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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Frances Leach

Department of Fish and Game

FROM:

Scott Meriwether, Office of the Lieutenant Governor

465.4081

DATE:

May 26, 2017

RE:

Filed Permanent Regulations: Board of Game

Board of Game Regulations re: January 6 - 9, 2017 Bethel Meeting: Arctic/Western

Region (5 AAC 85.020 - 5 AAC 99.025)

Attorney General File:

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Regulation Filed:

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cc with enclosures:

Linda Miller, Department of Law

Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

Kristy Tibbles, Department of Fish & Game

ORDER CERTIFYING THE CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

The attached 37 pages of regulations, dealing with the use and taking of game, are hereby adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Alaska Board of Game adopted at its January 6-9, 2017 meeting in Bethel, Alaska, under the authority of AS 16.05.255 and AS 16.05.258 and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and AS 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

On the record, in considering public comments, the Alaska Board of Game paid special attention to the costs of private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on July 1, 2017, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

DATE: 5/17/17

Juneau, Alaska

Charles O. Swanton, Deputy Commissioner Alaska Department of Fish and Game

FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on

at 30 cm., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of Als

44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

Byron Mallott

Lieutenant Governor

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STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME P.O. BOX 115526 JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

UNDER AS 44.17.010, THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR ADOPTING REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME UNDER THE ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT ARE DELEGATED TO <u>CHARLES O. SWANTON</u>, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER.

SIGNED:

SAM COTTEN

(Please print name)

SIGNED AND SWORN TO before me this \(\text{day of} \)

day of tel

2015

[NOTARY SEAL]

Notary Public in and for the

State of Alaska

My commission expires: 2

th office

OFFICIAL SEAL
Abby Smith
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires With office

Note to Publisher: When a subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, etc. is indicated by the appropriate number or letter and no text follows that symbol, then the omitted text is the same as that set out in the previous register containing the section. Amended text to be added is bolded and underlined. Amended text to be deleted is capitalized and enclosed in brackets.

Title 5. Fish and Game.

Part 3. Game.

Chapter 85. Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits.

Article 2. Seasons and Bag Limits.

5 AAC 85.020(a)(20) is amended to read:

by registration permit

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(20)		
Unit 22(A), south of and		
including the Golsovia		
River drainage		
RESIDENT HUNTERS:		
2 bears every	Aug. 1—May 31	
regulatory year	(Subsistence hunt	

only)

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only; or

2 bears every

Aug. 1—May 31

regulatory year

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every

Aug. 1—May 31

regulatory year

Remainder of Unit 22(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 bears every

Aug. 1—June 15

regulatory year

(Subsistence hunt only)

by registration permit

only<u>; or</u>

2 bears every

Aug. 1—June 15

regulatory year

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every regulatory year

Aug. 1—June 15

Unit 22(B)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 bears [1 BEAR] every Aug. 1—May 31

regulatory year (Subsistence hunt

by registration permit only)

only<u>; or</u>

2 bears [1 BEAR] every

Aug. 1—May 31

regulatory year

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every Aug. 1—May 31

regulatory year by

drawing permit only; up

to 27 permits

may be issued in

combination with Unit 22(C)

Unit 22(C)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

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1 bear every regulatory year

Aug. 1—Oct. 31

by registration permit; or

Apr. 1—May 31

[MAY 1-MAY 31]

(Subsistence hunt only)

1 bear every regulatory

year Aug. 1—Oct. 31

Apr. 1-May 31

[MAY 1-MAY 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every regulatory

Aug. 1—Oct. 31

year by drawing permit only;

Apr. 1-May 31

up to 27 permits may be

[MAY 1-MAY 31]

issued in combination with

Unit 22(B)

Remainder of Unit 22

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every Aug. 1—May 31

regulatory year (Subsistence hunt only)

by registration permit; or

[ONLY]

1 bear every

Aug. 1—May 31

regulatory year

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every

Aug. 1—May 31

regulatory year by

drawing permit only; up

to 21 permits

may be issued

5 AAC 85.020(a)(21) is amended to read:

(21)

Unit 23

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 bears [1 BEAR] every regulatory

Aug. 1—May 31

year by registration permit; or

(Subsistence hunt only)

<u>2 bears</u> [1 BEAR] every regulatory

Aug. 1—May 31

year

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every Aug. 1—Oct. 31

regulatory year by [SEPT. 1—OCT. 31]

drawing permit only; up Apr. 15—May 31

to 68 permits

may be issued; or

1 bear every regulatory year Aug. 1—Oct. 31

by registration permit only [SEPT. 1—OCT. 31]

Apr. 15—May 31

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 9/18/91, Register 119; am 7/1/92, Register 122; add'l am 7/1/92, Register 122; am/readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 7/1/94, Register 130; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 8/25/94, Register 131; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 8/4/95, Register 135; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/1/96, Register 138; am 7/1/97, Register 142; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/99, Register 150; add'l am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; add'l am 7/1/2001, Register 162; am 5/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; add'l am 7/1/2003, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am

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7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; em am 8/6/2010 – 12/3/2010, Register 195; am 2/4/2011, Register 197; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 1st add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7/1/2017, Register 2122)

Authority: AS 16.05.060 AS 16.05.258 AS 16.05.407

AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.330

5 AAC 85.025(a)(18) is amended to read:

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and Nonresident
General Hunts) Open Season

(18)

Units and Bag Limits

Unit 23, that portion north of and including the Singoalik River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 caribou per day, by registration

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permit only, as follows:

up to 5 bulls per day; however,

July 1—Oct. 14

calves may not be taken;

Feb. 1—June 30

up to 5 cows per day; however,

July 15-Apr. 30

calves may not be taken

[JUL. 15—APR. 30]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not be taken

