

Fairbanks AC game/trap subcommittee meeting
December 6, 2021
ADF&G Office College Rd

- I. Call to Order: 6:02pm
- II. Roll Call
Members Present: Mark Richards, Jeff Lucas, Levi Lewellyn, Austin Smith, Mark Oppe
- III. Fish and Game Staff Present: Mark Nelson

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<i>Note: Effective September 2019, when abstentions occur, the action or decision of a majority of the remaining members at a meeting at which a quorum is present is an act of the committee. For example, a vote tally of 7-6-2 means the motion carries. Members abstaining from voting must provide an explanation that is included in the committee record.</i>			
1	Shift to later moose hunting seasons in Units 13 and 14		
TNA			
2	Establish registration archery seasons for Dall sheep in Units 9B, 11, 13, 14A, 14B and 16		
Oppose			Takes place during youth hunt, not the time to increase sheep harvests
3	Open an archery only season for Dall sheep in Units 13, 14A, 14B, and 16		
Oppose			Plenty of opportunity already to harvest sheep with bow, sheep declines
4	Establish a registration hunt by bow and arrow only for Dall sheep within Units 9, 11, 13A, 13B remainder, 13C remainder, 13D remainder, 14A remainder, 14B, and 16		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 3
5	Establish three archery registration hunts for Dall sheep in Units 9, 11, 13, 14, and 16 where there are general season hunts		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 3
6	Reauthorize the brown bear tag fee exemptions for the Central/Southwest Region		
Moot/TNA			
7	Increase bag limit for black bear in Units 13D and 16		
TNA			

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8			Shorten coyote trapping season in Units 9, 13, 14B, 16 and 17
Oppose			We see no valid reason to shorten season
9			Extend the wolf trapping season in Units 13 and 16
TNA			
10			Allow the harvest of beaver by bow and arrow under a trapping license with salvage requirements in Units 9, 11, 13, and 16
Support			This aligns with regulations for other units
11			Add bow and arrow as legal method of take for beaver in Units 9, 11, 13, and 16
Support			See comments on proposal 10
12			Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in Unit 17A
TNA			
13			Increase the number of nonresident draw hunt permits and extend the nonresident season by 10 days in Unit 17A
Support			Dept. proposal – warrants allowance of more nonresident harvest opportunity
14			Establish fixed-season dates for resident registration moose hunts RM575 & RM576 in Unit 17A
TNA			
15			Establish a registration hunt for bull moose limited to resident certified bowhunters only within Unit 17B
TNA			
16			Establish a registration hunt for bull moose open to nonresident certified bowhunters only within Unit 17B, remainder
TNA			
17			Establish a registration hunt for bull moose limited to certified bowhunters only within Unit 17B
TNA			
18			Extend the resident winter moose season in Units 17B and 17C
TNA			
19			Establish new population and harvest objectives for the Mulchatna caribou herd in Units 9, 17, 18, and 19 as follows
TNA			
20			Establish Tier II subsistence hunting season and bag limit for the Mulchatna caribou herd (MCH)
TNA			
21			Establish a second predation control area for Mulchatna caribou on federal lands in Game Management Units 17 and 18

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22			Determine customary and traditional uses of the Nushagak Peninsula caribou herd in Game Management Units 17A and 17C – Nushagak Peninsula, Bristol Bay
TNA			
23			Allow the use of snowmachine to position wolf or wolverine for harvest in Unit 17
TNA			
24			Establish a season, daily and seasonal bag limit, and salvage requirement for Alaska hare in Unit 17
TNA			
25			Review the intensive management findings for Unimak caribou and determine objectives if applicable
TNA			
26			Determine customary and traditional uses of the Unimak Island caribou herd (Unit 10 – Unimak Island)
TNA			
27			Reauthorize the Northern Alaska Peninsula (NAP) Caribou Herd Intensive Management Plan (IM)
TNA			
28			Remove the resident bag limit of one brown bear every four years in Unit 9
*Support			Pending FULL AC review
29			Lengthen the season and liberalize methods and means for trapping beaver in Unit 9
Support			No conservation concerns with liberalized harvest opportunity
30			Shorten the wolf trapping season in Units 9 and 10
Support			Aligns with seasons in other units
31			Close wolverine trapping and hunting in Unit 10
TNA			
32			Close the nonresident season for Emperor geese in Units 9 and 10
TNA			
33			Allocate 50% of the permits for harvesting Emperor geese in Units 9, 10, and 17 to nonresidents
Oppose			Asks for too much nonresident opportunity
34			Allocate 50% of the permits for harvesting Emperor geese in Units 9, 10, and 17 to nonresidents
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
35			Allocate 50% of the permits for harvesting Emperor geese in Units 9, 10, and 17 to nonresidents
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
36			Allocate a 50/50 split for resident and nonresident Emperor goose permits for Units 9, 10, and 17

