

1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321). It should be noted that the actual grant of a waiver pursuant to this notice may require environmental review. If this occurs, the environmental considerations will be assessed at that time and in that context.

*Executive Order 13132, Federalism.* Executive Order 13132 (entitled “Federalism”) prohibits, to the extent practicable and permitted by law, an agency from promulgating a regulation that has federalism implications and either imposes substantial direct compliance costs on state and local governments and is not required by statute, or preempts state law, unless the relevant requirements of section 6 of the Executive Order are met. The statement of policy sets forth only the procedures for granting waivers of regulations and directives, and for notifying the public of the waiver. Accordingly, this statement of policy does not have federalism implications and does not impose substantial direct compliance costs on state and local governments or preempt state law within the meaning of the Executive Order.

*Authority:* Sections 7(d) and 7(q) of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Act, 42 U.S.C. 3535(d) and 3535(q).

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council Meetings for 2025**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Subsistence Board (Board) announces the public meetings of the 10 Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils (Councils) for the winter and fall cycles of 2025. The Councils each meet approximately twice a year to provide advice and recommendations to the Board about subsistence hunting and fishing issues on Federal public lands in Alaska.

**DATES:**

*Winter 2025 Meetings:* The Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils will meet between February 18, 2025, and April 2, 2025, as shown in table 1 in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

*Fall 2025 Meetings:* The Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils will meet between September 16, 2025, and October 30, 2025, as shown in table 2 in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

Teleconferences will substitute for in-person meetings if public health or safety restrictions are in effect. For more information about accessing the meetings, including start times and whether meetings will be in person or via teleconference, visit <https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions>.

All meetings are open to the public. For more information, see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

**ADDRESSES:** Specific information about meeting locations and the final agendas can be found at <https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Chair, Federal Subsistence Board, c/o U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; Attention: Ameer Howard, Deputy Assistant Regional Director, Office of Subsistence Management; (907) 786-3888 (phone) or [subsistence@fws.gov](mailto:subsistence@fws.gov) (email). For questions specific to National Forest System lands, contact Gregory Risdahl, Subsistence Program Leader, (907) 302-7354 (phone) or [gregory.risdahl@usda.gov](mailto:gregory.risdahl@usda.gov) (email). Individuals in the United States who are deaf, blind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make

international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

*Reasonable Accommodations:* The Board is committed to providing access to these meetings for all participants. Please make requests in advance for sign language interpreter services, assistive listening devices, language translation services, or other reasonable accommodations. We ask that you contact Katerina Wessels, (907) 786-3885 (phone), [katerina\\_wessels@fws.gov](mailto:katerina_wessels@fws.gov) (email), at least 7 business days prior to the meeting to give the Department of the Interior sufficient time to process your request. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case-by-case basis.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Board announces the 2025 public meeting schedule for the 10 Councils, in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. ch. 10). Established in 1993, the Councils are statutory Federal advisory committees that provide a public forum for their regions and recommendations to the Board about subsistence hunting, trapping, and fishing issues on Federal public lands in Alaska, as authorized by section 805 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA; 16 U.S.C. 3111-3126).

The Councils are a crucial link between federally qualified subsistence users and the Board. The Board is a multi-agency body that includes representatives of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and U.S. Forest Service, as well as a chair and two public members who are appointed by the Secretary of the Interior with the concurrence of the Secretary of Agriculture.

Each Council meets approximately two times per calendar year, once in the winter and once in the fall, to attend to business and develop proposals and recommendations to the Board.

*Winter 2025 Meetings:* The Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils will meet between February 18, 2025, and April 2, 2025, as shown in table 1.

