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Federal Subsistence Board Seeks Comments on Fisheries Proposals and Other Issues Related to the Federal Subsistence Management Program

Federal Subsistence Board seeks comments on proposals to change the April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2015 subsistence fishing regulations. The Board is also seeking comments on the 2014 Fisheries Resource Monitoring Program draft priority information needs, timing of Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Council and Board meetings, and proposed changes to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Subsistence Board and the State of Alaska. Several opportunities to comment on these and other issue related to Federal subsistence management are available over the next few months.

The Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils, which advise the Federal Subsistence Board regarding Federal subsistence management, are currently in the process of meeting to discuss these issues and develop recommendations for the Board. Attend a Council meeting in person or by teleconference to testify.

The meeting materials for each meeting are posted on the Federal Subsistence Management Program’s website (<http://alaska.fws.gov/asm/index.cfml>) approximately two-weeks prior each meeting. For those without internet connection, contact the Office of Subsistence Management at 800-478-1456 or (907) 786-3888 for assistance.

The upcoming Council meetings are as follows:

Meeting Dates	Regional Council	Location	Teleconference Number (passcode)
Sept. 25–26	Kodiak/Aleutians Regional Advisory Council	Sand Point Community Chambers, Sand Point	1-877-638-8165 (9060609)
Sept. 26–28	Southeast Alaska Regional Advisory Council	Sitka Tribe Community House, Sitka	1-866-560-5984 (12960066)
Oct. 3–4	Seward Peninsula Regional Advisory Council	Aurora Inn Conference Room, Nome	1-866-560-5984 (12960066)
Oct. 10–11	Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Regional Advisory Council	Yupit Piciryarait Cultural Center, Bethel	1-866-560-5984 (12960066)

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Meeting Dates	Regional Council	Location	Teleconference Number (passcode)
Oct.10–11	Western Interior Alaska Regional Advisory Council	Tribal Hall, Holy Cross	1-877-638-8165 (9060609)
Oct. 15–16	Southcentral Alaska Regional Advisory Council	Islands and Oceans Visitor Center, Homer	1-866-560-5984 (12960066)
Oct. 16–17	Eastern Interior Alaska Regional Advisory Council	Pike’s Waterfront Lodge, Fairbanks	1-866-560-5984 (12960066)
Oct. 24–25	Bristol Bay Regional Advisory Council	Dillingham City Council Chambers, Dillingham	1-866-916-7020 (37311548)

If you are unable to testify at a Council meeting, you may submit written comments to the Board by email (subsistence@fws.gov). Those without e-mail access can fax written comments to (907) 786-3898 or mail them to:

Federal Subsistence Board
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Testimony is also welcome at every public meeting of the Federal Subsistence Board. The next Board meeting is currently scheduled for January 22-24, 2013 in Anchorage.

Meeting dates and locations are subject to change. Please confirm before you go.

If you need special accommodations for disabilities, please contact the Office of Subsistence Management approximately one week prior to a meeting.

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