

EASTERN INTERIOR ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes

Via Teleconference
March 8-9, 2022

Invocation

Jody Potts-Joseph gave an invocation.

Call to Order, Roll Call and Quorum Establishment

The meeting was called to order March 8, 2022 at 9:13am. Council members Sue Entsminger, Andrew Bassich, Linda Evans, William Glanz, Nicholas Henry, Charlie Jagow, Will Koehler, Jody Potts-Joseph, Donald Woodruff, and Robert Wright were present. The Council has no vacant seats. A quorum was established with ten of ten seated Council members present.

Attendees:

Via teleconference

Office of Subsistence Management (OSM)

- Anchorage: Katya Wessels, Scott Ayers, Cory Graham, Pippa Kenner, Liz Williams, Dr. Jason Roberts, Robbin La Vine, Theo Matuskowitz
- Fairbanks: Brooke McDavid

US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)

- Anchorage: Holly Carroll, Jill Klein
- Fairbanks: Gerald Maschmann

National Park Service (NPS)

- Wrangell St. Elias National Park and Preserve: Dr. Barbara Cellarius, Judy Putera, Dave Sarafin
- Denali National Park and Preserve: Amy Craver, Bridget Borg
- Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve: Marcy Okada
- Regional Office: Victoria Florey

Bureau of Land Management, Fairbanks: Jim Herriges

Alaska Department of Fish and Game:

- Division of Sport Fisheries, Fairbanks: Lisa Stuby
- Division of Commercial Fisheries, Fairbanks: Deena Jallen, Christie Gleason, Shane Ransbury, Samantha Decker

Bureau of Indian Affairs, Anchorage: Dr. Glenn Chen

US Forest Service, Anchorage: Greg Risdahl

Tribal Organizations:

- Tanana Chiefs Conference: Bruce Ervin
- Yukon Intertribal Fish Commission: Brooke Woods
- Council of Athabaskan Tribal Governments: Bruce Thomas
- Ahtna Intertribal Resource Commission: Karen Linnell

Other Organizations:

- Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association: Serena Fitka
- Jim Simon Consulting Group: Dr. Jim Simon

Public:

- Dorothy Shockley, Manley Hot Springs/Fairbanks
- Amanda Pope, Circle
- Carrie Stevens, Fairbanks

Review and Adopt Agenda

Motion by Mr. Woodruff, seconded by Mr. Wright, to adopt the agenda as presented with the following changes:

- Move up Temporary Fisheries Special Action FSA22-01, 02, 03, and 04 to agenda item 12C
- Addition of agenda item 12D US Fish and Wildlife Yukon River Presentation
- Nome River Creek Grayling Project presentation was moved up to agenda item 12E
- Addition of agenda item 12G Joint Letter from Yukon Kuskokwim Delta, Western Interior, Seward Peninsula, and Eastern Interior Regional Advisory Councils to the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council on bycatch
- Addition of agenda item 12J House Trapping Bill H.R.4716 Refuge from Cruel Trapping Act
- Addition of Tanana Chiefs Conference report under agenda item 13B
- Addition of Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge Report under agenda item 13D

The motion passed unanimously.

Election of Officers

Ms. Sue Entsminger was elected the Council's Chair

Mr. Robert (Charlie) Wright was elected the Council's Vice Chair

Ms. Jody Potts-Joseph was elected the Council's Secretary

Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by Mr. Woodruff, seconded by Mr. Glanz, to approve the fall 2021 meeting minutes as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Overview of 2021 Council Charter Changes

Ms. Wessels provided an overview of 2021 Council Charter changes. Changes to the charter included:

- Addition of a clause on carryover terms in Section 12 to avoid temporary vacancies on the Council when member terms expire and Secretarial appointments have not yet been made
- Removal of two clauses in Section 4 with no relevance to the Council's duties and authorities under Title VIII of ANILCA

The Council discussed subsection 8(d) of the charter which states that the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) can adjourn a Council meeting at any time if it is in the public interest. Council members did not feel this is necessary and that it should be the Chair's responsibility; however, Ms. Wessels informed the Council that the clause cannot be removed because it is stipulated in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). Council members requested to be sent the section of FACA that pertains to the authority of the DFO to adjourn meetings in the public interest.

