

**CENTRAL KUSKOKWIM F&G ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME**

Lower Kalskag Town Hall, Kalskag, Alaska

February 6-7<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 6:30 PM

**Teleconference number: (1-800-504-8071) Access Code: (5432709#)**

**TENTATIVE AGENDA**

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER & WELCOMING:** Chuathbaluk Rep. Lisa Feyerisen
- II. **MOMENT OF SILENCE/ INVOCATION:** Kalskag community Elder
- III. **ROLL CALL/\_8\_ ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Secretary Kameroff

**10 AC MEMBERS:**

**REPRESENTING:**

Walter Morgan	<b>Lower Kalskag</b>
Kinila Wise	<b>Lower Kalskag</b>
Robert Aloysius / Henry Aloysius	<b>Upper Kalskag</b>
Stanley Michelson/ William Alexie	<b>Upper Kalskag</b>
Albert Willis	<b>Crooked Creek</b>
Alexie Sakar	<b>Crooked Creek</b>
Andrew John, Sr.	<b>Aniak</b>
Nick Kameroff	<b>Aniak</b>
Lisa Feyerisen	<b>Chuathbaluk</b>
Mark Leary	<b>Chuathbaluk</b>

IV. **Confirmation of AC member seats/ Officer Elections (Defer 2/7/2014)**

V. **APPROVAL OF:**

- A. Agenda/ Agenda Change Requests:

(Motion to approve as amended- Mark Leary 2<sup>nd</sup>- Walter Morgan)

\*Nick Kameroff, opposed due to no ADFG staff at the meeting

VI. **INTRODUCTIONS:**

- A. Central Kuskokwim Advisory Committee

- B. Alaska Department of Fish & Game Staff:

*Roger Seavoy, ADFG Division of Wildlife Conservation*

*Alissa Joseph, ADFG Boards Support Western Coordinator*

*Travis Elison, ADFG Commercial Fisheries Division*

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February 7th , 2014, 8:30 AM

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Mark Leary	<b>Chuathbaluk</b>

**III. Confirmation of AC member seats/ Officer Elections**

**Chairman:** \_\_\_\_\_ Lisa Feyeriesen, Chuathbaluk \_\_\_\_\_

**Vice- Chairman:** \_\_\_\_\_ Nick Kameroff, Aniak \_\_\_\_\_

**Secretary:** \_\_\_\_\_ Albert Willis, Jr, Crooked Creek \_\_\_\_\_ *(Will Change)*

**IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD (3-5min/speaker): PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

**Moses Little Fish, Lower Kalskag-** I don't see why people have to use large gear in whitefish lake.

**Lucy Morgan, Lower Kalskag** -I agree with the comments about whitefish lake.

**Nastasia "Jackie" Levi, Lower Kalskag** -Concerns were about the Trash about the camping site. Sometimes it gets really bad.

**Glenn Kameroff, Upper Kalskag-** We grew up camping in White Fish Lake, we have noticed over the past years that whitefish were declining of all whitefish. We would inform people that came out to go fishing about the right gear. I've came across people corking the lake with nets and I had to remove a net to enter the lake.

**Nick Kameroff, Aniak CKAC rep-** We only take what we need and some families are bigger than others and to put a reasonable limit, sticking to 90 foot nets would be sufficient.

**Bob Aloysius, Upper Kalskag-** I would like the State to enforce Whitefish Lake.

**V. VILLAGE REPORTS (3-5min/ per speaker):**

**Upper Kalskag:** White fish in white fish lake had gotten lower and lower, the broad fish, we do need to consider the white fish at Whitefish Lake.

