

# **EASTERN INTERIOR ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

## **Meeting Minutes**

Pike's Waterfront Lodge  
Fairbanks, AK  
March 1-2, 2023

### **Invocation:**

Sue Entsminger provided an invocation.

### **Call to Order, Roll Call, and Quorum Establishment:**

The meeting was called to order Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at 9:02am. Council Chair Sue Entsminger, and Council members Donald Woodruff, Linda Evans, Amanda Pope, and Andrew Bassich were present in person. Robert Wright and Eva Burk were present via teleconference. William Glanz was not present and was not excused. Dorothy Shockley was not present and was excused. With 7 out of 10 seated Council members present, the quorum was established. Charlie Jagow was excused the morning of the first day but joined the meeting in-person in the afternoon and remained present for the remainder of the meeting. This raised the attendance to 8 out of 10 members.

### **Attendees:**

\* Denotes attended telephonically

- Office of Subsistence Management (OSM): Brooke McDavid, Katya Wessels, Tom Plank, Liz Williams, Nissa Pilcher, Cory Graham\*, George Pappas\*
- National Park Service (NPS): Regional Office – Dr. Kim Jochum; Yukon-Charley Rivers NPP – Jeff Rasic, Kyle Joly, Marcy Okada, Matt Cameron, Jordan Pruszenski; Wrangell-St. Elias NPP – Dr. Barbara Cellarius, Dave Sarafin, Kyle Cutting\*; Denali NPP – Amy Craver, Patricia Owen
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: Fisheries & Ecological Services – Gerald Maschmann, Holly Carroll; Yukon Flats NWR – Jimmy Fox; Arctic NWR – Nathan Hawkaluk, Paul Leonard
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM): Eastern Interior Field Office – Jim Herriges, Tim Hammond; Regional Office – Chris McKee
- Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G): Wildlife Conservation – Mark Nelson, Jeff Gross, Tom Seaton, Torsten Bentzen; Commercial Fisheries – Deena Jallen, Christie Gleason, Shane Ransbury; Subsistence – Caroline Brown
- Other Organizations: Tanana Chiefs Conference – Nicole Farnham, Ben Stevens\*; Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association – Gabe Canfield, Catherine Moncrieff; North Pacific Fishery Management Council (NPFMC) – Dr. Diana Stram
- Public: Jan Woodruff, Pamela Miller, Jack Reakoff, Rochelle Adams\*, Fred Roberts\*, Wilson Twitchell\*, Bruce Ervin\*, Mark Richards

### **Review and Adopt Agenda:**

- Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Woodruff, to adopt the agenda as presented but to remain flexible to move around items and accommodate time certain items as necessary.

The motion passed unanimously.

### **Election of Officers**

Sue Entsminger and Robert Wright were nominated for Chair. Sue Entsminger was elected Chair.

Robert Wright was nominated and elected as Vice-Chair.

Donald Woodruff was nominated and elected as Secretary.

### **Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes:**

- Motion by Member Woodruff, seconded by Member Bassich, to approve the Fall 2022 Meeting minutes as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

### **Council Member and Chair Reports:**

Robert (Charlie) Wright of Rampart reported on how residents of the Yukon River have been suffering for a lack of salmon for several years now. He said that even local fish, such as Whitefish, are more difficult to catch than they were historically. Member Wright reported that he attended the Alaska Board of Fisheries (BOF) meeting for Area M to advocate for subsistence salmon. He was very discouraged with the BOF decision to not take measures to reduce interception of Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim (AYK) salmon in the commercial fisheries along the peninsula. He was also disappointed with the comment letter from OSM that stated that the proposals taken up at that meeting would not impact subsistence fishers in Federal waters in the AYK region. He stressed that sustainable management is supposed to be the utmost priority of all managers from all agencies, and that everyone needs to work together to get salmon numbers back again. Member Wright also reported on his concerns for caribou and moose in the Interior, stating that numbers of both species are way down. He has concerns for the safety of the Fortymile Caribou Herd hunt along the road system and said that you need a bulletproof vest to hunt them. For moose, he said hunters are lucky to get one all season when it used to take only a few days. Member Wright said he is involved on so many boards and committees to make sure that management of subsistence resources is done sustainably so that future generations have the same ability to eat traditional foods as their ancestors. He stated that it is painful to see people going hungry.

