



Fairbanks Fish and Game Advisory Committee
February 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes
Pioneer Hall, Pioneer Park, Fairbanks, AK

I. Call to Order: Chair at 1839

II. Roll Call –

	<u>CHAIR</u> Kirk Schwalm	<u>VICE-CHAIR</u> Mark Richards	<u>SECRETARY</u> Ed Horton	Al Barrette	Chuck Derrick	John Wisniewski	Warren Giuchici	Richard Doering
Present	X	X	X		X			X
Absent						X		
Abs/Excused				X			X	
	Mike Bryan	Levi Lewellyn	Jeff Lucas	Mike Tinker	Mike Quinn	John Siegfried	Vince Holton	Virgil Umphenour (alternate)
Present	X			X				X
Absent		X						
Abs/Excused			X		X	X	X	

III. Approval of Agenda: Unanimous, added discussion of letter supporting Doug Vincent-Lang to old business.

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Jan 9 unanimously approved. note: guest “Dave Vick” should have said “Gale Vick”

V. Correspondence: None.

VI. ADFG/AWT Staff Present: Tony Hollis, Klaus Wutting, Trooper Valentine.

VII. Guests: 4 guests. Gale Vick, Erick from USARAK, Troy Bunce, Sofia Bracio.

VIII. Comments:

- Chair Comments: ADFG was spared in Gov Dunleavy’s proposed budget. Discussed that he applied for a superior court judgeship, and will not be able to vote on any actions during this meeting. The AC still has a quorum.

- Subcommittee Chairs:

- o N/A
- o Mike Tinker thanked attendees of the Fish/Joint Subcommittee for good turnout and discussions.



- AC Member Comments: None

- Public Comments: Troy Bunce is concerned about accessing his cabin and trapline on BLM land in the Dalton Highway corridor. BLM said he is on hold until prop 129 is cleared up. This line has been trapped since the 1980's. The FAC supports his further use and would like to see this resolved as well. If it is resolved in the BOG meeting he will be able to trap next winter. Erick from USARAK would like to see the maps in the hunting regulations clarified to show the military lands better. There has been confusion by the public on what the restricted area boundaries are, and if they apply to certain locations. He was referred to ADFG for mapping issues. Kirk would like a planned discussion with him in the future about working with the Army to ensure hunting opportunities.

IX. F&G/AWT Staff Reports:

- Game: Tony Hollis. Antlerless reauthorization in 20B should match last year. 20A will be the same, but reduced to 290 in more accessible areas. No counts have been done in 20A since 2015. Discussed Delta AC's concerns for their areas, and FAC's concerns with low Minto moose numbers.

- Sport Fish: N/A

- AWT: N/A

X. Old Business:

- Support for Doug Vincent-Lang. Mike Tinker would like to submit a letter of support from the Fairbanks Advisory Committee. Kirk would require the signature delegated to the Vice-chair. Minor changes were made to Mike's draft.
 - Motion to support approved, 7-0-1.

XI. New Business:

- Fortymile Harvest Management Coalition meeting. Mike Tinker discussed the meeting, summary follows: Caribou are showing signs of stress. Everyone indicates a need for management. Discussed multi-bag harvest hunt parameters. Canada now allows 40mi caribou hunting, and harvested 50-60 this year. Alaska and Canada will share quota next year. Gov Dunleavy says putting food on Alaskan plates is his highest priority. Mixing different herds is not an issue.
- Finalize comments on Southcentral BOG Meeting proposals. FAC discussed props that the Game Subcommittee thought were best brought to the full committee.
 - Prop 99. Discussed between FAC members. Most like the basic idea of increasing resident percentages, but believe 90%, plus a share of the non-resident 10% is too much. Virgil disagreed with the proposal's statement that other states are 90/10 Res/NR, and explained that number doesn't take landowner tags into account.
 - Motion to support failed, 0-7-1.
 - Prop 100. Mark had concerns about the subcommittee's comment to oppose. He would like to see FAC support and to amend comments to keep the resident and non-resident pools the same, and for the new 2DK permits to be created with an increased total quota.
 - Motion to support as amended approved, 7-0-1.
 - Prop 102. FAC discussed whether to amend comments to add a NR Draw hunt instead



of no NR hunting opportunity. There were concerns about guides using the area heavily, taking the allotted quota, and reducing resident hunting opportunity. As of now, the quota is not being met from year-to-year, however.

- Motion to support as written approved, 4-3-1.
 - Prop 103. Mark discussed the subcommittee's questions, and provided information from ADFG about unfilled tags. All FAC members were involved in in-depth discussion on both sides. The FAC believes the proposal addresses a loophole, but examples were given as to why the proposal will not work to fix the problem as written. No alternatives were agreed upon during discussions.
 - Motion to TNA with a note that the FAC believes the intent of the regulations is not for the guides to circumvent the draw process using a federal concession. Approved 7-0-1.
 - Prop 104. No comments.
 - Keep Game subcommittee comments, approved 7-0-1.
 - Prop 130. Virgil had concerns on the proposal as written. His issue was that it does not clarify the difference between guided non-residents and unguided non-residents. He would like to amend that no changes be made to current non-resident guide requirements.
 - Motion to support as amended, approved 7-0-1.
 - Props 135, 136, 137.
 - Motion to support, approved 7-0-1.
 - Props 139, 140, 141.
 - Motion to support, approved 7-0-1.
 - Prop 149.
 - Motion to support, approved 7-0-1.
 - Motion to support all other Game Subcommittee comments, approved 7-0-1.
- Finalize comments on statewide BoF Proposals. Mike Tinker discussed Fish subcommittee comments.
- Prop 165. Klaus read ADFG comments. Gale Vick (guest) weighed in. Trooper Valentine weighed in.
 - Motion to adopt, approved 7-0-1.
 - Prop 171. Mike liked the concept, but believed it was too much for the BOF to tackle. He advised to TNA with that comment.
 - Motion to TNA with comment, 7-0-1.
 - Briefly discussed all other comments.
 - Motion to adopt all other Fish Subcommittee comments, approved, 7-0-1.
- Finalize comments on Joint Board Proposals. Briefly discussed all comments made at the Fish Subcommittee. Kirk commented on prop 17 and asked "Would that mean all ACs will have to check IDs at the door?" Virgil agrees with prop 22. He said the current system means ACs have no opportunity to comment on things happening between pre-planned meetings.
- Motion to support all comments, approved, 7-0-1.
- Discussion of Interior BOG meeting location. Kirk provided a letter on the different locations presented and the viability of hosting the BOG meeting. The letter clearly shows Fairbanks is the best option for all to participate.
- Motion to support Fairbanks as the best option and North Pole as an alternative, approved 7-0-1.



- Nominations for Virgil to the Hatchery committee (if there is money for it), Al to the BOG meeting, and Mike to the Joint Board meeting, all approved 7-0-1.

XII. Adjourn: 22:19

Minutes Recorded by Ed Horton

Please see attached for subcommittee comments



**Fairbanks Advisory Committee Game Subcommittee
1/28/2019
Creamers Refuge Conference Room**

- I. Call to Order: [Time] by [name of chair/acting chair]
Al Barrette Chair of Game Sub-committee

- II. Roll Call:
Members Present:

Mike Tinker, Levi Lewellyn, Jeff Lucas, Ed Horton, and Mike Bryan

Members Absent (Excused):

Mark Richards (vice chair)

Members Absent (Unexcused):

Number Needed for Quorum on AC:

List of User Groups Present:

- III. Approval of Agenda:
Review South Central proposals

- IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

- V. Fish and Game Staff Present:
Mark Nelson Assistant Area Biologist

- VI. Guests Present:
Jim Sackett Gov. Office and Tom Kirstein Big Game Guide

- VII. Old Business:

- VIII. New Business:
 1. **Proposals 130 and 146 are deferred to the full committee.**
 2. **The Department did not have any ANR's (analysis and reviews) available for review at this meeting. So some of the proposals we took no action (TNA) because we did not have enough information to make an informed decision.**



3. We did reach out on a few proposals to other AC's for clarification.

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Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
54	Allow the use of crossbows in restricted-weapons hunts in the Southcentral Region		
Support as amended	6	0	Crossbows will not be allowed as a method in archery only areas.
55	Remove the restriction on the use of aircraft for spotting Dall sheep in Units 7 and 14		
Support	6	0	We would like to know if the restriction is working. How many investigations have there been since the implementation? We still believe this an unenforceable regulation and has unattended consequences to the pilot/flying public.
56	Prohibit nonresident hunting of moose and caribou under intensive management in the Southcentral Region until harvest and population objectives are met		
Full committee			
57	Modify the Controlled Use Area in Unit 6B		



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Support as amend	6	0	We like the date change, but do not support removing "hunter and their gear"
59	Shorten the hunting season for Kenai Mountain caribou (DC001) in Unit 7		
Support as amend	6	0	Allow a harvest of caribou in the late fall after the rut, opening date to start after 21 October. The permit will control the harvest with a short reporting time. This would not allow an over harvest, but would provide additional harvest of surplus caribou.
60	Change the hunting seasons for goat in Units 7 and 15		
TNA			No Department ANR'S
61	Establish a new drawing hunt for goats near Seldovia in Unit 15C		
TNA			No Department ANR'S
62	Separate the early and late season registration goat hunts for the Seldovia and Port Graham hunt areas in Unit 15C		
TNA			No Department ANR'S
63	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 and remove the road closure criteria in Unit 15C		
TNA			Due to action on proposal 65
64	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 to include spike-fork bulls		
TNA			Due to action on proposal 65



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65	Change the bag limit for moose in Units 7 and 15 from four to three brow tines		
Support	6	0	We support reducing the brow tine from 4 to 3. The lowering of the require brow tine would increase the harvest opportunity. The population of moose is at or above the population objective. We did not support adding a different segment of the age population at this time. We want to see what kind of harvest will happen with a 3 brow tine. We believe this will be sustainable for now.
66	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 from four to three brow tines		
TNA			Due to action on proposal 65
67	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Units 15A and 15B from spike-fork to four points on one palm or three brow tines		
TNA			Due to action on proposal 65
68	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Units 15A and 15B from spike-fork to five or more points on one palm and shorten the seasons		
Full committee			With no Department ANR. We would like more conversation and data before making a decision. Hopefully this will happen a t the full committee meeting.
69	Open a general season hunt for moose in Unit 15B and eliminate the drawing hunt		



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Support	6	0	We support this, but we are concerned with language within this proposal. The author stated this was a “trophy designed area”. We were not familiar with this term, nor do we know of that term used in codified. We did recognize that “trophy” is defined in codified. But we did not think this is what the author was implying.
70	Open a general season hunt for moose in Unit 15B and eliminate the drawing hunt		
Support	6	0	We believe this would be sustainable.
71	Establish a general season moose hunt for Unit 15B east and eliminate the drawing hunt		
TNA			Due to action on 70
72	Change the resident moose hunt structure in Unit 15C		
TNA			Due to action on 74
73	Change the resident moose hunt structure in Unit 15C		
TNA			Due to action on 74
74	Open a resident drawing hunt for moose in Unit 15C		
Support	6	0	We believe this is sustainable
76	Establish an “any bull” drawing hunt in Unit 15C		
TNA	6	0	Due to action on 74



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78	Establish resident drawing hunts for “any bull” moose in Units 15 and 7		
Support	6	0	With a very high population of moose this would be a great opportunity to allow more harvest and the harvest to be controlled by a permit.
79	Require hunter education for all hunters participating in Unit 15C drawing hunts		
oppose	0	6	There is already a requirement for some hunters to have completed a hunter ed class before hunting in this area. We did not believe requiring hunters born before 1986 should be included and piece meal areas with additional hunter ed classes. Stick with hunter ed as a state wide issue.
81	Require blaze orange be worn by moose hunters on Kalgin Island in Unit 15B		
oppose	0	6	We are over regulated now. Keep it a personal choice to what we wear in the field. Also this proposal only requires hunter to wear orange. What about the non-hunting public? This is a permit hunt. If the department is concerned about visibility they could “advise” hunter orange.
84	Open a resident, archery-only season for Dall sheep in Unit 15		
TNA			No Department ANR’S
85	Reduce the resident bag limit for black bear in Units 7 and 15		



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Oppose	0	6	We did not believe there is a conservation concern at this time.
86	Reduce the bag limit for spruce grouse in Units 7 and 15		
TNA			No Department ANR'S available to make an informed decision.
87	Close the ptarmigan season in Unit 15C		
TNA			No Department ANR'S available to make an informed decision.
88	Move the boundary of the Skilak Loop Wildlife Management Area in Unit 15		
Support	6	0	Clarification is always good.
89	Close the trapping season for beaver in an area of Units 7 and 15C		
Oppose	0	6	As we understand it. There was a fire that removed vegetation in that area. The habitat will come back and so will the beavers. We also believe there is very little beaver trapping going on in this area, due to the lack of beavers. Beavers are very plentiful throughout the Kenia. They will repopulate when the habitat replenishes.
90	Remove the date restrictions and expand the hunt area for the small game youth hunt in the Skilak Loop Wildlife Management Area in Unit 15		
Support	6	0	Encouraging hunting.



