

#### Alaska Board of Game

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### **CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

ALASKA BOARD OF GAME 2024/2025 Meeting Cycle

The Alaska Board of Game calls for proposed changes to hunting and trapping regulations for the Central/Southwest Region, Statewide Regulations, and Areas of Jurisdiction for Antlerless Moose Hunts

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024

#### **Central/Southwest Region**

The Alaska Board of Game (board) is accepting proposed changes for hunting and trapping regulations for the Central/Southwest Region (Game Management Units 9, 10, 11, 13, 14A, 14B, 16, and 17) including the following topics:

Hunting seasons and bag limits including subsistence and general hunts for all species; trapping seasons and bag limits; big game prey populations and objectives for intensive management; predation control areas implementation plans; community subsistence harvest areas; restricted areas including controlled use areas, management areas, closed areas, and closures in state game refuges.

Proposed changes to 5 AAC Chapter 92, Statewide Provisions, specific to Game Management Units (GMUs) within the Central/Southwest Region will also be accepted, excluding changes to Game Management Unit Boundaries. This includes regulations under the categories of general provisions, permits, permit conditions and provisions, methods and means, possession and transportation, and the use of game. Proposed changes to these provisions must specify the applicable Game Management Units in order to be accepted for the region meeting.

Additional topics: Proposals addressing the Mulchatna caribou herd will be accepted for the entire range, including Units 9B, 17, 18, 19A and 19B.

#### **Statewide Provisions**

The board is also accepting proposed changes to specific regulations having statewide applicability under 5 AAC Chapter 92, Statewide Provisions, and 5 AAC 98.005, Areas of jurisdiction for antlerless moose seasons. The regulations open on the Call for Proposals are listed are listed on pages 2 and 3, and do not include trapping and hunting seasons and bag limits under 5 AAC Chapters 84 and 85. Proposed changes must be for statewide applicability; proposals specific to regions or Game Management Units will not be accepted unless submitted for the Central/Southwest Region Call for Proposals described above.

#### The following topics will be considered for all Game Management Units:

Brown Bear Tag Fee Exemptions

Reauthorization of Antlerless Moose Hunts (State statute requires all antlerless moose hunts be reauthorized annually.)

# Statewide Regulations Open on the 2024/2025 Call for Proposals

General Provisions and Definitions:		
92.001	Application of this Chapter	
92.002	Liability for Violations	
92.003	Hunter Education and Orientation Requirements	
92.004	Policy for Off-Road Vehicle Use for Hunting and Transporting Game	
92.005	Policy for Changing Board Agenda	
92.008	Harvest Guideline Levels	
92.009	Obstruction or Hindrance of Lawful Hunting or Trapping	
92.990	Definitions	
Licenses, Harvest Tickets, Harvest Reports, Tags, and Fees:		
92.010	Harvest Tickets and Reports	
92.011	Taking of Game by Proxy	
92.012	Licenses and Tags	
92.013	Migratory bird hunting guide services	
92.018	Waterfowl Conservation Tag	
92.019	Taking of Big Game for Certain Religious Ceremonies	
Permits:		
92.020	Application of Permit Regulations and Permit Reports	
92.028	Aviculture Permits	
92.029	Permit for Possessing Live Game	
92.030	Possession of Wolf Hybrid and Wild Cat Hybrids Prohibited	
92.031	Permit for Selling Skins, Skulls, and Trophies	
92.033	Permit for Science, Education, Propagative, or Public Safety Purposes	
92.034	Permit to Take Game for Cultural Purposes	
92.035	Permit for Temporary Commercial Use of Live Game	
92.039	Permit for Taking Wolves Using Aircraft	
92.040	Permit for Taking of Furbearers with Game Meat	
92.041	Permit to Take Beavers to Control Damage to Property	
92.042	Permit to Take Foxes for Protection of Migratory Birds	
92.043	Permit for Capturing Wild Furbearers for Fur Farming	
92.044	Permit for Hunting Bear w/the Use of Bait or Scent Lures	
92.047	Permit for Using Radio Telemetry Equipment	
92.049	Permits, Permit Procedures, and Permit Conditions	
92.050	Required Permit Hunt Conditions and Procedures	
92.051	Discretionary Trapping Permit Conditions & Procedures	
92.052	Discretionary Permit Hunt Conditions and Procedures	
92.057	Special Provisions for Dall Sheep and Mountain Goat Drawing Permit Hunts	
92.061	Special Provisions for Brown Bear Drawing Permit Hunts	
92.062	Priority for Subsistence Hunting; Tier II Permits	
92.068	Permit Conditions for Hunting Black Bear with Dogs	
92.069	Special Provisions for Moose Drawing Permit Hunts	
92.070	Tier II Subsistence Hunting Permit Point System	
92.071	Tier I Subsistence Permits	
92.072	Community subsistence harvest hunt area and permit conditions	

