



Alaska Board of Game

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**ALASKA BOARD OF GAME
 November 18, 2020 - Teleconference**

Preliminary Meeting Summary

The Board of Game (board) met by web-conference on Wednesday, November 18, 2020. Seven board members were present: Chairman Stosh Hoffman, acting vice-chair Larry Van Daele, Jerry Burnett, Al Barrette, Orville Huntington, Jake Fletcher and Lynn Keogh. The purpose of the meeting was to address the following topics:

- Agenda change requests (ACRs) submitted for the upcoming Board meetings.
- Discussion of the January and March 2021 board meetings and the need to postpone due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The determination of whether an emergency exists and possible adoption of temporary emergency regulatory changes to permit hunt conditions to allow subsistence hunters that have filled their caribou bag limit in Unit 13 to be able to participate in the winter registration hunt (RC867) for caribou. This topic was requested by members Barrette and Burnett.

Meeting materials including the audio recording are available on the Board of Game meeting information webpage at:

www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=11-18-2020&meeting=tele

With consideration of the criteria under the Agenda Change Request Policy (5 AAC 92.005), the board took the following action on the ACRs.

ACR #, Title and author <i>Board Action:</i>	Accept/Fail Vote Count
<u>ACR #1</u> - Increase the resident bag limit, lengthen the resident season, and open a nonresident season for deer in Unit 3 on the Lindenburg Peninsula and Mitkof Island. Submitted By: David Benitz	Failed (0-7)
<u>ACR #2</u> - Allow hunters to transfer Unit 24D moose permits (DM892) to 2021 or to reapply for 2021. Submitted By: Virgil Umphenour	Failed (0-7)
<u>ACR #3</u> – Close the sheep season in Unit 19C for two years or shorten the season. Submitted by: Mon Mahoney	Failed (2-5)
<u>ACR #4</u> – Open a musk ox hunt in Unit 26A. Submitted by: ADF&G <i>The board scheduled the topic be considered at the Statewide Regulations Meeting.</i>	Accepted (4-3)

<p><u>ACR #5</u> – Establish a 7-day sealing period for all wolves harvested in Unit 2. Submitted by: ADF&G <i>The board scheduled the topic be considered at the Central/Southwest Region Meeting. If that meeting is postponed to the 2021/2022 meeting cycle because of COVID-19, the board requested this proposal be addressed this meeting cycle with the reauthorization proposals for antlerless moose and brown bear tag fee exemptions.</i></p>	Accepted (7-0)
<p><u>ACR #6</u> - Resolve discrepancies and align general season harvest ticket moose hunts in Unit 15B. Submitted By: ADF&G <i>The board scheduled the topic be considered at the Central/Southwest Region Meeting.</i></p>	Accepted (7-0)
<p><u>ACR #7</u> - Establish a targeted hunt for the entire Fortymile caribou season. Submitted by: Sarah Behr <i>The board scheduled the topic be considered at the Statewide Regulations Meeting.</i></p>	Accepted (7-0)

Other Board Actions:

The board voted to hold the January 21, 2021 Work Session via web-conference.

The board voted to postpone the Central/Southwest Region and Statewide Regulations meetings due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The board will discuss new meeting dates at the January 2021 Work Session.

By a vote of 3-4, the board did not find that an emergency exists for the purpose of adopting temporary, regulatory changes to allow some Unit 13 subsistence caribou hunters to participate in the winter Fortymile caribou hunt RC867.

The board confirmed intent to address all Units covering the range of the Mulchatna caribou herd (Units 9, 17, 18 and 19) for proposals 19, 20 and 21 which are scheduled for the Central/Southwest Region meeting.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:30 pm.