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Regulations for the Subsistence Take of Wildlife Published in Federal Register

On July 26, 2022, the Federal Subsistence Board (Board) published the final rule for the Federal Subsistence Management Regulations for the Taking of Wildlife on Federal public lands and waters in Alaska in the Federal Register (87 FR 44846). This final rule revises regulations for seasons, harvest limits, and methods and means related to the taking of wildlife for subsistence uses in Alaska for 2022–23 and 2023–24 regulatory years. This rule also revises customary and traditional use determinations for wildlife, the general regulations, and a deferred proposal from the last fish cycle.

The Departments of the Interior and Agriculture published the proposed rule on February 23, 2021 (86 FR 10899) to amend the wildlife section of subparts C and D of 36 CFR part 242 and 50 CFR part 100. Publication of the proposed rule opened a public proposal and review process. The final rule reflects Board review and consideration of recommendations from the 10 Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils, Tribal and Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act corporation consultations, and public comments.

The revised *Federal Subsistence Management Regulations for the Harvest of Wildlife on Federal Public Lands in Alaska* book is available online at: <https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/wildlife>. Printed copies of the regulations book are expected to be available by August 24 or sooner, and may be obtained at your local field office or by contacting the Office of Subsistence Management at (800) 478-1456 or (907) 786-3888, or by email at subsistence@fws.gov.

The next call for wildlife proposals is scheduled for January 2023.

Members of the public can request an out-of-cycle change in a season, harvest limit, or method of harvest when unusual situations arise, such as a significant change in resource abundance that could not reasonably have been anticipated. More information on submitting a Special Action Request can be found at https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/special-action-request-information-flyer_0.pdf.

Additional information on the Federal Subsistence Management Program may be found on the web at www.doi.gov/subsistence or by visiting www.facebook.com/subsistencealaska.

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