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91	Prohibit the discharge of certain weapons used for hunting and trapping within 1/2 mile of any residence in Unit 15C		
oppose	0	6	Not necessary.
92	Open a hunting season for tundra swan in Units 7 and 15		
Support	6	0	This is sustainable though registration or drawing permits.
93	Increase the bag limit for deer in Unit 8		
Support as amended	6	0	Use “up to” language in the regulation. This would allow managers to be flexible with “bag limits”. With the BOG on a 3 year cycle, managers do not have the ability to adjust bag limits as deer population fluxgates. The “up to” fixes this issue.
94	Lengthen the hunting season for goat in Unit 8 Remainder		
Support	6	0	With population what they are. This is sustainable.
95	Change the bag limit, lengthen the season, and implement reporting requirements for goat in Unit 8 Remainder		
Support as amended	6	0	The amendment would remove the reporting requirement. We believe this reporting requirement is above and beyond what a harvest report already provides.
96	Establish a new registration hunt for goat in Unit 8		



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Oppose	0	6	We do not believe this warranted or that there is the issue the author states. But again we did not have Department ANR'S or public safety comments available to us.
97	Allow the use of muzzleloaders for goat hunting in Unit 8		
Support	5	1	The majority of the committee thought this good idea. One person did not believe allowing muzzleloader in an archery hunt was compatible. Modern muzzleloaders have evolved and are just as effective as a single shot rifle. The same member also did not like creating a separate time for muzzleloaders only. For the same reasons. Modern muzzleloaders are not primitive weapon anymore.
98	Lengthen the fall hunting season for brown bear in Unit 8		
Support	6	0	We believe this is sustainable, and we had a member from the public who is a Brown Bear guide on Kodiak that agreed. We understand that this change would increase some harvest, but would not have an impact on the stainable bear population. But again we point out with no Department ANR'S available to us our decision may change.
99	Allocate at least 90% of the Unit 8 brown bear drawing permits to residents		
Full committee			



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100	Create a separate drawing for second degree of kindred brown bear permits in Unit 8		
Oppose	0	6	With no Department ANR'S and how many 2DK persons receive a permit annually we felt this is unnecessary at this time.
101	Create a resident tag for Kodiak brown bear from the nonresident permit allocation		
TNA			Takes legislative action.
102	Eliminate nonresident opportunity for the RB230 and RB260 registration permit brown bear hunts in Unit 8		
Full committee			Hopefully we will have data to make an informed decision at our next AC meeting.
103	Transfer under-subscribed nonresident Kodiak brown bear drawing permits to the resident drawing permit allocation		
Opposed	0	6	We do not believe they are any under-subscribed hunts for Brown Bears in unit 8
104	Allow residents to return Kodiak brown bear drawing permits in advance of the hunting season to be reissued to residents		
*opposed Full committee	0	6	The subcommittee opposed this. But I believe after think about what was stated. We should discuss this at the full committee.



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105	Adjust the boundaries of the Kodiak brown bear drawing hunt areas for Kiliuda Bay and Ugak Bay		
TNA			Need Department ANR'S
106	Provide educational material to encourage Kodiak brown bear hunters to harvest boars and penalize hunters for taking sows		
Oppose	0	6	Some sow harvest has to be taken, to keep the boar sow ratio in balance. Having some sow harvest is sustainable. The author may be incorrect about the percentages of sows harvested by guides. A member from the public who was at our meeting stated that the guides are harvesting 70% boars for quite a while. This is incredible percentage! Good on the guide industry in unit 8.
107	Prohibit shooting from a boat while hunting in the Ugak Bay area in Unit 8		
108	Create a controlled use area on the Ayakulic River in Unit 8		
Opposed	0	6	We did not believe this is advisable at this time. We would like see data that supports the author's claims.
109	Require all snares on the Kodiak road system to have a breakaway mechanism		



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Opposed	0	6	We did not believe this should be mandatory for all trappers in unit 8. Not all break-a-way snares are equal. That was shown in wolf snares. Different cables, locks, stops, cable sleeves and anchors all have different characteristic as to how effective or not, a snare will work. Some animals react different from others when they are caught. We do encourage trappers to make they own deaccession on how to use snare and what kind.
110	Modify the nonresident bow and arrow goat hunt structure in the Lake George area in Unit 14C from a drawing hunt to a registration hunt		
TNA			No Department ANR'S to make an informed decision.
111	Lengthen the hunting season for moose in the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Management Area in Unit 14C		
Support	6	0	Sustainable and more opportunity.
112	Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 14C		
TNA			
113	Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in the Twentymile/Portage/Placer hunt area in Units 7 and 14C		
TNA			
114	Open a youth drawing hunt for Dall sheep in Unit 14C		



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Oppose	0	6	We believe youth hunters already have opportunists to harvest sheep under “Youth Hunts”. We believe the young hunters do not need a special opportunity in every unit or sub unit for sheep.
115	Establish a separate Dall sheep drawing for second degree of kindred hunters in Unit 14C		
Oppose	0	6	We oppose this because we feel the added layer of permitting isn’t needed. We did not have Department ANR’S to give us back ground on this issue.
116	Change the brown bear hunt in Unit 14C Remainder to a registration hunt with a bag limit of one bear every year		
Support	6	0	Sustainable and more opportunity.
117	Extend the hunting season for black bear in the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Management Area in Unit 14C		
Support	6	0	Sustainable and more opportunity.
118	Open a registration black bear hunt for shotgun and muzzleloader only in the McHugh Creek hunt area in the Anchorage Management Area		
Support	6	0	Sustainable and more opportunity.
119	Open a registration black bear hunt for shotgun and muzzleloader only in the Upper Campbell Creek hunt area in the Anchorage Management Area		
Support	6	0	Sustainable and more opportunity.



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120	Open a black bear baiting registration hunt for shot gun or muzzleloader only within the Anchorage Management Area		
Support	6	0	Sustainable and more opportunity.
121	Allow the harvest of bear with the use of bait in Unit 14C Remainder		
Support	6	0	Sustainable and more opportunity.
122	Require hunter education for small game hunting in the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Management Area in Unit 14C		
TNA			Let the AC's of the area make that call. We already have a regulation covering hunter ed.
123	Open a year-round season with no bag limit for unclassified game in the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Management Area in Unit 14C		
Support	6	0	House keeping
124	Extend the trapping season for beaver in Unit 14C		
Support	6	0	We always support more opportunities for trappers, with sustainable populations.
125	Modify the Birchwood Management Area boundary in Unit 14C		
Support	6	0	We support clarification and housekeeping of regulations.
126	Allow additional moose harvest opportunity in Unit 16A by providing an antlerless hunt and/or an "any bull" hunt		



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TNA			We have no jurisdiction on the antlerless moose part. We had no Department ANS's to make an informed decision at this meeting.
127	Open a registration hunt for moose in Unit 19A		
Support as amended	6	0	Amendment: remove the requirement to apply for registration permits in person one month before the start of the hunt, at Sleetmute. The Fairbanks AC and many other Alaskans do not support this concept of applying in person, well before a hunt is opened. This is an unfair, unequal, and a very costly disadvantage to Alaskans that do not reside in or near Sleetmute. We Strongly encourage the BOG to stop this back door/loophole, to giving preface to local users over other Alaskans. We all contribute to the management of wildlife in the state equally, we all should have equal access to the opportunities to harvest!
128	Modify the Clearwater Creek Controlled Use Area description		
Support as amended	6	0	This is real easy. Amendment: Using the existing trail called MacLaren Summit north, everything on the trail or 100' east of the trail is motorized and everything to the west side of the trail is non-motorized. The Tangle Lakes Archaeological District north boundary should have a marker on the east side of the trail. (There is some area that motorized vehicles could use north of that boundary.)



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129			Clarify the ability for trappers to transport furbearers or lawful parts of game as trapping bait within the Dalton Highway Corridor Management Area



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Support as amended	6	0	<p>Regulation should be written as: Trappers may transport furbearers, lawful parts of game as trapping bait, or game processed for human consumption.</p> <p>This housekeeping should be acceptable. We did add the part about transporting game that was processed for human consumption. So trappers could take game food with them. Such as moose or caribou jerky, burgers, sausages ect. As you should know trappers need to be prepare for the environment and break downs and having food is part of that preparation.</p> <p>The Fairbanks AC would also like the board, Department of Law and Public Safety to address, “can a trapper/trapline using a snowgo run along or parallel within the James Dalton Corridor”? The statue AS 19.40.210(3) states: (3) the use of a snow machine to travel across the highway corridor from land outside the corridor to access land outside the other side of the corridor; this paragraph does not permit the use of a snow machine for any purpose within the corridor if the use begins or ends within the corridor or within the right-of-way of the highway or if the use is for travel within the corridor that is parallel to the right-of-way of the highway; It would appear that a trapper using a snowgo cannot run their line parallel to the highway within the corridor.</p>



Homer Fish and Game Advisory Committee
Nov. 13, 2018
NERRS Building

Call to Order: 6:02 by Dave Lyon (chair)

Roll Call:

Members Present: Dave Lyon (chair), Tom Young (vice chair), George Matz (secretary), Michael Craig, Thomas Hagberg, Lee Martin, Doug Malone, Dan Anderson, Marvin Peters, Dennis Wade, Wes Humbyrd, Jim Meesis, Gary Sinnhuber, Phillip Jones, Ty Gates.

Members Absent: Joey Alred.

Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 8

List of User Groups Present: None

Approval of Agenda: Approved

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: NA

Fish and Game Staff Present: Jason Herreman.

Guests Present: Larry Smith, Todd Hoppe, Megan Pacer.

Old Business: None

New Business: While the public notice mentioned that we would consider Bristol Bay finfish proposals 18 – 62, no one had any suggestions. However, Larry Smith directed our attention to proposals 169, 170, and 171 which could result in some significant change to salmon fisheries management. No one was prepared to discuss these issues at this meeting and since these preproposals won't be considered by the BOF until its Statewide Finfish meeting March 8-11, we deferred discussion until our Dec. meeting. Dan Anderson will be the Homer AC representative for that meeting.

Jason Herreman gave us an update on the latest harvest data for Unit 15C. He said that the road kill for moose was down this previous winter from the previous winter and was also below average. Lack of deep snow probably kept moose off the roads. He also said that the moose harvest for 15C this fall will be about 185-190. About 25% of that was illegal bull moose kills. This was about the same as last year despite the emphasis to educate hunters on what is or isn't a legal bull. This information played into our discussion that followed on BOG proposals.



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54	Allow the use of crossbows in restricted-weapons hunts in the Southcentral Region		
0	0	15-0	Crossbow is not a primitive weapon. If a hunter doesn't have the strength to use bow and arrow, they can apply for an exemption. Rather than add a regulation for the exception, it is better to allow special permits for those who qualify.
55	Remove the restriction on the use of aircraft for spotting Dall sheep in Units 7 and 14		
0	1	12-2	The reasons given for removing this restriction were not convincing to the AC.
56	Prohibit nonresident hunting of moose and caribou under intensive management in the Southcentral Region until harvest and population objectives are met		
0	5	6-4	The intent of this proposal is that active IM programs, which seek to increase prey populations and harvest, comply with statutes that state the taking of game "by residents for personal or family consumption has preference over taking by nonresidents." There was some discussion about the need for this since 15C and other GMU's don't currently have active predator control programs. So this proposal would apply to possible future rather than present circumstances. There was also concern that this proposal may limit hunting with nonresident friends or family.
59	Shorten the hunting season for Kenai Mountain caribou (DC001) in Unit 7		
S	14	1-0	The AC generally supported shortening the caribou season to be more consistent with other hunts and to exclude hunting during the rut. One opposed because having a late hunt could be a fallback if other hunts weren't successful.
60	Change the hunting seasons for goat in Units 7 and 15		
S	11	2-2	The AC generally agreed that allowing a hunt during the rut could result in wasted meat as well as disturbance to the herd at this sensitive time. Those opposed mentioned meat taken during the rut can be treated to be more palatable and a late season hunt provides more opportunity.
61	Establish a new drawing hunt for goats near Seldovia in Unit 15C		



