

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF EMERGENCY REGULATIONS
OF ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

On March 21, 2008, the Board of Game adopted, as emergency regulations, changes in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with predator control implementation plans, including the following:

The Board of Game repealed and readopted 5 AAC 92.125(b) and (d) after making additional findings to address concerns raised by the court in a recent order. The effect of the repeal was to remove two plans found to be invalid because they were based on inadequate findings. The effect of the readoption was to adopt replacement plans that were based on adequate findings. These plans authorize the Department of Fish and Game to conduct wolf control programs in Units 12, 16(A) and (B), 20(B), 20(D), 20(E), and 25(C); a brown bear control program in Unit 20(E); and a black bear control program in Units 16(A) and (B).

The emergency regulations took effect March 21, 2008 and will expire July 18, 2008. The Alaska Board of Game intends to make the emergency regulations permanent at a board teleconference scheduled for Wednesday, July 2, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.

You may comment on the regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the changes, by submitting written comments to the Alaska Board of Game, Boards Support Section at P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526, or by fax to (907) 465-6094. The deadline to submit written comments is 5:00 p.m. June 27, 2008. Written comments received are public records and are subject to public inspection. Written comment over 100 single sided or 50 double sided pages in length from any one individual or group will not be accepted.

The Board of Game will not be taking oral public testimony during the teleconference. The meeting is open to the public. Listen-only teleconference sites will be available in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau at the following Department of Fish and Game office buildings:

Anchorage ADF&G

Aerie Conference Rm, # 2035
333 Raspberry Road
Anchorage, AK 99518

Fairbanks ADF&G

1300 College Road
Fairbanks, AK 99701

Juneau ADF&G

1255 W. 8th Street, Room 297
Juneau, AK 99801

A live audio stream of the Board meeting will be available on the Department of Fish and Game Boards Support website at: <http://www.boards.adfg.state.ak.us/gameinfo/index.php>.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Kristy Tibbles at (907) 465-4110 no later than June 23, 2008 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

For a copy of the emergency regulations, contact the Board Support Section at the address above or go to the Board Support website at: www.boards.adfg.state.ak.us.

The language of the permanent regulations may be different from that of the original emergency regulations, and may include other provisions dealing with the same subject. YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.

Statutory Authority: AS 16.05.255; AS 16.05.258; AS 16.05.270

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 16.05.255; AS 16.05.256; AS 16.05.258; AS 16.05.407; AS 16.05.346; AS 16.05.340; AS 16.05.330; AS 16.05.783; and AS 16.30.010 – 030.

Fiscal Information: The regulations are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: March 26, 2008



Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director
Alaska Board of Game

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION
(AS 44.62.190(d))

1. Adopting agency: Alaska Board of Game
2. General subject of regulation: Predator Control Implementation Plans
3. Citation of regulation (may be grouped): 5 AAC 92.125
4. Reason for the proposed action:
 - compliance with federal law
 - compliance with new or changed state statute
 - compliance with court order
 - development of program standards
 - other: (please list) _____
5. RDU/component affected: Natural Resources and all RDUs.
6. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding (in thousands of dollars): It is not possible to estimate the costs. However, these actions are not expected to require any additional costs.
7. The name of the contact person for the regulations:

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8. The origin of the proposed action:
 - staff of state agency
 - federal government
 - general public
 - petition for regulation change
 - other (please list) Compliance with court order.

9. Date: March 26, 2008

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