

AC Comments for Bristol Bay Finfish
December 1-8, 2009

Naknek/Kvichak AC1
Homer AC2
Lake Iliamna AC3

RECEIVED
NOV 16 2009

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Date: OCT. 26, 2009

Page 1 of

ADVISORY COMMITTEE NAME: NAKNEK/KVICHAK

Location (City, town, village): NAKNEK (BORO. BLDG, 7:00 PM)

Members Present: ARE WILLIAMS, SCORRY REGAN, RYAN WILLSON
FRED PIKE, KEVIN COSSAIRT, MARC WATSON, RICHARD
WILSON (7:22)

Members Absent KARL RAWSON, JOE KLUTACH, LEVELOCK REP.,
RUSSELL PHELPS, ROB BABIAK

Members Excused NONE

QUORUM PRESENT: YES NO

ADF&G Staff Present: SLIM MURSTAD, CRAIG SWANKE
ANDREW DEVALPINE, IAN FU, ~~TED~~ KIRK, GEORGE PAPPAS

Time meeting called to order 7:16 AM / PM

Old Business and New Business: -- Use additional pages

Time Meeting Adjourned 10:30 AM / PM

Signature: 
Committee Secretary

SIGN-IN SHEET

ADVISORY COMMITTEE: NAK/KVIDATE: OCT 26, 2009Name:Address:

William RICHMOND

NAKNEK

VINCE WEBSTER

KING SALMON

Abe Williams

105 King Salmon AK 99613

W. W. W.

NAKNEK AK

FRED PIKE

NAKNEK

Violet Williams

NAKNEK

John Wise

NAKNEK

Ted Krieger

Subsistence Div ADFG - DILLINGHAM

Heath Lyon

KING SALMON

Craig Schwank - ADFG - Sport Fish

Dillingham

Zan Fo

"

"

Slim Minsky

AK

ANDREW DEVALPES

ADFG BIAK(?)

KEVIN COSSALET

NAKNEK

MARC WASSON

NAKNEK

Annett Wilson

K.S.

Frank Woods

Dillingham

Len Butler

KS

Everett Thompson

NAKNEK

Dad Sharp

Anchorage

George PAPPAS

ADFG Anchorage

EDDIE CLARK

NAKNEK

Dan O'Hara

NAKNEK

Calvin Riddle

"

Pam Riddle

"

Co-chairman Abe Williams called the meeting at 7:16 PM.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Sonny Regan and seconded by Kevin Cossairt. The agenda was approved unanimously with no changes.

A motion to approve the minutes of February 3, 2009 was made by Ryan Willson, seconded by Marc Watson. There were no corrections or additions. Motion passed unanimously.

Staff and guests: We were honored to have the new BOF chairman, Vince Webster, in attendance. We congratulated Vince and thanked him for coming. Vince reported that there would be a meeting November 14, 2009 at the school auditorium to gather information for the BOF meeting in Anchorage on December 1, 2009. Vince and two other board members will be there to gather information and answer questions. Randy Alvarez from the Federal Subsistence Board stated that they will be meeting October 27, 2009 in the same room at 9 AM and invited everyone to attend.

ADFG staff in attendance were: Slim Morstad com fish, Craig Schwanke, Ian Fu sport fish, George Pappas Anchorage, and Andrew DeValpine brd. Support. Arriving later will be Lem Butler game.

Bristol Bay Finfish Proposals

It was decided to take up sport fish proposals first.

Proposal 8- motion to approve was made by Fred Pike, seconded by Kevin Cossairt- It was felt that these rivers were different enough to justify present regulations.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 9- No Action

Proposal 10- motion to approve was made by Sonny Regan, seconded by Ryan Willson- Presently regulations have rivers and lakes closed to fishing unlike Naknek Lake and Lake Iliamna.

Failed 1-6 Minority opinion felt that it would not harm anything to leave the lakes in the drainage open.

Proposal 11- motion to approve Fred Pike, seconded by Marc Watson- house keeping.

Passed 7-0

Proposal 12- motion to approve Sonny Regan, seconded by Kevin Cossairt- house keeping.

