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## Paxson Fish and Game Advisory Committee

The Paxson Fish and Game Advisory Committee held a telephonic meeting on Thursday, and Friday, September, 13th and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Members: Alan Echols, Gary Alcott, Bob Blake, John Schandelmeier, and Mark Schlenker were all contacted by chair John Schandelmeier. Members were asked to respond to proposals #8 and #12 in the Statewide proposal booklet. These two proposals concern the restructuring of advisory committees in the Nelchina Basin.

**Proposal #8:** Members of the Paxson Committee were unanimously opposed to proposal #8.

Discussion was as follows. We are not opposed to having more representation by Ahtna on our committee and would welcome Ahtna members on our committee. We feel that the Ahtna people who hunt in the Paxson/Denali Highway area would have valuable input which would help us to make more informed decisions concerning the issues which concern us. However, in the past 30 years, we have never had an Ahtna representative attend one of our meetings. Also, during that time period, we rarely have anyone from out of the immediate Paxson area attend. It is not from lack of interest---it is simply a matter of distance. Paxson is over 70 miles from Glennallen and farther from the other communities in the Copper Basin; someone driving up for a meeting would be going home at near midnight on roads that are notoriously bad. This would also hold true for Paxson community members going the other way to a regional Basin advisory committee; it would be difficult, if not impossible for individuals from the Paxson community to attend. Logistics make it difficult for the **Paxson Fish and Game Advisory Committee** during summer months as most of our members are either self-employed or are intermittently out of area for their jobs. This meeting was held telephonically for that reason. We of the **Paxson Fish and Game Advisory Committee** believe that a single regional committee would result in far less balance representation than we have today.

**Proposal #12:** Our unanimous decision was that this proposal is just a bad proposal. Instead of achieving more balanced representation, it would in fact, eliminate much of the valuable input these 3 committees provide. The Department of Fish and Game notes that the committees of Paxson, Copper Basin and Tok/Nabesna are active. That is certainly the case; all 3 committees have put forth fish and game proposals that have impacted not only the Copper River Basin, but the entire State. The Nelchina Basin is hunted extensively by the two largest cities in the State; Anchorage and Fairbanks. It is ludicrous to believe that a single advisory group located in the center of the Copper Basin could be aware and deal with issues that arise in an area the size of the Nelchina Basin. How often do you suppose that someone from Nebesna hunts the Denali Highway? How many Chitna residents do we of Paxson see at any time of the year other than hunting season, and rarely even then? The **Paxson Fish and Game Advisory Committee** has been in existence for over 40 years; they have put forth and had instituted proposals that have affected fish, game and habitat in the Upper Nelchina Basin in many important ways. The Paxson closed Area would not exist without our committee, Advisory committees in the Basin would not be aware of potential habitat damage due to large-scale mining without the Paxson Committee. We have proposed and had instituted Tier II changes. We have put forth (and instituted) proposals that impact fishing on area lakes

and streams. The list goes on. Our members live and work here----right in the area---we see what happens in this area 12 months of the year, not just during hunting seasons. We believe that it makes no sense, if the interest is to provide valuable direction and information to the Board, to eliminate any of the Advisory Committees located in the Nelchina Basin.

The Department of Fish and Game indicates that we are all connected by a paved road; that is not the case in fact, as 2 of our five members reside off of the winter road system on the Denali Highway. Attending a Copper Basin meeting would necessitate traveling 50 miles by snowmobile, then 75 by highway ---one way-- to reach a meeting if it was held in downtown Glennallen. That is not likely if there is a 6:00pm. meeting. If this proposal passes the Board would be effectively eliminating most, if not all, input from the Upper Copper River Basin. Again, we reiterate: ***we are opposed to this misguided proposal.***

JOHN SCHANDELMEIER

CHAIR: PAXSON FISH & GAME ADVISORY

*John Schadelmeier*

ALAN ECHOLS

SECRETARY: PAXSON FISH & GAME ADVISORY

*Alan Echols*

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# CHARLES GRAY

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September 20, 2007

ADF&G Boards Section  
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ATTN. Joint Board Comments

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I wish to comment favorably on Proposal 38, to make certain units into a non subsistence area.

These Tier II Units have been such a management headache for so many years, it seems only logical to take this action.

Sincerely,

Charles Gray

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Governor Sarah Palin  
120 4th Street  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

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Dear Governor Palin:

As a supporter of Defenders of Wildlife and someone who cares about sound wildlife management, I strongly urge you to withdraw your support for the use of aircraft to hunt and kill Alaska's wolves and bears.

Alaska is well known for its amazing wildlife and stunning natural beauty. It is appalling that your office and others in the state government continue to sanction the brutal aerial hunting of the state's majestic wolves and bears in nearly 60,000 square miles of the state.

