

Additional Region IV Comments, from the Anchorage Fish and Game Advisory Committee Proposals that were submitted, or added after the Booklet was published.

The ACC took these proposal up at their 2/3/15 meeting.

Committee members present: Joel Doner, Chair, George Jacoby, Vice-Chair, Sam Albanese, Secretary, Neil Dewitt, Jim Bolgiano, Steve Flory, Phil Calhoun, Frank Neumann, Mark Campbell, Robert Peck, Michael Klehr, Kevin Taylor, Robert Caywood, Ehren Strahn, Brian Nelson Alt

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Dwight Johnson was excused

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BOG	201	Salvage of game meat. Furs, and hides.
	0	14 Frank moved that we should support proposal 201 – seconded. Clarify the language of salvaging wounded game. Steve explained that the definition of take is when an animal is wounded. The use of an airplane to find the wounded animal, then to kill the wounded animal. The letter of law does not match the intent. The intent is to finish off the wounded animal. 0 Support, 14 Opposed, One abstain. Opposed, didn't like the idea of replacing the word reasonable, with lawful. The current language is clear enough. 1 Abstained vote. Didn't have enough information to make an informed decision.
BOG	207	Unlawful methods of taking big game exceptions. Modify Sheep hunting opportunities.
	9	6 Frank moved to support proposal 207. Seconded. This proposal is to change use of aircraft. Steve motioned we take no action on this for reasons previously stated about sheep hunting. 9 Support, 6 Opposed. TNA. Postpone our vote, waiting to see what comes out of the Sheep Town Hall meeting. If this proposal and the others move forward then the ACC would like to see it taken up at the March BOG meeting in Anchorage.
BOG	208	Hunting seasons and bag limits for Dall Sheep
	10	0 Frank moved to support proposal 208. Seconded. Steve moved we take no action. 15 Support, 0 Opposed. TNA. Postpone our vote, waiting to see what comes out of the Sheep Town Hall meeting. If this proposal and the others move forward then the ACC would like to see it taken up at the March BOG meeting in Anchorage.
BOG	209	Hunting seasons and bag limits for black bear. Unit 6D
		 Frank moved we support 209. Seconded. Frank stated he didnt know much about hunting black bears in this area, having never participated in it. The Whittier AC said they have had a lot of bear harvest and F&G supports this. The allowable harvest has increased. Steve asked, has the cost to the local community been considered. Steve motioned we take no action. Robert Peck said quite a few of us hunt there. We should consider it. There are not as many bears as there use to be in PWS. He does not think this is a bad idea. 3-12 vote to take no action failed.

	6	8	<p>Robert Caywood said there used to be a lot more bears, said this might take bear hunters out of one area and into areas where we need more bear hunting.</p> <p>Joel said in his opinion going to a bear once every three years will limit us. Until there is a proposal to limit non-resident, this will only limit us.</p> <p>Phil said you would see all the bears you want in the fall along the salmon streams. The season is already limited.</p> <p>Robert Peck said at Coghill Lake you could choose a bear 6 years ago, now there are not that many.</p> <p>Steve asked Mumford if this would be an enforcement problem.</p> <p>6 Support, 8 Opposed, 1 Abstain. Opposed. Limited local Alaskan resident hunters too much. The first step would be to limit nonresident hunters.</p> <p>The one abstain vote didn't know enough about the area.</p>
BOG	210	Hunting seasons and bag limits for black bear. Unit 6D	
	14	1	<p>Frank moved we support 210. Seconded</p> <p>This one establishes a registration hunt in PWS.</p> <p>14 Support, 1 Opposed. Support. Favored this over proposal 209. Gives the department real time hunter participation, and pressure.</p>
BOG	211	Hunting seasons and bag limits for black bear. Unit 6D. Modify season dates	
	14	1	<p>Frank moved we support proposal 211. Seconded.</p> <p>Shorten the season to Sept 25 through June 10.</p> <p>Steve said this would reduce the harvest. We don't have enough bear in this area.</p> <p>14 Support, 1 Opposed. Support</p>
BOG	212	Controlled Use Areas. 6B	
			<p>Frank motioned support for proposal 212. Seconded.</p> <p>It is a controlled use area proposal.</p> <p>Steve hates controlled use areas. It is a NIB idea.</p> <p>Robert Peck motioned we take no action. Seconded</p> <p>Passed unanimously.</p> <p>TNA, Not enough local knowledge of the area, or situation.</p>