

# **YUKON-KUSKOKWIM DELTA**

## **Subsistence Regional Advisory Council**



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Kisaralik River, Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge

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February 27–28, 2013  
Bethel, Alaska

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**Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Subsistence Regional Advisory Council**

Yupit Piciryarait Cultural Center  
420 Chief Eddie Hoffman Highway  
Bethel, Alaska

February 27 – 28, 2013

9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P. M. each day or until meeting is concluded

**DRAFT AGENDA**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Public comments are welcome for each agenda item and for regional concerns not included on the agenda. The Council appreciates hearing your concerns and knowledge. Please fill out a comment form to be recognized by the Council chair. Time limits may be set to provide opportunity for all to testify and keep the meeting on schedule.

**PLEASE NOTE:** These are estimated times and the agenda is subject to change. Contact staff for the current schedule. Evening sessions are at the call of the chair.

\*Asterisk identifies action item.

- 1. **Call to Order (Chair)**
- 2. **Roll Call and Establish a Quorum (Secretary)**..... 4
- 3. **Invocation**
- 4. **Welcome and Introductions (Chair)**
- 5. **Housekeeping items (Council Coordinator)**
- 6. **Review and Adopt Agenda\*(Chair)**
- 7. **Election of Officers\***
  - A. Chair
  - B. Vice-Chair
  - C. Secretary
- 8. **Appointments\***
  - A. Lower Yukon River Coordinating Fisheries Committee (CFC)
  - B. Lower Kuskokwim Coordinating Fisheries Committee (CFC)
  - C. Kuskokwim Salmon Working Group Representative
- 9. **Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes\* (Chair)**
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- A. Confirm date and location of fall 2013 meeting on September 25-26, 2013, in Saint Mary’s, Alaska\*
- B. Select date and location of winter 2014 meeting\*

**16. Closing Comments (Council)**

**17. Adjourn (Chair)**

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