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SA	14	1-0	The AC generally agreed that going from a registration hunt to a draw hunt allows better management. A motion was made to amend the dates to the same as Proposal 60 which passed 13-1-1.
62	Separate the early and late season registration goat hunts for the Seldovia and Port Graham hunt areas in Unit 15C		
S	15	0-0	Agreement with reasons given in proposal.
63	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 and remove the road closure criteria in Unit 15C		
O	1	14-0	Maintain road closures and objection to spike-fork.
64	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 to include spike-fork bulls		
NA			Some of the purpose of this proposal covered by proposals below.
65	Change the bag limit for moose in Units 7 and 15 from four to three brow tines		
S	14	1-0	The AC believes that bull populations have recovered enough to now allow for more liberal harvest regulations.
66	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 from four to three brow tines		
NA			See Proposal 65.
67	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Units 15A and 15B from spike-fork to four points on one palm or three brow tines		
NA			See Proposal 65.
68	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Units 15A and 15B from spike-fork to five or more points on one palm and shorten the seasons		
NA			
69	Open a general season hunt for moose in Unit 15B and eliminate the drawing hunt		
S	15	0-0	Agreed that limiting this area to a trophy hunt is no longer applicable.
70	Open a general season hunt for moose in Unit 15B and eliminate the drawing hunt		
S	15	0-0	See Proposal 69
71	Establish a general season moose hunt for Unit 15B east and eliminate the drawing hunt		
S			See Proposal 69
72	Change the resident moose hunt structure in Unit 15C		
NA			
73	Change the resident moose hunt structure in Unit 15C		



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O	0	14-1	This isn't a subsistence hunt and limiting hunters to just this area is not applicable.
74	Open a resident drawing hunt for moose in Unit 15C		
S	15	0	This proposal was submitted by the Homer AC because we think the recovery of bull moose in 15C and an overall moose population near the capacity limit allows for changing regulations to allow for greater hunting opportunity and harvest. Having an any antler hunt can be justified and may reduce the high percentage of illegal bull kills. It should be noted that a general hunt would still occur and that the number of draw permits will be decided on at the local level based on the harvest of that hunt.
75	Open an archery and muzzleloader permit hunt for moose Unit 15C		
SA	10	3-2	An amendment was passed (11-2-2) that the intent is to have this hunt run concurrently with the cow moose hunt, but not restricted to the same area. Also to delete the 4th sentence in paragraph 3. Opposition was based on the fact that we have already agreed to a number of changes to allow greater harvest and it isn't clear yet how this will all add up.
76	Establish an "any bull" drawing hunt in Unit 15C		
S	15	0-0	This ADF&G proposal is similar to the one we submitted (#74). At first we thought this proposal allows nonresidents to apply for a permit, but a closer reading lead us to a different conclusion. We support #76 and want to emphasize that as written the proposal does not allow for nonresidents to apply for permits.
77	Establish a drawing hunt for antlerless moose in Unit 15C north of the south fork of the Anchor River		
S	8	4-3	This area has a population of cow moose that aren't hunted in the antlerless moose hunt. Opposition seemed to be based on uncertainty as to how all these changes add up.

Next meeting on Dec. 11th, same time and place.

Adjournment: 8:45

Minutes Recorded By: George Matz

Approved by: Dave Lyon

Date: 12/20/2018



**Homer Fish and Game Advisory Committee
Dec. 11, 2018
NERRS Building**

Call to Order: 6:02 by Dave Lyon (chair)

Roll Call:

Members Present: Dave Lyon (chair), George Matz (secretary), Michael Craig, Thomas Hagberg, Lee Martin, Doug Malone, Dan Anderson, Marvin Peters, Wes Humbyrd, Gary Sinnhuber, Ty Gates.

Members Absent: Joey Alred, Tom Young (vice chair), Dennis Wade, Jim Meesis, Phillip Jones.

Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 8

List of User Groups Present: None

Approval of Agenda: Approved

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: NA

Fish and Game Staff Present: Jason Herreman (DWC), Jeremy Baum (AWT)

Guests Present: Joseph Basargin, Auroam Kalugin,ness: John Guer, Andrea Kosto, Mike Bianchi, Joe Brewer, Colette Choate, Revelletad Russell, Mathew Alward, Malcolm, Milne.

Old Business: None

New Business: We discussed the Kodiak interception issue and the need for the Homer AC to generate a proposal addressing this. Dan Anderson will work on a draft for AC consideration.

Homer AC decisions on proposals.

Alaska Board of Fisheries: Statewide Finfish Proposals March 8-11, 2019 Anchorage, AK			
Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
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168			Specify that any line used to make the attachment between a skiff and a purse seine used in a commercial salmon fishery may not exceed 10 fathoms in length



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S	11	0 - 0	This proposal closes a loophole that a few fisherman have used to circumvent regulations.
169	Repeal and readopt the Policy for Statewide Salmon Escapement Goals		
S	10	0 - 1	The AC felt that Proposal 169 was a more readable version of Proposal 170 which includes specific amendments and deletions to 5 AAC 39.222. The general discussion was that current practice allows too much escapement which results in smaller runs in the future and lower harvest in the present than what would be sustainable. Proposal 169 is a return to biological escapement goals and gives local biologists more flexibility in managing harvest. The abstention was based on the concern that the proposed changes to policy assumes too much certainty in managing wild stocks and could result in nonsustainable harvest if conditions (e.g. weather) abruptly change.
170	Amend the Policy for the Management of Sustainable Salmon Fisheries to include management targets		
S	9	1 - 1	The reasons for were essentially the same as #169. Those not supporting did not think that extensive deletions to existing policy was needed.
171	Modify criteria for the allocation of fishery resources among personal use, sport, and commercial fisheries		
O	0	11 - 0	The main objection by the AC is that this proposal puts emphasis, in terms of historical analysis, on the previous 20 years. This would skew allocation to sport and personal use and leave out long term cycles that might offer valuable insight to fish populations.
172	Define "bow and arrow"		
S	9	0 - 2	We have discussed this many times in the past, so discussion was brief.

At the request of a couple of guests, we took up the following proposals without realizing that the BOF meeting had already been held.



Alaska Board of Fisheries: Bristol Bay Proposals			
November 28-December 4, 2018 Dillingham, AK			
Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
56	Prohibit chumming by guides and other commercial users in portions of the Naknek River drainage sport fishery		
O	0	10 - 1	Objection was because chumming, as presented in the proposal, isn't well defined and would be hard to enforce.
57	Prohibit the use of certain sport fishing tackle in a section of the Naknek River drainage		
O	0	10 - 1	This proposal would prohibit a popular fly-fishing method.

Next, we continued BOG proposals.

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64	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 to include spike-fork bulls		
O	0	11 - 0	This proposal goes back to what hasn't worked well under current conditions. Other proposals address the central issue of bull:cow ratios.
78	Establish resident drawing hunts for "any bull" moose in Units 15 and 7		
S	6	4 - 1	We initially opposed this proposal, despite being similar to what we supported for 15C, because we were uncertain as to whether or not the same conditions apply to other parts of 15 and 7. However, there was a reconsideration vote and based on ADF&G staff stating that the Department would have discretion as to whether or not a draw hunt would be applicable, the vote changed.
79	Require hunter education for all hunters participating in Unit 15C drawing hunts		
S	9	2 - 0	This proposal was submitted by the Homer AC. Opposition was based difficulty that rural villages would have in attending a hunter ed course and those who took hunters ed. a long time ago having to take it again. But one AC member who teaches hunter ed pointed out that getting recertified isn't that onerous. Besides,



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			conditions have changed, and all hunters need to be up to speed with what is current.
80	Change the Hope/Palmer Creek Valley area general season moose hunt in Unit 7 to an archery-only permit hunt		
O	0	10 - 1	The Hope/Palmer Creek qualifies for a federal subsistence which will still allow hunting with firearms. Consequently, it isn't clear that this proposal would achieve its objective.
81	Require blaze orange be worn by moose hunters on Kalgin Island in Unit 15B		
O amended	5	4 - 2	After much discussion about the merits of wearing blaze orange, there was a motion to amend "upper" with "orange vest or jacket and hat". The amendment passed 9-2. However, the vote on the amended version still lacked the majority considering an abstained vote is a vote against.
82	Reauthorize the antlerless moose season on Kalgin Island in Unit 15B		
S amended	11	0 - 0	The AC amended this proposal to "remove the sealing requirement". The amendment passed 10 - 0 - 1.
83	Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 15C		
S	7	1 - 3	There was a motion to remove the nonresident permit. However, after ADF&G staff pointed out that there has been only 1 nonresident permit in the past three years the motion was deemed unnecessary and lacked a second. There was discussion about why ADF&G included the AM550 hunt in this proposal since DM549 and AM550 have nothing in common. Some AC members felt that the proposal should be rejected because of this. However, it was felt that the more discrete approach is to support the proposal, but strongly request that ADF&G not include the AM550 hunt in this proposal or future antlerless moose proposals.
84	Open a resident, archery-only season for Dall sheep in Unit 15		
O	0	11 - 0	Sheep populations and harvest for Unit 15 are in a series decline and adding another hunt is inappropriate.
85	Reduce the resident bag limit for black bear in Units 7 and 15		
S amended	11	0 - 0	This proposal was submitted by the Homer AC. There was some discussion about sufficient biological evidence to reduce bag limits from 3 to 2. Initially it passed 6-3-2. But then there was a reconsideration vote followed by a motion to amend the fourth



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			paragraph to read "Two bears per year". The motion passed 9-0-2 and the amended proposal vote was unanimous for support.
86	Reduce the bag limit for spruce grouse in Units 7 and 15		
S	11	0 - 0	This proposal was submitted by the Homer AC.
87	Close the ptarmigan season in Unit 15C		
O	0	10 - 1	The AC agrees that ptarmigan populations are much reduced in some areas and that action is needed. At our January 2015 meeting we supported Proposal #176 to reduce the bag limit for ptarmigan in Unit 15C, north of Kachemak Bay and Fox River. The BOG approved a similar proposal (#175) and lowered the ptarmigan bag limit to 5 in 15C and shortened the season to end January 31 with the intent of enabling recovery of local populations. Our preference is to see how these changes work out before taking more restrictive actions.
88	Move the boundary of the Skilak Loop Wildlife Management Area in Unit 15		
S	7	1 - 3	The AC wants to point out that the critical factor is that the state has to reach agreement with the F&WS.
89	Close the trapping season for beaver in an area of Units 7 and 15C		
S	8	3 - 0	The AC was in agreement that now beaver are virtually absent in the headwaters of the Anchor River (though not downriver) and that a temporary closure on trapping is appropriate. The votes opposed to the proposal were based on the assumption that beaver dams block the spawning and rearing of salmon in waters above a dam. However, ADF&G staff pointed out that beaver and salmon coexist in the lower part of the Anchor River and this doesn't appear to be a factor.
90	Remove the date restrictions and expand the hunt area for the small game youth hunt in the Skilak Loop Wildlife Management Area in Unit 15		
S	11	0 - 0	Not much discussion.
91	Prohibit the discharge of certain weapons used for hunting and trapping within 1/2 mile of any residence in Unit 15C		
O	0	11 - 0	ADF&G staff pointed out that the BOG may not have authority to enact this proposal. While we are aware of the problem the proposal is trying to address, drawing a circle with a half mile radius around every residence in the area might essentially prohibit any



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			hunting on the Homer bench, even on public lands where it is allowed. Perhaps adjustment to “no hunting” regulations could address this issue.
92	Open a hunting season for tundra swan in Units 7 and 15		
0	0	11 - 0	It doesn't appear that the proposer can identify swans correctly. Being able to distinguish between a Tundra and Trumpeter Swan can be difficult. Alaska does have a season for Tundra Swans in the northern part of the state (where they breed), but they are fairly rare in Units 7 & 15, even during migration. However, Trumpeter Swans, which are a protected species, are commonly seen on the Kenai Peninsula. Trumpeter Swans not only nest on the Kenai but some overwinter here where there is open freshwater, like the Kenai River and

Next meeting on Jan. 8th, same time and place. Agenda will be to finish BOG proposals and look at proposals for Joint Board. Also, annual elections. Since we have staggered 3-year terms, 1/3 of member terms (not the member) expires every year. Based on my records, those up for reelection are Tom Young, George Matz, Marvin Peters, Gary Sinnhuber, and Lee Martin.

Adjournment: 8:30

Minutes Recorded By: George Matz
Minutes Approved By: Dave Lyon, Chair
Date: 12/20/2018



**Homer Fish and Game Advisory Committee
Jan. 8, 2019
NERRS Building**

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Chair Lyon at 6:15 pm

Members Present: Dave Lyon, George Matz, Gary Sinnhuber, Tom Hagberg, Dan Anderson, Marvin Peters, Joey Allred, Jr, Jim Meesis, Michael Craig, Dennis Wade.

