

Togiak Fish and Game Advisory Committee
October 3, 2017
Togiak Traditional Council Office

- I. Call to Order: [10:30am] by [Moses Kritz]
- II. Roll Call:
Members Present: Moses Kritz , Roger Wassillie, Peter Lockuk, Joe Alexie, Walter Kanulie, Mickey Sharp, Kenneth Nukwak, Tessa Nikerson-until 4:45, Frank Logusak-until 11:55, Norman Gloko-11:10-4:45, Bill Sanchez-Alternate, Thomas Dock-Alternate
Members Absent: Gust Bartman-Excused, Julius Henry, Darren Byayuk, Lester Moore
Number Needed for Quorum on AC:7
Frank moves to seat the alternates, Peter 2nds, Unanimous approval
- III. Approval of Agenda: Frank Moves open Agenda, Tessa 2nds, Unanimous Approval
- IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: 4/10/2017 meeting, Frank move to approve, Walter 2nds, Unanimous approval
- V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Joe Witkopp (AWT), Taryn O'Conner-Brito (Boards), Neil Barten (Wildlife), Jason Dye (Sports Fish), Tim Sands (Com Fish), James Van Lannen (Subsistence)
- VI. Guests Present: Jimmy Coopchiak (Togiak Traditional Council), Theo Pauk (Togiak), Bob Dubey (Togi Fisheries), Susanna Henry (TNWR), Andy Aderman (TNWR), Pat Walsh (TNWR)
- VII. TEK Mulchatna Caribou Project Presentation: Jamie Vanlannen-
 - Participatory GIS (local people mapping traditional knowledge)
 - 13 communities involved
 - Draft report due by November 15th
 - Jamie got weathered out of meeting and would like to re schedule a time to meet face to face with members of the Togiak community. Hard to explain report over phone.
 - Maybe end of October or beginning of November. Gayla will coordinate with Jimmy Coopchiak.

VIII. Elections for Togiak Designated seats and Undesignated seats: Franks moves all members be nominated to sit another term, Thomas 2nds.

Moses K asks if there are further nominations, there are none.

All members are re-elected (unanimous support from AC and public)

IX. Staff Updates:

Taryn- Reminders about on time public comment deadlines for Board of Game Statewide Game and Central/Southwest Region meetings.

Frank L. has heard comments and concerns about sportsman stripping eggs from chinook. It needs to be investigated and needs to stop.

- Jason Dye agrees, it is 100% illegal and unacceptable.
- Trooper Wittcop- agrees, it is illegal, unacceptable, and unethical. Member of public has supplied him with pictures of 3-5 fish. Doesn't have much to go on. Has met with lodge owner, and is working with guides. Not sure how many fish were stripped. Would appreciate any information the public could provide. This is an ongoing investigation.
- Frank L. expresses his concern over the disrespect showed by the stripping of the fish.

Norman Gloko would like to remind the troopers that when they fly low with helicopters it scares off game that is being hunted.

Frank L. would like to remind everyone that ADF&G and AWT are working to grow hunting species and are not against us.

Moses Kritz would like to bring the meeting back to order, and reminds AC that it is currently time for Staff Updates.

Tim Sands-

- Pretty normal biological info for this fishing season
- Schedule was regular. One extended weekend.
- Some restrictions out west due to increased effort in Osviak- amount of effort believed unsustainable. ADF&G will keep an eye on the western sections.
- Escapement 190,000 and total harvest was average
- Lots of off year pinks
- Chinook harvest up a little, but still low.

Moses K. comments that in the mid-60s and early 70s there was good effort out west. This had dwindled down until 2-3 years ago when it increased again. Used to be mostly chums out west.

Fran L. adds that salmon had been coming from the east, but they seem to be coming from the west now. Also, blue jelly fish are coming in with them. He has never seen this before.

Bill S. is interested in what data ADF&G is using to determine how much effort is too much.

Tim S. allows that there are not great numbers to base on. Over 10,000 chums and over 5,000 sockeye were harvested. Says these systems are small streams, not lake systems. There may be some interception happening, but his gut feeling is the streams may be affected. Will re visit this with more info next meeting when the AC discusses fisheries issues.

Bill S. believes they are Togiak fish being intercepted

Moses K. says next meeting will be primarily a finfish meeting AC will re visit the issue then.

Roger W. wants to know why ADF&G doesn't count at mouth of river.

Tim says there are too many resident fish like dollies that interfere with the sonar counts, and the water is too murky for a counting tower, so they count up river a bit where the water is clear.

