT CLARENCE AREAS SALMON AND HERRING

(15 proposals) *Board committee members: Jensen (chair); Brown, Johnstone*

Kuskokwim - Sport (1 proposal)

- 66 – Allow retention of chum salmon in the Aniak River sport fishery

Kuskokwim - Commercial (1 proposal)

- 67 – Change maximum mesh size from 8 inch to 6 inch in Kuskokwim River

Kotzebue Area – Subsistence (1 proposal)

- 68 – Expand hook and line use for subsistence from Wales to Point Hope

Norton Sound Stocks of Concern

- Subdistrict 1 chum salmon yield concern
- Subdistrict 2 and 3 chum salmon yield concern
- Subdistrict 5 and 6 Chinook salmon yield concern

Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area – Subsistence (4 proposals)

- 69 – Expand hook and line use for subsistence in Norton Sound

- 70 – Allow snagging for non-salmon species in Nome and Port Clarence
- 71 – Allow seining for salmon in Nome Subdistrict
- 72 – Review Unalakleet king salmon management plan and modify mesh size

Norton Sound-Port Clarence – Commercial (7 proposals)

- 73 – Change opening date for Port Clarence District sockeye fishery
- 74 – Expand boundaries of Norton Sound Subdistrict 3
- 75 – Expand use of drift gillnets to Port Clarence District
- 76 – Allow purse seines to harvest pink salmon in Norton Sound
- 77 – Allow purse and beach seines in Norton Sound-Port Clarence
- 78 – Allow closed pounding for herring spawn-on-kelp in Norton Sound
- 79 – Allow closed pounding for herring in Norton Sound and Port Clarence

Norton Sound-Port Clarence – Sport (1 proposal)

- 80 – Amend sport fishing bag limits for chum salmon in Norton Sound

Approximately 8:00 a.m. Thursday, January 28

COMMITTEE C - YUKON AREA SALMON AND FRESHWATER FISH

(23 proposals) *Board committee members: Morris (chair); Woods, Delo*

Yukon Stocks of Concern

- Chinook salmon yield concern

Subsistence (6 proposals)

- 81 – Clarify subsistence fishing schedule in Subdistricts 4-B and 4-C
- 82 – Modify subsistence fishing schedule in Subdistrict 4-A
- 83 – Require recording subsistence harvest on catch calendars
- 84 – Extend Subdistricts 4-B and 4-C drift gillnet area for king salmon
- 85 – Extend Subdistricts 4-B and 4-C drift gillnet area for kings and fall chum
- 86 – Allow set gillnets to be tied up during closures in Subdistrict 5-D

Subsistence and Commercial (6 proposals)

- 87 – Review triggers, GHR, fishing schedule in king salmon management plan
- 88 – Prohibit drift gillnet gear for subsistence and commercial fishing
- 89 – Restrict depth of subsistence and commercial 6 inch mesh to 35 meshes
- 90 – Prohibit subsistence and commercial gillnets over 6 inch mesh size
- 193 – Revise management triggers in Yukon River Summer Chum Management Plan
- 194 – Revise management triggers in Yukon River Fall Chum Management Plan

Commercial (10 proposals)

- 91 – Limit commercial king salmon harvest during chum salmon directed fisheries
- 92 – Prohibit sale of king salmon during non-king salmon directed fisheries
- 93 – Prohibit retention of king salmon during chum salmon directed main stem fisheries
- 94 – Require windows schedule during lower river commercial fishery
- 95 – Reallocate commercial king salmon harvest
- 96 – Reallocate commercial summer chum salmon harvest
- 97 – Reallocate commercial fall chum salmon harvest
- 98 – Open commercial fishing between Black River and Chris Point
- 99 – Open Andreafsky River to commercial fishing
- 199 – Modify Yukon River Coho Salmon Management Plan for late season harvest

Sport (1 proposal)

- 100 – Close the Tok River drainage to sport fishing for salmon

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