

Fairbanks Fish & Game Advisory Committee
Game/Trap Subcommittee Meeting
December 5, 2022
ADF&G Office College Rd

- I. Call to Order: 6:07pm by co-chair Mark Richards

- II. Roll Call
Members Present: Levi Lewellyn, John Wisniewski, Lance Nelson (alternate), Gabriel Davis

Members Absent (Excused):
Members Absent (Unexcused):
Number Needed for Quorum on AC:
List of User Groups Present:

- III. Fish and Game Staff Present: None

- IV. Guests Present: Chris Bye

- V. Approval of Agenda

- VI. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- VII. Reports
 - a. Chair's report
 - b. ADF&G
 - c. Others

- VIII. Public Comment

- IX. Old Business

- X. New Business

- XI. Select representative(s) for board meeting

- XII. Set next meeting date

- XIII. Other

Adjourn

Alaska Board of Game Southeast Region Meeting Proposals
January 20-24, 2023 | Ketchikan, AK

Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
<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	Require certified hunter safety education to hunt in Units 1 - 5		
OPPOSE			Disenfranchises too many hunters in more remote locations, inability to complete the in-person aspects of hunter-ed course, hard to enforce
2	Require hunter orientation for hunting goat in Southeast Region units		
OPPOSE			Not necessary, as all but one goat hunt in these units are any goat
3	Remove the requirement for residents to seal black bear skulls harvested in Units 1 - 4		
OPPOSE			Hides still required to be sealed, or meat if hide not salvaged, skull data from sealing important to determine population parameters
4	Change the resident bag limit for brown bear in Unit 1 to one bear every two years		
TNA			
5	Change the waterfowl season in Units 1 - 4 by creating a split season		
TNA			
6	Lengthen river otter trapping seasons in Units 1 - 4 to align with Unit 5		
SUPPORT			All 5 units should be aligned
7	Extend marten trapping seasons to align with wolverine seasons in portions of Units 1 - 4 and 5		
SUPPORT			Any bycatch will be insignificant with typical above ground marten sets
8	Extend the marten trapping season in Units 1 and 2		
SUPPORT			Same as #8 above
9	Extend the wolverine trapping season to March 15 in Units 1 - 5		
TNA			
10	Decrease the bag limit to four deer in Unit 4, Remainder		
OPPOSE			No deer conservation concerns, no need to lower bag limit for non-federally qualified hunters
11	Decrease the bag limit to four deer in Unit 4, Remainder		
OPPOSE			Same as #10 above
12	Open the Mitchell Bay Closed Area in Unit 4 to brown bear hunting		
TNA			

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13	Change the RB088 hunt boundary in Unit 4 to include Northeast Chichagof, and increase the allowable harvest for brown bear		
TNA			
14	Change the brown bear hunt area for RB088 in Unit 4 to include all of Lisianski Inlet drainage		
TNA			
15	Change the description of the Petersburg Road System Closed Area		
TNA			
16	Lengthen the deer season in Unit 3, that portion of Mitkof Island within the Petersburg Management Area		
TNA			
17	Establish a fall drawing permit hunt for elk on Zarembo Island in Unit 3		
TNA			
18	Establish a fall, drawing permit hunt for elk on Zarembo, Bushy, Shrubby and Kashevarof Islands in Unit 3		
TNA			
19	Change the hunt structure for elk on Etolin Island in Unit 3		
TNA			
20	Split Etolin Island in Unit 3 into two hunt areas for elk		
TNA			
21	Eliminate the regulation that excludes broken, damaged, or altered antlers from the definition of spike-fork antlers for Units 1B, 1C and 3		
TNA			
22	Eliminate the restriction for using motorized vehicles for the RM038 moose hunt in Unit 1B		
TNA			
23	Allow the use of electric bikes for the RM038 moose hunt in Unit 1B		
TNA			
24	Open the Petersburg Creek drainage of Kupreanof Island in Unit 3 to black bear hunting		
TNA			
25	Allow black bear hunting in the Petersburg Creek Drainage area, with season dates to align with Unit 3		
TNA			
26	Reduce the permit allocation and bag limit for nonresident, nonguided black bear hunters on Kuiu and Kupreanof Islands in Unit 3		
TNA			