Members Absent Excused: Wes Humbyrd, Ty Gates, Doug Malone, Tom Young, Lee Martin

Members Absent Unexcused: Robert Fimon, Philip Jones,

Public Present: Spiridon Martushall, Akcinia Kulikov, Ernie Johnson, Brent Keene, Malcolm Milne, Alice Clucas, Greg Johnson, Jamin Morris, Richard Roth, Joseph Brewer, Louise Lyon, Charles Black, Pete Acerson, Jessie Nelson, Beaver Nelson, Britt Milne, Matt Hakala, Jim Herbert, William Roth, Kaytlen Roth, Omar John Gucer, Matt Alward, Brice Harrison, Andrea Kosro, Amanda Roth, Steven Roth, Brad Marden, Robert Roth, Mike Bionodi, Revelle Russell, Jenny Roth, Galen Lyon, Morgan Jones, Adam Barker, Matt Hockema, Jordan Steves, Mark Mahan

ADFG Staff Present: Jason Herreman, Sherry Wright

New Business: Elections were held with the following results:

Malcolm Milne, Matt Hakala, Morgan Jones, Dennis Wade and Dan Anderson were elected to three-year terms that expire 6/2021. Dave Lyon and Wes Humbyrd were elected for one-year alternates that expires 6/2019.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Board of Game Proposals

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113	Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in the Twentymile/Portage/Placer hunt area in Units 7 and 14C		
S	12	0 - 1	This proposal will offer more opportunity for hunters and will be sustainable based on ADF&G data
114	Open a youth drawing hunt for Dall sheep in Unit 14C		
O	0	13 - 0	Sheep populations are already in trouble without increasing harvest. This proposal would increase hunting pressure and is not sustainable.
116	Change the brown bear hunt in Unit 14C Remainder to a registration hunt with a bag limit of one bear every year		
S	10	0 - 3	This better aligns with regulations for other Southcentral GMU's region. Would be able to keep track of permits handed out. Abstention was based on uncertainty about populations and inclined to a more precautionary approach.
120	Open a black bear baiting registration hunt for shot gun or muzzleloader only within the Anchorage Management Area		
O as amended	4	4 - 5	To be consistent with other regulations regarding weapons of limited range, this proposal was amended to include archery as well as a shot gun or muzzleloader. However, the proposal as amended was still not approved by a majority. There was some discussion regarding the safety of allowing black bear baiting in the Anchorage Management Area. Even if there are areas with sufficient distance from homes, there is also a lot of recreational use throughout the area. Baiting stations near homes and trails could present a safety issue.
121	Allow the harvest of bear with the use of bait in Unit 14C Remainder		
O	0	10 - 3	The discussion centered on why brown bears should not be managed on the same basis as black bears. Brown bears have a longer reproductive rates and are usually not hunted for food; essentially, they are a trophy animal with more limited harvest. Increasing harvest potential via baiting is not consistent with managing brown bears as a trophy animal. Abstentions were based on lack of familiarity with the issue.
122	Require hunter education for small game hunting in the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Management Area in Unit 14C		
S as amended	13	0 - 0	The proposal was amended so that hunters be allowed to only use muzzleloaders and archery, which passed 10-1-2. The concern was that JBER is in the middle of an urban area which creates a safety issue if small bore rifles typically used for hunting small game are allowed.
123	Open a year-round season with no bag limit for unclassified game in the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Management Area in Unit 14C		
S	13	0 - 0	See AC comments on #122.



128	Modify the Clearwater Creek Controlled Use Area description		
0	0	12 – 1	A number of Homer hunters participate in the Nelchina caribou hunt in Unit 13B. The Maclaren Summit Trail provides on-foot hunters easier access to the higher country due to the elevation there. But in the past there has been disagreement as to whether the trail is in the Clearwater Creek CUA which doesn't allow ATV's. This confusion was recently resolved by GPS readings which demonstrated that the trail is within the CUA. Consequently, last year ADF&G submitted a proposal to that effect, which was unanimously supported by 5 out of the 6 AC's that commented. Nevertheless, the BOG reversed the decision to allow ATV's on the trail, which this proposal now formalizes. The Homer AC agrees that preference for use of this trail should be given to on-foot hunters and that ATV's should not be allowed for hunting. This recognizes that on-foot hunters do not have equal opportunity to hunt if they have to compete with ATV's. Not allowing ATV's does not restrict access to any hunter, only their mode of access. The BOG also needs to recognize that when the caribou season opens there are still tourists in the area and a popular hike is the trail to Maclaren Summit. Not having ATV hunters on this narrow trail will reduce congestion and the need for hikers to scramble off the trail to allow ATV's to pass. This does not create a good image of hunting to nonhunters in the area. The one abstention was based on confusion about the proposal, but the individual made clear that he didn't think ATV hunting should be allowed.

Following our review of BOG proposals there was a discussion that started at the last meeting about the Homer AC generating a proposal that seeks to resolve some of the conflict that exists between Cook Inlet and Kodiak commercial fisherman. Before a proposal could be drafted, Dan Anderson wanted more information about the Shelikof fishery. This opened a discussion with members of the public who were at the meeting and are familiar with the issue. Some of their comments were;

Robert Roth – commercial fisherman that is concerned about the UCI lack of fish affecting his fishery.

Matt Hockema - Bought into Cook Inlet fishery 7 – 8 years ago. Due to interception and Mat Valley he is stuck in a corner or gets shut down during the peak. That is going to happen. When other people don't want to take the restrictions, set netters will be out of the water. Low king returns affect the fishery. Fishermen have taken a hit to allow fish to make it to the Susitna River. Others also need to feel the burden of conservation. Lost 40% of his income in one hit.

Jordan Stover – Curious what will happen to Copper River next?



Restrictions on Kodiak or other fisheries aren't going to make more fish available for commercial fishermen – they will still just let those go to the upper fisheries.

As a committee, they grapple with politics and changes that come quicker than they can keep up with. There's more data to review. Homer AC has tried to spread out the burden of conservation.

The Fish Subcommittee will have another meeting to prepare proposals for the Cook Inlet BOF cycle. (April 10, 2019 proposal deadline).

Jason Herreman did get moose counts in 15C and provided an update on that.

All that is left is Joint Board proposals which will be discussed at the next meeting, February 12th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09

Minutes recorded by George Matz
Approved by Advisory Committee
Date Approved 2/12/2019



**Homer Fish and Game Advisory Committee
Feb. 12, 2019
NERRS Building**

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Chair Lyon at 6:01 pm

Members Present: Dave Lyon (chair), Tom Young (vice-chair), George Matz (secretary), Gary Sinnhuber, Tom Hagberg, Dan Anderson, Marvin Peters, Joey Allred, Jr, Jim Meesis, Michael Craig, Dennis Wade, Wes Humbyrd, Doug Malone, Malcolm Milne, Matt Hakala, Morgan Jones.

Members Absent Excused: Lee Martin

Public Present:

Beaver Nelson, Jessie Nelson, Matt Alward, Penelope Haas, Nancy Hilstrand, Lynn Whitmore.

Staff Present: ADF&G; Mike Booz, Holly Dickson, Carol Kerkvliet, Elisa Russ. AST: Alisha Beach

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Minutes of the January AC meeting were approved.
Minutes of Fisheries Subcommittee were approved.

Old Business: Dan Anderson discussed the Fisheries Subcommittee meeting last week regarding Cook Inlet mixed salmon stocks, interception of these stocks, and further insight from recent genetic studies of these fisheries. The meeting covered a lot of issues but didn't hone it down to a proposal. However, Dan took these thoughts and came up with a rough working draft to facilitate further discussion. Dan handed out a two-page draft that in addition had a map of Kodiak salmon management units. He suggested amendments to the North Shelikof and Cape Igvak Salmon Management Plans. The intent of this effort is to be able to submit a proposal to the BOF by the April 10th deadline.

New Business: Penelope Haas of KBCS provided new research about the impact that pink salmon have on populations of diatoms and copepods while ocean feeding. She felt that this information needs to be part of the discussion on salmon hatchery operations that the BOF Hatchery Committee is having March 8 in Anchorage.

ADF&G staff led a discussion on Kachemak Bay tanner crab. There currently isn't an open season for tanner crab because their survey counts were below threshold limits. A seasonal limit on crab was mentioned. The Homer AC had a brief discussion about whether we should work up a proposal on the issue. The consensus was to defer at this time.

Lynn Whitmore, chairman of Kachemak Moose Habitat, Inc. gave his annual review on lands or easements that have been purchased to protect prime moose habitat in the Kachemak Bay area.



He said they are working the Kachemak Heritage Land Trust to secure some prime winter habitat along the Anchor River.

The AC approved of Dan Anderson representing us at the BOF meeting Feb. 21-27 in Anchorage.

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Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
12	Require members to reside within the committee's geographic area		
Support	15	0 – 0	While this hasn't been an issue in Homer, it is conceivable that it might be. The AC believes that allowing non-residents to become members could be disruptive.
13	Change the advisory committees having jurisdiction for the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay area by removing Mt. Yenlo and Denali Advisory Committees		
Support	15	0 – 0	
17	Reorder and clarify the election procedures under the uniform rules of operation for advisory committees		
Support	14	0 – 1	Needed administrative changes. The vote to abstain was based on too much information.
22	Allow advisory committee members to discuss and vote by email, excluding actions for antlerless moose reauthorizations or emergency order closures		
Support	13	2 - 0	<p>There was some discussion about deleting the sentence on voting. An amendment was offered but failed 2 – 13 – 0.</p> <p>The AC is aware that current interpretation of the Open Meetings Act does not allow discussion on AC matters except in an open forum. However, the AC disagrees with this interpretation and believes that the public would be better served by the proposed changes than the status quo. If the Boards approve this proposal, it becomes regulation, thereby accomplishing that change.</p> <p>The Homer AC's experience is that the current interpretation of the law clearly inhibits a beneficial exchange of ideas that can improve member knowledge before voting. Denying this exchange has greater negative consequences than the remote possibility that a member of the public might be interested in all</p>



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			<p>AC discussion on a proposal. If AC exchange is via email or social media, it is on the public record so transparency is not an issue.</p> <p>Also, AC members should not be held to the same standard as board members. Board members are public officials who make actual decisions. AC members are volunteers who are only advisory. Furthermore, AC meetings are totally different than board meetings; short without much face-to-face opportunity for more detailed exchange. AC meetings don't have the same level of public scrutiny as board meetings often have.</p>
23	Provide guidance for advisory committee actions having abstentions		
Support	15	0 – 0	<p>Abstention votes by the Homer AC are usually because the member doesn't feel familiar enough with the issue to vote on it and doesn't want to affect the results either way. Nevertheless, we have been determining "support" or "oppose" based on whether the count of yeas amounts to a majority. In essence, abstentions are counted as nays. There have been a couple of votes where yeas were greater than nays, but not a majority when abstentions are included. This proposal, if approved, will correct that.</p>
24	Add language to clarify advisory committee meetings are subject to the Open Meetings Act and modify noncompliant provisions		
Support	15	0 – 0	No discussion
28	Allow advisory committee representatives to be at the board table during deliberations for those proposals the advisory committee authored		
Oppose	0	13 – 2	<p>The AC felt that conceptually the proposal has merit, but that the process of bringing AC's to the table would be cumbersome and create unnecessary delays. There are other options to consider, such as how BOG meetings are organized. Perhaps the organization of BOG meetings should be more like BOF meetings.</p>
29	Allow advisory committee representatives a seat at the board table during deliberations on proposals affecting their region		



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Oppose	0	15 - 0	It was noted that this proposal is similar to #28 but could have additional problems. Allowing an AC to sit at the table during deliberations for proposals affecting their regions is prone to abuse. An AC would have inordinate opportunity to participate in a wide range of proposals where claims interest. A concern expressed is that unlike other members of the public, AC members would have access to board members in an area closed off to the public.
30	Provide a definition for board work sessions and allow submitters of Agenda Changes Requests (ACRs) to provide testimony at work sessions		
Support	10	4 - 1	A clear definition of what is or isn't a work session is needed.
33	Amend the Joint Board's procedure for establishing fish and game regulations		
Support	15	0 - 0	The Homer AC has a long history of opposing board generated proposals that do not go through the public vetting process that all other proposals go through. We have also opposed board generated amendments to existing proposals that are not within the bounds of the original proposal or group of very similar proposals.
38	Require the Board of Fisheries to schedule shellfish regulations for any that have been closed by emergency order for 24 consecutive months		
Support	15	0 - 0	Submitted by the Homer AC.



