SOUTHCENTRAL SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL Meeting Minutes

Via Teleconference/Videoconference October 13-14, 2021

Invocation

Gloria Stickwan gave an invocation.

Call to Order, Roll Call and Quorum Establishment

The meeting was called to order Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. Council members Ed Holsten, Michael Opheim, Greg Encelewski, Diane Selanoff, Dennis Zadra, Gloria Stickwan, Angela Totemoff, Donna Claus, Andy McLaughlin, Judy Caminer, John Whissel, and Paula Nicklie were present. Aaron Bloomquist was not present and was excused. A quorum was established with 12 of 13 seated Council members participating by phone.

Attendees participating via teleconference:

- Office of Subsistence Management (OSM): Robbin La Vine, Dr. Jonathan (Brent) Vickers, Pippa Kenner, Orville Lind, Jarred Stone, Brian Ubelaker, George Pappas
- USDA Forest Service (USFS), Juneau: DeAnna Perry, Greg Risdahl, Deyna Kuntzsch, Bret Christensen, Steve Namitz, Milo Burcham, Heather Thamm, Jordan Rymer, Andrew Morse, John Brinley, Stephanie Latimer
- Ahtna Intertribal Resource Commission (AITRC): Karen Linnell, Jim Simon, Odin Miller
- Native Village of Eyak (NVE): *Matte Piche*
- Ninilchik Traditional Council (NTC): Darrell Williams
- Seldovia Village Tribe: Michael Opheim
- Chugach Regional Resources Commission (CRRC): Hope Roberts
- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA): Pat Petrivelli, Rosalie Debenham
- Kenai National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS): *Ken Gates, Todd Eskelin*
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service: Jill Klein
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM): *Paul (Chris) McKee, Valerie Lenhartzen, Caroline Ketron, Leanne McDonald*
- National Park Service (NPS), Anchorage: Victoria Florey
- Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve (NPP), NPS: *Barbara Cellarius, David Sarafin, Judy Putera*
- Denali National Park and Preserve (NPP), NPS: Amy Craver
- Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G): *Ben Mulligan, Mark Burch, Charlotte Westing, Heidi Hatcher, Todd Rinaldi, Jason Herreman, Nick Fowler, Jackie Keating*

• Members of the Public: *Nick Docken, Tom Carpenter, Christine Brummer, Dan Schmalzer, Darrel Williams, Dustin* (last name unknown), *LeeAnn Harris*

Review and Adopt Agenda

Motion by Mr. John Whissel, seconded by Mr. Ed Holsten, to adopt the agenda with the following addition:

• Discussion of sending comments on Alaska Board of Game proposals #210, #211, and #213 The motion passed unanimously.

Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by Mr. John Whissel, seconded by Ms. Totemoff, to approve the winter 2021 meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Reports

<u>Edward Holsten</u> of Cooper Landing reported that his community experienced a strong first and second run of Sockeye Salmon and that most subsistence users dipnetting at the falls had a successful season. There are a lot of dead trees resulting from the third year of insect issues and there is concern about potential fire risk in Cooper Landing.

Diane Selanoff of Valdez reported that Pink Salmon were slow in coming in and Chum Salmon was almost non-existent this year. However, King Salmon were in abundance and people were catching them by rod and reel. There is a lot of squid in Valdez Bay and people are harvesting by rod and reel. Deer season seems to be going well.

<u>Dennis Zadra</u> of Cordova reported that there was a dismal early season salmon run on the Copper River for the commercial fleet. Subsistence opportunities were available and people were able to get their fish but overall the health of the Copper River does not seem to be good. It was a decent berry year and the bears are doing well. Goat hunting was pretty good this year and deer hunting is good so far.

<u>Gloria Stickwan</u> of Tazlina reported that there were low runs again for King and Sockeye salmon this year and there were concerns that the King Salmon escapement would not be met. The Sockeye Salmon escapement goal was barely met. There was good summer weather. She reported that there was a bear mauling this year in the Glennallen area.

<u>Angela Totemoff</u> of Anchorage, reported on a good berry picking season in Hatcher Pass. In reporting for Tatitlek and Prince William Sound areas, she shared that it was a cold and rainy summer and that fish runs were pretty low. Although some herring showed up, the seaweed beds weren't in the right areas so they spawned quite deep into the water. King and Sockeye salmon were limited. Coho and Pink salmon runs were very late. A significant increase in seagull populations in the middle of summer was observed as well as more whale sightings. Bears came closer to the community this summer. Berry season was not good due to the wet weather. Deer season is going well.

