



DATE: January 7, 2013

TO: Board of Game Members

FM: Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director
Board of Game

RE: Discussion of the 2013/2014 Meeting Dates

The Board of Game will be asked to review and approve the proposed schedule for the **2013/2014** meetings at the January 10, 2013 meeting. The board will also be asked to decide the locations for the meetings, although the spring regional meetings and the statewide meetings are usually held at the same location each time.

The following considerations were used in drafting the meeting schedules. These considerations have been used in years past and are listed below for board members' benefit:

- The meeting dates are based on the duration of past meetings needed to address that region's issues.
- The options begin on Friday start dates to accommodate the public for providing testimony over the weekend which is traditional practice by the board.
- The options take into consideration the timing for the needs of the Department of Fish and Game such as surveying/data collecting, conflicts with hunting seasons, the legal review process for new regulations, and the publishing of the regulations handbook (handy dandy).
- The schedule takes into consideration the meeting dates for the Board of Fisheries.
- Meetings are scheduled to be approximately four weeks apart.

Recently, the board changed the proposal process by issuing a single Call for Proposals rather than multiple Calls which allows for publishing a single proposal book during the summer/early fall, instead of multiple books during the meeting cycle. The Board of Game also added an extra meeting to the schedule by dividing the Southcentral Region meeting into two region meetings: Central/Southwest Region and Southcentral Region. These recent changes provided the board an opportunity to reevaluate its' schedule. Beginning with the 2012/2013 meeting cycle, the board approved a meeting schedule so that meetings occur in January, February, and March. The proposed 2013/2014 meeting dates follow the same schedule.

ALASKA BOARD OF GAME
Proposed Meeting Dates & Locations
2013/2014 Cycle

Proposed Dates	Topic	Location
October 11, 2013	Work Session	
<i>Past Meetings:</i> <i>January 10, 2013</i>		<i>Sitka</i>
January 10-13, 2014 (4 days)	Arctic/Western Region	
<i>Past Meetings:</i> <i>November 11-14, 2011</i> <i>November 13-16, 2009</i> <i>November 9-12, 2007</i> <i>November 11-14, 2005</i>		<i>Barrow</i> <i>Nome</i> <i>Bethel</i> <i>Kotzebue</i>
February 14–23, 2014 (10 days)	Interior Region Meeting	
<i>Past Meetings:</i> <i>March 2 – 11, 2012 (10 days)</i> <i>February 26-March 7, 2010 (10 days)</i> <i>February 29–March 10, 2008 (11 days)</i> <i>March 10–20, 2006 (11 days)</i>		<i>Fairbanks</i> <i>Fairbanks</i> <i>Fairbanks</i> <i>Fairbanks</i>
March 14 – 18, 2014 (5 days)	Statewide Regulations, Cycle A Schedule	
<i>Past Meetings:</i> <i>January 13 – 18, 2012-Cycle B (6 days)</i> <i>Jan. 29-Feb. 1, 2010-Cycle A (4 days)</i> <i>January 25-28, 2008 (4 days)</i> <i>January 27-30, 2006 (4 days)</i>		<i>Anchorage</i> <i>Anchorage</i> <i>Anchorage</i> <i>Anchorage</i>

Note: The Joint Board is scheduled to meet October 12 – 16, 2013.

Agenda Change Request Deadline: 60 days prior to each meeting.

The proposal deadline for the 2013/2014 meeting cycle will be May 1, 2013 at 5:00 pm. The Call for Proposals will be open to regulations for the Arctic, Western, and Interior Regions. It will also be open for the Statewide Regulations, Cycle A Schedule.