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27	Require 100-yard trapping setbacks along hiking trails and drivable surfaces on Wrangell Island in Unit 3		
OPPOSE			Restrictions not necessary
28	Change the hunt boundary from Little Sheep Creek to Sheep Creek, for the RG014 goat hunt in Unit 1C		
TNA			
29	Expand the hunt area of the RG014 archery goat hunt in Unit 1C		
TNA			
30	Open a fall archery goat hunt in Unit 1C, the southern end of the Chilkat Peninsula		
TNA			
31	Lengthen the resident, registration goat hunt in Unit 1C, the Southern end of the Chilkat Range		
TNA			
32	Restrict hunters who take nanny goat in Unit 1D from hunting goat the following regulatory year in Unit 1D		
TNA			
33	Increase the brown bear bag limit in that portion of Unit 1C of the Chilkat Peninsula mainland north of Point Couverden and south of Sullivan Island for resident hunters, from one bear every four regulatory years to one bear every regulatory year		
TNA			
34	Increase the brown bear bag limit in that portion of Unit 1C of the Chilkat Peninsula mainland north of Point Couverden and south of Sullivan Island for resident hunters, from one bear every four regulatory years to one bear every regulatory year		
TNA			
35	Extend the bear baiting season for Unit 1D		
SUPPORT			No conservation concerns, more opportunity
36	Reduce the bag limit for grouse for drainages that cross the Juneau-Douglas Road system in Unit 1C		
TNA			
37	Reduce the bag limit for ptarmigan for drainages that cross the Juneau Douglas Road system in Unit 1C		
TNA			
38	Amend the youth hunt for Unit 1C Mendenhall Wetland State Game Refuge		
TNA			

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39			Amend the hunter education requirement for the Unit 1C Mendenhall Wetland State Game Refuge
TNA			
40			Allow the take of deleterious exotic wildlife in the Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge
TNA			
41			Eliminate the Douglas Island Management Area in Unit 1C
TNA			
42			Extend the deer season to December 31, in Unit 1A Remainder
SUPPORT			Department supports, no conservation concerns, more opportunity during holiday season to put food on the table
43			Increase the resident bag limit to two goats in Unit 1A
TNA			
44			Extend the goat season in Unit 1A Remainder
TNA			
45			Raise the population objective from 150-200 wolves to 250-350 wolves in Unit 2, and raise the threshold for closing the season from 100 to 200 wolves
TNA			
46			Lengthen the hunting season for wolves in Unit 2, to open September 1
SUPPORT			No conservation concerns, more opportunity
47			Require wolf harvest information be reported within 48 hours of recovery and sealing within 14 days in Unit 2
OPPOSE			Sealing currently within 7 days, which is adequate, changing to 2 days is too short of time
48			Change the methodology for setting the population objective for wolves in Unit 2
TNA			
49			Utilize the lower confidence interval of the wolf population for estimating the population in Unit 2
TNA			
50			Establish a population estimate and harvest limit based on Prince of Wales Island wolf population that excludes extrapolation from outer islands in Unit 2
TNA			

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51	Establish a percentage of the Unit 2 wolf population that can be harvested on a sustainable basis, develop a harvest quota each season, require in-season reporting, provide the harvest to the public in real time, and allow three days' notice before closing the season by emergency order		
TNA			
52	Establish a harvest quota for wolves, between 20% and 35% of the estimated wolf population in Unit 2		
TNA			
53	Establish an estimated unreported mortality rate for Unit 2 wolves to be used for establishing the harvest quota		
TNA			
54	Identify an area in Unit 2 for protected status for wolves		
TNA			

Adjournment:

Minutes Recorded By: Mark Richards

Minutes Approved By: _____

Date: _____