<u>Donna Claus</u> of the area north of Chitina reported that they experienced incredible amounts (3 times normal) of rain this summer. They have also received the earliest snow she's ever seen in her 40 years living in the area and it is cold. Rod and reel fishing throughout Wrangell-St. Elias was poor; had to go to the coast to find Coho Salmon. Hunting conditions have been miserable, but there seem to be plenty of animals.

<u>Andrew McLaughlin</u> of Chenega Bay reported that there has been less deer harvested so far this year. Bear population is rebounding from the drastic decrease in numbers a few years ago; perhaps this is because of the State's more restrictive registration hunt and the road to Whittier. There is a continued need for Federal subsistence jurisdiction in Prince William Sound marine waters, specifically regarding the traditional use of crabs, shrimp, and other things in the tidal zone. Salmonberries weren't great but blueberries were good. For salmon, no Silver Salmon were caught in the bay and Tribal members had to travel farther to get Red Salmon. The local hatchery may be affecting salmon numbers in the area. Mr. McLaughlin has been made aware of Federal migratory waterfowl seasons closed statewide in certain winter months.

<u>Judy Caminer</u> of Anchorage reported that Anchorage experienced a short summer and have already experienced 15 inches of snow with downed trees. Berries seemed to be good in the area and fish harvest was okay, but the season went fast. She is glad to be back on the Council and is looking forward to becoming more knowledgeable about the current issues affecting Southcentral subsistence users.

<u>Michael Opheim</u> of Seldovia reported that about five healthy bears have been tagged in the area recently. They experienced a good King Salmon run and they are hopeful that rain will come soon and get Silver Salmon moving. Everyone has been pretty successful with hunting.

John Whissel of Cordova reported that the Copper River Sockeye Salmon run was not as good as expected, but the passage was good. In-river abundance was above the upper management limit. Commercial fishery essentially did not fish this year. Most diligent subsistence users were able to get into saltwater to get their fish, but it wasn't an easy year to get Sockeye Salmon. The in-river abundance number for King Salmon has not been released yet, and there's a chance that escapement goals were not met. Pink Salmon were incredibly abundant and the commercial fleet was able to harvest later in the season. The Chum Salmon run was not great. It was a strange berry year as most berries came on late. There has been increased bear activity observed in town, which indicates they did not have a lot to eat in the wild. Deer season is off to a decent start and people are filling their moose tags. He agrees with Mr. McLaughlin that we need to start moving towards subsistence harvest of saltwater resources, at the Federal level, as they do in other communities, and he would like to see a Council workgroup formed for this issue.

<u>Greg Encelewski</u> of Ninilchik reported an extremely poor commercial fishing year. There was a weak return of King Salmon, especially during the second run. Silver Salmon didn't seem to show up and, once again, Pink Salmon seem to be dominating the food chain nowadays. There was a run of Red

Salmon and people were able to get their subsistence fish, but they over-escaped in the Kenai and came in very late. Some community members reported a phenomenal blueberry season. Early moose hunting has been successful on State and Native lands lately. Alder trees are taking over and Ninilchik plans to open local logging roads and trails for people to be able to do subsistence hunting, fishing, and berry picking. There are still some COVID-19 restrictions in the community.

Service Award

Council member, Michael Opheim, was recognized for serving on the Council for ten years.

Old Business

2021 805(c) Report Summary

Council Coordinator DeAnna Perry provided a summary of the Board's 2021 805(c) Report to the Council. This report, which outlines the actions taken by the Federal Subsistence Board (Board) on issues for the Southcentral Region, was printed in the meeting books. Council took no further action.

Nonrural Determination Policy Update

OSM Policy Coordinator Robbin LaVine provided the policy cycle timeline status update and stated that the next steps for Moose Pass that was recently deemed 'rural,' would be to request customary and traditional uses for specific resources. This was not an action item for the Council.