Moses Calls 10 min break 10:55

Frank L. signed off 10:55

Staff Updates Continued:

Neil Barten-

- Caribou- Calf mortality study in progress. Seeing predation by bears, wolves, and some eagles.
- Nutrition is good, conditions are good, but calf survival is not good.
- Mulchatna IM meeting in Palmer will discuss expanding area for managing wolves to help predation of caribou on calving grounds
- Moose- Nutritionally doing really well. When surveyed 34/35 cows were pregnant. Survey later saw 31 with calves. Only 4 calves are known to have survived. The study will likely be expanded to include calf mortality.
- AK Hares- Rick (small game biologist in palmer) is studying them. Would like info on Alaska hares.

Andy Aderman-

- Refuge counted moose last October. Population estimate was 1,700 moose
- There was no snow, so collared animals were used as a control group for the count.
- A population range of 800-1,200 is believed to be ideal for long term.

Moses- Wonders if the AC should propose to extend the fall and winter seasons by a week.

Thomas- Is concerned that wolf control could wipe out wolves needed to cull the sick and weak from the moose herd.

Neil says wolves targeted are primarily working the caribou calving grounds.

Kenneth would like to know if 17a survey included Tuklung mountains.

Andy says Tuklungs are mostly 17c

Kenneth says hunters often ask where 17a starts on the river

Andy says it is about drainage directions, and it can be difficult down on peninsula but the moose aren't really down there.

X. New Business:

1. Comments on proposals for Board of Game Statewide Game, and Central/Southwest BOG.
(see table below)

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4	Change the definition of edible meat for large game birds		
Support	11	0	<p>Neil- Proposal would change the definition of edible meat for large game birds</p> <p>Gayla- YKC Council to AMBCC made proposal. Trying to keep people from wasting edible portions. Was submitted once before but included Ptarmigan, and there was push back.</p> <p>Moses K.- real good proposal. Would support.</p> <p>Thomas D. moves to support Roger W. 2nds AC supports unanimously</p>
25	Require harvest tickets for all brown bear hunts statewide		
Oppose	0	9	<p>Neil- proposal would require harvest tickets for brown bear</p> <p>Peter L. moves to oppose proposal 25 Roger W. 2nds Motion passes unanimously (AC unanimously opposes proposal 25)</p>
41	Exempt rural subsistence hunters from the requirements for obtaining a waterfowl conservation tag		
Support	9	0	<p>Gayla H- proposal would remove the necessity for someone to by the \$10 state duck stamp for the spring subsistence season. This would not apply to the fall season. You would still need to get a stamp for that.</p> <p>Moses K.- would support. Local people fall on hardship quite a bit.</p> <p>Thomas D. moves to support proposal 41 Kenneth 2nds AC unanimously supports proposal 41</p>
43	Allow the taking of Emperor geese by proxy hunting		
Support	9	0	<p>Neil- would allow proxy hunting for Emperor geese.</p> <p>Thomas moves to support proposal 43 Walter 2nds AC unanimously supports proposal 43</p>

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49	Require a permit before brown bear skulls and hides with claws attached can be sold		
Oppose	0	9	<p>Neil- Department proposal, which seeks to require permit for sale of brown bear hides and skulls.</p> <p>Moses K.- what will the permit cost? Neil- it will be fee. Thomas- could I get a permit on the phone? Neil- the details haven't been sorted out yet. you probably could get a permit when you get the hide sealed. The department is just looking for data. You currently can sell hides and skulls with claws attached Bill S. doesn't think it is necessary.</p> <p>Walter K. moves to oppose proposal 49 Peter L. 2nds AC supports motion unanimously (AC unanimously opposes proposal 49)</p>
53	Reevaluate the customary and traditional use finding for migratory game birds statewide		
Support	9	0	<p>Neil- this proposal would open the door for the board to find findings that could open the door for more hunting later. Thomas D. moves to adopt Walter 2nds AC unanimously supports proposal 53</p>
54	Modify the Tier II subsistence hunting permit point system		
Oppose	0	9	<p>Neil- relates to tier II hunt questions. Seeks to change some questions on the application.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Could dilute rural preference and local preference. • If proposal passes someone from outside area would have a better chance at hunting. • Tier II is used when the department can't allow an open hunt because there are not enough animals to go around. You have to apply to hunt. • Unit 17 currently doesn't have any tier II hunts, but that may not be the case in the future. <p>Walter moves to oppose proposal 54</p>

