Homer Fish & Game Advisory Committee Meeting November 12th 2013

Members Present: Dave Lyon (President), David Bayes (Substitute Secretary), Joey Allred, Gus VanDyke, Marvin Peters, Tom Hagberg, Tom Young, Jim Meesir, Lee Martin

Others Present: Carol Kirkvliet, ADFG Staff, Jason Herreman ADFG Staff, Nancy Hillstrand, Roger McCampbell State Parks

-Motion to approve previous meeting's minutes.

1st Tom H 2nd Joey A **Approved Unanimously**

Proposal 74 Lower Cook Inlet proposal

- Carol of ADFG provided run-down of Lingcod habitat, age distribution, and population estimates.
 - o Exploitation of lingcod currently considered low by ADFG
 - Habitat and Age distribution considered healthy
 - Said that ADFG would oppose this proposition based upon decreased angler access to the resource.

Lee M 1st Joey A 2nd

In Favor 3 Opposed 6 Abstentions 1

-Jason of ADFG of ADFG provided and discussed a 2013 Brown Bear harvest map for the Kenai Peninsula.

-Jason of ADFG discussed Mtn Goat numbers: 52 total taken in 2013, 26% female, overall population appears to be increasing

-Jason of ADFG discussed Sheep Harvest: 6 total taken in 2013. Overall population appears to be decreasing.

-Jason of ADFG discussed Black Bear Harvest: 399 Total Taken in 2013. Most(215) were harvested in 15C.

Board of Game proposal discussion

Interior Region proposals

Proposal 130 Hunting Regulations

Re-Authorize Cow Moose Hunt 15C
1st Marvin P.
2nd Tom H.

In Favor 9 Opposed 0 Abstentions 1

Statewide proposals

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Proposal 133 Hunting Regulations

- Require Shooting Test for Bowhunters
- Much of state would not be able to access test centers. Not practical for AK

No Action

Proposal 134 Hunting Regulations

- Align with IBEP regs for Bears Taken over bait
- A Motion by Marvin P. to Amend to Option 2. Passed Unanimously
- 1st Tom H.

2nd Marvin P.

Passed Unanimously

Proposal 151 Hunting Regulations

- Require that Waterfowl Guides track number and species of birds harvested by clients

Jim M. 1st

Joe A. 2nd

Passed Unanimously

Proposal 152 Hunting Regulations

- Change Definition of Edible Meat on Waterfowl.
- Perhaps ask that there be increased education of waterfowl hunters on how to salvage and use meat such as the legs of harvested waterfowl.
- **No Action**

Proposal 154 Hunting Regulations

- Modify Definition of Trophy to include wildfowl.

No Action

Proposal 155 Hunting Regulations

- Modify Definition of possession limit of Migratory Birds
- Proposal is already covered by Federal Regs

No Action

Proposal 156 Hunting Regulations

- Wanton Waste
- Intent of Law already covers proposed reg changes.
- **No Action**

Proposal 157 Hunting Regulations

- Modify Definition of Salvage **No Action**

Proposals 158, 160, 161 Hunting Regulations

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- Make definition of "edible meat" for brown bears mirror that of black bears.
- 1st Marvin P.
- 2^{nd} Joe A.

In Favor 8 Opposed 2 Abstentions 0

Proposal 159 Hunting Regulations

- Meat salvage of brown bears taken over bait
- 1st David B.

2nd Lee M

In Favor 0 Opposed 9

Abstentions 1

Proposal 166 Hunting Regulations

- Require that ALL who transport sea duck hunters for hire record and log the hunter's number and species of birds taken.
- Discussed alternative option of having wing collection stations at sea duck hunting ports.
- Discussed re-defining Waterfowl Guide as anyone who transports sea ducks or sea duck hunters.

No Action

Proposal 168 Hunting Regulations

- Defining Moose "Brow Palm"
- 1st Tom Y.

2nd Marvin P.

In Favor 6 Opposed 3 Abstentions 1

Proposal 169 Hunting Regulations

- Defining "Broken" in sheep horn requirements
- When voting in favor of the proposal, the committee assumes that the regulation's language would be changed to something in the spirit of, "Define "Broken" as a break which reduces the total length of the horn.

1st Joe Y.

2nd Michael C.

In Favor 9 Opposed 1 Abstentions 1

Proposal 172 Hunting Regulations

- Remove Black Bears from Furbearer regs.
- 1st David B.

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2nd Marvin P. In Favor 0 Opposed 7 Abstentions 3

-Motion to Adjourn 1st Joe A. 2nd David B.

Next Meeting December 3rd. 6 PM