Alaska Board of Fisheries Proposal Comment Update

Council Coordinator DeAnna Perry reminded the Council of its letter (printed in meeting book) to the Alaska Board of Fisheries (BOF), which contained comments on BOF Proposals: #5 – Oppose; #6 – Support; #7 – Support; #8 – Support; #9 & 10 – Support; #14 & 15 – Support; #16 – Support; #18 – Oppose; and #22 – Oppose. Ms. Perry also reminded everyone of the public comment deadline and meeting dates for the 2020-2021 Prince William Sound and Upper Copper & Susitna River Finfish and Shellfish proposals.

Board's FY2020 Annual Report Reply Summary

Council Coordinator DeAnna Perry provided a summary of the Board's FY-2020 Annual Report Reply.

New Business

Wildlife Proposals and Closure Reviews¹

Milo Burcham (USFS), Todd Eskelin (Kenai NWR), Caroline Ketron (BLM), and Judy Putera (NPS) provided brief harvest reports from their respective areas before the Council began discussing wildlife proposals affecting those resources.

¹ For complete testimony/comments/written comment summaries on wildlife proposals by the public, agencies, and interested parties/entities, please review transcripts for October 13-14, 2021

<u>Regional:</u>

WP22-15: Establish trap set-backs for furbearers along trails, road, and in campgrounds (Unit 7)

Motion by Mr. Holsten, seconded by Mr. Whissel, to support WP21-15.

The Council felt that this proposal sought to solve a social issue, not a biological one and that adoption of it would be against ANILCA directives: it would restrict Federal subsistence users more than those trapping under State regulations. Cooper Landing is not incorporated so it is unable to set up its own trapping standards around the community and the Forest Service has declined to address the issue of restricting trapping and setbacks on Forest Service land. The Council believes this user conflict issue is better addressed through Alaska Board of Game in consultation with local user groups. The motion **failed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-16/17/18/19/21/22/23/24/26a: Moose, Caribou, Goat, Sheep: Add Moose Pass to C&T (numerous proposals effecting Units 7, 15A, 15B, 15C) **note: 26a is a statewide proposal*

Amended Motion by Ms. Totemoff, seconded by Mr. Whissel, to **support WP22-16/17/18/19/21/22/** 23/24/26a with modification to include only those lands within Unit 7, 15A, and 15B.

The Council supported this package of proposals to provide resources needed by Moose Pass subsistence users. The evidence presented showed that those residents have been customarily and traditionally using resources in Units 7, 15A, and 15B, but the Council was not comfortable extending that C&T into Unit 15C.

The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote with the Council's intent reflected as follows:

WP22 -		Supported all proposals that dealt with Unit 7 and Units 15A and 15B Supported with modification: removing "Unit 15c" language or opposed those proposals that addressed only Unit 15c)
16	C&T for Moose Pass (Moose - Units 7, 15A, 15B)	Support (duplicate of 17 and 18)
17	C&T for Moose Pass (Moose - Unit 7)	Support
18	C&T for Moose Pass (Moose – Units 15A, 15B)	Support
19	C&T for Moose Pass (Moose – Unit 15C)	Oppose (as it only addresses Unit 15C)
21	C&T for Moose Pass (Caribou – Unit 7)	Support
22	C&T for Moose Pass (Caribou – Unit 15A, 15B, 15C)	Support with modification to remove "Unit 15C"
23	C&T for Moose Pass (Goat – Unit 7 remainder)	Support

	24	C&T for Moose Pass	Support with modification to specify that Unit 15C is
		(Goat – Unit 15)	not included
	26a	C&T for Moose Pass	Support
		(Sheep – Unit 7)	

WP22-20/25a/27: Moose, Sheep: Add Cooper Landing to C&T (numerous proposals effecting Units 7, 15, 15C) *note: 25a and 27 are statewide proposals

Motion by Mr. Opheim, seconded by Mr. Holsten, to **support WP22-20/25a/27**. The Council recognized the competition with non-rural, outside hunters to obtain hunting permits. The motion passed with a majority of votes in favor to one against.

Motion to Reconsider WP22-20/25a/27 by Mr. Whissel, seconded by Mr. Opheim to drop 15C from the Council's previous recommendation. The Council felt that this reconsideration was necessary to address the inconsistency of the Council's C&T recommendations for Moose Pass and those for Cooper Landing. As with the decision on Moose Pass C&T (in WP22-16/17/18/19/21/22/23/24/26a), the Council supported granting C&T for Cooper Landing in Units 7, 15A and 15B, but feels the data does not show proof of use and; therefore, did not support granting C&T in Unit 15C.