Eva Burk of Fairbanks reported that she also attended the Alaska Peninsula Aleutian Island BOF meeting with many other residents of the AYK region to advocate for subsistence salmon. Member Burk said that

AYK salmon began to crash from overfishing decades before climate change also became a real issue, and now the two issues are compounding low returns. She said that every salmon counts at this time and collective action is needed from State, Federal, and Tribal organizations to preserve wild stocks. Other uses, such as commercial fishing, are supposed to be reduced or eliminated when subsistence needs are not being met. AYK people are asking for reduced commercial fishing time in the Alaska Peninsula to allow fish passage to AYK region; they are not asking for the entire fishery to be shut down. Member Burk said that precautionary approaches to salmon management need to be taken and that management decisions need to be based on unbiased data. She also expressed that she was really disappointed with OSM's position that the actions taken at the Area M BOF Meeting would not have a significant effect on subsistence. She characterized the OSM comment as blatant misinformation because AYK salmon definitely migrate through the Alaska Peninsula and Aleutian Islands region.

Don Woodruff of Eagle agreed with Member Wright about the poor returns of Chinook and Chum Salmon and the low numbers of caribou; it is causing a lot of people to be hungry. Member Woodruff was extremely disappointed to see that the BOF shot down Proposal 140 when it had such widespread support across the AYK region. He said that there is no ecosystem level management when it comes to AYK salmon, but that there should be. Member Woodruff feels that it may be time to consider putting Yukon River Chinook and Fall Chum salmon on the threatened species list and requests more information about the process for doing so. He finished his report by raising concerns about the process for conducting subsistence activities on BLM lands. He stated that BLM permitting for trapping and public cabin use should not be an encumbrance to subsistence users.

Linda Evans of Rampart reported that she is dismayed about the state of the fish and game resources that her family has subsisted off all of their lives. Her grandparents, parents, herself, and her kids all rely on traditional foods. She said that the BOF really disregarded people of the Yukon River. She feels like they do not care if people eat or not, and that makes her feel like a lower-class citizen. It is very disappointing. They are supposed to represent subsistence users first. Member Evans said that there is lots of snow and temperatures have been warm, but she has not seen too many animal tracks.

Amanda Pope of Circle reported that she was unable to attend the Alaska Peninsula BOF meeting because she was out on the trapline. She thanked everyone who was able to attend and advocate for subsistence salmon. She said everyone needs to have an open mind about what it is going to take to get salmon to come back and that she agrees with Mr. Woodruff that it might take listing them as a threatened species. Member Pope shared that moose numbers have been down in Yukon-Charley National Preserve and that Fortymile Caribou numbers are also down. People from Circle have not been hunting caribou because of safety and conservation concerns. She is sad to not have even seen a caribou for the last two years. Member Pope stressed that all user groups need to work together when it comes to fish and game resources. She said there is a lot of tension between agencies and user groups, but that it needs to be overcome to achieve good management and conservation results. Member Pope ended her report by sharing an issue her family has been having with obtaining a permit from BLM to use a public use cabin as emergency shelter while trapping. She said their permit has been denied and her family is appealing it. She does not feel it is right to make low-income rural residents provide proof of income and pay large

fees to use cabins for subsistence purposes. Member Pope shared a letter she wrote with the Council and said she wanted to make other members aware of how they are having to fight for their subsistence rights.

