Department of Fish and Game





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MEMORANDUM

TO:	Alaska Board of Game Members	6	DATE: January 20, 2021
THROUGH:			PHONE: 465-6098
FROM:	Kristy Tibbles, Ex. Director Board of Game	SUBJECT:	Options for Scheduling the 2021/2022 Board Meeting Cycle (Southeast & Southcentral Regions)

The 2021/2022 Board of Game meeting dates and locations for the Southcentral and Southeast Regions are expected to be set by the board during the January 21, 2021 Work Session unless the board take action to postpone the current meeting cycle (Central Southwest Region and Statewide Regulations) as a result of the the COVID pandemic.

The following considerations have been used by the board in past years when setting meeting dates and locations.

- The meeting dates are based on the duration of past meetings needed to address that region's issues.
- The options begin on Friday start dates to accommodate the public for providing testimony over the weekend which is traditional practice by the board.
- The options take into consideration the timing for the needs of the Department of Fish and Game such as surveying/data collecting, conflicts with hunting seasons, the legal review process for new regulations, and publishing the hunting regulations handbook.
- Duration between meetings need to be at least four weeks apart.
- The board's ACR deadline is November 1, and at least 30 days public notice prior to the regulatory meetings is required for any that are accepted by the board and added to the agenda.
- The options take into consideration the meeting dates for the Board of Fisheries to minimize overlap for agencies, advisory committees, and public participants. The Board of Fisheries tentative meeting dates in 2022 are:

January 8-12, 2022: Arctic/Yukon Kuskokwim, Anchorage February 18-23, 2022: AK Peninsula, Aleutian Island & Chignik, Anchorage March 11-14, 2022: Statewide Finfish, Anchorage The dates provided below are options for the 2021/2022 meeting schedule that reflect the above-mentioned criteria. The board will also hold a one-day work session prior to the first regulatory meeting and will meet via web or teleconference to consider agenda change requests following the November 1 annual deadline. The meeting date for considering agency change requests will be determined at a later date as the deadline approaches unless the board prefers to set it at this Work Session.

Options for the 2021/2022 Board of Game Meeting Cycle:

The Southeast Region meeting is expected to be five days based on the historical information provided below. The Southcentral Region meeting has ranged from five to seven days. The following dates are options for either meeting.

January 14 – 18 / 19, 2022 January 21 – 25 / 26, 2022 January 28 – February 1/2, 2022 February 4 – 11, 2022 February 11 – 15 / 26, 2022 February 25 – March 1 / 2 2022 March 4 – 8 / 9, 2022

State holidays: 1/17/22 – Martin Luther King Day; 2/12/22 – Presidents' Day

Southeast Region Meeting										
Past Meeting Dates	Locations	No. of Proposals	No. of Testifiers							
January 11 – 15 2019 (5 days)	Petersburg	56	30							
January 9 – 13, 2015 (5 days)	Juneau	40	24							
January 11 – 15, 2013 (5 days)	Sitka	52	29							
November 5 – 9, 2010 (5 days)	Ketchikan	48	43							

Historical Meeting Information for the Southeast and Southcentral Region meetings.

Southcentral Region Meeting			
Past Meeting Dates	Locations	No. of Proposals	No. of Testifiers
March 14 – 20, 2019 (7 days)	Anchorage	96	71
March 13 – 18, 2015 (6 days)	Kenai	68	76
February 15-19, 2013 (5 days)	Anchorage	56	49
March 26 - 30, 2011 (5 days)	Anchorage	92	46

Agenda Change Request Deadline: November 1, 2021. The proposal deadline for the 2021/2022 meeting cycle will be May 1, 2021

State of Alaska 2021 STATE CALENDAR

State Holidays

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Date	Holiday
01/01/2021	New Year's Day
01/18/2021	MLK Jr.'s Birthday
02/15/2021	Presidents' Day
03/29/2021	Seward's Day
05/31/2021	Memorial Day
07/04/2021	Independence Day (observed 07/05/2021)
09/06/2021	Labor Day
10/18/2021	Alaska Day
11/11/2021	Veterans' Day
11/25/2021	Thanksgiving Day
12/25/2021	Christmas Day (observed 12/24/2021)
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