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Kodiak Fish & Game Advisory Committee Meeting minutes of 11/12/2008

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(Minutes represent a paraphrased summary of the KAC, department staff and public comments and are not a verbatim **ANCHORAGE** transcript of the meeting. Tapes of the meeting are available for review by contacting the committee secretary)

#### Overview of game populations by Larry Van Daele Discussion and committee action on a goat proposal to be submitted to the BOG before the December 5<sup>th</sup> 2008 deadline Discussion of Mr. Burtons and Mr. Dormans wandering bison herd Discussion of feral reindeer

December 4<sup>th</sup> 2008 set as date for the next meeting of the KAC to discuss an ACR the BOF will take action on at their February meeting concerning the Kodiak Area herring gillnet quota and manangement plan

Call to order: 7:10pm at the KNWR Visitors Center, Oliver Holm, Chair Roll call: A quorum was achieved with the following 10 members present(8 needed). Oliver Holm, Don Fox, Julie Kavanaugh, Ron Kavanaugh, Rolan Ruoss, Curt Waters, Pete Hannah, Layne Wilde, Kip Thomet and Harry Dodge for Paul Chervenak.

ADF&G Staff: Larry Van Daele and John Crye.

USFWS: Gary Wheeler, Bill Pyle and Brandon Saito.

Audience: 7 members of the public.

**Approve Agenda:** Agenda approve unanimously after the addition of 3) Reindeer management and 4) setting date for the KAC's next meeting to discuss a BOF ACR on herring.

**Approve Minutes of previous meeting:** The minutes of the meeting of February 12<sup>th</sup> 2008 were approved unanimously.

Old Business: None.

**New Business:** 

- 1) Staff update on game populations: Larry Van Daele gave an update of deer, elk, goat, bear and small game populations. Larry felt that except for goat the department didn't anticipate that any changes were needed in the regulations this BOG cycle. Harry Dodge gave an update on CUB's.
- 2) Goat proposal: ADF&G, USFWS, KAC and the public discussed the need to change the drawing hunts in Areas 475 & 477 from a drawing hunt to a registration hunt. The ADF&G game staff as well as the USFWS both felt the herd was growing to large in these areas that extra harvest effort was needed to harvest more animals before the goat population grew too large, destroyed their habitat and then crashed. He stated the proposal developed by staff, USFWS and the goat committee would take effect in 2010 since drawing permit applications for 2009 were already being received. The committee decided to adopt the goat committee proposal and send it to the BOG before the December 5<sup>th</sup> proposal deadline.

MOTION: Moved(J.Kavanaugh) and 2<sup>nd</sup>(Fox) to adopt the goat committee proposal.

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### **ACTION: MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY, 10-0.**

- Feral reindeer: Several members of the KAC discussed the need to eliminate same day airborne hunting and a reduction in the bag limit. Charlie Dorman's and Bill Burton's wandering bison herd was discussed .
  Next KAC meeting: Set December 4<sup>th</sup> 2008 7:00pm at the KNWRVC as the next
- 4) Next KAC meeting: Set December 4<sup>th</sup> 2008 7:00pm at the KNWRVC as the next meeting of the KAC to discuss an ACR regarding the Kodiak Area herring gillnet quota and mgt plan.

# ADJOURN: 9:35PM