Passed 7-0

Proposal 13- motion to approve Ryan Willson, seconded by Sonny Regan- concerns were voiced with regulations that could be put in place if this area was made into a refuge-proponent spoke to the protection of the fish and habitat areas of the drainages- Frank Woods BBNA Subsistence Division stated that local villages were passing similar proposals-Dan O'Hara Mayor of the Bristol Bay Borough stated that the borough was opposed to this proposal- Calvin Riddle was concerned the proposal was to open-ended- Abe Williams felt this area needed to be diversified and welcomed development as long it

is done safely. BOF Chairman Vince Webster stated that one day at the board of fish meeting in Anchorage would be devoted to this proposal.

Passed 5-2 minority opinion stated above.

Commercial Fish

Proposals 1-3 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Marc Watson- committee deferred to the local AC as it is dealing with subsistence in Nushagak Bay.

Passed 7-0

Proposal 4- motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Marc Watson- this is presently being done through emergency order.

Passed 7-0

Proposal 5 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Sonny Regan- the question was asked if there was any interest in buying spawn-on-kelp in recent years and there has not- a pound fishery would be very difficult in this area because of conditions.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 6 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Richard Wilson- committee felt the fishery has been prosecuted without problems for years and saw no reason to change.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 14 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Sonny Regan- the proposer does not understand the workings of a set net operation with the request being made.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 15 – motion to approve by Richard Wilson, seconded by Kevin Cossairt- Bristol Bay has been over capitalized for years and is just coming out of some difficult times- to drop the 32 foot limit would only create new problems that this fishery does not need.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 16 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Richard Wilson- there is a concern that permits will be bought up and run as big business or become a non-taxable investment.

Failed 1-6 a proponent stated that this would only make what is already going on legal.

Proposal 17 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Sonny Regan- opposed for the same reasons as stated in proposal 16.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 18 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Richard Wilson- opposed for the same reasons as stated in proposal 16.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 19 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Kevin Cossairt- opposed for the same reasons as stated in proposal 16.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 20 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Ryan Willson- committee supports the status quo- reduced gear and vessels has seemed to work well, we would like it to remain as it is.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 21 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Richard Wilson- opposed for the same reasons as in proposal 20.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 22 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Marc Watson- committee was split on this – we could see that Nushagak fishermen did not like to see all the D boats head their way when it was the only place they could fish 200 fathoms- on the other hand their wasn't a biological problem being created.

Passed 4-3

Proposal 23 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Richard Wilson- Togiak is a mostly local fishery. When D boats come into the district they have a tendency to take over the fishery.

Passed 7-0

Proposal 24 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Richard Wilson- committee supports status quo- it has reduced the gear and vessels in the water.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 25 - motion to approve by Marc Watson, seconded by Kevin Cossairt- seems to be more than one issue in this proposal- as stated proposal is convoluted – may be operable if made clear as to the intent.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 26 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Richard Wilson- committee supports the status quo- super exclusive area has worked well for Togiak since it has existed.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 27 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Marc Watson- it was stated that this is the way it was done in the past- committee didn't feel it would create a problem.

Passed 7-0

Proposal 28 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Kevin Cossairt- committee felt that this would be covered under proposal 27.

Passed 6-1 minority opinion felt this was taken care of in proposal 27.

Proposals 29 & 30 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Kevin Cossairt- committee felt that there was ample time at present to harvest fish- committee would like to see DNA results from this area and North Peninsula to allow for a better understanding and management of the region.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 31 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Richard Wilson- committee feels that the status quo has worked well; fish will be caught in district and provides for better management- committee supports ADFG opposition to a general district.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 32 - motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Marc Watson- with the understanding the intent is to harvest surplus fish the committee support this proposal.

Passed 7-0

Proposal 33 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Sonny Regan- not practical- this has been discussed previously in proposal 14.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 34 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Ryan Willson- committee supports status quo- it has worked well and gives both gear groups fair opportunity.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 35 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Kevin Cossairt- opposed for reasons stated in proposal 34.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 36 – **No Action**- due to previous action taken on proposal 35.

Proposal 37 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Sonny Regan- this would take a necessary tool away from management to prosecute the fishery as required.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 38 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Kevin Cossairt- committee supports status quo- escapement numbers do not generally indicate that there is a problem with present management plan.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 39- No Action- due to previous action taken on proposal 14.

Proposal 40 & 41– motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Marc Watson- under current regulations short-term permits may be purchased and this could be done within district boundaries.