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Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
93	Increase the bag limit for deer in Unit 8		
Support	15	0 - 0	Doug Malone, who was not at the last meeting, asked that we go back to the BOG proposals and consider #93. His reason for support is that the biggest mortality factor for Kodiak deer is winter kill due to deep snows that occur every few years. When winters are mild, deer herds increase rapidly. This allows for greater harvest which might also reduce habitat impacts. Bag limits should be increased when deer populations are growing but reduced when there have been severe winters.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17

Minutes recorded by George Matz

Approved by: Dave Lyon

Date Approved: 2/19/2019



Kenai Soldotna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
01/22/2019
Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association

I. Call to Order: 6:35pm by Mike Crawford, Chair

II. Roll Call:

Kenai Fish & Game Advisory Committee

First Name	Last Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Al	Belknap	X		
Alexander	Agosti			X
Andrew	Carmichael	X		
Chris	Hanna			X
Dick	Dykema	X		
Dyer	Van Devere	X		
Greg	Geller			X
Jerry	Strieby	X		
Joe	Thomas	@6:55pm		
Mike	Crawford	X		
Monte	Roberts	X		
Paul A.	Shadura II	X		
Todd	Smith	X		
Will	Lee	X		

Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 7

List of User Groups Present:

III. Approval of Agenda:

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Meeting minutes approved for meetings on 11/05/2018 and 11/19/2018

V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Jeff Selinger

VI. Guests Present: Cody Rutter

VII. Old Business:



VIII. New Business:

Motion to address Board of Fish and the reversal of the 2020 Board meeting location.
 Discussion on letter to address BOF.
 8 supports to write letter, 1 opposed, 1 abstained

Discussion on state Guide Board

Discussion on Freshwater Guide Book, as there is a lot of data that is not being used, and the state does not have the money to audit and reconcile data.

Next Meeting is Tuesday January 29th, 2019 at Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association starting at 6:30 pm

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Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
64	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 to include spike-fork bulls		
Opposed	0	11	Would increase opportunity harvest in the short-term, but it would be detrimental to unit 15A and potentially all 15 Subunits. Pressure on the younger population could harm recruitment. With the potential to harvest three brow tine bulls we wanted to be cautious on additional harvest.
65	Change the bag limit for moose in Units 7 and 15 from four to three brow tines		
Support	11	0	There is no biological reason to prevent the change. The current bull – cow ratio is healthy and would remain stable even with the 3 brow tines available for harvest. Providing more opportunity to harvest moose on the Kenai Peninsula.
66	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 from four to three brow tines		
No Action			Based on proposal 65
69	Open a general season hunt for moose in Unit 15B and eliminate the drawing hunt		
No Action			No Action Based on action on 70
70	Open a general season hunt for moose in Unit 15B and eliminate the drawing hunt		
Supported	11	0	Permit hunts have only been averaging 2.4 moose harvest per year. Fed harvest is average 12 and total average harvest is 23 per year.



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Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
			This would increase harvest opportunity and it would also increase other hunting opportunities on the Kenai Peninsula. This would increase access and could help decrease some pressure in other heavily concentrated moose hunting areas.
71	Establish a general season moose hunt for Unit 15B east and eliminate the drawing hunt		
No Action			Based on proposal 70
74	Open a resident drawing hunt for moose in Unit 15C		
No Action			Based on proposal 78
76	Establish an "any bull" drawing hunt in Unit 15C		
No Action			Based on 78
78	Establish resident drawing hunts for "any bull" moose in Units 15 and 7		
Support As Amended	11	0	Motion to amend proposal to eliminate 15A, 15B and 7. Allow the drawing only to be held on 15C. The original idea is to keep the tool as broad as possible to allow the biologist to make the decision where to allow the drawing permits to take place. 7 Support the amendment and 4 opposed the amendment.
81	Require blaze orange be worn by moose hunters on Kalgin Island in Unit 15B		
Support	1	10	<p>We would like to see a specific amount of blaze orange, like number of Square Inches or some other measurable amount. Are other non-natural florescent colors acceptable.</p> <p>We agree on safety needs but opposed the idea of making this mandatory as we don't want to be told what to wear. The idea of changing this from a rifle hunt to some other method and means like shotgun or muzzleloader could increase safety</p>
82	Reauthorize the antlerless moose season on Kalgin Island in Unit 15B		
Support	11	0	Population is strong while keeping opportunity for harvest.
83	Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 15C		
Support	10	1	The targeted hunt can be a useful tool when needed, but we have not had a need since we approved it since the inception of the targeted hunt.



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Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
85	Reduce the resident bag limit for black bear in Units 7 and 15		
Opposed	0	9	No biological concern with black bear population. Also the reproduction of black bears can be very prevalent, which can aid in the recovery of the population. One Abstention as he didn't feel he understood all the data.
87	Close the ptarmigan season in Unit 15C		
Opposed	0	11	Population is stable and closing the entire unit is unrealistic.
88	Move the boundary of the Skilak Loop Wildlife Management Area in Unit 15		
Support	10	0	Biologically there is no issue, but Fish and Game would like to work with the Refuge to make sure there would be no different federal boundaries.
89	Close the trapping season for beaver in an area of Units 7 and 15C		
Opposed	0	9	This type of proposal is a very targeted closure and is a little unrealistic creating a micro-management area. 1 abstention
90	Remove the date restrictions and expand the hunt area for the small game youth hunt in the Skilak Loop Wildlife Management Area in Unit 15		
Support	10	0	
91	Prohibit the discharge of certain weapons used for hunting and trapping within 1/2 mile of any residence in Unit 15C		
Opposed	1	9	There are already statues and regulations with regard to discharge of firearms
92	Open a hunting season for tundra swan in Units 7 and 15		
Support	8	2	There is concern that the feds could get more involved in game management. We would like to see even a draw hunt available for swan hunting.

Adjournment: Meeting Adjourned @ 10:05pm

Minutes Recorded By: Will Lee
Minutes Approved By: Advisory Committee
Date: January 29, 2019



**Kenai Soldotna Fish & Game Advisory Committee
01/29/2019
Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association**

I. Call to Order: 6:35pm by Mike Crawford, Chair

II. Roll Call:

Kenai Fish & Game Advisory Committee

First Name	Last Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Al	Belknap	X		
Alexander	Agosti		x	
Andrew	Carmichael			x
Chris	Hanna	x		@9:00
Dick	Dykema	x		
Dyer	Van Devere	x		
Greg	Geller			x
Jerry	Strieby	x		
Joe	Thomas	@6:45		
Mike	Crawford	x		
Monte	Roberts	x		
Paul A.	Shadura II	x		
Todd	Smith	x		
Will	Lee			X

Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 7

List of User Groups Present:

III. Approval of Agenda: Approved

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: All Previous Minutes Approved Unanimously

V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Jeff Sellinger

VI. Guests Present: Gary Barnes

VII. Old Business:

VIII. New Business:



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Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
54	Allow the use of crossbows in restricted-weapons hunts in the Southcentral Region		
	9	0	1 Abstention
55	Remove the restriction on the use of aircraft for spotting Dall sheep in Units 7 and 14		
	0	10	Statewide issue. We support quiet mountains.
56	Prohibit nonresident hunting of moose and caribou under intensive management in the Southcentral Region until harvest and population objectives are met		
	2	8	This proposal could prohibit nonresident hunting on healthy populations of animals simply due to the fact that there is an active predator management program.
59	Shorten the hunting season for Kenai Mountain caribou (DC001) in Unit 7		
	10	0	Population is not super healthy. This would also help managers keep better tabs on the population (can't count/collar during hunting season). Concerned about the reduction in opportunity. If/when population were to recover it would be nice to see season extended back out.
60	Change the hunting seasons for goat in Units 7 and 15		
	0	10	Worried about a higher success rate. This will interfere with the draw hunt.
61	Establish a new drawing hunt for goats near Seldovia in Unit 15C		
	10	0	Will provide more opportunity. Healthy population and harvest opportunity not fully utilized.
62	Separate the early and late season registration goat hunts for the Seldovia and Port Graham hunt areas in Unit 15C		
	10	0	Same comments as 61
63	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 and remove the road closure criteria in Unit 15C		
			No action based on actions taken on 65
67	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Units 15A and 15B from spike-fork to four points on one palm or three brow tines		
	0	10	Too liberal
68	Change the resident bag limit for moose in Units 15A and 15B from spike-fork to five or more points on one palm and shorten the seasons		
			No action based on 67



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Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
69	Open a general season hunt for moose in Unit 15B and eliminate the drawing hunt		
			No action based on 70
72	Change the resident moose hunt structure in Unit 15C		
	0	10	Some populations of moose would get hit real hard
73	Change the resident moose hunt structure in Unit 15C		
	0	9	1 Abstention
75	Open an archery and muzzleloader permit hunt for moose Unit 15C		
			No action based on 65 and 68
76	Establish an "any bull" drawing hunt in Unit 15C		
			No action based on 78
77	Establish a drawing hunt for antlerless moose in Unit 15C north of the south fork of the Anchor River		
	7	1	1 Abstention
84	Open a resident, archery-only season for Dall sheep in Unit 15		
	0	8	Only like 3 draw permits for that area. 1 abstention.
86	Reduce the bag limit for spruce grouse in Units 7 and 15		
	0	9	Lots of grouse this season. Lots of untouched wilderness outside road corridors. 1 Abstention- he felt that the current limit is a bit liberal

Adjournment: Meeting Adjourned @ 9:30

Minutes Recorded By: Todd Smith
Minutes Approved By: Mike Crawford, Chair
Date: 2/20/2019



**Kodiak Advisory Committee
January 30, 2019
Kodiak High School Conference Room**

I. Call to Order: 1740 by Paul Chervenak (Chair)

II. Roll Call:

Members Present: 16

Guide	Paul Chervenak	Transporter	Rolan Ruoss
Alternate	Jason Bunch	Alternate	Nate Rose
Large Boat	Tyler Schmeil	Port Lions Alt.	George Weaver (phone)
Small Boat	Oliver Holm	Processor	Randy Swain (phone)
West Set Net	Kip Thomet	Old Harbor	Conrad Peterson
Port Lions	Kevin Adkins (Phone)	South Set Net	Theresa Peterson
Citizen	Mellissa Burns	Ouzinkie	Danny Clarion (phone)
Subsistence	Andrew Finke Conc.		
Citizen	Julie Kavanaugh		

Members Absent: 2

Trawl	Patrick O'Donnell
Small Boat	Ronald Kavanaugh

Quorum on AC: 8

User Groups Present:

Big Game Guides	Concerned Citizen
KNWR	

III. Fish and Game Staff Present:

Tyler Polum	Matt Miller (Phone)
John Crye	Nate Svoboda

IV. Approval of Agenda:
Approved Unanimously

V. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:
From 1/4/2019, Approved Unanimously

VI. Old Business: Board of Fish Proposals 169 and 170.

VII. New Business: (Page 4)

1. Board of Game proposals for Southcentral Alaska Proposals 93 – 109.



Alaska Peninsula/ Aleutian Island / Chignik Finfish 2018-2019

ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

BOF Proposal		Proposal Description	
Support or Oppose?	Support	Oppose	Comments/Discussion/Amendments to Proposal
BOF 169			Repeal and readopt the policy for statewide salmon escapement goals.
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	15	<p>The committee unanimously opposes the intent of this proposal which would change current management policies to a “one size fits all” statewide maximum yield policy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion, this proposal seeks to provide adjustments in both yield and allocation that are not necessary or wanted within the Kodiak Region. • This proposal will delete adjustments currently incorporated in management practices that provide for overall stability of the resources. • This proposal creates “lack of focus” within a given range. • Will create conflicts when managing for other species. • Will change interactions between fisheries and regions statewide. • Will not work in all areas of the state. • Will fundamentally change how the BOF address’s management goals. • If passed this proposal will have far reaching consequences to allocation policies. • The committee unanimously agrees this proposal would create a step backwards for management policies of the resources.



BOF 170	Amend the policy for the management of sustainable salmon fisheries to include management targets.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	15 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The committee unanimously agrees this proposal shows lack of conservation measures. It is narrow in scope and removes factors such as oceanic concern, climate changes and general abundance. These factors demand increases in management flexibility.• This proposal decreases management flexibility when in many• This proposal would remove the complicated factors for establishing escapement goals such as mixed stock and stock ID concerns and ultimately action plans for those stocks.• The committee unanimously feels this is to address in-river and escapement concerns for allocation. Kodiak DOES NOT have conflicts that would require this type of change.



Proposed Changes to Regulations, South Central Region 2018-2019

Kodiak Area, Unit 8

ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

BOF Proposal		Proposal Description	
Support or Oppose?	Support	Oppose	Comments/Discussion/Amendments to Proposal
BOG 93			Increase the bag limit for deer in Unit 8.
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	1	14	<p>The intent of this proposal is to be able to harvest more deer before a die-off takes place.</p> <p>Committee discussion; although the idea has merit, this proposal could have unintended consequences contrary to the needs of local subsistence users.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Kodiak Deer Season is seeing an upward trend in use by charter vessels. This use is often consolidated to a small number of particular areas due to weather limitations. • High harvest will occur in historical target areas around the island that will affect local user opportunity and resource management. • Deer are an important subsistence resource and must be protected. • Emergency Orders to reduce bag limits cannot take place in season making it very hard for ADF&G to manage. • Information to manage deer populations from year to year will be difficult to attain in a timely manner to adjust bag limits to publish in hunting regulations. • With a higher bag limit, possession limit will have to be addressed. • Wanton waste issues will increase with higher bag limits. • Overall the committee feels current federal subsistence regulations are appropriate, extending opportunity through proxy and hunter designation policies.



