

## **Alaska Board of Game**

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## ALASKA BOARD OF GAME November 16, 2018 - Teleconference

## **Meeting Summary**

The Board of Game (board) met by teleconference on Friday, November 16, 2018. Seven board members were present: Chairman Ted Spraker, Vice-Chairman Nate Turner, Stosh Hoffman, Teresa Sager Albaugh, Karen Linnell, Larry Van Daele, and Tom Lamal. The purpose of the meeting was to address several Agenda Change Requests that were submitted by the November 1, 2018 deadline for the board's meetings in January and March 2019.

Meeting materials including the audio recording are available on the Board of Game meeting information webpage at: <a href="www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=11-16-2018&meeting=tele">www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=11-16-2018&meeting=tele</a>.

With consideration of the criteria under the Agenda Change Request Policy (5 AAC 92.005), the board took action on the following ACRs. ACR #1 was previously considered and accepted by the board in February 2018 and is included as proposal 129 in the board's 2018/2019 proposal book.

ACR #, Title and author  Board Action:  Audio Tracking Info	Accept/Fail Vote Count
Audio Tracking Info  ACR #2 - Mule deer, moose winter tick, and other parasites and pathogens, submitted by ADF&G.  The board will receive a report on the subject by ADF&G at the January 9, 2019  Work Session in Petersburg. A proposal will be scheduled for consideration at both the Southeast Region meeting in January 2019 and the Southcentral Region meeting in March 2019. The board will take final action at the March 2019 meeting. The board clarified that the proposal will not apply to Sitka black-tailed deer.	Accepted (6-1)
Audio log: 0:22:16   09:57:50 AM  ACR #3 - Change the bag limit for guided goat hunters in Unit 6 and implement a fine for guides responsible for nonresident hunters taking nannies, submitted by Dennis Zadra.  Audio log: 0:50.29   10:26:02 AM	Failed (0-7)
ACR #4 - Change the bag limit for Tier II moose hunts in Unit 16B to any moose and add a resident antlerless moose drawing hunt in Unit 16B, submitted by the Susitna Valley Advisory Committee.  The board scheduled a proposal to be considered at the Southcentral Region meeting in March 2019.  Audio log: 0:57:12   10:32:46 AM	Accepted (6-1)

ACR #5 - Modify the caribou hunt structure for Unit 13 to provide a third option for the Tier I registration permit hunt, submitted by Norm Masneri & family. Audio log: 1:46:07   11:21:40 AM	Failed (0-7)
ACR #6 - Establish a minimum caliber ammunition for moose hunting in Unit 18, submitted by the Mid-Lower Yukon Advisory Committee.  Audio log: 1:59:21   11:45:11 AM	Failed (1-6)
ACR #7 - Prohibit the sale of moose antlers, with the exception of naturally shed antlers, in Unit 18, submitted by the Mid-Lower Yukon Advisory Committee.  Audio log: 2:10:02   11:55:51 AM	Failed (0-7)
ACR #8 - Change the hunting season dates for brown bear in Unit 9B, submitted by the Lake Iliamna Advisory Committee.  The board scheduled a proposal to be considered at the Southcentral Region meeting in March 2019.  Audio log: 2:22:52   12:08:42 PM	Accepted (7-0)
ACR #9 - Change the hunting season dates for brown bear in Unit 9B, submitted by Jason Johnston.  The board took no action due to the action on ACR #8 because the regulatory request is identical to the request in ACR #8.  Audio Log: 2:55:06   12:40:56 PM	No Action (7-0)
ACR #10 - Change the hunting season dates for brown bear in Unit 9B, submitted by 23 separate submitters.  The board took no action due to the action on ACR #8 because the regulatory request is identical to the request in ACR #8.  Audio Log: 2:55:06   12:40:56 PM	No Action (7-0)
ACR #11 - Change the hunting season dates for brown bear in Unit 9B, submitted by five separate submitters.  The ACR was accepted based on the ACR policy which states, "If the board accepts an ACR, the board will develop and consider proposals for all agenda change requests for those specified regulations." Since the regulatory request in the ACR was slightly different than the request in ACR #8, a separate proposal will be scheduled for the Southcentral Region meeting in March 2019  Audio Log: 2:55:22   12:41:12 PM	Accepted (7-0)
ACR #12 - Open a moose hunt in Unit 18 to align with federal subsistence regulations, submitted by ADF&G.  The board scheduled a proposal to be considered at the Southcentral Region meeting in March 2019.  Audio Log: 2:55:22   12:41:12 PM	Accepted (7-0)
ACR #13 - Nelchina caribou permits, submitted by ADF&G.  The board scheduled findings for the existing permit allocation to be considered at the January 9, 2019 Work Session in Petersburg.  Audio Log: 1:15:25   10:50:59 AM	Failed (1-6)
ACR #14 - Open a resident, registration hunt for antlerless moose in a portion of Unit 21D, submitted by ADF&G.	Accepted (7-0)

The board scheduled a proposal to be considered at the Southeast Region meeting in January 2019. Audio Log: 3:02:37   12:48:27 PM	
JB ACR #1 - Chitina Subdistrict subsistence fishery, submitted by the Fairbanks Advisory Committee.  Audio Log: 3:16:37   01:02:27 PM	Failed (0-7)

## **Miscellaneous Business**

Commissioner Nomination Committee: Board members Tom Lamal, Karen Linnell, and Chairman Ted Spraker will serve on the committee for the commissioner nomination process; member Van Daele will serve as an alternate. The committee will work with members of the Board of Fisheries' Joint Board subcommittee. The commissioner appointment process is established under Alaska Statute 44.39.030 which states, "The Governor shall appoint the commissioner of fish and game from a list of qualified persons nominated by the Board of Fisheries and Game meeting in joint session, subject to the right of the governor to request additional nominations." Chairman Spraker provided a tentative timeline. He said Boards Support would soon distribute a notice about the commissioner nomination process and the solicitation for candidates. The suggested deadline for submitting resumes would be December 14. The committee would be expected to have up to two meetings to review resumes and conduct interviews in late December and early January, depending on the number of candidates. Under the tentative timeline, the Joint Board meeting will be held January 16, 2019, when the Board of Game members are returning from the board meeting in Petersburg to join the Board of Fisheries members, who will be at regulatory meeting in Anchorage. Chairman Spraker commented that the Joint Board would interview the final candidates.

Note: Information about the commissioner nomination process will be provided on the Joint Board website at: www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.jointboard

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:27 pm.