**VII. CENTRAL KUSKOKWIM ADVISORY COMMITTEE BUSINESS:**

**A. ALASKA STATE BOARD OF FISHERIES**

*i.* Proposals Due: April 2015

**B. ALASKA STATE BOARD OF GAME**

*i.* **Interior Region**

February 13<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, 2014 (Comments Due: **JAN 31, 2014**)  
Alpine Lodge, Fairbanks, AK

*ii.* **Statewide**

March 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, 2014 (Comments Due: **FEB 28, 2014**)  
Egan Center, Anchorage, AK

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Board of Game Proposals (Dark Navy Book 2013-2014)**

<b>Mandatory- Please Summarize Your Proposal Comments in this Form</b>			
All motions must be made in the affirmative.			
<b>BOG or BOF</b>	<b>Proposal Number</b>	<b>Proposal Description</b>	
<b>Supports or Opposes?</b>	<b>Number Support</b>	<b>Number Oppose</b>	<b>Comments/Discussion (list Pros and Cons)/Amendments to Proposal</b>
<b>BOG</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>Allow the Department of Fish and Game to offer permits for trapping bears under their discretionary authority in Region III.</b>	
Support	All	0	(No discussion was brought forward.)
<b>BOG</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>Lengthen the nonresident moose season in Unit 21A.</b>	
Opposed	All	0	<b>Roger Seavoy, ADFG DWC-</b> Currently 21A has a surplus of moose. In the past it has been closed. Steve White transports out of there.  <i>AC member questioned about the human activity in 21A and reported answer was the only activity was guides hunts and outfitters. There was little or no active villages that lived in 21A year round.</i>
<b>BOG</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>Modify moose hunt requirements in 21E.</b>	
Support	All	0	AC member commented that Boards Support needs to keep a better tally on who is putting these proposals in. Also to give contact information public in the proposal book in order to contact for questions.  <b>Walter Morgan-</b> We are subsistence providers!
<b>BOG</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>Reallocate moose drawing permits in Unit 21E.</b>	
Opposed	ALL	0	(No discussion was brought forward, but Roll Call was called. Result Unanimous)

<b>BOG</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>Extend the lynx trapping season in Unit 19</b>	
Support	All	0	

(Introduced by Roger Seavoy, ADFG Division of Wildlife)- ADFG is neutral on this proposal.

Motion to Support/ Adopt- Walter Morgan, Lower Kalskag

2<sup>nd</sup>- Nick Kameroff, Aniak

Discussion:

**AC member-** If this proposal passes this proposal would create more trapping or create trapping committees for our area.

Question:

**Passed Unanimously**

<b>BOG</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>Create a musk oxen in Units 18 &amp; 19.</b>	
Opposed	ALL	0	Muskox population was not yet established for a hunt in Unit 19, but good possibility for a muskox hunt in the future.

**Proposal 66: Create a musk oxen hunt in Unit 18 & 19.**

(Introduced by Roger Seavoy, ADFG Division of Wildlife)

Motion to Support/ Adopt- Nick Kameroff, Aniak

2<sup>nd</sup>- Walter Morgan, Lower Kalskag

Discussion:

**Walter Morgan, Lower Kalskag CKAC rep.-** Do we have a count for Unit 19?

**Roger Seavoy, ADFG-** ADFG is neutral on this proposal. We have gone down to look that we counted as high as 24, but they do not stay in Unit 19. We believe they go back and forth between unit 18 and unit 19.

**Failed Unanimously**

<b>BOG</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>Modify the game management units boundaries for Unit 18, 19, and 21.</b>	
Support W/ Amend	All	0	Support w/ Amendment: 1. Opposed all other options, keep original proposal or current boundary line. 2. Keep White Fish Lake in Unit 19A.

**Proposal 67: Modify the game management unit boundaries for Unit 18, 19, and 21. (Refining motion from 6 FEB 2014)**

Motion to Support/ Adopt 67- Nick Kameroff, Aniak

2<sup>nd</sup>- Walter Morgan, Lower Kalskag

Discussion:

**Proposal Creator:**

**Bob Aloysius, Kalskag resident-** (Summarized by Coordinator, removed due to content.) This proposal has been worked on for over 10 years, it's simple it's straight forward and not ambiguous. We do not travel on paper, unless you have GPS. This paimiut portage is over 1,000 years old and it's a historical trail that is marked and maintained by the people. There is no way in heck to loose where you are.

