

document announcing the dates of public meetings and indicating that more detailed information related to the meetings would be published at a later date (71 FR 54792). This document provides detailed information regarding the actual location of the public meetings and topics to be discussed.

### Background and Purpose

The thirty-four permanent safety zones proposed in the NPRM will be located throughout the Great Lakes in order to accommodate the training needs of 57 separate Coast Guard units. The proposed safety zones are all located more than three nautical miles from the shoreline. Establishing permanent training areas serves to notify the public and solicit its input on selection of the training locations.

The proposed safety zones will be enforced only when training is conducted, and then only after notice by the Captain of the Port for the area in which the exercise will be held. The Captain of the Port will use all appropriate means to effect the widest publicity among the affected segments of the public, including publication in the **Federal Register** if practicable, in accordance with 33 CFR 65.7(a). Such means of notification may also include, but are not limited to, Broadcast Notice to Mariners or Local Notice to Mariners. The appropriate Captain of the Port will also issue a Broadcast Notice to Mariners and Local Notice to Mariners notifying the public when enforcement of a live fire exercise safety zone is suspended.

Interested individuals are encouraged to attend the open house forums and public meetings, provide comments and ask questions about the weapons training areas.

### Meeting Times and Topics

The meetings are expected to run from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. (local). We may end the meetings early if there are no additional comments or questions. Topics to be covered during the public meetings include the following:

- (1) Introduction of the proposed zones and the need to train on the Great Lakes;
- (2) How the Coast Guard determined the locations of the zones;
- (3) Scheduling and frequency of training in the zones;
- (4) Notification procedures;
- (5) Safety procedures;
- (6) Weapons and munitions; and
- (7) Environmental risk assessment overview.

Before the start of the formal public meetings, from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. (local), the Coast Guard is hosting an open house so that the public can speak

with Coast Guard personnel and obtain more information on the proposed zones.

### Procedure

Each open house and meeting is open to the public. Ideally, comments will provide specific information and facts related to the impact of the zone(s) on the commenter. Detailed and focused comments will enable the Coast Guard to address identified areas of concern in the rulemaking process. Please note that the meeting may close early if all business is finished. If you are unable to attend, you may submit comments to the Docket Management Facility at the address under **ADDRESSES** by November 13, 2006.

### Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

If you plan to attend any of the public meetings and require special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, please contact us as indicated in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Requests for special assistance should reach the Coast Guard within 7 business days of the meeting you plan to attend.

Dated: September 21, 2006.

**John E. Crowley, Jr.,**

*Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Ninth Coast Guard District.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### 36 CFR Part 242

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### 50 CFR Part 100

#### RIN 1018-AU92

### Subsistence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska; Kenai Peninsula Subsistence Resource Region

**AGENCIES:** Forest Service, Agriculture; Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** We, the Federal Subsistence Board, are extending the comment period through November 9, 2006, on the proposed rule that would amend the regulations governing subsistence use of fish and wildlife in Alaska by creating

an additional subsistence resource region for the Kenai Peninsula.

**DATES:** The comments period on the proposed rule is extended through November 9, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments electronically to [Subsistence@fws.gov](mailto:Subsistence@fws.gov) or via the Federal E-Rulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for file format and other information about electronic filing. You may also submit written comments to the Office of Subsistence Management, 3601 C Street, Suite 1030, Anchorage, AK 99503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general subsistence management program questions, contact Pete Probasco at (907) 786-3888. For Forest Service questions, contact Steve Kessler, Regional Subsistence Program Leader, USDA-FS Alaska Region, at (907) 786-3592.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

In Title VIII of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) (16 U.S.C. 3111-3126), Congress found that "the situation in Alaska is unique in that, in most cases, no practical alternative means are available to replace the food supplies and other items gathered from fish and wildlife which supply rural residents dependent on subsistence uses \* \* \* " and that "continuation of the opportunity for subsistence uses of resources on public and other lands in Alaska is threatened \* \* \* " As a result, Title VIII requires, among other things, that the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretaries) implement a joint program to grant a preference for subsistence uses of fish and wildlife resources on public lands in Alaska, unless the State of Alaska enacts and implements laws of general applicability that are consistent with ANILCA and that provide for the subsistence definition, preference, and participation specified in Sections 803, 804, and 805 of ANILCA.

