

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The Joint Board of Fisheries and Game calls for proposed changes to

I. ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULATIONS, and

II. NONSUBSISTENCE AREA REGULATIONS.

PROPOSAL DEADLINE – 5:00 p.m., Friday, December 8, 2006

I. ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULATIONS

The Joint Board of Fisheries and Game is accepting proposed changes to its regulations pertaining to local fish and game advisory committees to be considered at its next regulatory meeting, to be scheduled in October 2007. The following sections of Title 5 Chapter 96 of the Alaska Administrative Code will be considered:

- 5 AAC 96.010. Establishment of a local fish and game advisory committee system
- 5 AAC 96.020. Creation of local fish and game advisory committees
- 5 AAC 96.021. Establishment of fish and game advisory committees
- 5 AAC 96.040. Qualifications for members
- 5 AAC 96.050. Functions of local fish and game advisory committees
- 5 AAC 96.060. Uniform rules of operation
- 5 AAC 96.410. Distribution of local fish and game advisory committees
- 5 AAC 96.420. Review of requests for local fish and game advisory committees
- 5 AAC 96.440. Board assistance
- 5 AAC 96.450. Committee status and change of status
- 5 AAC 96.460. Attendance at meetings

The Joint Board is particularly interested in receiving proposals to enhance the effectiveness of the advisory committee system. For example, the Joint Board would like to consider options to consolidate committees A) where multiple committees represent the same geographic area or share in the use of the same fish stocks and game populations; B) where committees have been inactive for two or more years; or C) where a change in committee structure would better facilitate resolving resource issues at the local level before coming to the boards.

II. NONSUBSISTENCE AREA REGULATIONS

The Joint Board of Fisheries and Game is accepting proposed changes to its regulations pertaining to the Joint Board nonsubsistence areas. A nonsubsistence area is an area or community where dependence upon subsistence is not a principal characteristic of the economy, culture and way of life of the area or community. The boards may not permit subsistence hunting or fishing in a nonsubsistence area. The following section of Title 5 Chapter 99 of the Alaska Administrative Code will be considered:

5 AAC 99.015. Joint Board nonsubsistence areas.

(Includes Ketchikan, Juneau, Anchorage-Matsu-Kenai, Fairbanks, and Valdez nonsubsistence areas)

The Joint Board established the current nonsubsistence areas as required under AS 16.05.258(c) in 1992. Proposals submitted to modify the existing areas, delete areas, or add new areas should identify any significant new information available that the Joint Board did not have available in 1992 when it made the determinations or identify if the board made any errors in its previous decision. Written findings detailing the boards action can be found on the boards website (<http://www.boards.adfg.state.ak.us/fishgame/regs/jbfind.php>) or by contacting one of

the Board Support offices listed below. Proposals should also reference the 12 socio-economic characteristics specified in AS 16.05.258(c), which are also available by contacting the Boards Support Section.

The Joint Board intends to follow a two-step approach to acting on the nonsubsistence area proposals. The board will perform a preliminary review of the proposals during a meeting scheduled in October 2007. During this preliminary review, the board will conduct an initial assessment of the proposals, will identify the information needed for a full review of appropriate proposals, and will schedule appropriate proposals for further public review and department analysis prior to regulatory action at a meeting to be scheduled in 2008.

Proposals must be received by 5:00 p.m. Friday, December 8, 2006 at one of the following locations:

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ADF&G, Boards Support
1300 College Road
Fairbanks, AK 99701
Phone: (907) 459-7263
Fax: (907) 474-8558

Proposal forms may be obtained from any office of the Boards Support Section or on the board's website at <http://www.boards.adfg.state.ak.us/>. All proposals must contain an original signature, contact telephone number, and address. Please print or type the individual's name and an organizational name if appropriate. A fax is acceptable and considered an original. **Proposals must be received in one of the above offices by the deadline** (a postmark is NOT sufficient for timely receipt). You are encouraged to submit proposals at the earliest possible date.

Proposals are reviewed by the board's proposal review committee prior to publication. Language that is emotionally charged detracts from the substance of the proposal. It may draw opposition that may not be germane to the element(s) of the proposal and may elicit nonresponsive charges from the public/board members. The proposal review committee reserves the right to edit or reject proposals containing offensive language. Following publication, proposal booklets will be available to advisory committees and interested members of the public for review and comment.

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Joint Board of Fisheries and Game

**THE JOINT BOARD OF FISHERIES AND GAME CALLS FOR PROPOSED
CHANGES TO REGULATIONS FOR LOCAL FISH AND GAME ADVISORY
COMMITTEES, ADVISORY COMMITTEE CLOSURES, AND SUBSISTENCE USES.**

PROPOSAL DEADLINE - 5:00 p.m. Friday, November 30, 2012.

The Joint Board of Fisheries and Game is accepting proposed changes to regulations pertaining to local fish and game advisory committees and subsistence uses to be considered at a regulatory meeting scheduled for October 2013. The following regulations of Title 5, under the Alaska Administrative Code, will be considered:

- **Chapter 96 – Local Fish and Game Advisory Committees and Regional Fish and Game Councils**
 - Article 1: Advisory Committee Regulations
 - Article 2: Regional Fish and Game Councils*
 - Article 3: Administration of Local Fish and Game Advisory Committees
 - Article 4: Administration of Regional Fish and Game Committees*
 - Article 5: Adoption of Fish and Game Regulations
- *Regional Advisory Councils have not been active; their function will be discussed at the Joint Board Meeting.*
- **Chapter 97 – Advisory Committee Closures**
 - Article 1: Areas of Jurisdiction
 - Article 2: Advisory Committee Emergency Closures
 - **Chapter 99 – Subsistence Uses**
 - Section 10: Boards of Fisheries and Game subsistence procedures
 - Section 15: Joint Board nonsubsistence area
 - Section 21: Definition

Proposals must be submitted by mail, fax, or online:

Mail: Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Boards Support Section
PO Box 115526
Juneau, AK 99811-5526

Fax: (907) 465-6094

Online: www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.jbforms

Proposals must be received by **5:00 p.m. Friday, November 30, 2012.** (A postmark is **NOT** sufficient for timely receipt). You are encouraged to submit proposals at the earliest possible date.

Please submit proposals online at the link above or on Board of Game/Board of Fisheries proposal forms available from the Boards Support Section regional offices and on the website above. All proposals must contain an individual's name or an organization name, if appropriate, contact telephone number, and address. A fax is acceptable and considered an original. Currently, we are

unable to accept submission of proposals via email. (We are working with our information technology section and hope to be able to offer this option soon.)

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You are encouraged to contact Boards Support Section staff if you have questions or need assistance completing the proposal form. Providing clarity on the proposal form helps the board, advisory committees, and the public more fully understand the proposed regulatory changes. Proposals that are incomplete or unclear may be omitted from the proposal book. Please submit proposals at the earliest possible date.

Proposals received per the above "Call for Proposals" deadline will be considered by the Joint Board of Fisheries and Game at a meeting to be scheduled in October 2013.

For more information, please contact the Boards Support Section any of the following regional offices.

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