

Federal Subsistence Board issues new regulations for public review

The Federal Subsistence Board has published proposed July 1, 1996, to June 30, 1997, federal subsistence regulations for public review. The proposed regulations identify customary and traditional use determinations, open seasons, harvest limits, and methods and means of harvesting wildlife for subsistence on federal public lands in Alaska.

Written proposals to change these regulations will be accepted by the Board through October 27, 1995.

Copies of the proposed 1996-1997 regulations and forms for submitting proposed changes were mailed to individuals and organizations throughout the state during the last week of August. Completed proposal forms should be submitted to the Federal Subsistence Board, c/o U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1011 E. Tudor

Rd., Anchorage, AK 99503, fax: (907) 786-3898.

Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils will meet during September and October to consider the proposed regulations, develop proposals to change these regulations, and hear public comment. The Regional Councils represent the Southeast, Southcentral, Kodiak/Aleutian Islands, Bristol Bay, Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta, Western Interior, Seward Peninsula, Northwest Arctic, Eastern Interior, and North Slope regions.

For more information or to request regulation materials, contact the Office of Subsistence Management, weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., toll-free at (800) 478-1456 or in Anchorage at (907) 786-3888. Hearing-impaired individuals may call (907) 786-3487 (TTY available) during the same hours.