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**ALASKA BOARD OF GAME  
October 4, 2017 - Teleconference**

**Meeting Summary**

The Board of Game (board) met by teleconference on Wednesday, October 4, 2017. Seven board members were present: Chairman Ted Spraker, Vice-Chairman Nate Turner, Stosh Hoffman, Teresa Sager Albaugh, Karen Linnell, Larry Van Daele, and Tom Lamal. The purpose of the board meeting was to consider an agenda change request (ACR #1) requesting a registration moose hunt be opened in Unit 19A. This was the only ACR submitted to the board for the 2017/2018 meeting cycle.

Meeting materials including the audio recording are available on the Board of Game meeting information website at: [www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=10-04-2017&meeting=tele](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=10-04-2017&meeting=tele).

Board Action on the Agenda Change Request:

C ACR #1: Open a registration hunt for moose in Units 19A. *The board accepted the ACR by a vote of 4-3, and scheduled it for consideration at the Central/Southwest Region meeting in February 2018.*

Other Business:

The Department of Law (DOL) updated the board that the USF&WS announced a decision not to list Pacific walrus as “threatened” under the Endangered Species Act. The board was also informed that DOL intends to provide information to the board at the November 9, 2017 Work Session concerning the recent 9th Circuit Court of Appeals decision on the John Sturgeon litigation concerning state water rights.

Member Hoffman requested the board write a letter to the Attorney General requesting an opinion analyzing the authority of the board and/or the Department of Fish and Game to enforce community subsistence harvest hunt conditions. The board did not take action, but will add the topic to the November 9, 2017 Work Session agenda with an intent to review a draft letter to act upon.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:30 pm.