BOG 94		Lengthen the hunting season for Mtn. Goat in Unit 8 Remainder.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	15	0	<p>This is a Kodiak AC proposal to align the state mtn. goat season in areas DG471-DG479 with the USFWS subsistence deer season and provide for a small amount of additional opportunity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The affected areas will continue to be closed by Emergency Order when harvest quotas are met.



BOG 95	Change the bag limit, lengthen the season, and implement reporting requirements for Mtn. Goat in Unit 8 Remainder.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	15	<p data-bbox="609 268 1453 336">The Kodiak AC recognizes difficulties with implementing this proposal as written and would like to recommend an Amendment;</p> <p data-bbox="609 367 1477 577">RG480: August 20-MARCH 31 [March 20], two goats – only one of which may be a billy. Nanny with kids prohibited. SUCCESSFUL hunters shall report in person or by phone to Kodiak ADF&G within 5 days [2 days] of completion of their hunt (907-486-1880). Harvest Reports must be returned within 5 days after the hunt, either by turning in at the ADF&G office in Kodiak, or by mail.</p> <p data-bbox="609 609 950 640">Reasoning for amendment;</p> <ul data-bbox="609 646 1477 819" style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove proposed photo identification requirement due to photos being unenforceable and easily manipulated creating unnecessary work for ADF&G Kodiak Staff. • Remove proposed in-person reporting requirement due to difficulty <p data-bbox="609 892 901 924">Committee Comments;</p> <ul data-bbox="609 930 1477 1018" style="list-style-type: none"> • The AC realizes Area RG480 has a high number of goats that is growing. The intent of this proposal is to harvest Nannies which are a factor of population increase. <p data-bbox="609 1060 1323 1092">History of regulatory adjustments for population control;</p> <ol data-bbox="633 1123 1477 1260" style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Established the Registration 480 Area from multiple Draw Areas. 2. Established a two-goat bag limit 3. Removed educational language that stated “Taking of Nannies is discouraged.” <ul data-bbox="609 1302 1445 1669" style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee understands taking of nannies-only is generally unacceptable socially. By slowly introducing acceptance of taking nannies within this area it is the intent to educate hunters in the importance of taking nannies for population control. • Other ideas the committee discussed included Nanny only after January 31. See proposal. • It is understood this regulation is somewhat unenforceable however, possession in the field and reporting requirements are useful tools for both ADF&G and Enforcement.



BOG 96		Establish a new registration hunt for goat in Unit 8 as follows.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	15	<p>Discussion, Committee feels this proposal is to address non-authorized hunting/trespass on private land thru a state regulation proposal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• This proposal also directly impacts federal and state land users during this hunt due to mtn. goat migration patterns during the winter.• ADF&G may re-organize the management of goats within the RG480 in the future. Potential boundaries may not align with boundaries recommended with this proposal.• The committee recommends this private land owner look at education and enforcement policies of neighboring land owners.



BOG 97	Allow the use of muzzleloaders for goat hunting in Unit 8.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	13	2	<p>The Kodiak AC would like to recommend an Amendment to this proposal dependent on the Board of Game decision for proposal 94 which is submitted by the Kodiak AC;</p> <p>If the season is lengthened for RG471-RG479 as recommended in proposal 94 to Jan 31, for RG478 and RG479 maintain the archery-only hunt from November 1 – December 15. Add a muzzleloader-only hunt from December 16 – January 31.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These mtn. goat areas are within the Road System of Kodiak. This provides additional opportunity to reach the harvest quota. • These hunts can and will be closed by Emergency Order whenever the quota is reached. • Some years these hunts will be closed due to quotas being met during the drawing hunt. • The recommendation to keep the hunts separate is for safety. <p>Opposition to this proposal and the AC amendment;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to winter migration patterns, mtn. goats that are typically in other areas will be more readily available from the road system of Kodiak City potentially affecting future harvest opportunity within those areas. • Today’s muzzleloaders are extremely efficient and could be argued they are far from a “primitive weapon”. Mature billies that take years to mature could be affected. • Quotas for the 478-479 hunt areas are already set extremely high at 20%. Additional harvest by modernized “primitive weapons” is not warranted. • The use of muzzleloaders is allowed during general season hunts. • Registration opportunity exists for muzzleloader hunters within the RG480 hunt area. • The current archery-only hunt has low success rates which have minimal impact. Modernized muzzleloaders have could have a much higher impact.



BOG 98		Lengthen the fall hunting season for Brown Bear in Unit 8.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	14	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion, the committee feels this proposal is to address the proposer's ability to hunt in a specific area because of restricted access due to freezing temperatures.• This is a guide proposal.• This proposal is unanimously opposed.• Changing the season dates will have a detrimental effect on the bear management program as harvest will increase exponentially, especially sow harvest, as they are still active at the proposed time.• The current Bear management program is regarded as the most successful program in the world. Changes, if any, should be slight and closely monitored.• Any management change can and will have a trickle effect with multiple and potentially lasting biological consequences.• The female harvest rate is within the current management objective, with a ten-year average of 26.8%. The increase in number of females harvested will result in a decrease in the number of tags issued.• This proposal would cause the need for a complete restructure of current bear management policies.



BOG 99	Allocate at least 90% of the Unit 8 Brown Bear drawing permits to residents.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	<p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This proposal undermines a highly successful management program which provides balance between economic stability and opportunity with maximum sustainability. • This proposal is unanimously opposed. • The current Kodiak Bear Management Program is regarded as the most successful program in the world. Changes, if any, should be slight and closely monitored. • Any management change can and will have a trickle effect with multiple and potentially lasting biological consequences. <p>Discussion,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As stated by the proposer, “Constitution mandates that wildlife will be utilized for maximum benefit for its people.” The Kodiak Brown Bear is a “non-meat animal”, thus it is not managed to maximize as a food source. Therefore, priority management is for economic and intrinsic value. “For the maximum benefit of the people” should thus involve a high percentage of nonresident guided hunters which clearly maximizes the economic value of the Kodiak bear. • The common use clause, “for the maximum benefit of its people” makes no distinction between use for personal purposes and use for professional purposes. (Owsichек, 763 P.2d at 497) • The committee understands this proposal seeks to challenge guide and resident opportunity not non-resident and resident opportunity • Guide and non-resident opportunity are one in the same as established in Owsichек vs State. <p><i>(Owsichек, 763 P.2d at 497 note 15 states “while a hunting guide does not actually take the game, a privilege reserved for the client. We view this as an insignificant distinction that does not remove professional hunting guides from protection under the common use clause. The work of a guide is so closely tied to hunting and taking wildlife that there is no meaningful basis for distinguishing between the rights of a guide and the rights of a hunter under the common use clause.”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common Use interpretation within the Owsichек vs State case asserts; unless conservation demands, no preference is to be given to either Alaskan residents or Alaskan guides. (Currently 97% of active professional guides registered in Unit 8 are Alaskan residents.)



			<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An argument could be made that conservation may demand that guide opportunity (non-resident permits) take precedent with their lower sow and higher mature boar harvest rates when it relates to conservation. <p>Referencing the Board of Game Non-resident Allocation policy 2017-222-BOG; In a draw hunt, allocation will be based upon the historical data of the past 10 or more years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The up to 60-40 allocation policy (which is actually 66-34) has been in place since 1976.• Since 1899 Guides and Non-resident hunters have played the critical role in establishing the Kodiak Brown Bear as the iconic animal it is today. These tremendous efforts include today's conservation measures; ending market hunting, establishing bag and season limits, establishing a full-time game biologist, ending agricultural and ranching pursuits, prohibiting the taking of cubs and sows with cubs, implementing sealing requirements, establishing the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge and instituting guide requirements. <p>This BOG policy also recognizes that “nonresident hunters provide the majority of direct funding into Alaskan Wildlife Management” and tasks the BOG with “preserving the heritage of hunting.”</p> <p>Changing the current 66/34 allocation will have a major economic impact on small businesses throughout Kodiak and State of Alaska and most likely eradicate the long-standing guiding tradition on Kodiak.</p> <p><u>Money generated for small businesses in Kodiak;</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 185 non-resident hunts @ \$22,500.00 per hunt equals an additional 4.16 million dollars infused into Alaska's economy.• Additional non-resident expenditures not accounted for include transportation, accommodations, food and drink, equipment, gifts and miscellaneous services.• Other tourism related expenditures incidental to hunting also exist.• Non-resident expenditures are exponentially higher than that of a self-guided resident hunt. Guided hunts have higher per hunt costs such as employees, transportation, fuel, food, equipment, permitting and advertising.
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			<p><u>Money Generated for the State of Alaska through non resident hunts.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 185 license and tags @1160.00 each equals \$214,600.00. • Pitman Roberts Fund (PRF) match @ x3 equals \$643,800.00 • Totals of bear license, tag and PRF match equals \$858,400.00 • Approximately 120 deer tags @300.00 equals \$36,000.00 • PRF match @ x3 equals \$108,000.00 • Totals of deer license, tag and PRF equals \$144,000.00 • Totals for license revenue to the State of Alaska through non-resident participation equals \$1,002,400.00 <p><u>Money Generated for the State of Alaska through resident hunts.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 160 resident license and tags @ \$70.00 each equals \$11,200.00 • PR Match equals \$33,600.00 • Totals for license revenue to the State of Alaska through resident participation equals \$44,800.00 <p><u>A comparison between non-resident and resident money generated to the state without non-resident participation.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic loss to the State of Alaska equals \$957.600.00. • These figures do not take into account additional tourism related expenditures in Alaska as they travel to Kodiak. <p>Utilizing the proposed “up to 10 percent” allocation for non-resident permits as used in the lower 48 States where 10 permits must be available to allow 1 non-resident permit and with the current number of permits issued; (See Attachments 1 and 2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resident draw success would only increase slightly, sacrificing both biological and economic stability. • Kodiak would have up to 15 spring and 3 fall non-resident permits annually. • These numbers would put most Kodiak guides out of business and severely impact an already depressed economy.
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			<p>Biological and Conservation concerns;</p> <p>The board of game policy mandates management for sustainable yield per the constitution. The current allocation accomplishes the primary goal of maintaining a stable and healthy bear population.</p> <p>A change in allocation will result in an increase in sow harvest and a decrease in adult boar harvest. Both leading to lower cub production and lower sow-cub survivability. Targeted harvest of adult boars has helped increase the bear population and needs to continue.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resident hunters have a higher percentage of sow harvest.• Non-resident guided hunters have a higher percentage of adult boar harvest at 73%. (see Attachment 3)• Consistent adult boar harvest is an essential factor for management decisions and the sustainability of the population.• An assessment from the department estimates an increase in female harvest would likely result in a decrease in the number of drawing permits available overall to the resident hunter.
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BOG 100			Create a separate drawing for second degree of kindred (2DK) brown bear permits in Unit 8.
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	14	0	<p>This is a Kodiak AC proposal to balance economic stability while preserving hunting heritage.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee is unanimously opposed to taking 2DK permits from the non-resident allocation statewide. • The committee unanimously believes 2DK hunting is a privilege to residents of Alaska therefore should be considered for resident allocation. • To the committee’s knowledge, 2DK is an Alaska specific opportunity not found in other States. • As discussed in earlier proposals, changing brown bear allocation will have biological and economic consequences. <p>The Kodiak AC originally submitted this proposal as a compromise to various allocation proposals pertaining to 2DK (Proposal 130). We would like to amend this proposal to include a viable model for 2DK tag allocation distribution in Unit 8 as follows;</p> <p><u>5 AAC 92.061. Special provisions for brown bear drawing permit hunts</u> (a) In the Unit 8 general brown bear drawing permit hunt, the department shall issue permits, and a hunter may apply for a permit, as follows: (2) the department shall enter; [in a resident drawing, each application from a resident,] in a second degree of kindred drawing, each application from a nonresident accompanied by a resident relative who is within the second degree of kindred; [for each season,] the department shall issue a maximum of four permits in the spring season and two permits in the fall season to nonresident hunters accompanied by a resident relative who is within the second degree of kindred; however, the department may not issue, within two consecutive regulatory years, more than one of these permits per individual hunt, as described in the permit hunt guide published each year by the department and more than one of these permits per season within one of the 5 original subunits as described by the 2002 Kodiak Bear Management Plan. (See Attachment 4, Bear management subunits)</p> <p>Key recommendations of the amended proposal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to four permits available in the spring. • Up to two permits available in the fall. • Permits will continue to be issued for specific hunt areas. • Permit issuance will be in accordance with Brown Bear Management Plan Units to provide balanced use and harvest.