Council Member and Chair Reports

William (Bill) Glanz of Central reported that he has had major issues with telephonic meetings and adamantly feels the Council needs to return to in-person meetings. Mr. Glanz stated that there has been a lack of moose in the Central area because they have been over-hunted. Caribou are still in the area. Hunters leaving piles of guts on the roadside remains an on-going issue along the Steese Highway.

Donald (Don) Woodruff of Eagle reported on an ADF&G study about *Ichthyophonus* that will start soon and continue for three years. He expressed concerns about the sustainable escapement of Chinook and fall Chum salmon in Yukon River Districts 5 and 6 and emphasized the importance of escapement for rebuilding the stock. Mr. Woodruff would like to see monitoring of age two and three Chinook Salmon at sea, and specifically in Bristol Bay, to better understand their survival rates. Chinook Salmon are maturing earlier, and many are returning at age four. He also expressed concerns about the sustainability of the Fortymile Caribou Herd in the White Mountains because of possible overgrazing and degradation of habitat.

Andrew (Andy) Bassich of Eagle shared his concerns about the low returns of Chinook Salmon and fall Chum Salmon. Fall Chum declines heavily impact Eastern Interior residents who have dog teams. He is concerned that not being able to fish for fall Chum Salmon may contribute to further declines in the traditional lifestyle of having dog teams. Mr. Bassich suggested that residents of the Yukon River should be prepared to forego or reduce harvest of Chinook Salmon to minimums for one to two life cycles (6-12 years) if they want to see the runs successfully rebuild. In regard to caribou, he has hardly seen any in the Eagle area this winter. This has exacerbated food security hardships given the lack of salmon already experienced. He has seen much moose sign this winter and hopes that it is a sign the numbers are increasing and is not just due to the deep snow.

Robert (Charlie) Wright, Sr. of Rampart reported that the lack of Chinook Salmon and moose is causing hardships. He would like to see more effort taken to count moose in areas with lower moose abundance, as opposed to focusing counts only in more highly populated areas. Mr. Wright explained that he has had to travel to hunt in the Nowitna River drainage during the past decade because of the low moose counts along the Yukon corridor, but for the past two years the moose numbers have been low there too. There was not much trapping in Rampart this year due to extreme snow levels making it difficult to get around. People along the Yukon River have been sacrificing, and continue to sacrifice, their salmon harvests so that the salmon continue future generations. Mr. Wright submitted a temporary fisheries special action request for the Federal government to take over management of the Yukon River salmon fishery in Federal waters. He hopes this will allow some salmon fishing opportunity for Federally qualified subsistence users if the run comes in better than in 2021.

Linda Evans of Rampart reported that high snow levels have made the subsistence lifestyle harder this winter. There's been a lack of subsistence resources for years in her area. The lack of ability to get any salmon is really hard. Families are travelling to the Copper River for salmon, and there are issues with the runs there too. Ms. Evans stated that people living the subsistence lifestyle need to figure out how to rebuild subsistence food resources. She suggested gardening and learning to gather traditional plants that people used to eat as a way to supplement hunting and fishing.

Charles (Charlie) Jagow of the upper Porcupine River reported that the Porcupine region has gotten a lot less snow than other parts of the region. Caribou were scattered in the upper Porcupine and Coleen River areas in February, but they have moved west. Mr. Jagow was excited to see a decent number of moose this winter and is encouraged by high calf survival rates. There has been a lot of regrowth from recent burns in the region and martin numbers have been increasing.

Jody Potts-Joseph of Stevens Village reported that she now splits her time between her fish camp on the Yukon River and Stevens Village. She is glad to be on the Council and to carry on the work of her late Uncle Isaac Juneby, who served on the Council in the past. Ms. Potts-Joseph expressed concerns about food security and economic issues related to lack of fish and difficulty finding moose and caribou. This is causing people to struggle. She recognizes the issues that the Copper River watershed is also having with salmon returns and with people from the Yukon region traveling there due to closures. Ms. Potts-Joseph said that there are lots of dog teams in Stevens Village, and mushers are struggling with the lack of salmon and the inability to get dogfood into the village on a regular basis. She reported that there have been a lot of wolves in the Stevens Village area this winter and some have come into the community. The snow is waist deep and temperatures have been very cold.

