



Greetings Advisory Committee Members,

The start of the 2025/2026 regulatory cycle is upon us, and the proposal books for the Boards of Fisheries and Game are now available online for viewing and in the mail to members serving on those ACs having jurisdiction for the regions and fisheries being considered by the boards. Proposal sections that affect multiple ACs, such as Statewide BOF, are being distributed more widely.

To help you prepare for the upcoming meetings, board meeting dates and deadlines are provided below, along with weblinks to access helpful information.

As the AC meetings kick off this cycle, we want to remind members and inform those who are new to the process to please maintain a respectful environment for everyone including members of the public, staff members, and each other. While it is the responsibility of the committee chair to maintain order and appropriate conduct during AC meetings, any participant can call for a point of order when offensive or disruptive dialogue occurs. Below is a link to the Department of Fish and Game's Respectful Workplace Code of Conduct Policy, which we ask everyone to review. Together, let's commit to fostering productive and collaborative meetings.

We also want to remind AC members that in March 2024, the Joint Boards of Fisheries and Game adjusted regulations concerning vacancies and alternates. The new regulation requires a chair, or Boards Support when the chair is unable, to declare a vacancy when a member's term has expired or is set to expire. To comply with the regulation, ACs and Boards Support will need to be diligent about scheduling elections as the membership terms expire. Board Support staff members will guide you through the process changes as ACs hold elections and appoint alternates.

Finally, please be aware Boards Support is implementing a travel policy that applies to Board of Game and Fisheries meetings. Advisory committee members will be required to notify Boards Support Section with the traveler's information at least two weeks in advance of a board meeting. For those times when an AC is unable to meet more than two weeks prior to a board meeting to select a representative, the AC chairperson can designate a representative, including him/herself so that Boards Support can make the arrangements. Please read the Boards Support travel policy online at:

https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/regulations/regprocess/PDFs/acmanforms/ac_travel.pdf.

Additionally, we want to remind all travelers that TSA requires compliant, photo identification such as a REAL ID, passport, or a federally recognized tribal card. For more information, visit:

<https://www.tsa.gov/travel/security-screening/identification>.

As always, we thank you for your time and effort to serve on the advisory committee and the contribution you make to the management decisions of Alaska's fish and wildlife resources. Please reach out to your Boards Support regional coordinator or the board executive directors if you have any questions or would like more information on any policies outlined in this email. <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.regcoordinators>



Dates, Locations, and Comment Deadlines for Upcoming Board Meetings:

Board of Fisheries Meeting: Work Session - ACRs, Cycle Organization, Stocks of Concern
October 28-29, 2025 in Anchorage, AK at the Egan Civic & Convention Center
Comment Deadline: October 13, 2025

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo&date=10-28-2025&meeting=anchorage>

Board of Fisheries Meeting: Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Island/Chignik Pacific Cod
October 30-31, 2025 in Anchorage, AK at the Egan Civic & Convention Center
Comment Deadline: October 15, 2025

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo&date=10-30-2025&meeting=anchorage>

Board of Fisheries Meeting: Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim Finfish
November 18-22, 2025 in Fairbanks, AK at Pikes Waterfront Lodge
Comment Deadline: November 3, 2025

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo&date=11-18-2025&meeting=fairbanks>

Board of Fisheries Meeting: Bristol Bay Finfish
January 13-17, 2026 in Anchorage, AK at the Egan Civic & Convention Center
Comment Deadline: December 29, 2025

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo&date=01-13-2026&meeting=anchorage>

Board of Fisheries Meeting: Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Island/Chignik Finfish
February 18-24, 2026 in Anchorage, AK at the Egan Civic & Convention Center
Comment Deadline: February 3, 2026

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo&date=02-18-2026&meeting=anchorage>

Board of Fisheries Meeting: Statewide Finfish & Supplemental Issues
March 17-20, 2026 in Anchorage, AK at the Egan Civic & Convention Center
Comment Deadline: March 2, 2026

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo&date=03-17-2026&meeting=anchorage>



Board of Game Agenda Change Request Deadline: November 1, 2025

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.forms>

Meeting Date: To be announced.

Board of Game Meeting: Work Session

January 22, 2026 in Wrangell, AK at the Nolan Center

Comment Deadline: January 16, 2026

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=01-22-2026&meeting=wrangell>

Board of Game Meeting: Southeast Region

January 23-27, 2026 in Wrangell, AK at the Nolan Center

Comment Deadline: January 9, 2026

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=01-23-2026&meeting=wrangell>

Board of Game Meeting: Southcentral Region

March 20-25, 2026 in Kodiak, AK at the Kodiak Marketplace

Comment Deadline: March 6, 2026

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=03-20-2026&meeting=kodiak>

Board of Fisheries 2026-2027 Proposal Deadline: April 10th, 2026

- Cook Inlet Area Finfish
- Kodiak Area Finfish
- Statewide (except Southeast/Yakutat, and Prince William Sound Tanner Crab) King and Tanner Crab

Call for proposals expected in January 2026

Board of Game 2026-2027 Proposal Deadline: May 1st, 2026

- Interior and Eastern Arctic Region (GMUs 12, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25 26B, 26C)
- Western Arctic / Western Region (GMUs 18, 22, 23, 26A)

Call for proposals expected in January 2026