

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS
OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF GAME AND
MEETING OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF GAME**

The Alaska Board of Game proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with the use and taking of game in Game Management Unit 23, including

5 AAC 85.025, Hunting seasons and bag limits for caribou, is proposed to be changed regarding the hunting seasons and bag limits for caribou in Unit 23 in defined guide-outfitter guide use areas.

5 AAC 92.540, Controlled use areas, is proposed to be changed regarding the dates for the use of aircraft in any manner for big game hunting in the Noatak Controlled Use Area in Unit 23.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the changes, by submitting written comments to the Alaska Board of Game, Boards Support Section at P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526, or by fax to (907) 465-6094. The comments must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. June 27, 2008**. Written comments received are public records and are subject to public inspection. Written comments over 100 single-sided or 50 double-sided pages in length from any one individual or group will not be accepted.

Notice is given that the Alaska Board of Game (board) will consider these proposed regulation changes at a special teleconference meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 2, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. At this meeting, the board also intends to make emergency regulations permanent dealing with predator control implementation plans as follows:

1. Wolf control programs in Units 12, 16(A) and (B), 20(B), 20(D), 20(E), and 25(C).
2. Brown bear control program in Unit 20(E).
3. Black bear control program in Units 16(A) and (B).

The board adopted these emergency regulations on March 21, 2008 as a result of a court order. The board issued a **NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF EMERGENCY REGULATIONS** regarding the emergency regulations on March 26, 2008. The emergency regulations took effect March 21, 2008 and will expire July 18, 2008, unless made permanent.

The board will not be taking oral public testimony during the teleconference. The meeting is open to the public. Listen-only teleconference sites will be available in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, and Kotzebue at the following Department of Fish and Game offices and the Northwest Arctic Borough office locations as follows:

Anchorage ADF&G
Aerie Conference Rm, # 2035
333 Raspberry Road
Anchorage, AK 99518

Fairbanks ADF&G
1300 College Road
Fairbanks, AK 99701

Juneau ADF&G
1255 W. 8th Street, Room 297
Juneau, AK 99801

Northwest Arctic Borough
Assembly Chambers
163 Lagoon Street
Kotzebue, AK 99752

A live audio stream of the board meeting will be available on the Department of Fish and Game Boards Support website at: <http://www.boards.adfg.state.ak.us/gameinfo/index.php>.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Kristy Tibbles at (907) 465-4110 no later than June 23, 2008 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

For a copy of the proposed regulation changes or the emergency regulations, contact the Board Support Section at the address above or go to the Board Support website at: www.boards.adfg.state.ak.us.

After the public comment period ends, the board will either adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulation or the original emergency regulations, and may include other provisions dealing with the same subject. **YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.**

Statutory Authority: AS 16.05.255; AS 16.05.258; AS 16.05.270

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 16.05.255; AS 16.05.256; AS 16.05.258; AS 16.05.407; AS 16.05.346; AS 16.05.340; AS 16.05.330; AS 16.05.783; and AS 16.30.010 – 030.

Fiscal Information: The regulations are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: May 30, 2008



Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director
Alaska Board of Game

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION
(AS 44.62.190(d))

1. Adopting agency: Alaska Board of Game
2. General subject of regulation: Predator Control Implementation Plans and Arctic Region regulations.
3. Citation of regulation (may be grouped): 5 AAC 92 and 85
4. Reason for the proposed action:
 - compliance with federal law
 - compliance with new or changed state statute
 - compliance with court order
 - development of program standards
 - other: (please list) Accepted Agenda Change Request
5. RDU/component affected: Natural Resources and all RDUs.
6. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding (in thousands of dollars): It is not possible to estimate the costs. However, these actions are not expected to require any additional costs.
7. The name of the contact person for the regulations:

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8. The origin of the proposed action:
 - staff of state agency
 - federal government
 - general public
 - petition for regulation change
 - other (please list) Compliance with court order.
9. Date: May 30, 2008

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