The motion to support WP22-20/25a/27 with modification to include only those lands within Unit 7, 15A, and 15B, passed with five votes in favor to four against, with two abstentions.

WP22-28/29: Moose: Extend Season (Unit 7)

Amended Motion by Mr. Holsten, seconded by Ms. Claus, to **support** WP22-28/29 with modification of season dates as "AUGUST 20 – SEPTEMBER 25."

The Council believes this proposal, as modified, provides a priority to Federally-qualified subsistence users by having an extended hunting season. Although this would result in 10 days eliminated from the beginning of the season (changing from Aug. 10 to 20), there would still be ample opportunity for subsistence harvest before the State hunt opens. The addition of extra days towards the end of the season, during prime hunting time (with cooler temperatures), is better for subsistence users harvesting meat. The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-30/31: Moose: Extend Season (Unit 15)

Motion by Ms. Selanoff, seconded by Ms. Totemoff, to support WP22-30/31 with modification of season dates as "AUGUST 20 – SEPTEMBER 25."

The Council voted to align the same season to Unit 15 that it previously recommended for Unit 7 for the same reasons: to provide a preference to the subsistence user and to add hunting opportunities during a time when temperatures are better for meat preservation. Climate change in recent years is a factor in considering extensions of seasons to accommodate users of the resource. The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-32a/b/c/d/e/f Big Game: Establish C&T for community of North Fork (Unit 15)

Motion by Mr. Opheim, seconded by Ms. Caminer, to **support** WP22-32. The Council wanted more information to before establishing C&T for the community of North Fork because they felt the geographic boundary lines were not clearly understood. Also, more data on household use and a possible §804 analysis is needed to consider certain communities taking precedence on the use of limited resources. The rural/nonrural status of an area matters for Federal subsistence preference and access to fish and wildlife resources. In absence of more information, the Council did not want to expand access to resources through C&T to a whole community. The motion **failed** on a unanimous vote.

Crossover:

WP22-14: Increase black bear harvest limits (Unit 6)

Motion by Mr. Whissel, seconded by Mr. Opheim, to support WP22-14.

The Council felt that this proposal would provide additional harvest opportunity; however, the substantial changes would make harvest fairly complicated. The Federally-qualified subsistence harvest is only around one percent of the total take. The Council would like to see the proposal re-written and submitted during the next wildlife cycle, and would support a proposal for harvest of one bear in spring, one in fall, one bear per subunit, and no use of boats. The Council would like to see further scoping and evaluation before harvest is doubled. The motion **failed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-34: Modify salvage requirements for Sheep (Units 11, 12)

Motion by Mr. Opheim, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, to support WP22-34.

The Council understood that this proposal sought to address the potential problem of wanton wasted meat; however, the Council recognized traditional ecological knowledge about Tribal and family harvesting and the efforts and diligence used to salvage all of the meat by subsistence users. If this is an issue regarding sport hunters, it should not be addressed in Federal regulations. Adopting this proposal would be more restrictive than State regulations, and salvaging meat on bone would be an unnecessary hardship on subsistence hunters, especially on those for whom it is increasingly difficult to pack out the extra weight. The motion **failed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-35: Establish season and conduct .804 analysis for Caribou (Unit 11)

Motion by Ms. Stickwan, seconded by Ms. Nicklie, to **support** WP22-35 **with OSM modification to delegate authority to Wrangell-St. Elias National Park Superintendent.**

The Council supported this proposal, which would allow a 'may be announced season.' This would give an opportunity for local people to get caribou and spread the hunt into Unit 11, which could possibly alleviate some of the hunting pressure in Unit 13. Delegation of authority to open and close the hunt helps conservation of Mentasta bulls because the Mentasta and Nelchina Herds will be monitored and the inseason manager can open or close the harvest based on when the Nelchina Herd is in the area. This opportunity benefits Federally qualified subsistence users. The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-36: Establish community hunt in Unit 12, modify community hunts in Units 11, 13

Motion by Mr. Opheim, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, to **support** WP22-36 **with modification to insert additional language "to include only those portions of Unit 12 that lie within the Ahtna Traditional Use Territory."** This proposal is beneficial to subsistence users as it will provide for customary and traditional use of resources in Units 11, 13, and the Ahtna Traditional Use Territory within Unit 12. The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote.