Aug. 1—Sept. 30

Remainder of Unit 23

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 caribou per day, by registration

permit only, as follows:

up to 5 bulls per day; however,

July 1—Oct. 14

calves may not be taken;

Feb. 1—June 30

up to 5 cows per day; however,

Sept. 1—Mar. 31

calves may not be taken

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NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not be taken

Aug. 1—Sept. 30

5 AAC 85.025(a)(21) is amended to read:

(21)

Unit 26(A), that portion of the

Colville River drainage upstream

from the Anaktuvuk River, and

drainages of the Chukchi Sea south

and west of, and including the

Utukok River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 caribou per day, **by registration**

permit only, as follows:

up to 5 bulls per day; however,

July 1—Oct. 14

calves may not be taken;

Feb. 1—June 30

up to 5 cows per day; however,

July 15-Apr. 30

calves may not be taken

[JUL. 15—APR. 30]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not be taken

July 15—Sept. 30

Remainder of Unit 26(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 bulls per day[;], by registration

July 1—July 15

permit only, however, calves may

not be taken;

5 caribou per day[;], by registration

July 16—Oct. 15

permit only, however, no more than

3 cows per day; cows accompanied by

calves and calves may not be

taken;

3 cows per day[;], by registration

Oct. 16—Dec. 31

permit only: however, calves may

not be taken;

5 caribou per day[;], by registration Jan. 1—Mar. 15

permit only; however, no more than

3 cows per day; calves may not be taken;

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5 bulls per day[;], by registration

Mar. 16—June 30

permit only; however, calves may

not be taken;

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not be taken

July 15—Sept. 30

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Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.025(a)(21) is unchanged.

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 8/10/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; em am 12/17/90 - 4/15/91, Register 117; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 2/29/92, Register 121; em am 4/14/92 - 8/11/92, Register 122; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 4/1/93, Register 125; em am 3/15/93 - 7/22/93, Register 126; am/readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 8/25/94, Register 131; em am 10/28/94 -2/24/95, Register 132; em am 11/8/94 - 3/7/95, Register 132; em am 12/14/94 - 4/12/95, Register 133; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 8/4/95, Register 135; am 10/27/95, Register 136; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 10/30/96, Register 140; em am 11/12/96 - 3/11/97, Register 140; em am 11/22/96 - 3/21/97, Register 140; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 8/20/98, Register 147; am 7/1/99, Register 150; em am 9/24/99 - 1/21/2000, Register 152; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 1/1/2001, Register 156; am 3/17/2001, Register 157; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; em am 3/19/2002 - 3/29/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; em am 7/24/2002 - 8/2/2002, Register 163; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am

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7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 8/2/2010, Register 195; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7/1/2017, Register 222.)

Authority: AS 16.05.060 AS 16.05.258 AS 16.05.330

AS 16.05.255

5 AAC 85.045(a)(16) is amended to read:

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and Nonresident
General Hunts) Open Season

[SEPT. 1—SEPT. 10]

Units and Bag Limits

(16)

Unit 18 Kuskokwim Area, that Sept. 1—Sept. 30

No open season.

portion easterly of a line from

the mouth of the Ishkowik River

to the closest point of Dall Lake

then to the east bank of the

Johnson River at its entrance

into Nunavakanukakslak Lake

(60° 59.41' N. latitude,

162° 22.14′ W. longitude),

continuing upriver along a

line one-half mile south and

east of, and paralleling a line

along the southerly

bank of the Johnson

River to the confluence of the

east bank of Crooked Creek,

then continuing upriver along the

east bank of Crooked Creek to the

outlet at Arhymot Lake, then

following the south bank of

Arhymot Lake easterly

to the Unit 18 border and north

of and including the Eek River drainage

1 antlered bull by registration

permit only

Unit 18, that portion south of

Sept. 1—Sept. 30

No open season.

and including the Goodnews

River drainage

1 antlered bull by registration

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permit only; or

1 moose by registration permit

Jan. 1-Jan. 31

only; during the period

(Season to be

Jan. 1-Jan. 31 a season of

announced)

up to 21 days may be announced

by emergency order;

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Remainder of Unit 18

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 moose; of which only

Aug. 1—Sept. 30

1 may be an antlered bull; a

person may not take a calf or a

cow accompanied by a calf; or

2 antlerless moose; or

Oct. 1-Nov. 30

2 moose

Dec. 1-Mar. 15

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 antlered bull; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 30

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1 antlerless moose

Dec. 1-Mar. 15

5 AAC 85.045(a)(20) is amended to read:

(20)

Unit 22(A), that portion north

of and including the Tagoomenik

and Shaktoolik River drainages

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull

Aug. 1—Sept. 30

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with Sept. 1—Sept. 20

50-inch antlers or [SEPT. 1—SEPT. 14]

antlers with 4 or more

brow tines on one side

Unit 22(A), that portion in the

Unalakleet River drainage and all

drainages flowing into Norton

Sound north of the Golsovia

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River drainage and south of the

Tagoomenik and Shaktoolik

River drainages

1 antlered bull by Sept. 1—Sept. 20

No open season.

registration permit only; or

[SEPT. 1—SEPT. 14]

1 antlered bull by registration

Dec. 1—Dec. 31

No open season.

permit only; during the period

(Season to be an-

<u>Dec. 1 – Dec. 31</u> [DEC. 31], a season

nounced)

may be announced by emergency order

...

Remainder of Unit 22(D)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull moose; only antlered Aug. 10—Sept. 14

bull moose may be taken from Oct. 1—Jan. 31

Dec. 1—Jan. 31;

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

[1 BULL WITH 50-INCH

[SEPT. 1—SEPT. 14]

ANTLERS OR ANTLERS WITH 4

OR MORE BROW TINES ON ONE SIDE,

BY REGISTRATION PERMIT ONLY]

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Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.045(a)(20) is unchanged.

