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## Federal Subsistence Board Meeting Advisory

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### **Public Hearings Announced for Federal Subsistence Special Action Requests on the Kuskokwim and Yukon Rivers**

There will be a total of four public meetings held on Fisheries Special Action Requests submitted on the Kuskokwim and Yukon rivers. All Kuskokwim River Fisheries Special Action Requests will be discussed during the following meeting:

#### **Aniak**

1 p.m.; April 9, 2015  
Aniak Community Hall  
Teleconference: 866-560-5984  
Passcode: 12960066

Fisheries Special Action Requests FSA15-02, FSA15-03, FSA15-05, FSA15-07 and FSA15-08, submitted by the Akiak Native Community, Native Village of Napakiak, Native Village of Akiachak, Native Village of Chuathbaluk, and the Native Village of Lower Kalskag, respectively, were received by the Federal Subsistence Board. In summary, the requests ask the Federal Subsistence Board to assume management of all Kuskokwim River salmon stocks as necessary to ensure conservation, important cultural practices and subsistence uses of Chinook Salmon stocks; limit 2015 Kuskokwim Chinook Salmon fisheries to Federally qualified subsistence users; and implement an allocation strategy consistent with Section 804 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) among the Native villages, communities and Federally qualified subsistence users in the Kuskokwim drainage. Several requested implementation of an interim Tribal co-management system for the 2015 season. Any additional Kuskokwim River special action requests received by the Federal Subsistence Board after the date of this release will also be addressed at this meeting.

All Yukon River Fisheries Special Action Requests will be discussed during the following meetings:

#### **Fort Yukon**

5-8 p.m.; April 7, 2015  
Addie Shewfelt Building  
Teleconference: 866-820-9854  
Passcode: 4801802

#### **Galena**

9 a.m.; April 10, 2015  
Larson Charlie Community Hall  
Teleconference: 877-638-8165  
Passcode: 9060609

## St. Mary's

1 p.m.; April 10, 2015

St. Mary's City Hall

Teleconference: 866-916-7020

Passcode: 37311548

Fisheries Special Action Requests FSA14-07 (deferred), FSA14-08 (deferred), FSA15-01, FSA15-04, FSA15-06, FSA15-09 and FSA15-10, submitted by the Native Village of Marshall, Iqurmiut Traditional Council (Russian Mission), Native Village of Algaaciq at St. Mary's, Native Village of Holy Cross, Native Village of Kaltag, Native Village of Marshall and the Native Village of Anvik, respectively, were received by the Federal Subsistence Board. In summary, the requests ask the Federal Subsistence Board to assume management of all Yukon River salmon stocks as necessary to ensure conservation, important cultural practices and subsistence uses of Chinook Salmon stocks; limit the 2015 Yukon Chinook Salmon fisheries to Federally qualified subsistence users; and implement an allocation strategy consistent with Section 804 of ANILCA among the Native villages, communities and other Federally qualified subsistence users in the Yukon drainage. All request implementation of an interim Tribal co-management system for the 2015 season. Any additional Yukon River special action requests received by the Federal Subsistence Board after the date of this release will also be addressed at the meeting.

At the meetings, the public will have the opportunity to provide testimony and comments to representatives of the Federal Subsistence Management Program. Attend these meetings in person or by calling the telephone number provided. When prompted enter the passcode. You may also submit written comments by faxing (907) 786-3333 or E-mail [subsistence@fws.gov](mailto:subsistence@fws.gov). Comments will be forwarded to the Federal Subsistence Board for consideration on the special action requests during an April 16, 2015 work session.

The Federal Subsistence Board is committed to providing access to these meetings for all participants. Please direct all requests for sign language interpreting services, closed captioning, or other accommodation needs to the Office of Subsistence Management by calling (800) 478-1456, by emailing [subsistence@fws.gov](mailto:subsistence@fws.gov), or (800)-877-8339 (TTY), seven business days prior to the meeting you wish to attend.

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