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Secretary Seeks Federal Subsistence Board Chair

With the retirement of Chairman Tim Towarak from the Federal Subsistence Board, the Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell is announcing her intention to appoint a new Chair for the Federal Subsistence Board. The appointment is expected to be made in the next several months.

The Federal Subsistence Board was created in the early 1990s and is the decision-making body that oversees the management of fish and wildlife resources for subsistence uses on Federal public lands and waters in Alaska. It is composed of the Alaska directors of the National Park Service, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the U.S. Forest Service, and a Chair and two Public Members appointed by the Secretary of the Interior with the concurrence of the Secretary of Agriculture.

Nominations and applications for the Chairmanship on the Federal Subsistence Board are now being solicited and welcomed through **October 7, 2016.**

The Chair of the Federal Subsistence Board is a private citizen who is paid on a part-time, per-hour basis for conducting the official business of the Board. The Board typically meets 4-5 times yearly for 1-3 days. The Secretary is seeking a Chair who has:

- Strong leadership skills;
- A demonstrated understanding of subsistence users and uses in Alaska;
- “Personal knowledge of and direct experience with subsistence uses in rural Alaska” (from CFR: 50 CFR 100.10 {76 FR 56109; September 12, 2011});
- Experience with and knowledge of the Federal Subsistence Management Program;
- A commitment to the purposes and goals of the subsistence provisions (Title VIII) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA);
- An ability to listen to and understand competing views;
- An ability to make fair and objective decisions on complex biological and allocative issues; and
- Strong meeting facilitation skills and knowledge.

Please submit nominations or applications via mail, fax or email to the addresses below by October 7, 2016. For questions, please call 907-271-5485 or write the Office of the Secretary in Anchorage.

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