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TO: Board of Game Members

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RE: Discussion of the 2012/2013 Meeting Cycle Dates

It is during the November regional meeting that the Board of Game sets the meeting dates and locations for the next meeting cycle. Traditionally, the board has scheduled regional meetings to occur in early November and March; and January for the statewide regulation meetings.

Recently, the Board of Game added an extra meeting to the schedule by dividing the Southcentral Region meeting into two region meetings: Central/Southwest Region and Southcentral Region. The board also changed the proposal process by issuing a single Call for Proposals rather than multiple Calls which allows for publishing a single proposal book during in the summer/early fall, instead of multiple books during the meeting cycle. These recent changes provide the board an opportunity to reevaluate its' schedule.

Enclosed are tentative meeting dates for the 2012/2013 meeting cycle which differ from traditional board meeting schedules. They are being presented to the board for discussion purposes. The following considerations were used in drafting the meeting schedules:

- These meeting dates are based on the duration of past meeting durations needed to address that region's issues.
- The options begin on Friday start dates to accommodate the public for taking testimony over the weekend which is traditional practice by the board.
- The options take into consideration the timing for the needs of the department such as surveying/data collecting, conflicts with hunting seasons, the legal review process for new regulations, and the publishing of the regulations handbook (handy dandy).
- The schedule takes into consideration the meeting dates for the Board of Fisheries.

Following the discussion with the board at the November meeting, the dates will be modified as needed and presented to the board for final approval.

**ALASKA BOARD OF GAME
Proposed Meeting Dates
2012/2013 Cycle**

Proposed Dates	Topic	Location
February 15-19, 2013 (5 days) <i>President's Day – February 18, 2013</i>	Southeast Region	
<i>Past Meetings:</i>		
<i>November 5-9, 2010 (5 days)</i>		<i>Ketchikan</i>
<i>November 7-11, 2008 (5 days)</i>		<i>Juneau</i>
<i>November 10-15, 2006 (6 days)</i>		<i>Wrangell</i>
January 25–February 1, 2013 (8 days)	Central/Southwest Region	
<i>Past Meetings:</i>		
<i>March 4-11, & 25, 2011 (9 days)*</i>		<i>Wasilla</i>
March 15-19, 2013 (5 days)	Southcentral Region	
<i>Past Meetings:</i>		
<i>March 26-30, 2011 (5 days)</i>		<i>Anchorage</i>
<i>February 27-March 9, 2009 (11 days)**</i>		<i>Anchorage</i>
<i>March 2–12, 2007 (11 days)</i>		<i>Anchorage</i>
<hr/> <i>Total meeting days: 18</i> <hr/>		

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at 5:00 pm

**The Central/SW regional meeting in 2011 was originally scheduled for 7 days, but an extra day was needed for the board to complete its' business. The board also recessed the meeting to the day the day before Southcentral meeting, in order to receive additional information before taking action.*

***Beginning 2011, the board split the Southcentral region meeting into two smaller meetings.*