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			<p>Peter 2nds</p> <p>Bill S.- wants more info</p> <p>Neil- it is complicated, but the proponent is pushing for change in criteria to be less dependent on local needs to get a permit.</p> <p>Gayla H. says it is the last paragraph that she doesn't like.</p> <p>AC unanimously supports motion (AC unanimously opposes proposal 54)</p>
60	Require hunter education for hunters 12 years of age or older, and those under 12 to be accompanied by someone who has successfully completed the course		
Oppose	3	6	<p>Neil- proposal would require hunter education for any hunter over the age of 12, and require anyone under 12 be accompanied by someone who had completed the course.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On the road system there are some requirements. In western Alaska it would be hard to implement. <p>Moses K.- Would not be good for rural Alaska. Will not be supporting. It would be a hardship for families who hunt together. We hunt with our kids when they are 4-5 years old and we teach gun safety, and not to waste.</p> <p>Roger W. wants to know about an incident that happened in unit 17 this year.</p> <p>Joe W.- a man accidentally shot himself with his own gun.</p> <p>Moses K.- suggests as an alternative schools could help with gun safety.</p> <p>Kenneth N. Communities could do this on their own too.</p> <p>Susanna H.- the refuge offers opportunity for hunter safety.</p> <p>Roger W. moves to support</p> <p>Joe A. 2nds</p> <p>Further discussion:</p> <p>Bill S.- this will be difficult if it is mandatory. Doesn't see how it could be done.</p> <p>Walter K.- if this becomes a regulation all of us will need hunter ed.</p> <p>Peter L. won't support</p> <p>Bill S.- Voluntary education is great, but not mandatory education. What if they don't get out here. Doesn't think it could work for everyone.</p> <p>Walter K.- the resources are there, and we can organize this on our own.</p> <p>Cody L.- Hunter education course takes 2-4 days 2-3 evenings and a shooting</p>

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			<p>day.</p> <p>Neil B.- there are about 12 instructors in Dillingham. If a community wants to set up a class they can call Neil.</p> <p>Moses calls for roll call vote:</p> <p>Moses- no Roger- yes Peter- no Bill- no Joe- yes Walter- no Kenneth- yes Thomas- no Mickey- no (Proposal 60 Fails 3-6)</p> <p>Tessa and Norman are no longer on line.</p>

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72	Establish archery-only registration hunts for moose in Units 9, 11, 13, 14A, 14B, 16 and 17		
oppose	0	9	<p>Neil- proposal seeks to allow a 7 day archery hunt following the regular season in 17b, and 17c. 50" antler restriction would remain. This wouldn't apply to 17a.</p> <p>Bill S. (jokingly) only has one question... if you wound it with an arrow can you shoot it?</p> <p>Joe W. says only if it is running at you... then it is a DLP, and would need to be turned over to the state.</p>

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			<p>Moses K.- wants to hear from Kenneth. Kenneth N. hasn't read it. Neil B. – 17c doesn't have any nonresident hunting. In 17b this would apply to nonresidents. He isn't sure how many local people would take advantage of the hunt. Kenneth N.- doesn't think he would use a bow to hunt moose.</p> <p>Kenneth N. moves to oppose proposal 72 Bill S. 2nds Motion carries unanimously (AC unanimously opposes proposal 72)</p>
76	Reauthorize the brown bear tag fee exemptions for the Central/Southwest Region		
Support	11	0	<p>Neil- Proposal would re authorize brown bear tag fee exemption.</p> <p>Thomas D. moves to adopt prop 76 Peter L. 2nds</p> <p>No further discussion AC supports unanimously</p>
136	Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in Unit 17A		
Support	11	0	<p>Neil- proposal would reauthorize antlerless moose in Unit 17</p> <p>Walter moves to support Peter L. ? 2nds AC Supports Unanimously</p>
137	Change the resident, fall season dates for moose hunting in Unit 17A		
No Action			No Action due to action on prop 138
138	Extend the resident, fall season for moose hunting in Unit 17A		
Amend & Support			<p>Neil- proposal would lengthen fall moose hunt by 5 days on the end</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deeper into rut, bulls are more vulnerable • Neil doesn't see this as a conservation concern due to current population