Statewide:

WP22-01: Define participants in a community harvest program and effects on harvest limits

Motion by Ms. Stickwan, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, to **support** WP22-01. The Council supports this proposal based on the information presented. It will clarify that those who are not listed under the community hunt can still hunt under the Federal hunt regulations to meet their subsistence harvest needs and the Ahtna people can continue their customary and traditional ways of hunting. The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-02: Rescind restrictions for designated hunters in areas with community harvest systems in place (Units 6, 9, 10, 22, 23, 26)

Motion by Ms. Stickwan, seconded by Ms. Nicklie, to **support** WP22-02. The Council supports this proposal that will allow members of a community with a community harvest system to designate another person to harvest on their behalf to meet either the individual harvest limit or count towards the community harvest limit. This provides more opportunity for hunting and increases the chances that subsistence users can get meat in their freezer. The ability to meet subsistence harvest needs benefits subsistence users. The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-12: Revise deer hunt areas and season dates (Unit 6)

Motion by Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Mr. Opheim to **support WP22-12 with modification to restrict the harvest limit during the January season to one deer in all of Unit 6.** The Council supports lengthening the season as it will better serve the Federally-qualified user by increasing harvest opportunities and help adaptation to climate change situations (which affect animal travel/migration patterns, etc.). It also recognizes the mobility issues of some hunters and allows more choice for timing a hunt. Removing the 'buck only' requirement will lessen the likelihood of unintentional illegal harvest and decreasing the number of deer to be harvested in January should address any conservation concerns with deer population in Unit 6. This action is supported by local knowledge and biological information presented in the analysis (including consideration of weather conditions during the hunting season), and it benefits subsistence users. The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-13: Add deer to designated hunter list (Unit 6)

Motion by Mr. Whissel, seconded by Mr. Opheim, to **support WP21-13**. The Council offered this proposal to create additional access for harvest by people who are less able to get their own deer; however, after considering the public testimony suggestion for OSM to determine customary and traditional use on this resource before expanding access to all rural residents, the Council was not in favor of recommending this change at this time. C&T determination was beyond the scope of this proposal, so the Council opposed it as written and hopes that the public will submit a proposal for a C&T determination on this issue during the next wildlife cycle. The motion **failed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-25b/26b: Sheep: Establish hunt (Unit 7)

Motion by Mr. Ed Holsten, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, to **support** *WP22-25b/26b* **with OSM modification of one ram with full curl horn or larger by Federal drawing permit and to provide for delegated authority.** The Council believes that a Federal drawing permit hunt is warranted because of the significant interest in hunting sheep in Unit 7. There are few permits given by the State and, under ANILCA, a priority should be extended to the Federal subsistence user. With declines in sheep population in recent years, establishing a preference for rural residents to meet their subsistence harvest

needs and delegating authority to a manager who can manage while protecting discreet sheep populations will provide that priority and additional hunting opportunity to Federally-qualified subsistence users. The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote.

WP22-33: Eliminate black bear sealing requirement (Units 11, 12)

Motion by Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Ms. Claus, to **support** WP22-33. This proposal would align Federal and State regulations and reduce regulatory complexity and user confusion. Eliminating the unnecessary Federal sealing requirement would make harvesting black bear easier on hunters. The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote.

Individual Customary and Traditional Use Proposal (ICTP21-02)

Barbara Cellarius, Subsistence Coordinator for Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve, presented an overview of the analysis conducted for an individual customary and traditional use determination proposal. This proposal requested individual C&T be granted to Kathryn Martin for salmon in the Batzulnetas area of the Copper River drainage, Prince William Sound.

Motion by Ms. Stickwan, seconded by Ms. Totemoff, to **support** ICTP21-02. The Council determined that, based on the information presented, there was sufficient evidence to support this individual customary and traditional use determination. Ms. Martin has a long-established use of this area and utilizes the resources with traditional practices learned from her grandmother, Katie John. The motion **passed** on a unanimous vote.

2022 Fisheries Resource Monitoring Program

Mr. Jarred Stone, OSM fishery biologist, presented the Council with the 2022 Fisheries Resource Monitoring Program (FRMP) Statewide and Southcentral Region overviews. He provided details about the steps in the funding process and a short summary of the projects under consideration. Council members expressed support for some of the projects regarding Copper River fish stocks and Chinook Salmon stocks on the Kenai and Kasilof rivers.