Andy Bassich of Eagle reported that he echoes the comments provided by Members Wright and Burk about the salmon fishery and thanked them both for their time spent at the Area M BOF meeting. Member Bassich said there was a large coalition of people that spent a lot of time organizing for that meeting to plead the desperate situation that AYK salmon and people are in. He characterized the actions taken by the BOF as disappointing and a tremendous failure. Member Bassich said their decisions were blatantly against hard science, the Alaska Constitution, and the Alaska Sustainable Salmon Initiative. He questioned whether the current State of Alaska administration cares about people who live in the bush. Member Bassich referenced Member Woodruff's comment about Yukon salmon being a species at risk and said that subsistence users are becoming an endangered species. He said subsistence users are having a hard time and people who have lived this culture for thousands of years are being forced out of their homes and off the land because they cannot even get the food they need to eat. Member Bassich also said that agencies charging subsistence users to use public cabins is not helping the issue. He said there are not many people truly living off the land anymore and they should not be hindered to carrying on that lifestyle. He stated that the only way you can live a subsistence lifestyle is to have consistent, reliable access to resources. Member Bassich expressed concern for dismal moose populations in his area. He spends a lot of time traveling the land in the winter and only saw four or five moose tracks. He estimates only two moose were harvested by Eagle residents this year and only a few of caribou. Member Bassich drew attention to the comment letter sent by OSM to the BOF for the Alaska Peninsula meeting. He said the letter showed zero support for the AYK region even though the Federal Program is in place to protect subsistence opportunities and subsistence lifestyles on Federal public lands. He felt the OSM position that no impact was going to be made by the BOF proposals was negligent and uninformed about how salmon migrations work. He said he would like to see OSM step to the plate and start really looking at protecting local subsistence populations, whether they be fish or wildlife, because he does not feel that this effort is going to come from the State. He firmly stated that management needs to take a long term and ecosystem-based approach and be open to doing things differently than have been in the past especially considering the pace of environmental change. Member Bassich said his subsistence diet has gotten down to muskrats and rabbits recently, and he would really like to see some moose and caribou come back. Considering, he said it is difficult to see \$80,000 jet boats pass him on the river with two or three moose heads on the bow every year.

Sue Entsminger of Mentasta Pass reported that she has seen a fair number of moose in her area along the road system. She said they have had two really bad winters in a row and the snowfall made it nearly impossible to keep a trap line open. Chair Entsminger expressed concerns for low sheep populations in her area and across the state. She said one of her passions is taking young people out and teaching them how to hunt and that it is so awesome to see them enjoy it. This winter she saw a few Nelchina caribou tracks. Chair Entsminger reported on her involvement with the Wrangell-St. Elias Subsistence Resource Commission (SRC) and said the SRC spent a lot of time at their recent meeting discussing the NPS proposed rule. She said she would share more comments about the proposed rule when it comes up as an agenda item. Chair Entsminger said she emphasized with the other Council members who reported on the

salmon crisis as well as the governmental hoops necessary to jump through to use public cabins and practice subsistence. She expressed frustration at the number of regulations just seems to keep growing over time. Chair Entsminger ended her report by saying it is her hope that various user groups will try to keep open arms for working together and be respectful in the process.

### **Public and Tribal Comment on Non-Agenda Items:**

The Council heard public comments on both days of the meeting. *Virgil Umphenour* from the Fairbanks Advisory Committee commented about the Alaska BOF Area M meeting and the failure of Proposal 140. *Pamela Miller* from Fairbanks commented about the importance of holding in-person public meetings while also providing teleconference opportunity at the same time. *Jack Reakoff*, Chair of the Western Interior Alaska Regional Advisory Council, shared his concerns about the complexing of Kanuti and Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuges. *Rochelle Adams* from Fort Yukon commented about the on-going salmon crisis on the Yukon River, her frustrations with the BOF process, and oil and gas exploration within the Yukon River watershed. *Eva Burk* of the Minto-Nenana Advisory Committee shared her concerns about commercial uses being prioritized over subsistence and conservation. *Bruce Ervin* shared information about the Fresh Eyes on Ice monitoring project. *Mark Richards* of Fairbanks shared information about BOF Proposal 140 and how people can continue to advocate for the State government to reduce Yukon River salmon interception in commercial fisheries.

### **Old Business:**

The Council received presentations on the following topics:

- North American Caribou Workshop and Arctic Ungulate Conference by Tom Plank
- Council Correspondence update by Brooke McDavid
- Council Correspondence Policy update by Katerina Wessels
- Hunter Ethics Education and Outreach Initiative update by Brooke McDavid
- Update on Federal Subsistence Board Actions by Brooke. McDavid
- Update on Alaska BOF Actions by Brooke. McDavid

### **New Business:**

#### ***Wildlife Reports:***

The Council heard wildlife reports from several agencies:

- *Fortymile Caribou Herd Update* by Jim Herriges, Wildlife Biologist with the BLM Eastern Interior Field Office and by Jeff Gross and Torsten Bentzen Wildlife Biologists with ADF&G
  - Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Pope, to elect Donald Woodruff to represent the Council at any Fortymile Caribou Harvest Management Coalition planning meetings.

Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

- Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Woodruff, that the Council send an alternate member if Mr. Woodruff is unable to attend the Fortymile Caribou Harvest Management Coalition planning meetings.

Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

- *Wrangell St. Elias National Park and Preserve Wildlife Update* by Kyle Cutting, Wildlife Biologist
- *Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge Update* by Jimmy Fox, Refuge Manager
- *Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve Update* by Marcy Okada, Subsistence Coordinator; Mat Sorum, Wildlife Biologist; Matthew Cameron, Wildlife Biologist; and Jordan Pruszenski, Wildlife Technician
- *Denali National Park and Preserve Update* by Pat Owen, Wildlife Biologist
- *Arctic National Wildlife Refuge update* by Nathan Hawkaluk, Acting Refuge Manager, and Paul Leonard, Lead Ecologist
- *Wood Bison Reintroduction in the Eastern Interior Region Update* by Tom Seaton, Wildlife Biologist with ADF&G
  - Motion by Member Bassich, Seconded by Member Pope, to send a letter to the Federal Subsistence Board recommending they fully support the Wood Bison reintroduction planning efforts in the Eastern Interior Region.

Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

- Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Woodruff, to have Council representatives serve on the Upper Tanana, Lower Tanana, and Yukon Flats Wood Bison reintroduction planning teams.

Chair Entsminger volunteered to represent Upper Tanana region, Member Wright volunteered to represent Lower Tanana region, and Members Evans and Pope volunteered to represent the Yukon Flats region.

Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

### ***Wildlife Closure Reviews:***

The Council heard an overview of the analysis for Wildlife Closure Review WCR24-21 Portion of Unit 25A closed to sheep hunting by non-Federally qualified users (Arctic Village Sheep Management Area) from Liz Williams, OSM Cultural Anthropologist.

The Council received public testimony in support of maintaining the closure from Ernest Erick of Venetie, Ernie Peter of Arctic Village, Sarah James of Arctic Village, Pete Peter of Venetie, Tanya Garnett representing Arctic Village Council and Native Village of Venetie Tribal Government, and Robert Sam, First Chief of Arctic Village.

The Council inquired about the possibility of making the Arctic Village Sheep Management Area exempt from routine closure reviews, so it does not continue to come up for reconsideration every four years and burden the community. OSM staff said that was not possible without a change to the Federal Subsistence Board Closure Review Policy.

The Council deferred hearing updates on other Wildlife Closure Reviews in their region until the Fall 2023 meeting.

### ***Proposed Changes to 2020 Hunting and Trapping Regulation on National Preserves in Alaska***

David Payor, Regional Wildlife Biologist for NPS, presented on the proposed changes to the 2020 Hunting and Trapping Regulation on National Preserves in Alaska. The Council had a lengthy discussion of the proposed rule and Council members expressed a variety of opinions, both in support and against, the proposed regulations. The Council generally agreed that a “one size fits all” rule should not be applied across all National Preserves in Alaska but that each National Preserve should have the ability to develop regulations based on local conditions and use patterns. The Council voted to write a comment letter to the National Park Service detailing the various comments Council members made regarding the rule and its application on National Preserves in the Eastern Interior region.

- Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Pope, to submit a letter to the National Park Service in regards to the proposed rule changes and that the contents of this letter may include all comments presented verbally in Council discussions and written comments from the Subsistence Resource Councils and Council Chair.

Motion passed on a 7-1 vote.

### ***Call for Federal Wildlife Proposals***

Tom Plank, OSM Wildlife Biologist, presented the call for Federal wildlife proposals for the 2024-2026 regulatory years and notified the Council that the proposal deadline is April 12, 2023.

The Council voted to submit three Federal proposals:

1. Extend the marten trapping season in Units 12, 19, 20, 21, 24, and 25 to March 15
  - Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Woodruff, to extend the marten trapping season as stated.