The State implemented a program that the Department of the Interior previously found to be consistent with ANILCA. However, in December 1989, the Alaska Supreme Court ruled in *McDowell v. State of Alaska* that the rural preference in the State subsistence statute violated the Alaska Constitution. The Court's ruling in *McDowell* required the State to delete the rural preference from its subsistence statute and, therefore, negated State compliance with ANILCA. The Court stayed the effect of the decision until July 1, 1990. As a result of the *McDowell* decision,

the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture (Departments) assumed, on July 1, 1990, responsibility for implementation of Title VIII of ANILCA on public lands. On June 29, 1990, the Temporary Subsistence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska were published in the **Federal Register** (55 FR 27114).

#### **Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils**

Pursuant to the Subsistence Management Regulations for Federal Public Lands in Alaska, April 6, 1992, and the Subsistence Management Regulations for Federal Public Lands in Alaska, 36 CFR 242.11 (2002) and 50 CFR 100.11 (2002), and for the purposes identified therein, we divided Alaska into 10 subsistence resource regions, each of which is represented by a Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Council (Regional Council). The Regional Councils provide a forum for residents of the regions, who have personal knowledge of local conditions and resource requirements, to have a meaningful role in the subsistence management of fish and wildlife on Alaska public lands. The Regional Council members represent varied geographical, cultural, and user diversity within each region.

#### **Comments and Extension of Comment Period on the Proposed Rule**

The Kenai Peninsula has unique fish and wildlife management challenges due to intense use of the Peninsula's fish and wildlife by local and nonlocal residents and by nonresidents, and due to the recent Board actions to begin to provide a meaningful subsistence priority for fisheries in Federally managed fresh waters on the Kenai Peninsula. Kenai Peninsula lands primarily under Federal management include the Chugach National Forest and the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge.

On August 14, 2006, the Board published a proposed rule (71 FR 46427) related to the establishment of a new Kenai Peninsula Subsistence Resource Region. During a Southcentral Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Council meeting held in Anchorage, Alaska on August 24, 2006, we heard significant testimony regarding the creation of a new Kenai Peninsula Subsistence Resource Region. Additionally, the Southcentral Regional Council unanimously recommended against the formation of such a region without providing more opportunity for public input. Letters from the public also strongly recommended providing more opportunity for public input.

Therefore, the comment period on that proposed rule is extended through November 9, 2006. Prior to that date, the Board will hold public meetings on the Kenai Peninsula to receive testimony and discuss the proposed Kenai Peninsula Subsistence Resource Region. The specific time and place will be noticed in local and regional newspapers and by press release. You may submit electronic comments (preferred method) as a PDF or MS Word file, avoiding the use of any special characters and any form of encryption.

Dated: September 19, 2006.

**Peter J. Probasco,**

*Acting Chair, Federal Subsistence Board.*

Dated: September 19, 2006.

**Steve Kessler,**

*Subsistence Program Leader, USDA-Forest Service.*

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

### **40 CFR Part 82**

**[EPA-HQ-OAR-2005-0087; FRL-8223-5]**

**RIN-2060-AM24**

### **Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Listing of Substitutes for Ozone-Depleting Substances—Fire Suppression and Explosion Protection**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to list four substitutes for ozone-depleting substances (ODSs) in the fire suppression and explosion protection sector as acceptable subject to use conditions under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Significant New Alternatives Policy (SNAP) program. SNAP implements section 612 of the Clean Air Act, as amended in 1990, which requires EPA to evaluate substitutes for ODSs and find them acceptable where they do not pose a greater overall risk to human health and the environment than other acceptable substitutes.

**DATES:** Comments must be received in writing by October 27, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2005-0087 by one of the following methods:

- *www.regulations.gov:* Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* OAR Docket and Information Center, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode 6102T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. To expedite review, a second copy of the comments should be sent to Bella Maranion at the address listed below under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

- *Hand Delivery:* Air and Radiation Docket, EPA Docket Center, EPA/DC, EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20004. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

*Instructions:* Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2005-0087. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at

*www.regulations.gov*, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through *www.regulations.gov* or e-mail. The *www.regulations.gov* Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through *www.regulations.gov* your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

*Docket:* All documents in the docket are listed in the *www.regulations.gov* index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information