5 AAC 85.045(a)(21) is amended to read:

(21)

Unit 23, that portion

north of and including the

Singoalik River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 antlered bull moose by

July 1—Dec. 31

registration permit only[;

HOWEVER, ANTLERLESS

MOOSE MAY BE TAKEN

ONLY FROM NOV. 1 - DEC. 31;

A PERSON MAY NOT TAKE

A CALF OR A COW

ACCOMPANIED BY A CALF]; or

1 bull with 50-inch antlers

Sept. 1—Sept. 20

or antlers with 4 or more

brow tines on one side

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NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch

Sept. 1—Sept. 20

antlers or antlers

with 4 or more brow tines

on one side by drawing permit

only; up to 125 permits may

be issued in all of Unit 23

Remainder of Unit 23

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 antlered bull moose by

Aug. 1—Dec. 31

registration permit only[;

HOWEVER, ANTLERLESS

MOOSE MAY BE TAKEN

ONLY FROM NOV. 1 - DEC. 31;

A PERSON MAY NOT TAKE

A CALF OR A COW

ACCOMPANIED BY A CALF]; or

1 bull with 50-inch antlers

Sept. 1—Sept. 20

or antlers with 4 or more

brow tines on one side

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch

Sept. 1—Sept. 20

antlers or antlers

with 4 or more

brow tines on one side

by drawing permit

only; up to 125 permits may

be issued in all of Unit 23

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 12/30/89, Register 112; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 6/26/92, Register 123; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 7/17/92, Register 123; am/readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 11/10/93, Register 128; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 8/25/94, Register 131; em am 9/23/94 - 1/20/95, Register 131; em am 11/9/94 - 3/8/95, Register 132; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 8/4/95, Register 135; em am 2/14/96 - 6/13/96, Register 137; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 8/1/96, Register 139; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; em am 8/31/98 - 12/28/98, Register 147; em am 2/17/99 - 6/16/99, Register 149; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 1/1/2001, Register 156; em am 9/28/2000 - 1/25/2001, Register 156; am 7/1/2001, Register 160; em am 9/27/2001 - 10/6/2001, Register 160; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; em am 8/23/2002 - 12/20/2002, Register 163; am 12/5/2002, Register 164; am 7/1/2003,

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Authority: AS 16.05.060 AS 16.05.258 AS 16.05.780

AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.330 AS 16.05.789

5 AAC 85.065(a)(4)(G) is amended to read:

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and Nonresident
Units and Bag Limits General Hunts) Open Season

(4)

Migratory game birds

(except by falconry)

...

(G) Emperor geese

Units 1-7, 11-16, 19-21,

No open season.

No open season.

and 24-26 [UNITS 1 – 26]

Units 8 and 10

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 goose by registration permit

Oct. 8-Jan. 22

only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 goose by drawing permit only;

Oct. 8-Jan. 22

up to 25 permits may be issued

in combination with Unit 9

Unit 9, that portion within

the Izembek State Game Refuge

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 goose by registration permit

Oct.16—Oct.31

<u>only</u>

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 goose by drawing permit only;

Oct.16—Oct.31

up to 25 permits may be issued

in combination with Units 8, the

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remainder of Unit 9, and

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Unit 9, remainder

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 goose by registration permit Sept.1—Dec. 16

<u>only</u>

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 goose by drawing permit only: Sept.1—Dec. 16

up to 25 permits may be issued

in combination with Units 8,

that portion of Unit 9 within

the Izembek State Game Refuge, and

<u>10</u>

Units 17, 18, 22, and 23 Sept. 1—Dec. 16 No open season.

1 goose by registration permit

only

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 9/1/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 8/12/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 8/25/94, Register 131; am 8/31/94, Register 131; am 9/8/94, Register 131; am 7/8/95, Register 135; am 7/9/95, Register 135; am 8/1/95,

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Register 135; am 8/4/95, Register 135; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 8/26/96, Register 139; am 7/18/97, Register 143; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 8/6/98, Register 147; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/7/99, Register 151; am 7/17/99, Register 151; am 9/29/99, Register 151; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/24/2000, Register 155; am 7/6/2001, Register 159; am 10/27/2001, Register 160; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 8/31/2005, Register 175; am 8/31/2006, Register 179; am 8/31/2007, Register 183; am 8/31/2008, Register 187; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 8/31/2009, Register 191; am 9/1/2009, Register 191; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 8/31/2011, Register 199; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 8/31/2013, Register 207; am/readopt 8/31/2014, Register 211; am 9/2/2014, Register 211; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; 8/31/2015, Register 216; am 8/31/2016, Register 219; am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

Authority: AS 16.05.060 AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.258

Chapter 92. Statewide Provisions.

Article 2. Licenses, Harvest Tickets, Harvest Reports, Tags, and Fees.

5 AAC 92.010(g) is amended to read:

(g) For caribou, a person may not hunt caribou, except in a permit hunt, unless the person has in possession a harvest ticket and has obtained a harvest report (issued with the harvest ticket)[; HOWEVER, A PERSON WHO RESIDES NORTH OF THE YUKON RIVER AND IS HUNTING IN UNIT 18 NORTH OF THE YUKON RIVER, UNIT 23, OR UNIT 26A IS NOT REQUIRED TO USE HARVEST TICKETS OR HARVEST REPORTS BUT MUST REGISTER TO HUNT CARIBOU IN UNIT 18 NORTH OF THE YUKON RIVER, UNIT 23, OR UNIT 26(A)].

5 AAC 92.010(h) is amended to read:

Authority: AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.340

AS 16.05.370

AS 16.05.258

Article 3. Permits.

