

Government offers subsistence information

The federal government recently launched a major information campaign to answer questions about the new federal management of subsistence hunting and fishing on federal lands in Alaska.

The campaign includes a publication, a telephone hotline and public service announcements for airing over Alaska's broadcast media.

At the heart of the campaign is a 28-page set of regulations that were delivered or mailed in bulk to locations statewide beginning last month. Some 150,000 copies of the publication should be enough for all of Alaska's subsistence users, and then some, according to Glenn Ellison, assistant regional director for subsistence, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Alaska.

"We wanted to insure that we have enough not only for all rural residents who qualify for subsistence

***The number for
the subsistence in-
formation hotline is
257-2456.***

preferences, but also for anyone with questions about the new program," said Ellison.

Copies of the Temporary Federal Subsistence Regulations for Game, Fish and Shellfish (effective July 1 through June 30, 1991) are being distributed to sporting goods vendors, guides, outfitters and other locations where hunting and fishing information is normally available. Copies will also be available at most federal land management offices statewide.

For those who cannot obtain copies

of the regulations, or who may have further questions, an inter-agency telephone hotline has been established for subsistence information from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Fri-

day, until Sept. 30. The number is: 257-2456.

Information may also be obtained by calling or visiting most federal land management offices in Alaska.