As I am sure you are aware, aerial hunting was outlawed by the federal government in 1972. Yet Alaska officials continue to skirt the law and permit aerial hunting, claiming that this terrible practice is necessary for wildlife management – an assertion that is not supported by available data on wildlife population numbers.

This unwarranted program often leads to inhumane deaths, with hunters in low-flying aircraft shooting down wolves or chasing them to exhaustion, and landing and killing the animal at close range. In some cases, wounded wolves escape, only to experience a slow, painful death.

This program is an embarrassment to the State of Alaska. Alaska's voters have twice rejected the use of aircraft by private hunters to kill wolves. It's past time that state officials listen to Alaska's citizens and put an end to this brutal and unnecessary program.

My family and I lived in Alaska for nearly 30 years before moving to Washington 6 years ago. During our time in The Great Land I participated in both citizen initiatives to ban same-day airbourne wolf hunting. As a hunter, I believe this method of killing wolves is neither fair (as in fair chase) nor humane. This belief is almost universally shared by the hunters I know.

I have enclosed a copy of a letter I sent to Holland America several years ago regarding this issue and our travel to Alaska. Unfortunately, the situation is worse today than when this letter was written. Needless to say, we will not visit Alaska until this barbaric practice is ended.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Dean Webb  
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March 20, 2005

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Mr. Todd Behan  
Director of Customer Relations  
Holland America Line, Inc.  
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Seattle, WA 98199

Dear Mr. Behan:

I am writing with respect to Holland America travel to Alaska. My family and I lived in Alaska for almost 30 years. Upon retirement two years ago, my wife and I moved to Seattle. I must confess, however, that we remain Alaskans at heart and hope to visit the Great Land as often as possible. In particular, we had intended to travel with a Holland America cruise to Alaska next year.

I write "had intended" because we have put travel to Alaska on indefinite hold. Our reason is the State of Alaska Board of Game decision to authorize killing up to 1,400 wolves in an area, since enlarged, around McGrath. Within this area hunters are allowed to pursue wolves (male, female and pups) by airplane and may shoot wolves from the air or, after running a wolf to exhaustion, land the airplane and shoot the wolf point-blank. This hunting is currently in progress.

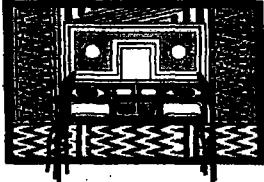
This decision to defer travel to Alaska is our response in protest to this barbaric hunting practice as sanctioned by the Alaska Board of Game. For your information, Alaskan voters by citizen initiative have twice in the last ten years prohibited same-day airborne hunting of wolves. I was a party to both of these citizen initiatives. As a related matter, you should know that this is the same Board of Game that has for years refused to adequately expand a no-wolf-trapping area near the entrance of Denali National Park. This no-trap area is necessary to protect the Toklat wolf pack since the pack must forage outside the park boundary in winter. The consequence was the trapping this winter of the Toklat alpha female. With her death and therefore no pups this spring, the pack will likely abandon the pack's den near Wonder Lake Road, with potential loss to thousands of visitors, including those of Holland America, of the opportunity to view the most often seen wolf pack in America. How sad! These are the opportunities that bring visitors to Alaska.

My wife and I hope someday to return to Alaska, perhaps as a Holland America guest. It will not happen for us, however, until wolf management in Alaska becomes more fair (as in "fair chase") and humane. Perhaps the loss of revenue to providers of Alaskan tourism and to the State of Alaska may cause sufficient economic impact to promote change. We wish Holland America well. However, there are many wonderful places to visit, and given the refusal of the Board to twice listen to its own constituents, and its egregious policies, we hope you understand why we are traveling elsewhere.

Sincerely,

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"Yee gu.aa yax x'wan."



## Chilkat Indian Village

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Commissioner Denby S. Lloyd  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
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Juneau, AK 99811-5526

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Dear Commissioner Lloyd,

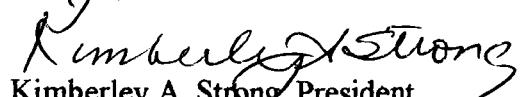
It has come to our attention that the Alaska Department of Fish and Game has proposed to restructure the fish and game advisory committees in the Upper Lynn Canal area by combining Klukwan, Haines and Skagway into one committee entitled the "Upper Lynn Canal Advisory Committee." We are writing this letter in opposition to Proposal 6-5AAC 96.021. for the following reasons:

1. The decision to consolidate these committees is based on erroneous information. The Fish and Game Proposal states that Klukwan is a community of 107 and 109 people. The most recent census indicates a population of 140. The Proposal also states "that the Klukwan Advisory Committee has been inactive since 1996," this is also not true. The Klukwan Fish and Game Advisory Committee do meet on an "as needed basis" and deals with local issues of Fish and Game as they arise. We have had many meetings since 1996.
2. Though the communities of Haines, and Skagway are similar, Klukwan differs dramatically both in geography and demographics. Both Haines and Skagway are situated on the saltwater and Klukwan is 22 miles inland and is situated on the banks of the Chilkat River. Haines and Skagway have a comparatively small number of natives in their populations while Klukwan's population is almost entirely native.
3. The assertion that combining these three communities would facilitate resolution of resource issues at the local level is flawed. Haines and Skagway are separated by 14 miles of water or 8 hours of road. Klukwan and Skagway are separated by the same 14 miles of water plus an additional 22 miles of road or 7 1/2 hours of road. Because both the Haines Highway and the Dyea Highway are mountainous routes they often become impassable in the winter months. The logistics of trying to get members of these communities together to serve on a unified advisory board would negate rather than facilitate their effectiveness in resolving issues at this quasi-regional level.
4. The question is asked: "Who is likely to suffer?" We assert that the Klukwan subsistence consumers--- which are nearly the entire population of Klukwan--- will be the ones to suffer if this proposal is passed. Klukwan, being a much smaller community than either Skagway or Haines, is likely to be a minority voice within the proposed "Upper Lynn Canal Advisory Council." Being a minority is nothing new to the community of Klukwan and the reality is that the desires and the voice of the minority always fall subject to the voice of the majority. This would not happen if each community would continue to be represented by their own separate advisory councils and things remain as they are.

The community of Klukwan is satisfied with the status quo and it is our hope that you will support us in maintaining separate advisory councils for each of our communities. Once again, we object to Alaska Department of Fish and Game Proposal 6 - 5 AAC 96.021. Establishment of advisory committees.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Kimberley A. Strong, President  
Chilkat Indian Village Council



Lani S. Hotch, Secretary  
Klukwan Fish and Game Advisory Council

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Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director, Board of Game



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Kristy Tibbles  
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Re: Proposal A – 5AAC 96.XXX Procedure for Acceptance of Public Comments

Dear Kristy,

I was just made aware of this proposal, so I apologize for not getting comments into you sooner.

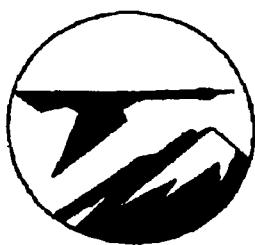
The almost 11,000 letters we submitted to the Board in March 2007 is undoubtedly one of the reasons the Joint Boards are considering this regulation change. As I stated in my testimony when we submitted those letters, we chose to collect them and submit them at one time rather than have our 11,000 concerned citizens all fax you individual letters. From our perspective, we are doing you a favor by collecting them for single submission rather than overload your fax system. As I stated in March and restate here, I think that direct submission of that volume of public input would be very disruptive for you and would probably melt your fax machine.

Should this regulation be promulgated, it won't negate our interest in providing input to the Board of Game on issues of concern, we'll just have our members fax you directly. But I'm not sure that's what you want. So I would suggest we figure out a way for you to accept large volumes of public input in a manner that does not put your process at risk for not reviewing each letter. We're open to figuring out a solution that meets our needs and your legal concerns. I'll copy this letter to Kevin Saxby to alert him of our interest in solving this issue.

I'll give you a call later today to see if this idea resonates.

Sincerely,

  
Jim Stratton  
Alaska Regional Director



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September 21, 2007

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Chairman Morris and Judkins,

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The Alaska Outdoor Council (AOC) welcomes the opportunity to participate in the Board's open, public process. AOC members have spent a considerable amount of time testifying before both the Board of Fisheries and Game since statehood. Currently AOC represents 47 Clubs and over 2,500 individual Alaskans for a combined membership of near 10,000 Alaskans.

A review of the Fish&Game Advisory Committee (AC) system and identification of boundaries of state Nonsubsistence Areas are two topics AOC members have great interest in and knowledge of. AOC members well be present at the Joint Boards October 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> meeting in Anchorage and will make themselves available for committee work as seats are available for public representatives during the Joint Boards Committee process.

**AOC Written Proposal Comments:**

**Proposal #34- Adopt**

Rational: Many times during deliberations board members have amended a proposal significantly from what action the original proposal called for. At times board members have asked ADF&G staff what the local ACs would have to say regarding the boards intended action on an amended proposal. AC representatives provide a local forum for the collection and expression of opinions and recommendations on regulations being considered by the board for adoption. The legitimacy of the AC process depends on their ability to represent those who have elected them to express the community's opinions and recommendations on proposed regulatory changes before the Board takes action.