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preliminary discussion is that the department thinks this would be fine More surveys will take place in October. <p>Moses- suggests the AC amend the proposal to extend 7 days rather than 5 due to population estimate. He sees reason to be concerned about a crash.</p> <p>Peter L. moves to adopt proposal 138 Thomas 2nds</p> <p>Further discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jimmy C. would support the extension citing lots of moose recruitment. He doesn't want to see a crash due to overpopulation. <p>Joe A. moves the AC amend proposal 138 to extend the season 7 days Roger W. 2nds</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bill wonders if 7 days closer to the rut will cause poor meat quality? Moses doesn't think one week will be too bad Jimmy is interested in past habitat work in 17a Andy A. says that past habitat surveys have suggested about 450 square miles of moose habitat. 2-3 moose per square mile is considered ok. This is how the population goal of 800-1200 moose was concluded. <p>Amendment carries unanimously Proposal 138 as amended carries unanimously</p>
139	Lengthen the nonresident moose hunting season in Unit 17A		
Oppose	0	11	<p>Neil- Proposal seeks to lengthen nonresident hunting in 17a by 5 days.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would limit nonresidents to 20 permits Would set season as Sept 1-20 (start earlier and go later) Neil isn't worried about biological implications due to current population Could help meet management objectives for unit 17a Department will likely support <p>Jimmy C. is against it. It will compete with locals. Bill S. is against it. Likes hunting without the competition. Moses K. agrees; nobody else was around when Togiak started talking about</p>

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			<p>moose management. Now the resource is big, and the community feels protective of it. Has concern for current moose numbers, but still objects to proposal.</p> <p>Norman G. also is against seeing nonresident expansion.</p> <p>Norman moves that AC oppose proposal 139 No second at this time.</p> <p>Pat W. says that by regulation originally proposed by AC the nonresident hunters use a geographical area that doesn't conflict with local hunters. He urges an open minded approach to this proposal.</p> <p>Moses K. isn't sure. Maybe the AC shouldn't say no just to say no. Moose numbers are high. Has concerns about future sport hunting proposals. Doesn't know.</p> <p>Roger W. Thinks proposal could cause population drop due to sport hunters calling in big bulls close to the rut.</p> <p>Moses K. wants to know about antler restrictions for sport hunts. Neil B. says that that hunt requires a 50" antler. The 20 bull limit will remain as well.</p> <p>Thomas D. wants to know how many of the 20 are usually taken Neil B. says last year, 10. Year before that it was 4. Three years ago it was also 4. That was the year it opened. This year there have been 3 reported so far. Teo P. wouldn't support.</p> <p>Norman moves the AC oppose proposal 139 Thomas D. 2nds Motion passes unanimously (AC unanimously opposes proposal 139)</p>
140	Open a guide required, nonresident registration hunt for moose in Unit 17A		
Oppose	0	11	<p>Neil-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposals are allocative in nature between sport users Board of Game handles allocation issues, so department will be neutral. <p>Moses K. says that currently the village council isn't very involved in sport hunt</p>

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			<p>issues, but he wonders what Jimmy C. would think.</p> <p>Kenneth- wants to hear more about the proposal, and how it relates to registration.</p> <p>Neil- Right now 20 permits go to draw hunt. The proposal seeks to allocate up to 10 of these to a registration hunt in which the registered hunter would need a guide.</p> <p>Kenneth- possibly more hunter participation would result due to a guide marketing this hunt.</p> <p>Pat W. the Togiak refuge won't support the proposal. It is only in the interest of the Guide.</p> <p>Walter moves to oppose proposals 140 and 141</p> <p>Tessa 2nds</p> <p>Motion passes unanimously</p> <p>(AC unanimously opposes proposals 140-141)</p>
141	Allocate a portion of the nonresident drawing permits for moose in Unit 17A to guided hunters		
Oppose	0	11	<p>Neil-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposals are allocative in nature between sport users Board of Game handles allocation issues, so department will be neutral. <p>Moses K. says that currently the village council isn't very involved in sport hunt issues, but he wonders what Jimmy C. would think.</p> <p>Kenneth- wants to hear more about the proposal, and how it relates to registration.</p> <p>Neil- Right now 20 permits go to draw hunt. The proposal seeks to allocate up to 10 of these to a registration hunt in which the registered hunter would need a guide.</p> <p>Kenneth- possibly more hunter participation would result due to a guide marketing this hunt.</p> <p>Pat W. the Togiak refuge won't support the proposal. It is only in the interest of the Guide.</p> <p>Walter moves to oppose proposals 140 and 141</p> <p>Tessa 2nds</p> <p>Motion passes unanimously</p>