**Lisa Feyerisen, Chuathbaluk CKAC rep. -** (Call to order on Bob Aloysius, 3<sup>rd</sup> warning)

(Discussion with AC members and Public)

**Walter Morgan, Lower Kalskag CKAC Rep-** Proposal 10, everyone knows the current boundary line is because it's simple. Everyone uses the proposed proposal 10 boundary line Paimiut trail as a marker between Units 18 and 19, and no one gets mixed up between what unit you are in. Our hunting lines would be the same, it's just made easier and noted in the regulations.

**Willie Pitka, Kalskag resident-** I want the people to know what this little hand out says. The villages of Upper and Lower Kalskag will lose YKRAC, if the boundary line changes below Kalskag, but they will have

**Margret Alexie-** I go out moose hunting and the boundaries never affect me. I would like the current boundary line to stay the same.

**Marget Mute-** There are many hunters that couldn't, including myself from upper Kalskag that were against changing the current map.

**David Rush-** I like the proposal 10, because its

**Moses Littlefish-** I like proposal 10 and it's a good change.

**Elina Sergie-** I vote for number 10

**Molly Williams Nicholai-** I hunted with my dad many times, hearing what number it is. I go for number 10, because we are not doing this for ourselves we are doing this for the future generation and their grandchildren.

**Clem Evan-** We know the names of the lands we hunt, I'm not worried about the land from here to Whitefish Lake. We have been asking about it so much is because this is where it ends. When the unit opens we don't have enough land down river below us. When unit 19 is open, there is a lot of moose down river from us and we would like to hunt close by. We are talking about gas prices getting higher. We would like to hunt near our homes too.

(Those that haven't been heard do agree with people what has been said tonight.)

**Mike Savage-** I would like to get this crooked creek behind Kalskag. How is crooked creek?

*(Final Comments in order of AC then public)*

**AC members:**

**Walter Morgan, Lower Kalskag CKAC rep. -** I don't understand why the State didn't consult the people, prior to creating the line in the first place.

**Mark Leary, Napaimut/Chuathbaluk rep-** Does Board of Game take into considerations for users who live in the area? Do towns closest to the area carry the most weight for the Board of Game to consider? Does this effect Tier II or the federal hunt area? Would United States Fish and Wildlife follow the new regulations, if the Board of Game were going to change the current boundary line? This is very important.

**Stosh Hoffman, BOG representative-** When I vote on the proposal, my concern is that it is clear to everyone and it doesn't cause problems down the future.

**Lisa Feyeriesen, Crow Village/Chuathbaluk rep.-**We need to go through and support this Proposal 67.

**Public:**

**Lena Sergie, Kalskag resident-** Since our elders were alive, that the portage has been known as our trail to connect to the Yukon River.

**Nick Alexie, Kalskag res. -** Use winter trail from Paimute to Lower Kalskag.

**Moses Littlefish, Lower Kalskag-** Strongly advise us to vote for Proposal 67, customary and traditional use.

**Crim Evan, Kalskag-** Support Proposal Paimute to Kalskag and White Fish Lake to be included in Unit 19A boundary line.

**Dwayne Hoffman, Kalskag res. -** Why would we even consider discussing the codified map, when we support the original Proposal 67?

**IX. COMMENTS:**

**Nick Kameroff-** Nicks stated that he wanted to be heard on record that the ADFG staff should be here face-to-face instead of over the teleconference. He wanted to cancel the meeting after the AC members arrived to meet, due to ADFG staff unavailable to attend due to weather and BOG Interior meeting. These regulations are important for our lively hood and our way of life. I feel that we shouldn't go on

**Mark Leary-** It's always really easy for us to misunderstand and it's my understanding that this boundary line proposal was brought to CKAC advisory, specifically by Bob Aloysius for the past 15 years.

**X. NEXT MEETING: Boundary Line, Bethel Lions Club, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

**XI. \_\_3\_\_:42PM\_\_ ADJOURNMENT/ CLOSING BENEDICTION**