

**Summary of Actions
Alaska Board of Game**

**SPECIAL SUBSISTENCE
BOARD OF GAME MEETING
June 4 – 5, 2005
Hotel Captain Cook, Anchorage, AK**

DESIGNATED REPORTER: Sherry Wright

This summary of actions is for information purposes only and is not intended to detail, reflect or fully interpret the reasons for the Board's actions.

PROPOSAL NO. 1

ACTION: Failed

DESCRIPTION: Create super-exclusive use area; modify caribou and moose seasons in Units 11 and 13.

AMENDMENTS: The description of the area left out an area by Lake Louise, weight of ATV reduced to 1500 lbs.

DISCUSSION: Board members noted public frustration with the current Tier II system. Board members decided that the proposal was an alternative, but not the solution to the present problem.

PROPOSAL NO. 2

ACTION: Tabled to Statewide meeting

DESCRIPTION: Revise Tier II scoring system.

DISCUSSION: Board members reviewed information about where Tier II permits are used, the prior changes to the system, and discussed the economy of effort, and the eight criteria in the scoring system. This proposal would apply statewide. Board members expressed concern about eliminating Anchorage and Fairbanks residents from the Nelchina hunt. Board members decided to table this proposal to the statewide meeting in Anchorage, January 27 – 29, 2006 in order to gather more information on potential statewide effects.

PROPOSAL NO. 3

ACTION: Failed

DESCRIPTION: Revisit amount necessary for subsistence; create drawing hunt for caribou in Unit 13.

DISCUSSION: The history of harvest is used to determine the amount necessary for subsistence. There was testimony pertaining to amounts necessary for subsistence. 2000 permits were issued in the last few years, with about half of those harvesting a caribou. Board members decided this proposal was not the solution to the present problem.

PROPOSAL NO. 4

ACTION: No action

DESCRIPTION: Modify caribou season in Unit 13.

DISCUSSION: This proposal was withdrawn by the proponent.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

AGENDA CHANGE REQUEST

ACTION: Failed

DESCRIPTION: Reconsideration of Unit 17B nonresident corridor.

DISCUSSION: Board members decided the regulation did not need reconsideration. The board's March 2005 Unit 17B subcommittee included guides, and the subcommittee members recognized the hardships to nonresident participants. Board members decided this issue needs to be addressed within the board's meeting cycle to allow maximum participation. Board members expressed a concern regarding powers of attorney and discussed the need for applicants to appear in person.

AGENDA CHANGE REQUEST

ACTION: Failed

DESCRIPTION: Reconsider marten trapping and hunting for small game in Unit 15B.

DISCUSSION: Board members decided the regulation did not need reconsideration.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF GAME MEMBER TO BIG GAME COMMERCIAL SERVICES BOARD:

Board members agreed to the appointment of Ted Spraker to serve on the Big Game Commercial Services Board. The appointment is for two years, consistent with the enabling legislation's two year sunset provision.

EMERGENCY FINDINGS: This emergency regulation deletes specific language pertaining to the Tier II scoring system, and is necessary pending the Alaska Supreme Court's decision in the Manning case. This emergency regulation became effective June 9, 2005, and will expire October 6, 2005. For a copy of the regulation, contact Suzan Bowen, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518.

BOARD REQUESTED REPORTS: The Board requested a report and review of proxy hunting violations from the department for the board's November 2005 meeting.

BOARD OF GAME TENTATIVE MEETING SCHEDULE: Board members adopted the following tentative meeting schedule:

Arctic and Western Region:

November 11 – 14 in Kotzebue. Call for proposals: July 8, 2005; Proposal deadline: August 19, 2005; Written comment deadline: October 28, 2005.

Statewide Cycle "A":

January 27 – 29, 2006 in Anchorage. Call for proposals: September 23, 2005; Proposal deadline: November 18, 2005; Written comment deadline: January 13, 2006.

Interior Region:

March 3 – 12, 2006 in Fairbanks. Call for proposals: October 28, 2005; Proposal deadline: December 9, 2005; Written comment deadline: February 17, 2006.