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Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
37	Allocate 500 permits to nonresidents for taking Emperor geese for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
38	Allocate 500 permits to residents and nonresidents for taking Emperor geese for Units 9, 10, and 17 as follows		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
39	Allocate an equal number of permits for residents and nonresidents for taking Emperor geese for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
40	Double the number of nonresident permits for taking Emperor geese for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
41	Increase the number of nonresident permits for taking Emperor geese for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
42	Allow more years of nonresident Emperor goose tags to be allotted for a lottery for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
43	Increase the number nonresident permits for harvesting Emperor geese to 10% for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
44	Allow nonresidents to purchase un-issued Emperor geese permits for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
45	Increase permits and require use of an outfitter for nonresident harvest of Emperor geese for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
46	Increase nonresident permits and establish preference points for harvesting Emperor geese for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
47	Increase the number of nonresidents permits for taking Emperor geese or set a hunt quota with 24-hour harvest reporting requirement for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
48	Increase the number nonresident permits for harvesting Emperor geese or offer a second drawing for Units 9, 10, and 17		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33

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49			Establish resident and nonresident quotas per region for taking Emperor geese with reporting requirements, or offer a second drawing for un-issued permits for Units 9, 10, and 17
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
50			Increase the number nonresident permits for harvesting Emperor geese or allow for a second lottery for Units 9, 10, and 17
Oppose			See comments on proposal 33
51			Expand the DI454 bison hunt area in Unit 11
Support			With Ahtna land closures, this is necessary for population mgmt
52			Repeal the “pre-2018” caribou hunting regulations for Unit 13
Oppose			
53			Increase the community subsistence caribou hunt allocation in Unit 13
Oppose			
54			Increase the youth hunting season for caribou in Unit 13
Oppose			Already ample youth hunt opportunity
55			Open a registration goat hunt for residents in Unit 13
TNA			
56			Extend the general season for moose by bow and arrow only for residents and nonresidents within Unit 11, remainder
Oppose			Ample bowhunting opportunity already
57			Establish a registration hunt for bull moose open to certified bowhunters only within Unit 11, remainder
Oppose			See comments on proposal 56
58			Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 13
TNA			
59			Increase the community subsistence any bull moose hunt allocation in Unit 13
Oppose			AC not in support of the CSH hunt
60			Create a registration archery only hunt for bull moose in Unit 13
Oppose			See comments on proposal 56
61			Establish a drawing permit hunt for bull moose limited to resident certified bowhunters only within Unit 13E
Oppose			See comments on proposal 56
62			Establish an antlerless moose season in Unit 13E
TNA			

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63			Eliminate the restrictions of one harvest report per household and one bag limit per household in the community subsistence caribou hunt for Unit 13
*TNA			FULL AC REVIEW
64			Eliminate the salvage requirement for hide of moose for Alaska residents aged 60 years and older participating in the community subsistence moose hunt in Unit 13 and make it optional
Oppose			All age groups should be exempt
65			Eliminate the moose hide salvage requirement for hunters aged 62 years and older participating in the community subsistence moose hunt in Unit 13 and make it optional
Oppose			See comments on proposal 64
66			Clarify the Unit 13 Tier I subsistence caribou permit condition that members of a household may not hunt caribou or moose in any other state hunts in other locations
TNA			
67			Change the salvage requirements for sheep taken in Unit 11
Oppose			Boning out sheep meat necessary for lighter pack weight
68			Extend the general season for brown bear by bow and arrow only for residents and nonresidents within Unit 11
Oppose			Ample opportunity for bowhunting already exists
69			Increase the bag limit for brown bear in Unit 13
*			FULL AC REVIEW – need Dept comments
70			Open a fall baiting season in Unit 13 for brown and black bear
*			FULL AC REVIEW – conflicts during gen. hunt
71			Lengthen the wolverine hunting season in Unit 13
TNA			
72			Extend the wolverine trapping season in Unit 13
Support			Aligns with trapping season in other units
73			Extend the wolverine trapping season in Unit 13
Support			See comments on proposal 72
74			Limit motorized access during the community subsistence moose hunt in Unit 13
Oppose			Too complicated, not really necessary
75			Close the Tokositna State Recreation Area in Units 13E and 16A to the use of airboats for hunting
TNA			
76			Extend the ptarmigan season and the lower bag limit in Unit 13B and 13E
TNA			
77			Open a youth only hunt for ptarmigan in Unit 13, August 10-24

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78			Extend the caribou season in Unit 16B
TNA			
79			Reauthorize the antlerless moose draw permits in Units 14A and 14B
TNA			
80			Create a resident youth hunting season for any bull moose (YM4XX) in Unit 14A
Oppose			
81			Allow muzzle loading and black powder cartridge long guns be used for harvesting moose in Units 14A and 14B
Oppose			Targeted hunts in populated areas require short range weapons
82			Extend by two days the current bow and arrow only general moose season in Units 14A, 14B, and 16A
Oppose			Ample opportunity exists for bowhunters
83			Remove the 50-inch bag limit requirement for the resident and nonresident moose hunt in Unit 16A
Oppose			Proposal is confusing
84			Establish an antlerless moose season in Unit 16B
TNA			
85			Establish a registration hunt for bull moose limited to resident certified bowhunters only within Unit 16B
Oppose			Ample opportunity exists for bowhunters
86			Change the bag limit for Dall sheep in Unit 14A to full-curl ram
*			FULL AC REVIEW
87			Change the bag limit for the Dall sheep permit hunts in Unit 14A and convert the early season to archery only permit hunts
Oppose			Bowhunters can already participate in earlier season
88			Establish an archery only general season hunt for Dall sheep in Unit 14
Oppose			Conflicts with youth hunt timeframe
89			Establish a registration hunt for Dall sheep open to certified bowhunters only, by longbow or recurve bow only within Unit 14A, Metal Creek area
Oppose			Ample opportunity exists for bowhunters
90			Extend the brown bear hunting season in Units 14A and 14B
*Support			Pending Dept comments

