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## Proposal Deadline Fast Approaching for Alaska Board of Game 2016 Statewide Regulations Meeting

(Juneau) – The Alaska Board of Game is soliciting proposed changes to statewide regulations pertaining to hunting, trapping, and the use of game. The deadline for proposal submission is 5 p.m. Friday, May 1, 2015. The board will consider all proposals fitting the Call for Proposals at the Statewide Regulations Meeting scheduled for March 18 - 28, 2016, in Fairbanks.

Statewide regulations open on the Call for Proposals are those under 5 AAC Chapters 92 which include: permits; licenses; harvest tickets, tags and harvest reports; methods and means; possession, transportation and use of game; intensive management and predator control; definitions; emergency taking of game; and descriptions of game management units. The board also will accept proposals to 5 AAC 98.005 concerning areas of jurisdiction for reauthorization of antlerless moose hunts.

The board will only accept proposals requesting changes of statewide applicability. Requests for changes specific to regions or game management units (except for boundary changes to game managements units under 5 AAC 92.450, and antierless moose jurisdiction for advisory committees under 5 AAC 98.005) will not be accepted.

Proposed changes to sheep hunting seasons and bag limits statewide under 5 AAC Chapter 85 is not open to the Call for Proposals. However, proposals requesting changes with statewide applicability under 5 AAC 92.057 (special provisions for Dall sheep and mountain goat drawing permit hunts) is open.

The attached Call for Proposals, which lists all regulations open to change, is available on the board's webpage at: <a href="www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov">www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov</a>. The public is encouraged to submit proposals online at: <a href="www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.proposal">www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.proposal</a>. Proposals can also be submitted on forms available at the Boards Support Section regional offices and on the Board of Game website. Proposals not submitted online can be faxed or mailed to:

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Proposed regulatory changes must fit within the Call for Proposals. Final proposals will be available for the public on the board's website in August. For more information, call the Boards Support Section at 465-4110.

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