

**Wildlife Restoration
FINAL PERFORMANCE REPORT**

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**Alaska Department of Fish and Game
Wildlife Restoration Grant**

GRANT NUMBER:

PROJECT NUMBER: AKW-15

PROJECT TITLE: Dall Sheep Management Plan updates

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE: 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2018

REPORT DUE DATE: 29 December 2018

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COOPERATORS:

This is the final closeout report of a multi-year grant.

Authorities: 2 CFR 200.328
2 CFR 200.301
50 CFR 80.90

I. SUMMARY OF WORK COMPLETED ON PROJECT

Seven regional (range and / or hunt-specific) management plans and reports have been completed and published. Eight plans and reports are currently in edit or review status with most expected to be published before Spring 2019.

Objective 1: Create, revise, and develop regional (range and / or hunt-specific) management plans that address recurrent and emerging issues regarding Dall sheep populations and sheep management in Alaska.

Accomplishments: Seven regional (range and / or hunt-specific) management plans with reports have been completed and published. The remaining eight plans to be published are either in the edit or review process and are expected to be completed before Spring 2019. The plans have not been completed due to staff changes and a recurring backlog of other area species plans that have been scheduled for completion over the last 3 years. The current published plans can be accessed on ADF&Gs website at the following URL:

http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=wildliferesearch.smrddallsheep2011_2021

Objective 2: As a result of a high level of public interest, we will consolidate the 15 plans to be made available in one published document that would be available in printed and bound format to the organizations that supported this project. This includes the Alaska Chapters of the Safari Club International (AK SCI) and the Wild Sheep Foundation (AKWSF).

Accomplishments: This has not been completed as we are still reviewing and editing 8 of the 15 regional plans at this time. We expect this to be done following the publishing of the last of the remaining plans when edited.

II. SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT REPORTS AND/OR AMENDMENTS.

Amendment #1 entitled AKW-15 Dall Sheep Management Plan Objective 2 and Extension added on 8/21/2017 (attached as an appendix)

This project was extended in 2017 through 30 September to allow for completion of documents following additional review and editing after the Spring meeting of management and research staff on 6-7 April 2017. The plans have not yet been completed during the period of performance due to staff changes and a recurring backlog of other area species plans that have been scheduled for completion over the last 3 years. The consolidated plan in this project is expected to be completed outside the period of performance sometime later in 2019, including final printing of a compiled document of all 15 regional plans and reports.

III. PUBLICATIONS

http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=wildliferesearch.smrDallsheep2011_2021

IV. REVIEW OF PRIOR RESEARCH AND STUDIES IN PROGRESS ON THE PROBLEM OR NEED N/A

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