

### CALL FOR PROPOSALS ALASKA BOARD OF GAME 2025/2026 MEETING CYCLE

# The Alaska Board of Game calls for proposed changes to hunting and trapping regulations for the Southeast and Southcentral Regions.

#### PROPOSAL DEADLINE: THURSDAY. MAY 1. 2025

The Alaska Board of Game (board) is accepting proposed changes for hunting and trapping regulations for the Southeast Region (Game Management Units 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5) and the Southcentral Region (Game Management Units 6, 7, 8, 14C, and 15) including the following topics:

Hunting seasons and bag limits including subsistence and general hunts for all species; trapping seasons and bag limits; big game prey populations and objectives for intensive management; predation control areas implementation plans; restricted areas including controlled use areas, management areas, closed areas, and closures in state game refuges.

Proposed changes to 5 AAC Chapter 92, Statewide Provisions, specific to Game Management Units (GMUs) within the Southeast and Southcentral Regions will also be accepted, excluding changes to Game Management Unit Boundaries. This includes regulations under the categories of general provisions, permits, permit conditions and provisions, methods and means, possession and transportation, and the use of game. Proposed changes to these provisions must specify the applicable Game Management Units in order to be accepted.

#### The following topics will be considered for <u>all</u> Game Management Units:

Brown Bear Tag Fee Exemptions Reauthorization of Antlerless Moose Hunts (*State statute requires all antlerless moose hunts be reauthorized annually.*)

#### Proposals may be submitted by mail, fax, or online:

Online: <u>boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov</u>

 Mail:
 ADF&G, Boards Support Section

 P.O. Box 115526
 Juneau, AK 99811-5526

 Fax:
 (907) 465-6094

## Proposals must be received by <u>Thursday, May 1, 2025</u>, at the Boards Support Section office in <u>Juneau</u>. (A postmark is <u>NOT</u> sufficient for timely receipt).

You are encouraged to submit proposals at the earliest possible date on Board of Game proposal forms available from the Boards Support Section regional offices and on the website at: <u>boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov</u>. All proposals must contain an individual's first and last name a n d an organizational name if appropriate, contact telephone number, and address. Please specify the applicable region or Game Management Unit on the proposal form.

The board encourages individuals or organizations to communicate and coordinate with others in the development of proposals. Local fish and game advisory committees (AC) are an excellent resource and the collective knowledge and experience within ACs may help improve proposals. Information about the 84 local fish and game advisory committees around the state is available at <a href="https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.advisory">https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.advisory</a>. You can also work with area staff from the Department of Fish and Game to better understand the current regulations, and what the effect(s) of your proposed change may be. Area staff contact information can be found on the ADF&G website at <a href="https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=contacts.main">https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.advisory</a>.

Providing clarity on the proposal form helps the board, advisory committees, and the public more fully understand the proposed regulatory changes. Proposals that are incomplete or unclear may be omitted from the proposal book. You are encouraged to contact the Boards Support Section staff if you have questions or need assistance with completing the proposal form. Proposals published in the proposal book will be referenced with the appropriate Alaska Administrative Code citation and include a brief description of the action requested. Proposals with emotionally charged language will be rejected or redacted as they detract from the substance of the proposal, may draw opposition not germane to the element(s) of the proposal, and may elicit nonresponsive charges from the public/board members. Proposals not meeting this call or submitted late will not be published.

Proposal books will be available to the advisory committees, agencies, and the public at <u>boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov</u> for review and comment.

Proposals received per the above "Call for Proposals" deadline will be considered by the Board of Game at their Southeast Region meeting scheduled for January 23 – 27, 2027 in Wrangell, and Southcentral Region meeting scheduled for March 20 – 25, 2026 in Kodiak. For more information, please contact the ADF&G Boards Support Section at (907) 465-6098, or email <u>kristy.tibbles@alaska.gov</u>.