Identifying Issues for FY2021 Annual Report

The Council identified the following topics for inclusion into the FY-2021 Annual Report:

- Customary and Traditional Use Determination: concerns about current procedure/process of making these determinations
- Subsistence Use Amounts: request for information to help the Council support stronger Federal management of salmon on the Copper River
- Jurisdictional Issue to Provide for Federally-Qualified User Harvest: Council wishes to explore co-management strategies to provide for dual jurisdiction in Prince William Sound to afford opportunities for subsistence users under Federal regulations
- Fisheries Resource Monitoring Program Research & Funding: request for options for assisting local entities in procuring funds to continue critical research and monitoring of fish stocks

• Climate Change & Effects on Fish/Shellfish: request an FRMP or other method to obtain information on climate change/ocean acidification that is vital for effective management decisions for resources in Copper River/Prince William Sound areas.

Prince William Sound Fish Workgroup

The Council unanimously voted to form a work group that would work towards a proposal for the upcoming fisheries cycle to establish saltwater finfish and shellfish harvest for Federally-qualified rural residents who live in Prince William Sound. Members: John Whissel, Andy McLaughlin, Gloria Stickwan, Diane Selanoff, Greg Encelewski.

Public Testimony (for complete testimony, please review transcripts for Oct 13-14, 2021)

Karen Linnell, AITRC, requested the Council include the issue of low returns on the Copper River in its letters to the Federal Subsistence Board and Secretary (of Interior/Agriculture) and was disappointed this had not been included in earlier correspondence.

WP21-12 Public Testimony: Tom Carpenter, Copper River/Prince William Sound Advisory Committee (AC) WP21-13 Public Testimony: Tom Carpenter, Copper River/Prince William Sound AC WP21-14 Public Testimony: Tom Carpenter, Copper River/Prince William Sound AC; Nick Docken; Dan Schmalzer WP21-15 Public Testimony: David Nees; Christie Sondrup; Nicole Schmitt, Carol Damberg WP22-16/17/18/19/21/22/23/24/26a Public Testimony: Darrel Williams, Ninilchik Traditional Council; Karen Linnell, AITRC; Willow Hetrick; Seth Wilson; Cork Graham WP22-20/25a/27 Public Testimony: Darrel Williams, NTC WP22-25b/26b Public Testimony: Darrel Williams, NTC WP22-31 Public Testimony: Hope Roberts, Chugach Regional Resources Commission WP22-32 Public Testimony: Cork Graham; Darrel Williams, NTC WP22-33 Public Testimony: Karen Linnell, AITRC; WP22-34 Public Testimony: Seth Wilson WP22-35 Public Testimony: Karen Linnell, AITRC; WP22-01 Public Testimony: Jim Simon, AITRC; Karen Linnell, AITRC WP22-02 Public Testimony: Karen Linnell, AITRC; Jim Simon, AITRC WP22-36 Public Testimony: Karen Linnell, AITRC; Jim Simon, AITRC ICTP21-02 Public Testimony: Karen Linnell, AITRC; Kathryn Martin

Agency Reports:

Agency reports were not presented at this meeting due to the amount of time required to complete the Council's required action items on the agenda. Efforts will be made to reschedule those presentations for the Council's winter meeting in February, 2022.

Future Meeting Dates:

Winter 2022 meeting to be held February 10-11, 2022 in Anchorage.

Fall 2022 meeting to be held October 13-14, 2022 in location to be determined.

The Council also proposed three possible dates for a one-day joint meeting with Eastern Interior Regional Advisory Council, to discuss FP21-10: March 14, 16, and 18 by teleconference

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DeAnna Perry, Designated Federal Officer USDA Forest Service

Greg Encelewski, Chair Southcentral Subsistence Regional Advisory Council

These minutes were approved by the Southcentral Subsistence Regional Advisory Council at its winter 2022 meeting, and any corrections or notations were incorporated in the minutes at that meeting.

A more detailed report of this meeting, copies of the transcript, and meeting handouts are available upon request. Call DeAnna Perry at 1-800-478-1456 or 907-209-7817, or email at deanna.perry@usda.gov.