Failed 0-7

Proposals 42 & 43 – **No Action**

Proposals 44 – motion to approve by Sonny Regan, seconded by Richard Wilson- Slim Morstad com fish ADFG discussed how this issue was to be handled by re-defining the Kvichak Section and defining the Naknek Section to eliminate the confusion – with that the committee agreed.

Failed 0-7

Proposal 45, 46 & 47 – **No Action**

Proposal 48 – motion to approve by Fred Pike, seconded by Marc Watson- committee supports status quo- no biological support.

Failed 0-7

Game

Lem Butler, ADFG game biologist gave a report as follows: North Peninsula Caribou herd is still on the decline with approximately 2000 counted. Signs of improvement are 85% pregnancy, more large bulls, 16 calves/100 cows ratio is still not good. South herd about 1000- 45 calves/100 cows shows improvement, 4.5 bulls/100 animals is low. Nutritional stress seems to be improving with animals still disease ridden.

Mulchatna Caribou herd at approximately 33,000 with a wide range from Bethel in the west to upper Illiamna and down to Levelock. Bull ratio in the west is better than elsewhere.

Lem is in the process of putting together a "draft predator control plan" for the North Peninsula herd. He has been out here collaring and counting wolves. Rough estimates for predators and game animals in Unit 9 are as follows: **Game:** 8000 moose, 3000 caribou- **Predators:** 8000 bears, 500 wolves.

Lem also reports that the BOG is considering moving to a three year cycle. Presently we are on an odd year cycle. The next time Unit 9 comes up will be in 2011.

Committee thanked Lem for his report.

Next meeting date was discussed and it was felt we would try and meet in January 2010 for elections. Committee also discussed reducing committee size, possibly moving a regular member to an alternate member, making 9 regular members and 3 alternate members. There are 4 seats up at the end of December: William "Sonny" Regan Jr., Rob Babiak, Marc Watson, and Karl Rawson.

With no further business meeting was adjourned at 10:30 PM.

Naknek/Kvichak AC

Co-Chairman William "Sonny" Regan ('09)

Co-Chairman Abe Williams ('11)

Secretary Fred Pike ('11)

Rob Babiak ('09)

Joe Klutsch ('10)

Richard Wilson ('10)

Ryan Willson ('11)

Levelock Rep.

Marc Watson ('09)

Karl Rawson ('09)

Alternates

Kevin Cossairt ('10)

Russell Phelps ('11)

Respectfully submitted by,



Fred Pike, Naknek/Kvichak AC Secretary

**THESE MINUTES PROVIDED COURTESY OF
THE BRISTOL BAY NATIVE ASSOCIATION**

RECEIVED

NOV 13 2009

BOARDS
ANCHORAGE

HOMER FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE
November 10, 2009
Meeting began 6:05

- Members Present: Marv Peters (Chair), Trina B. Fellows (Sec), Michael Craig, Lee Martin, Cliff Calkins, George Matz, Joey Allred, Skip Avril, Jim Meesis, Tom Young, Dave Lyon, Tabor Ashment & Elise Wolf (Alternate), Pete Wedin.

Excused: Thomas Hagberg, Gus Van Dyke.

Fish & Game Biologist: Thomas McDonough

Public: Bob Shavelson, Cook Inlet Keeper- gave a short slide show on the area of the Chuitna Coal Strip proposal.

Alan Parks, AMCE, Louie Flora, Joe Spaeder: Discussed and backed proposal 13.

Konrad Schaad: Bristol Bay fishermen- discussed reasons why proposal 20 is a good proposal.

Proposal 13 13 Favor 1 Abstain 0 Oppose
Discussion - there are adequate rules in place now.

Proposal 20 10 Favor 1 Abstain 3 Oppose
Discussion: Why not retire permits instead of stacking?
Stacking permits would take away jobs.
Little guy can't compete.
This would be good for families.

Proposal 21 0 Favor 0 Abstain 14 Oppose
No discussion

Fish & Game Biologist: Thomas McDonough: gave a presentation on wildlife harvest and survey data.

14 FAVOR RESOLUTION: Opposing CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL use of caribou and moose in HOPE & SUNRISE area.