			<p>Discussion;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A comprehensive non-resident allocation policy for brown bears in Kodiak is an extremely important economic and biological factor for management.• 2DK hunts are increasing in popularity each year. If permits are taken from the non-resident allocation, it will affect the economic stability Kodiak requires.• Historical 5-year participation is 2.8/year• Kodiak permits numbers are issued two thirds/one third in the spring/fall seasons <p>By creating a separate category of allocation, we can safeguard the economic and biological stability brown bear hunting provides to Kodiak and Alaska while maintaining this special resident privilege.</p>
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BOG 101		Create a resident tag for Kodiak Brown Bear from the nonresident permit allocation.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Because resident and nonresident tag fees are set in Alaska statute, the Board of Game does not have authority to modify the locking tag fees. • This proposal creates two classes of residents, those who can afford the higher tag fee and those who can't. • If a resident purchased a non-resident locking tag they should also be required to be guided.

BOG102		Eliminate nonresident opportunity for the RB230 and RB260 registration permit brown bear hunts in Unit 8.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion, this committee does not support a proposal that impacts the City of Kodiak negatively. The current regulation is in place to keep bear populations at a reasonable level around the city of Kodiak and the road system. • This registration hunt is to maintain a lower bear density within the high human use areas of Kodiak, where ranches, sport fisherman, hikers, wildlife viewers, campers and similar outdoor activities occur, to avoid negative bear-human encounters per the Kodiak Brown Bear Management Plan 2002. • This proposal is from a group who does not reside in Kodiak. • There are no known conflicts between user groups within these hunt areas which are located within the road system of Kodiak. • There is increased bear activity within Kodiak city limits. Decreasing opportunity is counterproductive to overall resident requests. • Non-resident hunting is a driving influence on Kodiak's economy. Removing this opportunity will have a negative effect on the financial welfare of many of its residents including established and entry-level guide businesses. • As discussed in earlier proposals, changing brown bear allocation will have biological and economic consequences.



BOG 103	Transfer under subscribed nonresident Kodiak Brown Bear drawing permits to the resident drawing permit allocation.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current under-subscribed non-resident tag policy promotes easily managed biological sustainability and economic stimulus for Kodiak. • Managers take into account unused permits for resident and non-residents when establishing annual permits numbers. • Using under-subscribed permits would result in a decrease in the number of permits issued. • Undersubscribed nonresident permits benefits the resident hunters experience in the field. • Using under-subscribed permits takes away a Guides ability to practice sound conservation as required by regulation. • The proposer fails to differentiate between undersubscribed and not used. Due to the nuances of the Federal Land Use Policy, the permits referred to as “not applied for” are utilized, but not drawn. On average only 8 permits actually go unused which has been beneficial in maintaining the current harvest rate at target levels. • The current under-subscribed nonresident permit policy provides opportunity for conservation through money generated from the sale of donated hunts. This is made possible through “undrawn” permit availability. • This proposal undermines and further complicates the existing management plan which is responsible for the success of the current bear population. • This proposal would create large scale user conflict where there are currently none. • This proposal undermines a highly successful management program opportunity with maximum sustainability.



BOG 104	Allow residents to return Kodiak Brown Bear drawing permits in advance of the hunting season to re-issued to residents.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	<p>13</p> <p>When establishing permit numbers, the current policy takes into account;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The number of residents and nonresidents who do not use drawn permits. 2. Harvest success of those who draw and use the permit. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-issuing the high number of permits drawn but not used would result in higher participation and harvest, significantly reducing the number of permits available. • This proposal seeks to increase resident chances of drawing a permit. However, the end result would be a decrease in opportunity. • Historical data has shown residents harvest a high number of female bears which is counterproductive to sustainable yield. This proposal will create unintended biological concerns. • “Lost Opportunity” does not exist within the Kodiak Brown Bear Management Program. All residents and non-residents have the opportunity to enter into the draw in which they could be fortunate to win a bear permit. • Due to the high volume of residents who do not use permits drawn, this proposal would create a large volume of work for the small ADFG department in Kodiak. • This proposal undermines a highly successful management program which provides balance between economic stability and opportunity with maximum sustainability.



BOG 105		Adjust the boundaries of the Kodiak Brown Bear drawing hunt areas for Kiliuda Bay an Ugak Bay as follows.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	1	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion, this request will have an unwanted ripple effect by shifting users to other areas because of increased number of guides within an area with decreased access. Could create user conflicts. • Will create a sole use area for the proposer due to federal land permitting policy. • Many residents hunt on the federal lands portion of the permit area. Changing the boundaries will change the number of tags provided, shifting them to an already congested area. • This proposal would not be warranted if a state land guide-concession policy was in place. • Historical use and harvest data would be compromised within this area. • This is not the only area on Kodiak Island that has multiple land managers. • Create permit adjustments due to boundary changes.
BOG 106		Provide educational material to encourage Kodiak Brown Bear hunters to harvest boars and penalize hunters for taking sows.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	12	<p>ADFG provides to successfully drawn applicants;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A letter which includes information and resources. 2. A website which has sex identification information. 3. A video "take a closer look". 4. An in-person presentation during tag pick-up. 5. A booklet specifically for and named "Brown Bear: Identifying males and females in the field". <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kodiak AC members unanimously feel ADFG is currently providing an adequate if not abundant amount of information to brown bear hunters regarding sex identification. • Currently female harvest rate is within the objective, with a ten-year average of 26.8%. However, many of the proposals for Unit 8 this year have a high potential of increasing sow harvest and lowering permits. • An 8-year penalty for taking a sow is unnecessary because many • The current bear management plan currently has conservation measures for nonresident overharvest of sows.



BOG 107		Prohibit shooting from a boat while hunting in the Ugak Bay area in Unit 8.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shooting from a boat is a traditional method for subsistence harvesting of deer. • There are no known or reported instances implicating shooting from a boat was the cause of an accident or problematic.
BOG 108		Create a controlled-use area on the Ayakulic River in Unit 8.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion, there is merit in this proposal in that it would potentially reduce both noise and or fossil fuel pollution. • This proposal has impacts of cost that are not addressed. • There are 2 stroke outboards on the market that have comparable efficiencies as 4 strokes. • With more appropriate research this proposal may be enacted island wide.
BOG 109		Require all snares on the Kodiak Road System to have a breakaway mechanism on the loop end of the snare.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	12	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a Kodiak AC Proposal requested by the public of Kodiak. • Snares have injured, killed or affected buffalo, bear, deer, and pets alike within the road system of Kodiak. • This regulation would be easy to implement with no known economic hardship.



New Business (continued)

2. Harvest and Strategy Agenda for Kodiak Reindeer Herd

- It is believed we have approximately 300 reindeer however the last ADFG count was 175.
- Historic take has averaged approximately 25 animals.
- Take over the last two years has averaged 50 animals.
 - It appears there is increased interest from the village of Larson Bay however, it may not be actual residents of Larson Bay.
- Incidental vs intentional take is unknown at this time.
- Funding is available for ADG&G to manage this herd for sustainable yield.
- Potential harvest strategy could be 5-10%.
- During the next year we will identify an agenda for management.
- Possibilities for management could be;
 - Registration hunt with a quota. Hunting would be stopped via Emergency Order.
 - Strict reporting requirements may be necessary.
- Moving forward we could request an ACR with the board of game. This would be due November 10 for the January 2020 meeting.
- We need to work with the refuge on this agenda.

3. Select a Kodiak AC representative to attend;

BOF, Peninsula, Chignik and Aleutian Island Finfish meeting February 21-27.

1. Vice-Chair, Julie Kavanaugh Unanimously voted to represent (12-0)

BOF, Statewide Finfish meeting March 9-12

2. Provide AC Comments, due by February 7

BOG, Southcentral meeting March 15-19

3. Chair, Paul Chervenak unanimously voted to represent (12-0)

4. Select a single member to approve the minutes of this meeting.

Deadline comments are March 1, 2019

4. Chair, Paul Chervenak unanimously voted to approve minutes (12-0)

VIII. Adjourn 0030

Minutes Recorded By: *Jason Bunch*

Minutes Approved By: *Paul Chervenak*

Date: 2/25/2019



Attachment 1

Resident draw success when following criteria for allocating non-resident permits where at least 10 permits must be available for a non resident allocation.

FALL PERMITS

Fall	Current			Current Res. Draw	Proposed	
	N.R. Permits	Resident Permits	Total # Permits		Proposed Res. Draw	Proposed N.R.Permits
Kizhuyak	1	3	4	3%	4%	
W. Ugak	4	5	9	6%	11%	
S. Ugak	4	5	9	2%	4%	
Kiluda	3	4	7	3%	5%	
Three Saints	3	4	7	2%	4%	
Kaiuganak	2	3	5	2%	4%	
Aliulik	2	3	5	<1%	<1%	
Deadman	2	3	5	<1%	1%	
Dog Salmon	1	2	3	1%	2%	
South Olga	2	3	5	1%	2%	
Red Lake	2	3	5	<1%	<1%	
Frazier Lake	1	2	3	<1%	<1%	
Karluk Lake	2	3	5	1%	1%	
Halibut Bay	2	3	5	1%	2%	
Sturgeon	2	3	5	3%	5%	
N. Karluk	2	3	5	2%	4%	
N. Uyak	2	3	5	2%	3%	
S. Uyak	1	2	3	2%	3%	
Zachar	1	2	3	1%	1%	
S.Spiridon	1	2	3	2%	3%	
Spiridon Lake	2	3	5	2%	3%	
Uganik	2	3	5	2%	4%	
S. Arm Uganik	1	2	3	5%	8%	
Uganik Lake	2	3	5	2%	3%	
Terror	2	3	5	1%	2%	
Kupreanof	2	6	8	2%	3%	
Sharitin	2	7	9	5%	6%	
WildCreek	2	7	9	3%	4%	
E. Afognak	3	7	10	2%	3%	1
C. Afognak	3	7	10	3%	4%	1
SW Afognak	3	7	10	2%	3%	1
Total	64	116	180			3



Attachment 2

Resident draw success when following criteria for allocating non-resident permits where at least 10 permits must be available for a non resident allocation.

SPRING PERMITS

Spring	Current			Current Res. Draw	Proposed	
	N.R Permits	Resident Permits	Total Permits		Proposed Res. Draw	Proposed N.R. Permits
Kizhuyak	1	4	5	6%	8%	
W. Ugak	3	4	7	10%	18%	
S. Ugak	3	5	8	5%	8%	
Kiluda	3	5	8	5%	8%	
Three Saints	3	5	8	9%	14%	
Kaiuganak	3	5	8	4%	6%	
Aliulik	4	5	9	1%	2%	
Deadman	4	6	10	3%	4%	1
Dog Salmon	3	5	8	5%	7%	
South Olga	3	5	8	3%	6%	
Red Lake	4	6	10	3%	5%	1
Frazier Lake	3	5	8	2%	3%	
Karluk Lake	3	5	8	2%	3%	
Halibut Bay	3	5	8	9%	13%	
Sturgeon	3	5	8	5%	9%	
N. Karluk	4	6	10	8%	13%	1
N. Uyak	3	5	8	10%	15%	
S. Uyak	4	6	10	9%	14%	1
Zachar	3	5	8	16%	24%	
S.Spiridon	3	5	8	11%	17%	
Spiridon Lake	3	5	8	11%	17%	
Uganik	4	6	10	12%	18%	1
S. Arm Uganik	2	3	5	20%	33%	
Uganik Lake	4	6	10	14%	21%	1
Terror	4	6	10	8%	12%	1
Kupreanof	3	6	9	6%	9%	
Sharitin	4	15	19	17%	20%	1
WildCreek	4	15	19	17%	19%	1
E. Afognak	5	17	22	15%	18%	2
C. Afognak	5	17	22	14%	17%	2
SW Afognak	5	17	22	9%	11%	2
Total	106	215	321			15