Will Koehler of Delta Junction reported that they have had a real winter this year, but without the extreme snow that others in the region have been reporting. Chisana caribou have moved in around them this winter. Mr. Koehler is hoping the low snow levels in the mountains will help the local sheep populations this year. He acknowledged that living out in rural areas is difficult and hard to make sustainable, and he commended other Council members for their commitment to protecting subsistence resources and traditional lifestyles.

Nicholas Henry of Chalkyitsik stated that he had nothing to report.

Susan (Sue) Entsminger of Mentasta reported that she participates in local ADF&G Advisory Committee meetings and serves on the Wrangell-St. Elias SRC. She said that SRC members voted unanimously against deferred fish proposal FP21-10. Ms. Entsminger noted there has also been lots of snow in her area this winter which has been tough on trappers as the trails are very bad. Deep snow has also been impacting moose. Although there was not rain this winter in her area, it has been an issue the past few years, and has been affecting the sheep populations. She expressed a desire to see more sheep research completed.

Public and Tribal Comments on Non-agenda Items

Karen Linnell with Ahtna Inter-Tribal Resource Commission (AITRC) spoke about the organization's efforts to successfully implement the community harvest system with Federal partners. She said that the project for which AITRC received Fisheries Resource Monitoring Program (FRMP) funding was completed in the fall. Current AITRC projects include: an ethnography about the use of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve; documenting traditional ecological knowledge about changing snow and ice conditions, as well as caribou; Town Lake restoration planning; eDNA sampling to monitor salmon; a sonar project with Native Village of Eyak on the Klutina River; a smolt out-migration study on the Klutina River; and a carnivore study in GMU 13. Later in the meeting, Ms. Linnell expressed concerns about the lack of public comment allowed when the Council discussed Fisheries Special Action Request FSA22-01/02/03/04. She also requested that the RAC Handbook be published on the OSM website so the public has access to it. Following Ms. Linnell's comments, the OSM staff reminded the Council that the Chair allowed opportunity for public comment on FSA22-01/02/03/04 and that there would be additional opportunity for public comments during future public hearings.

Jim Simon, consultant with AITRC and Tanana Chiefs Conference, gave an update about his efforts to analyze historical subsistence harvest data and changes to salmon harvests over time. He plans to share a summary of his final results with the Council after they are reviewed by the Yukon and Kuskokwim Intertribal Fish Commissions.

Bruce Ervin of Northway provided information to the Council about the Dennison Headwaters Remote Recreational cabin staking program and land sale proposed State of Alaska along the Taylor Highway. He requested the Council's support in opposing the land sale because of the importance of the area to residents of the Upper Tanana Region for subsistence.

- Motion by Mr. Bassich, seconded by Ms. Potts-Joseph, to oppose the Dennison Headwaters Remote Cabin Staking program and to write a letter to the State of Alaska expressing the Council's opposition. The Council opposes the proposed cabin staking and land sale program due to the importance of the area for multiple subsistence uses including hunting, fishing, and gathering. The influx of hunters from other regions who travel to hunt moose and caribou on the

Taylor Highway has been an on-going and major concern for the Council. The Council has continually voiced concerns about safety, hunter ethics, and wasteful meat care practices of these hunts. The Council has been working with land and wildlife managers and other stakeholders in recent years to develop a Hunter Ethics education and outreach program to address some of these concerns. It is the Council's opinion that allowing recreational cabin staking along the Taylor Highway will only further exacerbate the issues they are actively working to improve. Land sales in the Dennison Headwaters area will cause further user conflicts by creating private property inholdings amongst heavily utilized public lands. It also encourages sprawl and further development and could lead to further negative impacts to subsistence in the future.

Motion passed with eight votes in support. One member abstained and one member was absent.

