

**Dall Sheep Working Group Meeting
December 5 & 6, 2015
Spenard Recreation Center, Anchorage, Alaska**

Meeting Summary

The Dall Sheep Working Group met in Anchorage, December 5 & 6, at the Spenard Recreational Center. Thirty-eight working group members were present along with agency staff and members of the public. (See attendance list on pages 2 and 3.) The meeting was facilitated by Dr. Alistair Bath. Throughout the meeting, the working group was divided into small groups of four to six members and each group was asked to provide comments to questions and topics raised by Dr. Bath. The topics and responses are captured on a compilation of flip chart pages posted on the meeting info webpage at: www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=sheepcomm.wgmeetinginfo.

Discussion topics included:

- Reasons for participating on the Dall sheep working group
- Rules for the working group
- Responsibilities of working group members
- What concerns or issues would prevent the working group from understanding and addressing the key issues facing sheep and sheep management issues in Alaska?
- What issues would help the working group to understand and address key issues facing sheep and sheep management?
- Advantages and disadvantages of working together as a team
- Utilizing the advisory committee system
- Board of Game trust issues

The committee set dates for three future meetings:

- January 2-3, 2016 – Fairbanks (Note – this meeting was cancelled.)
- January 30 & 31, 2016 – Anchorage (Note – this meeting will be held in Fairbanks due to the cancellation of the first meeting.)
- February 20-21, 2016 – Anchorage

Prior to concluding the meeting, the working group asked the Department of Fish and Game to provide information at the next meeting on harvest statistics, sheep counts over time, and the economic impact to the guiding industry.

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Meeting Attendance

Sheep Working Group Members

Nate Turner, Board of Game
Stosh Hoffman, Board of Game
Dave Brown, Board of Game
Doug Larsen, Alternate for Territorial Sportsmen, Inc.
Kevin Kehoe, AK Wild Sheep Foundation
Rob Stone, Alaska Airmen Association
Al Barrette, Tanana Valley Sportsman Association
Jack Frost, AK Bowhunters Association
Brett Barringer, SCI Alaska Chapter
Aaron Bloomquist, APHA
Kneeland Taylor, AWA
Leif Wilson, BGCSB
Sue Entsminger, Eastern Interior Regional Advisory Council (RAC)
Lee Adler, Southcentral RAC
Mark Richards, AK Backcountry Hunters & Anglers
Gary Stevens, AOC
Mike McCrary, Air Carriers Association
Ed Soto, public member
Lou Bradley, public member
Ivan Clark, public member
Joe Want, public member
Dave Loring, public member
Laura Philips, National Park Service
Casey Burns, Bureau of Land Management
Ryan Mollnow, USF&WS, National Wildlife Refuge system, Alaska
Mike Kramer, Fairbanks Advisory Committee (AC)
Jack Reakoff, Koyukuk AC & Western Interior RAC
Ray Collins, McGrath AC
Frank Entsminger, Upper Tanana Fortymile AC
Coke Wallace, Middle Nenana River AC
Jacob White, Delta AC
Frank Neumann, Anchorage AC
Israel Peyton, Mat Valley AC
Doug Malone, Homer AC
Enoch Mitchell, Noatak/Kivalina AC & Northwest Interior Region RAC
Enoch (Atamuk) Sheidt, Kotzebue Sound AC
Raymond Stoney, Lower Kobuk AC
Louie Commack, Upper Kobuk AC

Staff and Public

Ted Spraker, Board of Game

Teresa Sager Albaugh, Board of Game

Jeff Butler

Kelly Vrem, BGCSB

Tom Atkins, BGCSB

Nancy Bale

Kristy Tibbles, BOG Executive Director

Bruce Dale, Division of Wildlife Conservation Director

Maria Gladyszewski, Division of Wildlife Conservation Assistant Director

Tony Kavalok, Division of Wildlife Conservation Assistant Director

Cheryl Brooking, Department of Law

Lt. Paul Fussey, Alaska Wildlife Troopers

Suzanne Worker, Office of Subsistence Management