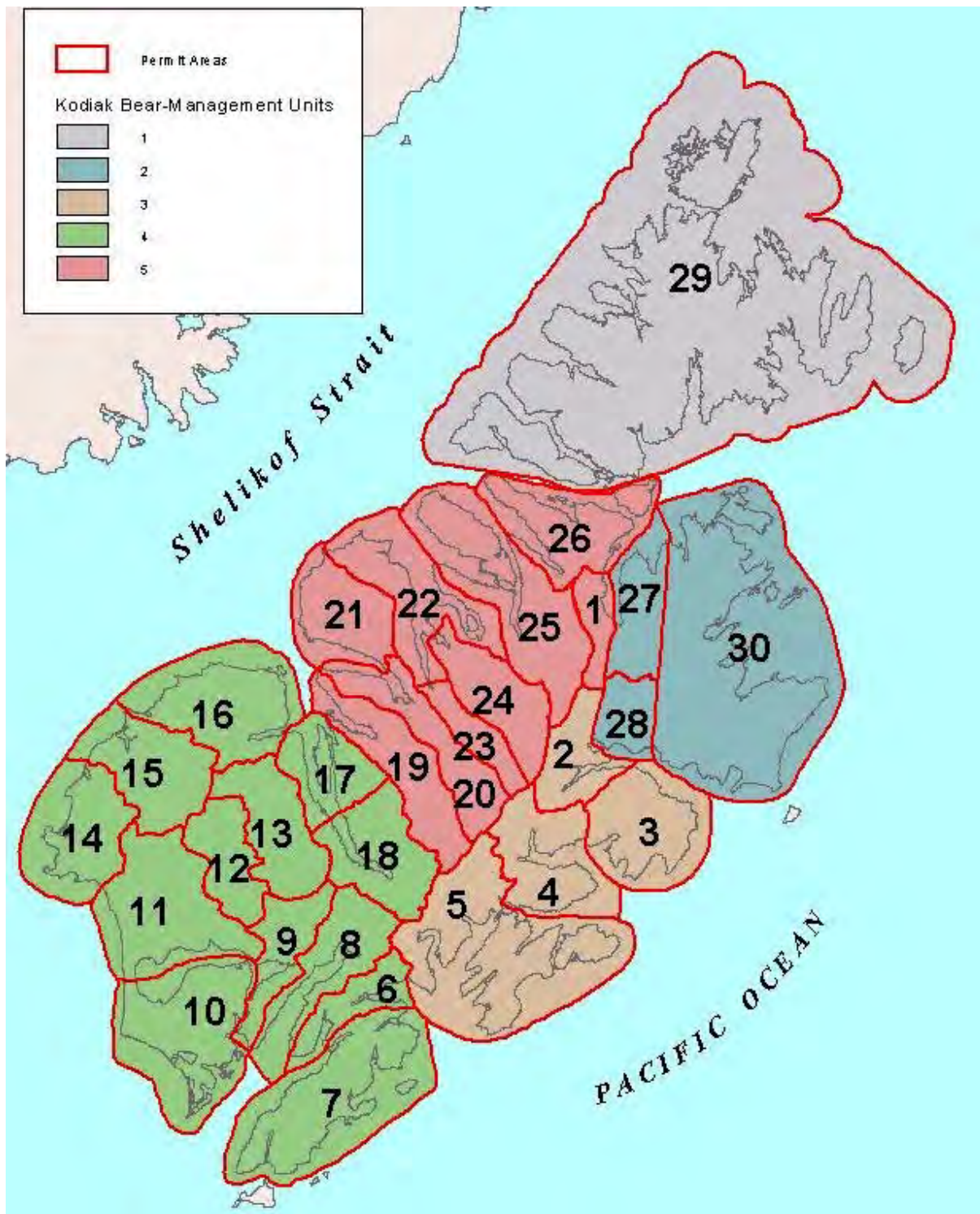


Attachment 3

Skull sizes are captured and recorded by ADF&G. Regardless of individual opinion regarding what skull size constitutes an adult boar, the percentage of nonresident harvest remains the same.

Adult Boar Harvest Data 2011-2018									
	Skull Size	Guided	Percent	Skull Size	Guided	Percent	Skull Size	Guided	Percent
	28+"	28+"	Guided	27+"	27+"	Guided	26+"	26+"	Guided
Fall 2018	2	2	100%	6	4	67%	11	7	64%
Spring 2018	13	11	85%	30	19	64%	46	30	65%
Fall 2017	0	0		6	6	100%	8	8	100%
Spring 2017	14	8	57%	29	21	72%	41	30	73%
Fall 2016	9	8	89%	13	10	77%	14	11	79%
Spring 2016	25	16	64%	48	37	77%	67	54	81%
Fall 2015	2	2	100%	8	6	75%	10	7	70%
Spring 2015	17	14	82%	40	32	80%	59	47	80%
Fall 2014	6	3	50%	14	9	64%	23	15	65%
Spring 2014	19	15	79%	40	34	75%	58	48	83%
Fall 2013	3	2	67%	7	5	71%	14	9	64%
Spring 2013	10	8	80%	32	24	75%	53	35	66%
Fall 2012	3	1	34%	13	6	46%	21	14	67%
Spring 2012	13	8	62%	33	21	64%	47	31	66%
Fall 2011	8	4	50%	18	12	67%	23	16	70%
Spring 2011	13	9	69%	27	19	70%	49	37	76%
Total	157	111	71%	364	265	73%	544	399	73%

Attachment 4





BOG 130		Issue all nonresident permits from the non-resident allocation when there is a separate allocation for residents and non-residents.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion, please reference Kodiak AC proposal 100. If proposal 100 is adopted this proposal would become unnecessary. • The committee is unanimously opposed to taking 2DK permits from the non-resident allocation statewide. • The committee unanimously believes 2DK hunting is a privilege to residents of Alaska therefore should be considered for resident allocation. • To the committee’s knowledge, 2DK is an Alaska specific opportunity not found in other States. • As discussed in earlier proposals, changing brown bear allocation will have biological and economic consequences. <p>Implications of 2DK regulations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A resident accompanying a 2DK hunter may not be qualified, safe or knowledgeable to direct a hunt. • A 2DK hunter is not guided as non-residents are required to be when pursuing a guide required species such as brown bear,

2. Miscellaneous Business

- Joint Board of Fish/Game comments due March 7.

VIII. Adjourn 1830

Minutes Recorded By: *Jason Bunch*

Minutes Approved By: *Paul Cherwenak*

Date: 2/26/2019



**Koyukuk River Advisory Committee
December 11, 2018
Allakaket Tribal Council**

- I. Call to Order: 2 pm by Chairman Jack Reakoff

- II. Roll Call: Jack Reakoff, Undesignated
Nicole Mcanallen, Undesignated alternate
Harding Sam, Alatna
Jared Sam, Alatna
Marcus Ambrose, Hughes Alternate
Shawn Huffman, Huslia
Warner Bergman, Allakaket
Members Absent (Excused): Vacant Unesignated
2 vacant Bettles/Evensville
Wilmer Betus & Hugh Bifelt, Hughes
Jack Wholecheese & Darrell Vent, Huslia
Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 6 (currently, after election it will change)

- III. Approval of Agenda: Approved no additions
- IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: approved no changes
- V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Sara Longson, DWC; Nissa Pilcher*, BDS; Deena Jallen*, DCF
- VI. Guests Present: Vince Mathews, Kanuti Refuge FWS; Gordon Bergman, 1st Chief of Allakaket, Charles Ned< Joseph Williams III, Shawn Bergman, Sam Henry, Steve Bergman
- VII. Old Business:
- VIII. New Business:
AC Comments
 - Jared Sam would like to see predator control instituted again
 - Harding Sam commented on there not being many moose (9 moose taken for 41 families in Allakaket & Alatna combined, which was brought up many times during the meeting)
 - Federal moose hunt open until October 1 on federal lands unknown by many
 - Discussion to draft a state moose season extension proposal at this meeting; added to the end of the agenda
 - Marcus got a moose but had to go a long way in his boat and used a lot of fuel. Was not in favor of cutting antler but a discussion on why this practice was put in place changed his mind
 - Warner did not get a moose but went a long way in his boat and used a lot of fuel. Expressed interest in extending CUA and asked how to turn the CUA into a refuge. Concerned that a guide got 4 moose within the CUA and that there was no enforcement to be seen this hunting season.



Public Comments

- Steve Bergman noted he does not want to see the CUA changed- last time a proposal went before the Board of Game to change it, it came out smaller and don't want to see it happen again, noted lower moose and caribou numbers, he was unable to get a moose this year, and that he would support a season extension on state lands. Discussion on who would be able to hunt during this season.
- Gordon inquired what happened to the meat from guided moose, which insued a discussion on having council offices get in touch with the BGCSB to set up some sort of meat drop off. Vince Mathews noted that their was an ethics working group that was working on, in part, streamlining this process.
- Sam Henry expressed appreciation for Orville Huntington and all he had done for the people of the region. Noted that they had almost lost him as his funding from TCC had stopped but that Doyon was now paying his salary.

Election of Alatna

Alatna already had their elections; Harding Sam and Jared Sam will continue to serve Alatna on the committee

Election of Allakaket

Warner Bergman no longer wanted to serve. Charles Ned, Vincent Simon, and Joseph Williams III were elected to fill the Allakaket seats

Election of Undesignated seat

Shawn Bergman elected to fill the undesignated seat that has traditionally been held by Allakaket/Alatna

Board of Fisheries

Deena Jallen, Assistant Summer Season Yukon Manager with DCF, gave brief season update, noted boarder passage goal was met but subsistence was restricted at times.



Alaska Board of Fisheries: AYK Proposals

January 15-19, 2019 | Anchorage, AK

Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
86	Allow subsistence fishing for non-salmon fish with hook and line gear in District 4 of the Yukon Area		
Support with Amendment	11	0	Would like to see this in the Koyukuk excluding the Dalton Corridor Management Area. This is a traditional method for nonsalmon species.
87	Allow subsistence fishing for salmon with drift gillnets in the entire Yukon River		
Support with Amendment	11	0	Amend to be clear it is outside of the Dalton CUA
88	Require fish wheels to be closely attended during times of conservation for any species		
89	Allow retention of king salmon for subsistence purposes, by emergency order, during times of king salmon conservation in the Yukon Area		
Support with Amendment	11	0	Amend to be clear it is outside of the Dalton CUA & include the Koyukuk River
90	Reduce the amount of time prior to opening of the commercial fishing season in Districts 1-3 and Subdistrict 4-A of the Yukon Area when subsistence fishing for salmon is prohibited		
91	Reduce the amount of time prior to opening of each commercial fishing period in Districts 1-3 of the Yukon Area when subsistence fishing for salmon is prohibited		
92	Restrict gillnet mesh size to a maximum of 6 inches in Districts 4, 5, and 6 subsistence and commercial salmon fisheries		
Opposed	0	11	Concerned about fish dropping out of nets, how the morphology of the fish changes as you go up river and that this would mean that we wouldn't be able to use the larger net for sheefish
93	Repeal the requirement to remove the tips of the tail fin of subsistence-taken salmon in Districts 1 – 3 of the Yukon Area		
94	Allow the taking of the first king salmon entering the Yukon River for religious and ceremonial use		
Oppose	0	11	Unclear proposal how it is written



Alaska Board of Fisheries: Statewide Finfish Proposals

March 8-11, 2019 | Anchorage, AK

Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
161	Require weekly reporting of salmon harvest by all permit or license holders		
Oppose	0	11	This is a pretty broad brush that doesn't seem to fit on a statewide level
162	Require biweekly reporting of all sport, personal use, and subsistence king salmon catch		
Oppose	0	11	Fishermen are out all summer without communication
163	Prohibit the intentional waste or destruction of subsistence-caught fish		
Support	11	0	The intentional was of fish is not ok, no matter what type of fish. If it has to be in regulation to stop people from doing this then so be it. If nothing else the fish should be salvaged and given to a musher. Culturally we don't waste anything.
164	Prohibit the intentional waste or destruction of sheefish		
TNA	11	0	Based on action taken on 163

Alaska Board of Game Southcentral Region Meeting Proposals

March 15-19, 2019 | Anchorage, AK

Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
129	Clarify the ability for trappers to transport furbearers or lawful parts of game as trapping bait within the Dalton Highway Corridor Management Area		
Support	11	0	We agree that snow machines may be used to transport trappers, furbearers, and game parts lawfully used as bait under a trapping license in this management area
141	Reauthorize the resident grizzly/brown bear tag fee exemptions for the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region		
Support	11	0	

Federal Fisheries Proposals

FP19-07

Support; reference comments made on state proposal mirroring federal



Alaska Joint Board of Fisheries & Game Proposals

March 21-25, 2019 | Anchorage, AK

Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
28	Allow advisory committee representatives to be at the board table during deliberations for those proposals the advisory committee authored		
Support	11	0	It can be quite some time before when an AC member testifies and when the proposal gets deliberated on, this would allow dialog. The department, Department of Law and Public Safety already get to do this. This lack of dialog during deliberations is an issue in this process
29	Allow advisory committee representatives a seat at the board table during deliberations on proposals affecting their region		
Opposed	0	11	This is a bit too broad
37	Repeal the boards' Subsistence Proposal Policy		
Oppose	0	11	Subsistence is the highest ranked activity in Alaska and we want this to remain on the books to protect subsistence users; this policy effects every resident in Alaska and we do not want to see it go away

Board of Game

Call for Proposals

Committee brought up the idea that was mentioned in the beginning of the meeting to submit a proposal to extend bull moose season from September 25th to October 1st with harvest ticket for residents only in 24B in the Controlled Use Area. The moose aren't moving till later.

Predator Control

There was no update on the program, Glenn Stout was unable to attend this meeting as he was in Galena doing moose surveys. Concern over the wolf numbers were back (moose harvest numbers for Alatna and Allakaket mentioned again) and that the grizzlies are eating more moose now too.

An additional teleconference will be conducted in March to discuss predator control, review the 24B moose proposal and draft any others.



Charles Ned was elected to attend the BOF Meeting in January.

Adjournment: 5:50 pm

Minutes Recorded By: Nicole McAnallen

Minutes Approved By: Jack Reakoff

Date: _____