

June 25, 2025

To the Federal Subsistence Board:

My name is Rachel Fraker, and I am a Tribal Member of the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe and a federally qualified subsistence user. I am writing to express my strong opposition to Wildlife Special Action Request WCR26-02, which would eliminate the federal subsistence priority for the Yakutat moose hunt. This change would open the hunt to all users and take away an essential protection for local families like mine who rely on this harvest to feed our households.

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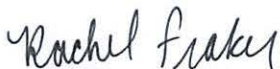
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Rachel Fraker

Yakutat Tlingit Tribal Member

Yakutat, Alaska

Federally Qualified Subsistence User


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Yakutat, Alaska

Supporter of Local Subsistence Users

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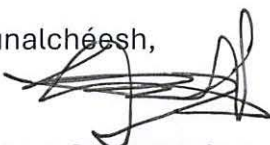
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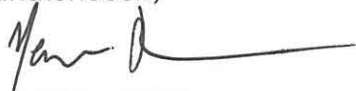
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Joshua Malachi James

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Yakutat, Alaska

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Kristy Schumacher

Yakutat, Alaska

Supporter of Local Subsistence Users

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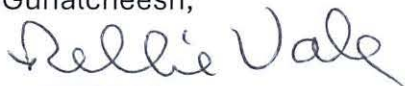
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June 25, 2025

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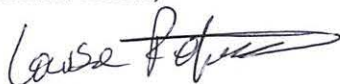
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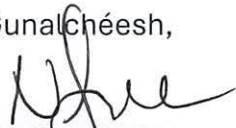
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