TABLE 1—WINTER 2025 MEETINGS OF THE ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCILS

Regional advisory council	Dates	Location (if in person)
Southeast Alaska—Region 1	March 18–20	Sitka.
Southcentral Alaska—Region 2	March 12–13	Cordova.
Kodiak/Aleutians—Region 3	March 6–7	Kodiak.
Bristol Bay—Region 4	February 18–19	Naknek.
Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta—Region 5	March 4–5	Bethel.
Western Interior—Region 6	February 25–26	McGrath.
Seward Peninsula—Region 7	April 1–2	Nome.
Northwest Arctic—Region 8	March 27–28	Kotzebue.

TABLE 1—WINTER 2025 MEETINGS OF THE ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCILS—Continued

Regional advisory council	Dates	Location (if in person)
Eastern Interior—Region 9 .....	February 19–20 .....	Fairbanks.
North Slope—Region 10 .....	February 24–25 .....	Utqiagvik.

Fall 2025 Meetings: The Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils will meet between September 16, 2025, and October 30, 2025, as shown in table 2.

TABLE 2—FALL 2025 MEETINGS OF THE ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCILS

Regional advisory council	Dates	Location (if in person)
Southeast Alaska—Region 1 .....	September 30–October 2 .....	TBD.
Southcentral Alaska—Region 2 .....	October 14–15 .....	Anchorage.
Kodiak/Aleutians—Region 3 .....	September 17–18 .....	Larsen Bay.
Bristol Bay—Region 4 .....	October 29–30 .....	Dillingham.
Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta—Region 5 .....	October 21–23 .....	Anchorage.
Western Interior—Region 6 .....	October 7–8 .....	Fairbanks.
Seward Peninsula—Region 7 .....	October 14–15 .....	Nome.
Northwest Arctic—Region 8 .....	October 27–28 .....	Kotzebue.
Eastern Interior—Region 9 .....	October 7–9 .....	Manley Hot Springs.
North Slope—Region 10 .....	September 16–17 .....	Utqiagvik.

**Meeting Agendas**

*Winter 2025 Meetings*

- General Council business: Review and adoption of agenda; election of officers; review and approval of previous meeting minutes; Council Chair and members reports; public and Tribal comments on non-agenda items.
- Develop proposals and accept public comments on potential changes to regulations for subsistence take of wildlife.
- Review and approve Annual Report.
- Review and propose changes to the Council charter.
- Agency, Tribal governments, State of Alaska, and nongovernmental organizations reports.
- Future meeting dates.

*Fall 2025 Meetings*

- General Council business: Review and adoption of agenda; review and approval of previous meeting minutes; Council Chair and members reports; public and Tribal comments on non-agenda items.
- Prepare recommendations and accept public comments on proposals to change subsistence take of wildlife regulations and review and prepare recommendations on wildlife closures.
- Define issues for upcoming Annual Report.
- Agency, Tribal governments, Native organizations, State of Alaska, and nongovernmental organizations reports.
- Future meeting dates.

A notice will be published with specific dates, times, and meeting locations in local and statewide newspapers prior to both series of meetings; in addition, announcements will be made on local radio stations and posted on social media and the Federal Subsistence Management Program website (<https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions>). Locations and dates may change based on weather or local circumstances. A teleconference will substitute for an in-person meeting if public health or safety restrictions are in effect. The final draft agendas, call-in numbers, instructions on how to participate and provide public comments, and other related meeting information will be posted on the Federal Subsistence Management Program website and on social media at <https://www.facebook.com/subsistencealaska/>. Transcripts of the meetings are maintained by the program and will generally be available for public inspection within 14 days after each meeting at <https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions>.

**Public Submission of Comments**

Time will be allowed for any individual or organization wishing to present oral or written comments. If you are not available to submit your comments, you may have another party present your comments on your behalf. Any written comments received will be presented to the Council members by staff.

**Public Availability of Comments**

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifiable information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can request, in your comment, to withhold your personally identifiable information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.  
*Authority:* 5 U.S.C. ch. 10.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Indian Affairs**

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**Annual Meeting of Federal Partners and Tribal 477 Workgroup Under Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Act of 2017**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.