Adjourned 8:30

*Attn: Shannon
Bristol Bay BOF
AC Comments -*

p182

13 Nov

Homer
**A RESOLUTION OF THE
FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE
IN OPPOSITION TO THE CHUITNA COAL STRIP MINE**

WHEREAS, Upper Cook Inlet supports important fish and game resources, including salmon, bear, and moose, that provide essential subsistence, sport and commercial fishing and hunting opportunities;

WHEREAS, PacRim Coal, a Delaware corporation, is seeking state and federal permits to run the Chuitna coal strip mine 45 miles west of Anchorage, along the shores of Cook Inlet, near the communities of Tyonek and Beluga;

WHEREAS, the Chuitna coal project would include a large surface coal strip mine, a 12-mile long partially enclosed coal conveyance system, a 500,000 ton coal storage facility on the banks of Cook Inlet, and a two-mile long trestle and dock system extending into Cook Inlet to accommodate coal exports to Asian markets;

WHEREAS, the proposed Chuitna coal strip mine would, if fully developed, destroy roughly 30 square miles of fish and game habitat, and would discharge millions of gallons of mine waste and runoff each day into the salmon-rich Chuitna River and into Cook Inlet fisheries;

WHEREAS, the Chuitna coal strip represents a historic precedent for Alaska because it would be the first project ever permitted to mine directly through 11 miles of confirmed salmon spawning and rearing habitat;

WHEREAS, PacRim Coal is submitting permit applications now, yet state and federal agencies have yet to meaningfully engage local Fish & Game Advisory Committees on this substantial project;

WHEREAS, the Cook Inlet region boasts substantial coal reserves, and the Chuitna coal project will set an important precedent for coal strip mining and fish and game management for many years to come;

WHEREAS, development of the Chuitna coal strip mine will affect a broad area of Upper Cook Inlet with coal dust, increased plane and ship traffic, and associated spills risks.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE *HOMER* **FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE DOES HEREBY RESOLVES** that it opposes the proposed Chuitna coal strip mine until PacRim Coal and relevant state and federal agencies present information showing the proposed mine will not adversely affect the long term health and sustainability of fish and game resources in the Upper Cook Inlet watershed.

ADOPTED THIS 10 **DAY OF** *November* **2009**

PZQZ
AC COMMENT #2

TO: ADF+G
Boards Support Section
B O F Comments
For December 1-8 meeting
FAX # 907 465-6094

FROM: LAKE ILIAMNA Fish + Game Advisory
Committee

RANDY ALVAREZ -(chairman)

907-533-3211

FAX 533-3278

PAGES counting this ONE 24

Proposal #'s 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23

24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36

38, 44, 45

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8, 2009 meeting

Proposal # 10

Vote: 0-8

Reason: Committee is opposed

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 13

Vote: 0-8

Reason: Committee is opposed

We are opposed to establishing
a refuge that would potentially
restrict our useage

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 14

Vote: 0-8

Reason: We are opposed

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 15

Vote: 0-8

Reason: we are opposed

Our residents have about $\frac{1}{2}$ of the limited entry permits that were originally issued. By making the fishery more expensive to partake will drive out more of the locals that depend on this fishery

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 16

Vote: 0-8

Reason: we oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8, 2009 meeting

Proposal # 21

Vote: 0-8

Reason: we are opposed

this would make it more expensive to
stay fishing and be competitive

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 22

Vote: 0-8

Reason: we oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 23

Vote: 0-8

Reason: we oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 24

Vote: 0-8

Reason: We oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 25

Vote: 0-8

Reason: WE OPPOSE THIS

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 26

Vote: 0-8

Reason: We oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 27

Vote: ~~1-7~~ 1-7

Reason: We oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 28

Vote: ~~0-7~~ 1-7

Reason: We oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 29

Vote: 7-1

Reason: We support

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 31

Vote: 0-8

Reason: We oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 32

Vote: 8-0

Reason: We Support This

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 33

Vote: 0-8

Reason: We oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 34

Vote: 0-8

Reason: we oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 35

Vote: 0-8

Reason: we oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 36

Vote: 0-8

Reason: WE OPPOSE THIS

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 38

Vote: 0-8

Reason: we oppose this

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8, 2009 meeting

Proposal # 44

Vote: 8-0

Reason: We support with Amendment to
Redefine to ADF+G Recommendations

Lake Iliamna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
P.O.Box 4012
Igiugig, Alaska 99613

Comments For Board of Fisheries December 1-8,2009 meeting

Proposal # 48

Vote: 0-8

Reason: we oppose this