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			(AC unanimously opposes proposals 140-141)
142	Shift the resident fall hunting season dates for moose in a portion of Unit 17A		
Support	0	11	<p>Neil- Proposal would lengthen fall season by extending through September 20th for the portion of 17c west of the Weary river.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The question the department has is will an extended season compromise management strategy in 17c? • Extending in 17a seems like a good idea, but there isn't the same amount of data in 17c, and the data available doesn't suggest the population is growing at all. • The department has concerns with calf recruitment and bull cow ratio. • Parts of 17c are seeing high rates of calf predation. Of the 34 cows that were pregnant when collared only 4 calves survived. • The department plans to collar calves out there to get better info. • ADF&G can't justify supporting this proposal at this time. <p>Tessa N. strongly supports. Not everyone is getting their moose. The moose move around after the season closes.</p> <p>Kenneth N. in the summer the moose are coming from the mountains, and valleys and creeks. They are not on the river banks. They are in the birch trees and on up from there. The traveling is tough. This could help. Predation control on bears could also help.</p> <p>Gayla H. another option considered was a boundary change, but the process would be long, so we decided that changing dates would be simpler. Also, there is a typo on the proposal book for this proposal. The proposal relates to 17c not 17a. She will need to check her proposal to see if the mistake was on their end or if it happened after the proposal was submitted.</p> <p>Neil B. – 17c and 17a have very different conditions. Neil is worried as a manager about the moose population in 17c. He doesn't want to take more than is sustainable. Next cycle things might be different, but now the department doesn't think the data suggests a healthy population in 17c.</p> <p>Surveys suggest that only calves up by Beverly lake survived. Calf survival is a worry. Even if the area of 17c west of the weary was part of 17a it would be an area of concern.</p> <p>Kenneth N. points out most of the animals collared were on the lower Nushagak and in the Muklung hills.</p>

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			<p>Walter K. moves to support 142 Thomas 2nds</p> <p>Further discussion-</p> <p>Bill S.- why doesn't ADF&G support shifting the dates back 5 days? Neil- In the 90s we moved the season back because the moose were more vulnerable later in the season. Also, there is concern that more hunters may put pressure on the area west of the weary after the remainder of 17c has closed.</p> <p>Question is called on 142 AC unanimously supports 142</p>
143	Open the resident winter season for moose in a portion of Unit 17C by emergency order only		
No Action			<p>Neil- this proposal seeks to move to a floating season for the winter moose hunt in the area of 17c west of the Weary River. This would be used to wait for the best snow conditions as done in 17a.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Right now the seasons in 17b and 17c are fixed, so its variable on snow conditions • The department can't currently support because of concerns about over harvest. • We need to continue to work on more data. <p>Kenneth wants to know why there is a lack of info on the KMO side. Neil- The info for all of 17c was poor until this year. The department started a calf study this year, and planned to get over there. It didn't work out. Only so much money and opportunity. New capture crew, and new drug. Also, the department had to start with the IM area, but there are plans to extend the study. Still working on it. Kenneth N. notes that 5 years ago he saw over 100 moose in the area on Dec 31. They move around a lot. Pat W.- the refuge mostly sees the same as ADF&G. He is concerned that this proposal could basically double access because if DLG hunters don't get a moose in the regular 17c season they could hunt again in the portion west of the weary during the floating season. Gayla H.- suggests the AC could make an amendment to make it a registration</p>