5 AAC 92.044(b)(1) is amended to read:

(1) a person may establish a black bear bait station, or a black and brown bear bait station in Units 7, 11, 12, 13, 14(B), 15, 16, 18, 20(A), 20(B), 20(C), 20(E), 21(D), 23, 24(C), 24(D), and 25(D), only if that person obtains a permit under this section;

5 AAC 92.044(b)(13) is amended to read:

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(13) in Units 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14(A), 14(B), 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26(B), and 26(C), a hunter who has been airborne may take or assist in taking a black bear at a bait station with the use of bait or scent lures under a permit issued by the department, and if the hunter is at least 300 feet from the airplane at the time of taking; in Units 7, 11, 12, 13, 14(B), 15, 16, 18, 20(A), 20(B), 20(C), 20(E), 21(D), 23, 24(C), 24(D), and 25(D), a hunter who has been airborne may take or assist in taking a brown bear at a bait station with the use of bait or scent lures under a permit issued by the department, and if the hunter is at least 300 feet from the airplane at the time of taking.

(Eff. 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 12/30/2004, Register 172; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 5/21/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 4/14/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 3/1/2011, Register 197; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 4/8/2012, Register 201; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

Authority: AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.330

Article 5. Intensive Management and Predator Control.

5 AAC 92.111(c) is repealed and readopted to read:

- **5 AAC 92.111. Intensive Management Plans I. (a) Plans established.** Intensive Management plans for the following areas are established in this section:
 - (1) Northern Alaska Peninsula Predation Management Area;
 - (2) Mulchatna Caribou Herd Predation Management Area.

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- (c) Mulchatna Caribou Herd Predation Management Area. The Mulchatna Caribou Herd Predation Management Area is established to increase the Mulchatna Caribou Herd (MCH) within Units 9(B), 17(B), 17(C), 19(A), and 19(B) to aid in achieving intensive management (IM) objectives; the Mulchatna Caribou Herd Predation Management Area encompasses approximately 39,683 square miles; multiple predator control areas may be utilized within the management area; however, the combined active control areas will be limited to a total of 10,000 square miles, which is 25 percent of the management area;
- (1) this is a continuing control program that was first established by the Board of Game (board) in 2011 for wolf control; it is designed to increase the caribou herd's population size and human harvest by reducing wolf predation on caribou and is expected to make a contribution to achieving the IM objectives in Units 9(B), 17(B), 17(C), 19(A), and 19(B).
 - (2) caribou and wolf objectives are as follows:
 - (A) the IM objective for the MCH as established in 5 AAC 92.108 is 30,000–80,000 caribou; these objectives were based on historic information regarding population numbers, habitat limitations, human use, and sustainable harvests;
 - (B) the caribou harvest objective for the MCH as established in 5 AAC 92.108 is 2,400–8,000;
 - (C) the wolf population objective for the MCH Predation Management Area is to annually reduce the number of wolves in predator control areas to a level that results in increased calf survival and recruitment.
 - (3) findings concerning populations and human use are as follows:
 - (A) the population and harvest objectives for the MCH are below the IM objectives throughout the herd's range;

- (B) wolves are a major predator of caribou in the range of the MCH and are an important factor in failing to achieve these objectives;
- (C) a reduction of wolf predation can reasonably be expected to aid in achieving the objectives;
- (D) reducing wolf predation is likely to be effective and feasible using recognized and prudent active management techniques and based on scientific information;
- (E) reducing wolf predation is likely to be effective given land ownership patterns; and
 - (F) reducing wolf predation is in the best interests of subsistence users.
 - (4) authorized methods and means are as follows:
- (A) hunting and trapping of wolves by the public in the MCH Predation

 Management Area during the term of the program will occur as provided in the hunting and trapping regulations set out elsewhere in this title, including the use of motorized vehicles as provided in 5 AAC 92.080;
- (B) notwithstanding any other provisions in this title, the commissioner may issue public aerial shooting permits or public land and shoot permits as a method for wolf removal under AS 16.05.783.
 - (5) time frame is as follows:
- (A) through July 1, 2024, the commissioner may authorize the removal of wolves in the MCH Predation Management Area;
- (B) annually, the department shall, to the extent practicable, provide to the board a report of program activities conducted during the preceding 12 months, including

implementation activities, the status of caribou and wolf populations, and recommendations for changes, if necessary, to achieve the objectives of the plan.

- (6) the commissioner will review, modify, or suspend program activities as follows:
- (A) when the mid-point of the IM population or harvest objectives for the MCH are achieved;
- (B) if, after three years, the harvest of wolves is not sufficient to make progress towards the IM population objectives for wolves;
- (C) if, after three years, there is no detectable increase in the total number of caribou in the control area;
 - (D) if, after three years, fall calf-to-cow ratios show no appreciable increase;
- (E) if, after three years, any measure consistent with significant levels of nutritional stress in the caribou population are identified; or
- (F) when the caribou population and harvest objectives within the MCH Predation Management Area have been met. (Eff. 10/1/93, Register 127; am 8/18/95, Register 135; am 7/1/96, Register 138; add'l am 7/1/96, Register 138; am 7/27/97, Register 143; am 2/22/2000, Register 153; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/19/2000, Register 155; am 1/3/2001, Register 156; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/26/2003, Register 167; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 1/1/2005, Register 172; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 1/26/2006, Register 177; am 6/24/2006, Register 178; am 9/1/2006, Register 179; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 3/21/2008, Register 186; am 5/20/2008, Register 186; am 5/21/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 190; am 5/16/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 1/29/2011, Register 197; am 5/14/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 3/24/2012, Register 201; am

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4/1/2012, Register 201; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am

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Authority:

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.270

AS 16.05.783

5 AAC 92.118(c) is repealed and readopted to read:

5 AAC 92.118. Intensive Management Plans IV. (a) **Plans established.** Intensive Management plans for the following areas are established in this section:

- (1) Unit 15(A) Predation Control Area;
- (2) Unit 15(C) Predation Control Area.