Carrie Stevens of Fairbanks brought *Joint Secretarial Order 3403 on Fulfilling the Trust Responsibility to Indian Tribes in the Stewardship of Federal Lands and Waters* to the Council's attention. She stated her surprise that a copy of the Order was not included in the Council meeting materials. Ms. Stevens also expressed concerns about limitations on public and Tribal engagement at Council meetings and questioned whether meaningful participation and opportunity for public comment was being promoted. She also asked for authors of some meeting materials to be identified. Following Ms. Stevens comments, the Council requested that they receive a copy of Joint Secretarial Order 3403 and staff provided a copy to all members.

Old Business

Tabled Wildlife Proposal 22-36

Ms. Kenner presented the analysis for tabled Wildlife Proposal 22-36 to the Council. This proposal was first brought before the Council at the fall 2021 meeting, but it was tabled so that OSM and the proponent AITRC, could develop and clarify regulations, including the use of designated hunters in the AITRC-administered community harvest system (CHS) and language specifying what lands in Unit 12 would be included in the CHS. OSM added an addendum to the analysis with modified regulatory language.

- Motion by Mr. Koehler, seconded by Ms. Potts-Joseph, to **support WP22-36 as modified by OSM in the analysis addendum with further modification** to the Unit 12 area descriptor to include Federal public lands south of the Tok River bridge along the Tok Cut-off.
- The Council discussed the overall proposal, the changes discussed by the SCRAC, and the OSM addendum. The Council supported most of the OSM modifications, but supported a different boundary for the Unit 12 area from what is presented in the analysis to better reflect the boundaries of the Ahtna traditional use territory and to make the boundary a clearer landmark for hunters.

The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

Deferred Fisheries Proposal FP21-10

Mr. Ayers presented an update on deferred fisheries proposal FP21-10, which requests the Federal Subsistence Board implement a subsistence salmon fishery in the lower Copper River. FP21-10 was originally presented to the Council at the fall 2020 meeting and the Council opposed the proposal. The Board deferred action on the proposal at their January 2021 meeting and requested that the Southcentral and Eastern Interior Regional Advisory Councils meet to work toward a compromise. A joint meeting between the two Councils will be held March 16, 2022.

Hunter Ethics Education and Outreach

Ms. Wessels provided an overview of past Hunter Ethics Education and Outreach efforts. There has not been progress on this initiative since 2019 due to staff shortages and the COVID-19 pandemic. Efforts will be made to resume this initiative soon since a new Council Coordinator has been hired.

Ms. Amanda Pope gave an update to the Council on her work as a hunter liaison. Council members commended Ms. Pope for her hunter outreach work and hope that government agencies will expand hunter liaison programs in the future.

New Business

Fisheries Resource Monitoring Program Update

Mr. Cory Graham presented the Council with the Fisheries Resource Monitoring Program update and asked if any Council Members would like to volunteer to help develop priority information needs for the next call for proposals. Mr. Bassich, Ms. Evans, and Mr. Woodruff volunteered.

Fisheries Temporary Special Action FSA22-01/02/03/04

Mr. Graham provided an overview of Fisheries Temporary Special Action FSA22-01/02/03/04, which requests the Federal Subsistence Board to close the Yukon River drainage to the harvest of Chinook and summer and fall Chum salmon except by Federally-qualified subsistence users and to further reduce the pool of Federally-qualified subsistence users based on an ANILCA Section 804 analysis. The Council engaged in a lengthy discussion with agency staff about the details of this request and also heard public comments about the request.

- Motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Glanz, to **support FSA 22-01/02/03/04 with modifications** to include Coho Salmon and to exclude the Black River drainage (in the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge). The Council supports this special action request due to on-going concerns about Yukon River salmon abundance. Low run sizes have resulted in fishing restrictions in recent years, and in 2021, a complete closure of the subsistence salmon fishery on the Yukon River. This has created extreme hardship for rural residents of the region to meet their

subsistence needs. This special action request will help ensure a subsistence priority if there is a harvestable surplus for salmon. The Council also supports the effort of this special action request to bring attention to the current issues surrounding Yukon River salmon management and to try and bring about change.

