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Federal Subsistence Board Seeks Comments on Extension of Compliance Date for the May 2007 Nonrural Determinations

On March 1, 2012, the Federal Subsistence Board published a final rule to extend the compliance date for its May 2007 nonrural determinations and to request comments from the public. The Board published this rule without a prior proposal because this action is considered administrative. Comments will be accepted until April 16, 2012. Comments postmarked after April 16, 2012 will not be considered.

You may submit comment and materials on the extension of the compliance date by one of the following methods:

- Electronically: Go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for FWS–R7–SM–2011–0068, which is the docket number for this rulemaking.
- By hard copy: U.S. mail or hand delivery to: USFWS, Office of Subsistence Management, 1011 East Tudor Road, MS 121, Attn: Theo Matuskowitz, Anchorage, AK 99503–6199, or hand delivery to the Designated Federal Official attending any of the Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Council public meetings.

The Federal Subsistence Board will consider and evaluate all comments and materials submitted on this final rule.

Comments will be posted on <http://www.regulations.gov>. Before including personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personally identifiable information—may be made publicly available at any time. You may request that we withhold your personally identifiable information from public review; however, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

At its January 2012 meeting, the Board committed to conduct a public review of the current rural/nonrural determination process. The extension of the compliance date for the May 2007 nonrural determinations allows the Board time to conduct the public review of the current rural/nonrural determination process, which could lead to different outcomes in rural/nonrural determinations.

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Information on the Federal Subsistence Management Program can be found at <http://alaska.fws.gov/asm/home.html>.

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