*(State affiliate of the National Rifle Association)*

*AOC Comments to Joint Boards Oct. 2007 meeting.*

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AOC has been a strong supporter of the F&G AC process and has actively advocated for increases in its budget before the Legislature for years. Additional Board Support funding will be necessary to implement proposal #34. Electronic conferencing may be a cheaper, yet still efficient, alternative for AC chairs to participate during board deliberations.

**Proposals # 37 and #38-** Significant changes to some of the socioeconomic characteristics, plus missing data necessary to evaluate the characteristics, of GMU 4 and GMU 13 makes an analysis of their Nonsubsistence Area status by the Joint Boards appropriate.

The local residents of Funter Bay in GMU 4 may better qualify for a subsistence area based on their current socioeconomic characteristics than the 11 communities of GMU 13 used by the ADF&G in Special Report JB 2007-01. The Department needs to collect data necessary for the board to analyze both proposals based on each of the 12 characteristics found in AS 16.05.258(c) before the scheduled 2008 Joint Board meeting.

Funter Bay was included in the Juneau Nonsubsistence Area in 1992 because the Joint Boards determined that the area was "used almost exclusively by Juneau residents." That characteristic is similar to GMU 13 today. In the 2003/04 Nelchina caribou Tier II hunt 7,727 applicants were from out of GMU 13, only 528 local residents applied. While 99% of the total salmon harvest for the Chitina Subdistrict, between the years of 1989-2005, went to residents from outside GMU 13. Yet there is no current data on the characteristics of non-local individuals who take over half the fish and game harvested in GMU 13 annually.

Patterns of subsistence harvest could provide the Joint Board with another option to determine the boundaries of nonsubsistence areas. Land ownership patterns could also be analyzed for consideration. Opportunities for continued federal subsistence harvest could also be factored in. AS 16.05.258(c)(13) additional similar factors the boards establish by regulation to be relevant to the determinations under this subsection, provides the boards an opportunity to craft subsistence area boundaries that could accommodate individuals for whom subsistence is currently a mainstay of livelihood. AOC encourages the Joint Boards to take advantage of this review of Nonsubsistence Areas to update the principal characteristics necessary to distinguish between subsistence and nonsubsistence areas on state and private lands in Alaska.

Thank you for your consideration of the Alaska Outdoor Councils written comments. AOC members will make themselves available for committee work at the Oct. 5-8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Regards,



Rod Arno, Executive Director for AOC

**Tom Scarborough**

**From:** Tom Scarborough [scarbrgh@ptialaska.net]  
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**To:** 'Kristy.tibbles@ak.gov'  
**Cc:** 'reata.stlouis@ak.gov' rita.stlouis@alaskagov  
**Subject:** Joint Boards Proposal No. 38

I hereby request that the Boards of Fishers and Game approve Proposal No. 38. This appears to be the only solution to resolve the increasingly complex Tier II hunt in Unit 13. It appears about anything the Board do ends in litigation. Establishing Unit 13A, 13B and 13E as a non-subsistence area is the proper action to take.

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Attempts to differentiate between different types of communication -- accepting unlimited "unorganized" communications, but restricting communications where individual citizens are working together to send a strong message about issues they care about as a community -- is a dangerous road to travel and one that calls into question our First Amendment rights as Americans. It is also a disservice to your agency, which claims to value public input.

Thank you for considering my views on this consequential matter.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Joan Bittner  
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Chugiak, AK 99567-1227

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It can be a full-time job to actively participate in our democracy, and these agencies provide a valuable service by making it faster and easier for me to make my views known to political decision-makers. I am writing to assure you that the messages I send express my own opinions and I expect you to accept them.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Markley  
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Sincerely,

Ms. Colleen Ryan  
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Sincerely,

Ms. Rita Fischer  
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Seward, AK 99664-0321

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Dear Joint Boards Section,

I live in Anchorage Alaska, I send messages through Defenders of Wildlife and other organizations that help their members communicate with agencies like yours about issues that they care deeply about. I assure you that the messages I send express my own opinions and I expect you to accept them. Just because someone helped me give you input should not be a reason to stop that input. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Victoria Noble  
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Stick to responsible game regulations and you'll have less furious comments...maybe even some kudos!

Thank you for considering my views on this consequential matter.

Sincerely,

Mr. Lance and Ann Stephenson  
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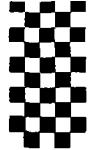
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Thank you in advance for considering my views on this consequential matter.

Sincerely,

Mr. Derek Williams  
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This is the same type of shenanigan that Sen. Stevens and rep young pulls. I can only assume that gov palin is behind this gag tactic as well. I find this extremely disgusting and partisan in nature.  
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Miss Lynn Wilbur  
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