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- (c) **Unit 15**(C) **Predation Control Area.** The Unit 15(C) Predation Control Area is established and consists of all lands within Unit 15(C) north of Kachemak Bay including the Fox River Flats (1,171 square miles); state and private lands are approximately 856 square miles:
- (1) this is a continuing control program that was first established by the Board of Game (board) in 2012 for wolf control; it is currently designed to increase moose numbers and harvest by reducing predation on moose by wolves and is expected to make a contribution to achieving the intensive management (IM) objectives in Unit 15(C);
 - (2) moose and wolf objectives are as follows:
 - (A) moose IM population objectives for Unit 15(C) as established in 5 AAC 92.108 are 2,500–3,500 moose. This objective is within the range of historic population estimates; the bull-to-cow objective is 20–25:100 for Unit 15(C);
 - (B) the moose harvest objectives for Unit 15(C) is 200–350 moose; which is eight percent of the low population objective and 10 percent of the high population objective;

- (C) the department has determined that wolves can be removed from public and private lands within the control area to the extent possible without affecting the sustainability of the wolf population in Unit 15(C) because the control area is approximately 33 percent of Unit 15(C) and does not include all lands that the wolf population occupies;
 - (3) findings concerning populations and human use are as follows:
- (A) moose harvests were below IM harvest objectives in Unit 15(C) from 2011 to 2015;
- (B) wolf predation is likely an important cause of the failure to achieve these objectives;
- (C) a reduction in wolf predation in Unit 15(C) may make progress toward achieving the Unit 15(C) IM harvest objectives for moose;
- (D) reducing wolf predation has been effective utilizing recognized and prudent active management techniques and based on scientific information;
- (E) reducing wolf numbers is likely to be effective given land ownership patterns if conducted by department personnel;
 - (F) reducing wolf predation is in the best interests of consumptive users;
 - (4) authorized methods and means are as follows:
- (A) hunting and trapping of wolves by the public in the Unit 15(C) Predation

 Control Area during the term of the program will occur as provided in the hunting and
 trapping regulations set out elsewhere in this title, including the use of motorized
 vehicles;

- (B) notwithstanding any other provisions in this title, the commissioner may issue public aerial shooting permits or public land and shoot permits as a method for wolf removal under AS 16.05.783;
- (C) department personnel will be allowed to conduct aerial wolf removal using aircraft under AS 16.05.783.
 - (5) time frame is as follows:
- (A) through July 1, 2022, the commissioner may authorize the removal of wolves in the Unit 15(C) Predation Control Area;
- (B) annually the department shall, to the extent practicable, provide to the board a report of program activities conducted during the preceding 12 months, including implementation activities, the status of the moose and wolf populations, and recommendations for changes, if necessary to achieve the objectives of the plan.
 - (6) the commissioner will review, modify, or suspend program activities as follows:
- (A) when the mid-point of the IM population and harvest objectives for the moose population are achieved;
- (B) if, after three years, the harvest of wolves is not sufficient to make progress towards the IM population objectives for wolves;
 - (C) wolf predation control activities may be suspended:
 - (i) if, after three years, there is no detectable increase in the total harvest of moose in the control area;
 - (ii) if, after three years, any measure consistent with significant levels of nutritional stress in the moose population is identified;

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(iii) when the moose population and harvest objectives within Unit 15(C) have been met; or

(iv) if the population exceeds a density of 3.0 moose per square mile
(approximately 3,500 moose). (Eff. 10/1/93, Register 127; am 8/18/95, Register 135; am 7/1/96, Register 138; add'l am 7/1/96, Register 138; am 7/27/97, Register 143; am 2/22/2000, Register 153; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/19/2000, Register 155; am 1/3/2001, Register 156; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/26/2003, Register 167; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 1/1/2005, Register 172; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 1/26/2006, Register 177; am 6/24/2006, Register 178; am 9/1/2006, Register 179; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 3/21/2008, Register 186; am 5/20/2008, Register 186; am 5/21/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 190; am 5/16/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 12/15/2010, Register 196; am 1/29/2011, Register 197; am 5/14/2011, Register 198; am 3/24/2012, Register 201; am 4/1/2012, Register 201; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2017, Register 2022

Authority: AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.270 AS 16.05.783

Article 6. Possession and Transportation.

5 AAC 92.132 is amended to read:

5 AAC 92.132 Bag limit for brown bears. A person may not take more than one brown bear every four regulatory years, except that:

(1) the bag limit for brown bear in Unit 1(C), Berners Bay drainages, Units 6 (except Unit 6(D)), 7, 11, 12, 13, 14(B), 14(C), that portion within the Chugach State Park

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Management Area, Units 15, 16(A), [17,] 18, 19(B), 19(C), 20 (except Unit 20(E)), 21, [22(B),] 22(C), 22(D), 22(E), [AND 23 – 26] **24. 25(A), 25(B), 25(C), and 26** is one bear per regulatory year; a bear taken in these units does not count against the one bear every four regulatory years' bag limit established for brown bears in other units; in Units 16(B), 19(A), 19(D), 20(E), and 22(A), a person may take two brown bears per regulatory year; a bear taken in these units does not count against the one bear every four regulatory years' bag limit established for brown bears in other units;