This proposal would add an additional 15 days of opportunity to harvest marten in Units 12, 19, 20, 21, 24, and 25. It will align the marten season end dates with the lynx season end dates in Units 12 and 20E and add additional opportunity for harvest of marten in Units 24A and 25 where the lynx season is open until March 31. Many trappers target both species and this extension would allow trappers the opportunity to harvest a few additional marten, resulting in a small but helpful economic boost for those who sell their

furs. This is important given the rising costs of food and other supplies. Shifting climate patterns are causing warmer falls but pushing cold weather farther into the spring. Marten fur quality is still prime in mid-March. March typically has the best trail conditions for trapping. In recent years of deep snowfall, it has been difficult to access traplines in February. There are no known conservation concerns for marten.

Motion passes on a unanimous vote

2. Extend moose hunting season in Units 25B, 25C, and 25D Remainder until October 15

- Motion by Member Pope, seconded by Member Bassich, to extend the moose hunting season as stated.

This proposal would provide additional opportunity for Federally qualified subsistence users to hunt moose in portions of Unit 25 after the State of Alaska hunting season closes. These sub-units receive a great deal of harvest pressure, and the additional late fall season harvest opportunity would help decrease competition for this important subsistence resource. Additionally, climate change is shifting weather patterns and it is not becoming cool until later in the fall. Hunting later in the fall during cooler weather reduces the chance for meat spoilage. It is colder during the end of September/October time frame which is more conducive to hanging and drying meat for those who don't have a freezer and continue to do it the traditional way.

Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

3. Add Fort Yukon and Circle to the list of communities with customary and traditional use determinations for moose in Unit 25D West

- Motion by Member Pope, seconded by Member Woodruff, to modify the customary and traditional use determination as stated.

Residents of Circle and Fort Yukon have historically hunted for moose throughout the Yukon Flats including within the hunt area described as Unit 25D west. People from Circle and Fort Yukon have Native Allotments in the 25D(west) area. However, these two communities are currently excluded from the customary and traditional use determination because their communities lie outside the boundaries of Unit 25D west. Adopting this proposal would allow residents of Circle and Fort Yukon to be able to hunt on their traditional ancestral lands.

Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

***Call for Alaska Board of Game Proposals for Interior Region***

Brooke McDavid, Council Coordinator, notified Council members of a call for Alaska Board of Game proposals for the Interior Region.



The Council voted to submit one Board of Game proposal:

1. Extend the marten season on State land in units 12, 19, 20, 21, 24 and 25 to March 15
  - o Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Jagow, to extend the marten season as stated.

Extending the season end dates for marten in Units 12, 19-21, 24, and 25 until March 15 would allow trappers targeting lynx during March to have concurrent opportunity to harvest marten. Currently, marten trapping season closes on the last day of February in the aforementioned Units but lynx trapping season is open until March 15 in Units 12, 19A, 19B, 19E, 20, 21B, 21C, 21D, 21E, and 25 and until March 31 in Units 19C, 19D, and 21A. Many trappers target both marten and lynx, and this 15-day season extension would allow trappers the opportunity to harvest a few additional marten. Shifting climate patterns are causing warmer falls but pushing cold weather farther into the spring. Marten fur quality is still prime in early to mid-March. March typically has the best trail conditions for trapping. In recent years of deep snowfall, it has been difficult to access traplines in February. This proposal mirrors a Federal proposal being submitted by the Council and would align State and Federal regulations if both proposals are adopted.

Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

### ***Denali National Park and Preserve Individual Customary and Traditional Use Determinations***

Amy Craver, Subsistence Coordinator for Denali National Park and Preserve, presented the analyses of two individual customary and traditional use determination proposals to the Council.

- Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Woodruff, to support Denali National Park and Preserve Individual Customary and Traditional Use Determination Proposals ICTP23-01 for Blaine Mayo and ICTP23-02 for Kevin Mayo.

For their justification the Council referenced the comments provided by the Denali Subsistence Resource Commission and the NPS conclusions, both of which were in support of the proposals. The Council felt that the analyses completed and presented by NPS were thorough and the Council agreed that long-term and consistent patterns of use have been demonstrated by the Mayo brothers.

Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

### ***2021 Council Charter Review***

The Council reviewed their Charter as required every two years by the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The Council discussed adding a non-voting youth seat in the Council Membership section of the charter.

- Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Pope, to amend the charter and add a nonvoting youth seat to the Council named the Youth Advocate Seat.

The Council feels it is extremely important to get youth involved in subsistence and on the Council. Many Council members are older and are retiring. This seat would help young people understand the Federal Subsistence Management Program regulatory process and what it means to be a Council member. It would be a beneficial training opportunity because younger people can have a more difficult time getting on the Council due to the scoring and ranking of applicants. It can take years for new Council members to understand the regulatory process and feel comfortable actively participating in the process. The Council wants to encourage long-term service on the Council as opposed to a high turnover rate for members.

Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

- Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Woodruff, to approve the Charter as presented with the amendment request to add a Youth Advocate Seat.

Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

### ***Review and Approve FY2022 Annual Report***

The Council reviewed their draft FY2022 Annual Report and proposed two more topics for addition.

- Motion by Member Bassich, seconded by Member Evans, to approve the Annual Report as written and to include two additional topics as follows: 1) OSM comment letter to the Alaska BOF and policy for commenting, and 2) BLM public cabin use permit process.

Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

### ***Fisheries Resource Monitoring Program (FRMP) Update***

Liz Williams, OSM Cultural Anthropologist, let the Council know that a call for FRMP research proposals closed in February 2023 and that the proposed projects will be evaluated by the Technical Review Committee in the coming months. The Council will be presented an overview of the projects at their Fall meeting.

### ***Partners for Fisheries Monitoring Program Update***

Liz Williams, OSM Cultural Anthropologist, notified the Council that proposed Partners Program proposals were recently evaluated by the Technical Review Committee and selections should be announced in the near future. She explained that the Partners Program aims to increase involvement by Alaska Native and other rural organizations in Federal fisheries management.

Nicole Farnham, Fisheries Biologist with Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC), presented an overview of recent and upcoming fisheries research projects carried out by the TCC Tribal Resource Stewardship Program. TCC is a current Partners Program organization.

***Fisheries Regulatory Cycle Update:***

Liz Williams, OSM Cultural Anthropologist, informed the Council that the new fisheries regulations adopted by the Federal Subsistence Board at their January regulatory meeting should be published in the Federal Register by late Spring or early Summer. She reminded the Council that the next fisheries regulatory cycle will begin in Winter 2024 when the Council is presented a call for proposals.

**Additional Reports:**

- *Salmon Bycatch Report* by Dr. Diana Stram, NPFMC Senior Scientist
- *Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association Update* by Gabe Canefield, Program and Policy Coordinator
- *USFWS 2023 Yukon River Salmon Fisheries Outlook* by Holly Carroll, Yukon River Fisheries Manager
- *Copper River Fisheries Update* by Dave Sarafin, Fisheries Management Biologist
- *Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve Subsistence Update* by Dr. Barbara Cellarius, Cultural Anthropologist
- *BLM Travel Management Plans Overview for Steese NCA and White Mountains NRA* by Tim Hammond, Eastern Interior Field Office Manager
- *Office of Subsistence Management Update* by Katerina Wessels, Council Coordination Division Supervisor

**Future Meeting Dates:**

The Council confirmed their fall 2023 meeting dates as October 4-5, 2023, in Arctic Village.

The Council designated their preferred dates for the winter 2024 All Council Meeting as March 1-4, 2024, in Anchorage.

The Council chose their fall 2024 meeting dates as October 8-10, 2024, in Tanana.

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Brooke McDavid, Designated Federal Officer  
USFWS Office of Subsistence Management

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Susan Entsminger, Chair

## Eastern Interior Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council

These minutes will be formally considered by the Eastern Interior Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council at its Fall 2023 meeting in Arctic Village, and any corrections or notations will be incorporated in the minutes at that meeting.

For a more detailed report of this meeting, copies of the transcript and meeting handouts are available upon request. Call Brooke McDavid, Council Coordinator, at 1-800-478-1456 or 907-891-9181, or email [brooke\\_mcdavid@fws.gov](mailto:brooke_mcdavid@fws.gov).