The Council supports the modifications suggested by other Regional Advisory Councils to include Coho Salmon, since it is also an important subsistence salmon species, and to exclude the Black River because that drainage is used for subsistence salmon fishing by coastal community residents who do not yet have a customary and traditional use determination for Chinook and summer Chum salmon.

The motion passed with six votes in favor to two against with two members absent.

Call for Federal Fish and Shellfish Proposals

Mr. Graham informed the Council that the Board will be accepting proposals to change Federal regulations for the subsistence harvest of fish and shellfish on Federal public lands and waters for the 2023-2025 regulatory years for a period of at least 30 days upon the publication of the proposed rule in the Federal Register. The Board will consider proposals to change Federal subsistence fish and shellfish seasons, harvest limits, methods, and means related to taking of fish for subsistence uses, as well as customary and traditional use determinations. The Council did not develop any fisheries proposals for submission.

Fisheries Closure Review Discussion

Mr. Graham presented to the Council the information the Fisheries Closure Reviews that will come for Councils review and action during the fall 2022 meeting. Two closure reviews will be presented to the Council for their consideration at the fall 2022 meeting. The closures are for Nome Creek and the Delta River.

Joint letter to the North Pacific Fishery Management Council on bycatch

Ms. Wessels presented a draft of a joint letter from the Yukon Kuskokwim Delta, Seward Peninsula, Western Interior, and Eastern Interior Regional Advisory Councils to the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council (NPFMC). The Council voted to be a signatory to the letter at the fall 2021 meeting. The draft letter requests lower limits for salmon bycatch in marine fisheries as well as the creation of two seats on the NPFMC for subsistence representatives.

- Motion by Mr. Bassich, seconded by Mr. Wright, to **support the joint letter with modifications** to:
 1. Require 24/7 video monitoring on pollack fishing vessels
 2. Limit bycatch to 10,000 Chinook Salmon and 150,000 Chum Salmon

3. Add two Tribal or subsistence seats to the NPFMC with no affiliations to CDQs or the pollock industry

The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

- Additional motion by Mr. Bassich, seconded by Mr. Wright, to write a separate letter to the NPFMC and ADF&G requesting they reestablish genetic testing in the Area M June fisheries for fall Chum Salmon and try to identify the impacts of bycatch of fall Chum Salmon bound for the Yukon River fisheries.

The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

Call for Non-rural Determination Proposals

Ms. Liz Williams informed the Council that the Board will soon be accepting proposals to change community statuses in Federal regulations from non-rural to rural or from rural to non-rural. The call for proposals will be open for at least 30 days. Non-rural determination proposals are accepted every other fisheries regulatory cycle (every four years). The Council did not develop any non-rural determination proposals.

Review and approve FY2021 annual report

Ms. Katerina Wessels provided a summary of the draft annual report to the Council and requested feedback from the Council on any changes or additions to the report.

- Motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Jagow, to **approve the annual report as amended**. Amendments included an addition to Topic 1 about Yukon River salmon to express concerns about bycatch and a request for genetic monitoring of bycatch.

The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

- Later in the meeting another motion was made by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Jagow, to add a new topic to the 2021 Annual Report outlining the Council's opposition to HR 4716 Refuge from Cruel Trapping Act of 2021.

The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

HR 4716 Refuge from Cruel Trapping Act of 2021

Mr. Shawn Bayless provided an overview of HR 4716 to the Council. The Bill was introduced by Rep. Nadler of New York and seeks to end the use of body-gripping trapes on National Wildlife Refuges. It is

uncertain how the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) would affect enforcement of HR 4716, if passed.

- Motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Jagow, to write a letter to the Board outlining the Council's opposition to HR 4716 Refuge from Cruel Trapping Act of 2021 and asking the Board to forward it on to the House of Representatives and the Natural Resources Committee. The Council opposes HR 4716 because trapping is an important aspect of a subsistence lifestyle. Many Alaskans trap on Federal public lands, including National Wildlife Refuge lands, and make a living selling furs. Others use the furs themselves for sewing traditional garments. HR 4716 is in direct opposition of ANILCA.