- (2) repealed 8/9/90;
- (3) repealed 8/9/90;
- (4) the bag limit for a resident hunting in Unit 9(B), all drainages in Unit 9(E) that drain into the Pacific Ocean between Cape Kumliun and the border of Unit 9(D) and Unit 9(E), Unit 17, Unit 18, that portion of Units 19(A) and 19(B) downstream of and including the Aniak River drainage, Unit 21(D), <u>Unit 22(C)</u>, <u>Unit 22(D)</u>, <u>Unit 22(E)</u> [UNIT 22, UNIT 23], Unit 24, and Unit 26(A) with a subsistence brown bear registration permit is one bear per regulatory year; a bear taken under a registration permit in any of these areas will not count against the one bear every four regulatory years bag limit established for brown bears taken under a resident tag;
 - (5) repealed 7/1/2004;
- (6) a person may not take more than one brown bear, statewide, in any regulatory year, except that in Units 16(B), <u>17</u>, 19(A), 19(D), 20(E), [AND] 22(A), <u>22(B)</u>, <u>23</u>, <u>and 25(D)</u>, a person may take two brown bears per regulatory year. (Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 8/10/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 7/1/92, Register 122; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98,

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Register 146; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 12/28/2001, Register 160; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 12/1/2007, Register 184; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/13/2012, Register 203; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

Authority: AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.258

Article 12. Restricted Areas.

5 AAC 92.540(9)(A)(i) is amended to read:

- (9) Unit 23
 - (A) the Noatak Controlled Use Area:
 - (i) the area consists of that portion of Unit 23 in a corridor extending five miles on either side of, and including, the Noatak River, including the river, beginning at the mouth of the **Agashashok River** [NOATAK RIVER], and extending upstream to the mouth of **the Nimiuktuk River** [SAPUN CREEK];

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 8/10/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 4/25/96, Register 138; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/1/96, Register 138; am 7/1/97, Register 142; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98,

Register 146; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 3/17/2001, Register 157; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; 1st add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/25/2002, Register 163; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; em am 9/9/2011 — 1/6/2012, Register 200; am 7/1/2014, Register 210, 1st add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210, 2nd add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

Authority: AS 16.05.255

Part 7. Subsistence Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping.

Chapter 99. Subsistence Uses.

5 AAC 99.025. Customary and traditional uses of game populations.

The Board of Game has examined whether the game populations in the units set out in the following table, excluding those units or portions of those units within nonsubsistence areas established by the Joint Board of Fisheries and Game (5 AAC 99.015), are customarily and traditionally taken or used for subsistence and make the following findings:

5 AAC 99.025(a)(12)(D) is repealed:

(D) repealed _______/2017;

5 AAC 99.025(a)(12)(E) is repealed:

(E) repealed **7** / *J* /2017;

5 AAC 99.025(a)(12)(F) is repealed:

(F) repealed 7 / 1 /2017;

5 AAC 99.025(a)(12) is amended by adding new subparagraphs to read:

AMOUNT REASONABLY NECESSARY FOR SUBSISTENCE

SPECIES & UNIT FINDING USES

(12) Small Game

(G) Emperor Geese positive

all units with a harvestable portion

(H) Waterfowl, excluding

Emperor Geese

Units 18, 22, 23, and 26(A) positive

5 AAC 99.025(a)(14) is amended to read:

(14) Unclassified Game

(A) bats (statewide) negative

(B) Migratory game birds, positive

excluding waterfowl

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Units 18, 22, 23, and 26(A)

(C) Cormorant (Pelagic and

Double-crested only)

Units 6, 8, 9, 10, 17, 18, 22, and 23 positive

(D) Snow Owl

Units 17, 18, 22, 23, and 26 positive

(Eff. 8/8/87, Register 103; am 7/14/88, Register 107; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 10/27/90, Register 116; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 5/13/93, Register 126; am 10/4/97, Register 144; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 1/1/2001, Register 156; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 1st add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

Authority: AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.258

MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska Department of Law

The Honorable Byron Mallott

Lieutenant Governor

(hand delivery)

May 18, 2017

File No.: JU2016200589

Tel. No.: 465-3600

Susan R. Pollard 514 From:

Chief Assistant Attorney General and Regulations Attorney

Legislation and Regulations Section

Re: Board of Game Regulations re:

January 6 - 9, 2017 Bethel Meeting:

Arctic/Western Region

(5 AAC 85,020 – 5 AAC 99.025)

We have reviewed the attached regulations from the Board of Game against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. The regulations concern the use and taking of game in the Arctic/Western Region.

We find no legal problems. This memorandum constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations.

Please note that the May 17, 2017 certification of adoption order sets out an effective date of July 1, 2017 for the regulations. Therefore, the history note following each section will need to reflect this date. This is the first of an expected three Board of Game regulations projects that will have amendments effective July 1, 2017. The publisher should pay strict attention to ensure that the changes to existing regulations are made in consecutive order so that the regulations are printed correctly in the July register.

The December 3, 2016 public notice and the May 17, 2017 certification of adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.195 is not required.

SRP:ljm

cc w/enc: (via email)

Honorable Sam Cotten, Commissioner, Dept. of Fish and Game

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

Notice is given that the Alaska Board of Game, under the authority of Title 16, Alaska Statutes, proposes to adopt, amend, or repeal regulations in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with the use and taking of game. Regulations subject to board action are in 5 AAC 84, 85, 92, 98 and 99 for the Arctic, Western and Interior/Northeast Arctic Regions including statewide reauthorization of antlerless moose hunts and brown bear tag fee exemptions, and statewide regulations as described below:

For the Arctic and Western Region, Game Management Units 18, 22, 23, and 26A, and the Interior/Northeast Arctic Region Game, Management Units 12, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26B, and 26C, the following subject matter areas to be addressed are:

- A. TRAPPING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS for furbearers, including: Lynx, wolverine, black bear, and wolves.
- B. HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS for all species including: Moose, caribou, black bear, brown bear, Dall sheep, wolves, wolverine, fur animals, and small game. In addition, the potential for identifying general, Tier I or Tier II hunting for each population.
- C. LICENSES, HARVEST TICKETS, HARVEST REPORTS, TAGS, FEES, AND PERMITS including: Discretionary and required permit hunting and trapping conditions and procedures including guide-client agreements for nonresidents hunting big game; special provisions for moose, brown bear, and Dall sheep permit hunts; permits and guide requirements for hunting black bear and brown bear with the use of bait or scent lures; harvest ticket requirements for sheep and caribou; community subsistence harvest permit hunt areas; permits for hunting game with dogs; permits for harvesting moose for celebratory events; and permits for disabled veterans.
- D. METHODS AND MEANS FOR TAKING BIG GAME, GAME, FUR ANIMALS, AND FURBERAERS, including: Lawful methods of taking game, big game, and furbearers including restrictions for the use of aircraft for hunting caribou and sheep; use of crossbows, snow machines, and dogs for hunting; and same-day airborne taking of wolves and coyotes.
- E. POSSESSION, TRANSPORTATION, AND USE OF GAME including: Salvage requirements including edible meat for game birds, and requirements for bear taken over bait.
- F. RESTRICTED AREAS including: Areas closed to hunting and trapping including the establishing of closed areas for taking wolves near Denali National Park and caribou along the Taylor Highway; management areas including the Dalton Highway Corridor Management Area; permits for qualified disabled veterans and disabled active-duty military personnel in the Delta Junction Management Area; and establishing new management areas for Chena Slough and Eielson Farm Road; controlled use areas including boundaries and regulating use within the Noatak Controlled Use Area; restrictions for the use of boats in the Holitna-Hoholitna Controlled Use Area; and authorized airports in the Upper Kuskokwim Controlled Use Area.
- G. INTENSIVE MANAGEMENT AND PREDATOR CONTROL IMPLEMENTATION PLANS including: Prey populations and populations having a positive finding as identified big game prey populations including the Delta caribou herd; predation control areas implementation plans including nonresident wolf tag requirements; and related findings.

- H. CUSTOMARY AND TRADITIONAL USES OF GAME POPULATIONS including: Brown bear in Unit 25; Emperor geese; and amounts reasonably necessary for subsistence uses for the Teshekpuk and Western Arctic caribou herds.
- I. ADDITIONAL TOPICS: In addition to items described above, the Board of Game will address the following topics for other units which were approved through the agenda change request process, or in the case of antlerless moose hunts and brown bear tag fees, must be authorized annually: Annual reauthorization of antlerless moose hunts and brown bear tag fee exemptions for all units statewide; seasons, bag limits, and a customary and traditional use finding for Emperor geese (proposal 157); testing requirements for raptors (proposal 158); modifications to the Mulchatna caribou herd and the Unit 15C intensive management plans and objectives (proposals 155 and 156); and hunter orientation requirements for moose in Unit 15 (proposal 159). In addition, the board will consider statewide bag limits for residents and nonresident second degree of kindred relatives (proposals 19 and 49) which may be amended to apply statewide.

The board will also take action on non-regulatory items during the meetings such as resolutions, findings, letters, and delegations, typically at the end of the meeting under miscellaneous business but action may occur earlier in the meeting if necessary.

The proposed regulation changes are available on the Board of Game meeting information websites at www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo or from the ADF&G Boards Support Section Office at (907) 465-4110. Additional information will be added to the meeting websites as it becomes available for each meeting.

You may comment on the proposed regulations including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes by submitting written comments, limited to no more than 100 single sided or 50 double sided pages, to the Alaska Board of Game, Boards Support Section at P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526. Comments can also be submitted online at www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov, by fax to (907) 465-6094, or emailed to deg.bog.comments@alaska.gov (PDF format only). The deadlines for receiving comments are December 22, 2016 for the Arctic & Western Region meeting, and February 3, 2017 for the Interior/Northeast Arctic Region meeting.

Submission of written comments after the deadlines are limited to ten single-sided or five double-sided pages in length from any one individual or group and will be provided to the board members at the beginning of the meetings. During the meetings, written comments from any one individual or group may be submitted by hand delivery if 20 copies are provided. Written comments that are submitted are public records and are subject to public inspection.

The Board of Game shall consider all factual, substantive, and relevant comments in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, Alaska Statute 44.62.210. Comments having disparaging statements or personal attacks will be withheld or redacted.

The public hearing portion of the meetings is scheduled at the beginning of each meeting following staff reports, and will continue until everyone who has signed up and is present when called has been given the opportunity to be heard. However, state advisory committee representatives may elect to provide testimony at a later portion of the meetings. Additional public hearings may be held throughout the meetings just before consideration and adoption of proposed changes in the regulations. The board will take oral testimony only from those who register before the cut-off time announced by the board chair at the meeting. The length of oral statements may be limited to three to five minutes, or less for the public and 10 to 15 minutes or less for fish and game advisory committee representatives. Anyone interested in, or affected by, the subject matter contained in this legal notice should make written or oral comments if they wish to have their views considered by the board.

TENTATIVE BOARD OF GAME MEETING DATES & LOCATIONS

Arctic and Western Pegion Meeting
January 6-9, 2017
Yupiit Piciryarait Cultural Center
420 Chief Eddie Hoffman Highway Bethel
Bethel, Alaska 99559

Interior/Northeast Arctic Region Meeting
February 17-25, 2017
Pike's Waterfront Lodge
1850 Hoselton Drive
Fairbanks, Alaska 99709

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Anyone interested in or affected by subsistence and general hunting or trapping regulations is hereby informed that, by publishing this legal notice the Board of Game may consider any or all of the subject areas covered by this notice. THE BOARD IS NOT LIMITED BY THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE OR CONFINES OF THE ACTUAL PROPOSALS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC OR STAFF. Pursuant to AS 44.62.200, the board may review the full range of activities appropriate to any of the subjects listed in this notice. The board may make changes to the hunting and trapping regulations as may be required to ensure the subsistence priority in AS 16.05.258 including reexamining customary and traditional use findings and determinations for amounts reasonably necessary for subsistence use. After the public hearings, the Board of Game may adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or amend, reject, supplement, or decide to take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.