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91	Establish a general season by bow and arrow only for brown bear within Units 14A and 14B		
Oppose			Ample opportunity already exists
92	Open a year-round season for brown bear in Unit 16		
TNA			
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TNA			
94	Establish a general season by bow and arrow only for brown bear within Units 16A and 16B, remainder		
Oppose			Ample opportunity already exists
95	Lengthen the brown bear season in Unit 16B for residents and nonresidents		
Support			
96	Allow the take of black bear in Unit 16B the same day a hunter has flown		
Oppose			Slippery slope when allowed for general hunts, not the same as allowance for bear bait stations
97	Allow beaver to be taken with firearm or archery equipment in Unit 16		
Support			Aligns with other beaver harvest regulations
98	Extend the beaver trapping season in Unit 16		
TNA			
99	Close areas within Units 14A, 14B, and 16A to trapping		
Oppose			Too broad
100	Remove requirement that traps and snares for beaver be submerged in Unit 16		
Support			
Supplemental Proposals			
197	Reauthorize the brown bear tag fee exemptions for the Central/Southwest Region		
TNA			
198	Eliminate bear baiting or prohibit bait stations within 50 miles of cabins		
Oppose			50 miles is a very long way from cabins!
199	Prohibit trapping within 50 yards of multi-use trails and trailheads in Units 13, 14, and 16		
Oppose			See comments on proposal 99
200	Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in Unit 17A		
TNA			
201	Allow motorized vehicles for hunting moose and caribou in the Upper Mulchatna Controlled Use Area in Unit 17B		
TNA			

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202			Allow the use of a firearm to take beaver while trapping in Unit 17
Support			Aligns with regulations in other units
203			Extend the trapping season for muskrat in Unit 17
TNA			
204			Lengthen moose seasons in Units 9B and 9C and align hunt areas in Unit 9C
TNA			
205			Reauthorize the Southern Alaska Peninsula Herd Intensive Management Plan
TNA			
206			Open a resident only early/late season for brown bear in Unit 9
*Support			FULL AC REVIEW
207			Close brown bear hunting in Unit 9A
Oppose			
208			Change the brown bear hunting seasons in Unit 9C to align with Unit 9A
TNA			
209			Modify the Copper River bison harvest opportunity in Units 11 and 13D
Support			Necessary with Ahtna land closures and need for adequate herd mgmt
210			Eliminate the community subsistence harvest moose hunts in Unit 13
**			FULL AC REVIEW
211			Repeal the Copper Basin area community subsistence harvest hunt area for moose and caribou
**			FULL AC REVIEW
212			Clarify the Unit 13 Tier I subsistence caribou permit condition that members of a household may not hunt caribou or moose in any other state hunts in other locations
TNA			
213			Remove the requirement for Tier I caribou hunters to hunt moose in Unit 13
*			FULL AC REVIEW
214			Eliminate all moose drawing permit hunts in Unit 13
Oppose			
215			Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 13A
TNA			
216			Establish an antlerless moose season in Unit 13C
TNA			
217			Eliminate all caribou drawing permit hunts in Unit 13
Oppose			Eliminates resident opportunities that have decreased already
218			Increase the bag limit for brown bear in Unit 13

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*Support			Pending Dept comments
219			Modify the Unit 13 predation control program
TNA			
220			Close moose and wolf hunting within Unit 13A
Oppose			Not at all necessary
221			Align otter and beaver trapping seasons in Unit 13
TNA			
222			Align the ptarmigan hunting season for all of Unit 13 and reduce the bag limit to five per day
TNA			
223			Reauthorize the Unit 16 Intensive Management Plan
TNA			
224			Reauthorize the antlerless moose draw permits in Units 14A and 14B
TNA			
225			Eliminate antlerless moose hunts in Units 14A and B and allow harvest by nuisance hunt program
TNA			
226			Open resident bull permit hunts in Unit 14A
TNA			
227			Reduce the bag limit for grouse in Unit 14A and eliminate the ruffed grouse differentiation
TNA			
228			Require trap identification tags in Units 14A, 14B, and 16
Oppose			Costly for trappers, existing regulations working
229			Lengthen the marten trapping season in Unit 14A
TNA			

Adjournment:

Minutes Recorded By: Mark Richards

Minutes Approved By: _____

Date: 12/6/21