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			<p>hunt, and restrict the hunter to one or the other.</p> <p>Neil B. – Notes that it is possible that it is possible more hunters would opt of the area with the floating season, but with amendments restrictions could be placed.</p> <p>Moses K- maybe KMO could wait until they meet with ADF&G and AWT, and until moose build up. If we want to conserve moose we should not do this, because it provides too much access.</p> <p>Gayla H- frustrated with population numbers. It is a good food source. We need to work on the issue. Maybe next cycle we should restrict this to watershed residents only.</p> <p>Tessa N.- it should be shut down to nonresidents too.</p> <p>Moses K.- When Togiak was in trouble ADF&G sat down with Togiak VC to come up with a plan. It is time to do this with KMO.</p> <p>Tessa would support prop 143</p> <p>Moses K.- would need hard justification to support this. No motion has been made on this proposal. Does the AC want to take action?</p> <p>No one wants to move proposal. No action.</p>
144	Allow the use of motorized vehicles for moose hunting in the Upper Mulchatna Controlled Use Area		
Oppose	0	11	<p>Neil- proposal would allow the use of motorized vehicles in upper Mulchatna controlled use area (17b) which has been closed since about 1990.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADF&G doesn't have a position yet • Neil hasn't dealt with changing controlled use areas before. • He spoke with others who had been involved in the process when the area was created. They said the reason it was put in place was to protect habitat. <p>Teo P.- 4 wheelers and ATVs destroy habitat. It is an issue in Togiak, and we are trying to provide trails and maps. It's something Togiak village council has been worried about locally. Could be a headache for corporation lands.</p> <p>Moses K.- This may get more support if the tribe proposed it.</p> <p>Teo P- wants to know if Neil has seen trails during aerial surveys.</p> <p>Neil B.- has seen a few, but the area is pretty pristine.</p> <p>Joe W.- isn't aware of any existing trails. There are trails near New Stuyahok, and Ekwok, but not further up river. He also notes it is easy to put an ATV in a skiff, and anyone could use this, not just locals.</p> <p>Moses K.- will not support proposal 144.</p> <p>Peter L. moves to <u>oppose</u> prop 144</p> <p>Walter K. seconds</p>

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			AC unanimously supports motion (AC unanimously opposes proposal 144)
148	Allow the use of a snowmachine for harvesting caribou, wolf, or wolverine in Unit 17		
No Action			<p>Neil- proposal seeks to allow the use of a snow machine to position caribou, wolf, and wolverine.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caribou are pretty group oriented, this could stress out the herd. The department hasn't really discussed implications for wolf or wolverine. <p>Moses K.- if there is a law against herding how can we do this?</p> <p>Gayla H.- it is allowed in unit 22, 23, and 26a. The FSB is considering a similar proposal.</p> <p>Teo P.- Positioning is not necessarily herding.</p> <p>Pat W.- The refuge opposes this. it is harmful to caribou. Caribou already lose 30-40% of their body weight in the winter. It is currently unlawful to do this on refuge land.</p> <p>Kenneth N.- Hunters are doing this already. Hunters could be cited if changes are not made.</p> <p>Moses K.- Maybe for wolves and wolverine, maybe not caribou. On the east side people have chased caribou, and they have learned. They will run from a mile away. In the past we stocked them, we didn't chase them. We caught them without a snogo, on foot.</p> <p>Pat W. has had success without chasing them.</p> <p>Bill S. Suggests the ac doesn't take action. There is no motion on the table.</p> <p>No one wants to make a motion. No Action</p>
149	Liberalize the season and methods and means for trapping beaver in Units 9 and 17		
Support	11	0	<p>Neil- Proposal seeks to liberalize the season for trapping beaver in unit 9 and 17.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would allow you to destroy a dam There would be no closed season There would be no sealing requirement, so ADF&G wouldn't know how many were taken. Last year at the Nushagak AC meeting there was concern raised by at least one person on the lower Nushagak about beaver populations on the Lower Nushagak. <p>Moses K.- there are blocked up streams. This is not good for salmon habitat.</p> <p>There is not much trapping now. Could be liberalized in the Togiak Area. There</p>

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			<p>are many more beaver in Togiak area then there used to be.</p> <p>Thomas D. moves to adopt Peter L. 2nds</p> <p>No further discussion AC Supports Unanimously</p>

2. Discussion of possible muskox subcommittee. Neil- procedure would be for a group to get together and discuss the details.

Moses K.- Walter Kanulie and Peter Lockuk can represent the AC. They will work with the Traditional Council to set up a meeting with ADF&G.

3. Discussion of upcoming Board of Fisheries Call For Proposals Moses K- is hearing about 3 proposals the AC wants to discuss at the next meeting.

1. Proposal to keep Kulukuk section open until Friday.
2. Proposal to revert to past regulations on Setnet 1000 foot limit
3. Proposal to do away with the King Line

Moses will see that they get drafted for the next meeting; Cody Larson at BBNA has offered to help with this. Gary Cline at BBEDC is also willing to help with generating proposals.

AC representation for Statewide Game- Moses cannot attend, but plans to appoint someone to go. He will let Taryn know who will be going in his place.

AC Minute approval- by teleconference October 23rd. Moses will set up with Taryn

- XI. Set date and location of next meeting: Next Meeting fisheries issues, call of the chair after the holiday season.

Adjournment: 6:00pm

Minutes Recorded By: ____Walter Kanulie____
Minutes Approved By: _Togiak AC _____
Date: ____1/31/18_____