The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

Federal Subsistence Board Annual Report Reply Process Review and Revision Discussion and Council comments and feedback

Mr. Scott Ayers notified the Council that the Board is seeking feedback on the annual report reply process to improve communications between the Board and Regional Advisory Councils. The authority of Councils to submit an annual report to the Board is outlined in ANILCA, but ANILCA does not contain anything about the Board's reply to Councils. The Interagency Staff Committee suggested that annual reports should be maintained as a way to inform the Board of local conditions, issues, and needs. The ISC proposed that letter writing should serve as a way to request responses from the Board on topics of concern for which the Council seeks more direct and timely responses.

The Council did not feel that any changes need to be made to annual report replies or letter writing process. They would still like to receive replies to the annual report from the Board.

Receiving Public Testimony Protocol – Guided Discussion

Mr. Ayers led the Council in a guided discussion about their preferences for receiving written and oral public testimony at Council meetings.

The Council noted that they were open to all comments, oral or written – not summarized. They prefer no deadlines for public comments because sometimes people do not hear about issues or meetings until last minute. The Council also noted that comments should be able to be provided in written form at the meeting to account for those people who are not able to stay at the whole meeting. The Chair suggested that longer comments can be printed and provided to the Councils in their entirety but summarized at the meeting for sake of time. One Council member suggested putting notices on the radio to encourage public comments. Another Council member stated the usefulness of having public comments on proposals in the meeting book so they can understand the viewpoints of long-term residents. The Council would still like to see comments on proposals that are turned in after the deadline even if they don't make

it into the meeting book. One Council member suggested that public comments could be accepted through the OSM website and be publicly visible there as well.

Briefing and Council comments on proposed actions to automate Federal subsistence permits

Mr. Ayers briefed the Council on proposed actions to automate Federal subsistence permits.

Council felt that online or “e-permits” should be an option, but that online permits should not fully replace paper permits since rural residents often do not have internet access or access to printers. Additionally, the Council felt that online-only permits would be difficult for some elders to obtain. The Council further suggested that agency staff should try to assist hunters to get permits in as many ways as they can, including mailing permits to hunters if they are unable to print online or go into an agency office. Overall, the Council supports multiples ways of obtaining permits for maximum flexibility and ease on the part of the public.

Briefing on the Secretarial regulations proposing the inclusion of identified submerged lands in the Tongass National Forest

Mr. Ayers briefed the Council on Secretarial regulations proposing the inclusion of identified submerged lands in the Tongass National Forest. The Council did not discuss the topic further as the Tongass National Forest is far from their local region.

Agency Reports:

- *Yukon River Salmon Fishery* update presented by Holly Carroll, USFWS and Deena Jallen and Christie Gleason, ADF&G, Division of Commercial Fisheries
- *Nome/Beaver Creek Grayling Project* update presented by Lisa Stuby, ADF&G, Division of Sport Fisheries
- *Tribal Resource Stewardship Program Report* presented by Bruce Ervin and Brooke Woods, Tanana Chiefs Conference
- *Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association* update presented by Serena Fitka
- *Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge Winter 2022* update presented by Shawn Bayless
- *Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge* update presented by Jimmy Fox
- *Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve Report* presented by Dr. Barbara Cellarius, Dave Sarafin, and Judy Putera
- *Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve* update presented by Marcy Okada
- *Denali National Park* update presented by Bridget Borg
- *Bureau of Land Management* update presented by Jim Herriges, Eastern Interior Field Office
- *Office of Subsistence Management* update presented by Scott Ayers

Future Meeting Dates:

The Council confirmed their fall 2022 meeting dates as October 5-6, 2022 in Fort Yukon.

The Council confirmed their winter 2023 meeting dates as March 1-2, 2023 in Arctic Village.

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Brooke McDavid, Council Coordinator for Katya Wessels, Designated Federal Officer
USFWS Office of Subsistence Management

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Sue Entsminger, Chair
Eastern Interior Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council

These minutes will be formally considered by the Eastern Interior Subsistence Regional Advisory Council at its fall 2022 meeting, and any corrections or notations will be 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 Brooke McDavid at 1-800-478-1456 or 907-891-9181, email brooke_mcdavid@fws.gov.