If you are a person with a disability who may need special accommodations in order to participate in this process, please contact ADF&G, Boards Support Section at (907) 465-4110 no later than two weeks prior to the beginning of each meeting to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

Statutory Authority: AS 16.05, AS 16.30.

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 16.05.255; AS 16.05.256; AS 16.05.258; AS 16.05.330; AS 16.05.340; AS 16.05.346; AS 16.05.405; AS 16.05.407; AS 16.05.780; AS 16.05.783, and AS 16.30.010 – .030.

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: December 1, 2016

Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director Alaska Board of Game

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ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION (AS 44.62.190(d))

- . Adopting agency: Alaska Board of Game
- General subject of regulation: Hunting and trapping regulations for the Arctic, Western & Interior/Northeast Arctic Regions, and other miscellaneous provisions.
- 3. Citation of regulations: 5 AAC 84, 85, 92, 98, and 99
- 4. Department of Law file numbers: JU2016200589; and JU2016200590
- 5. Reason for the proposed action:
 - () compliance with federal law
 - () compliance with new or changed state statute
 - () compliance with court order
 - () development of program standards
- 6. (X) Other: Regularly scheduled topics and other miscellaneous provisions for the Board of Game Arctic/Western & Interior/Northeast Arctic Regions. Implement, interpret, or make specific the provisions of AS 16.05-16.30.
- 7. Appropriation/Allocation: Natural Resources and all RDUs
- 8. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding: It is not possible to estimate costs. However, this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.
- 9. The name of the contact person for the regulations:

Name: Kristy Tibbles

Title: Executive Director, Board Game

Address: Boards Support Section

Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game

PO Box 115526

Juneau, AK 99811-5526

Telephone: (907) 465-4110

E-mail: kristy.tibbles@alaska.gov

- 10. The origin of the proposed action:
 - X staff of state agency
 - X federal government
 - X general public

11. Date: December 1, 2016

Prepared by:

Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director Alaska

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Additional Proposals Scheduled to: the 2017 Arctic, Western and Interior/Not Beast Arctic Region Board of Game Meetings

The following proposals are in addition to those published in the 2016/2017 Regulations Proposal Book. The full text of the proposals is available on the Board of Game meeting information website at: www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.proposalbook.

Proposal 155 - Review and modify the Unit 15C Intensive management objectives and plans This proposal was accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request (ACR 5) for consideration at the Arctic/Western Region meeting scheduled for January 2017.

Proposal 156 - Reauthorize the Mulchatna Caribou Herd Intensive Management Plan. This proposal was accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request (ACR 6) for consideration at the Arctic/Western Region meeting scheduled for January 2017.

Proposal 157 - Set a customary and traditional use finding, and establish seasons and bag limits for Emperor geese. This proposal was accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request (ACR 7) for consideration at the at the Arctic/Western Region meeting scheduled for January 2017.

Proposal 158 - Remove the West Nile Virus testing requirement for raptors. This proposal was accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request (ACR 8) for consideration at the at the Arctic/Western Region meeting scheduled for January 2017.

Proposal 159 - Require hunters on the Kenai Peninsula to take an ADF&G approved hunter orientation course for identifying legal moose. This proposal accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request (ACR 9) for consideration at the Interior/Northeast Arctic Region meeting scheduled for February 2017.

Proposal 160 - Extend the moose hunting season in Unit 18, Kuskokwim Area to September 30. This proposal was accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request (ACR 12) for consideration at the Arctic/Western Region meeting scheduled for January 2017.

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AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS AND FURNISHING OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I, Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director of the Alaska Board of Game, being sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 44.62.190, notice of the proposed adoption of changes dealing with the use and taking of game has been given by being

- published in a newspaper or trade publication; (1)
- (2) furnished to interested persons;
- furnished to appropriate state officials; (3)
- furnished to the Department of Law, along with a copy of the proposed regulations; (4)
- (5) electronically transmitted to incumbent State of Alaska legislators:
- furnished to the Legislative Affairs Agency, Legislative Legal and Research Services: (6)
- (7) posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System as required by AS 44.62.175(a)(1) and (b) and 44.62.190(a)(1);

As required by AS 44.62.190(d), additional regulations notice information regarding the proposed adoption of the regulation changes described above has been furnished to interested persons and those in (5) and (6) of the list above. The additional regulations notice information also has been posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

My Commission Expires With Office

Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 31 day of \(\)

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AFFIDAVIT OF ORAL HEARING

I, Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director of the Alaska Board of Game, being sworn, state the following:

On January 6-9, 2017 at the Yupiit Piciryarait Cultural Center, located at 420 Chief Eddie Hoffman Highway, Bethel, Alaska, the Board of Game presided over a public hearing held under AS 44.62.210 for the purpose of taking testimony in connection with the adoption of changes dealing with the use and taking of game.

DATE: //3//7
Juneau, Alaska

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 3 day of January, 2017.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

Notice is given that the Alaska Board of Game, under the authority of Title 16, Alaska Statutes, proposes adopt, amend, or repeal regulations in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with the use as taking of game. Regulations subject to board action are in 5 AAC 84, 85, 92, 98 and 99 for the Arctic, Weste and Inferior/Northeast Arctic Regions including statewide regulationisation of antierless moose hunts at brown bear tag fee exemptions, and statewide regulations as described below:

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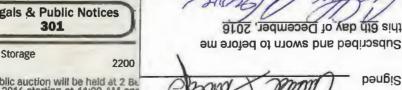
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