Methods 92.075 92.080 92.085 92.090 92.095 92.100 92.104	& Means: Lawful Methods of Taking Game Unlawful Methods of Taking Game; Exceptions Unlawful Methods of Taking Big Game; Exceptions Unlawful Methods of Taking Fur Animals Unlawful Methods of Taking Furbearers; Exceptions Unlawful Methods of Hunting Waterfowl, Snipe, Crane Authorization for Methods and Means Disability Exemptions	
Intensive	Managament and Dradetor Control	
92.106 92.110 92.115 92.116	Management and Predator Control: Intensive Management of Identified Big Game Prey Populations Control of Predation by Wolves Control of Predation by Bears Special Provisions in Predation Control Areas	
Possession and Transportation:		
92.130 92.135	Restrictions to Bag Limit Transfer of Possession	
92.140	Unlawful Possession or Transportation of Game	
92.141	Transport, Harboring, or Release of Live Muridae Rodents Prohibited	
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	Evidence of Sex and Identity	
92.160	Marked or Tagged Game	
92.165	Sealing of Bear Skins and Skulls	
92.170 92.171	Sealing of Marten, Lynx, Beaver, Otter, Wolf, and Wolverine	
92.171	Sealing of Dall Sheep Horns	
Use of Game:		
92.200	Purchase and Sale of Game	
92.210	Game as Animal Food or Bait	
92.220	Salvage of Game Meat, Furs, and Hides	
92.230	Feeding of Game	
92.250	Transfer of Musk oxen for Science and Education Purposes	
92.260	Taking Cub Bears & Female Bears with Cubs Prohibited	
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	Emergency Taking of Game	
92.410	Taking Game in Defense of Life or Property	
92.420	Taking Nuisance Wildlife	
Game Management Units:		
92.450	Description of Game Management Units	
Antlerless Moose Reauthorization:		
	Areas of Jurisdiction for Antlerless Moose Seasons	

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Proposals may be submitted by mail, fax, or online:

Online: <u>www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov</u>

Mail: ADF&G, Boards Support Section

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Juneau, AK 99811-5526

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Proposals must be received by <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 1, 2024</u>, at the Boards Support Section office in <u>Juneau</u>. (A postmark is <u>NOT</u> sufficient for timely receipt).

You are encouraged to submit proposals at the earliest possible date on Board of Game proposal forms available from the Boards Support Section regional offices and on the website at: <a href="https://www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov">www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov</a>. All proposals must contain an individual's first and last name and an organizational name if appropriate, contact telephone number, and address. Regional proposals must specify the applicable region or Game Management Unit.

The board encourages individuals or organizations to communicate and coordinate with others in the development of proposals. Local fish and game advisory committees (AC) are an excellent resource and the collective knowledge and experience within ACs may help improve proposals. Information about the 84 local fish and game advisory committees around the state is available at <a href="https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.advisory">https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.advisory</a>. You can also work with area staff from the Department of Fish and Game to better understand the current regulations, and what the effect(s) of your proposed change may be. Area staff contact information can be found on the ADF&G website at <a href="https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=contacts.main">www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=contacts.main</a>.

Providing clarity on the proposal form helps the board, advisory committees, and the public more fully understand the proposed regulatory changes. Proposals that are incomplete or unclear may be omitted from the proposal book. You are encouraged to contact the Boards Support Section staff if you have questions or need assistance with completing the proposal form. Proposals published in the proposal book will be referenced with the appropriate Alaska Administrative Code citation and include a brief description of the action requested. Proposals with emotionally charged language will be rejected or redacted as they detract from the substance of the proposal, may draw opposition not germane to the element(s) of the proposal, and may elicit nonresponsive charges from the public/board members. Proposals not meeting this call or submitted late will not be published.

Proposal books will be available to the advisory committees, agencies, and the public at www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov for review and comment.

Proposals received per the above "Call for Proposals" deadline will be considered by the Board of Game at their Central/Southwest meeting scheduled for January 10-17, 2025 in Wasilla and Statewide Regulations scheduled for March 21 – 28, 2025 in Anchorage. For more information, please contact the ADF&G Boards Support Section at (907) 465-4110, or email <a href="mailto:kristy.tibbles@alaska.gov">kristy.tibbles@alaska.gov</a>.