

Regional Subsistence Councils seeking new members

The Federal Subsistence Board is accepting application through Feb. 28 for membership on 10 Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils.

The Regional Councils provide advice and make recommendations to the Board concerning subsistence hunting, trapping and fishing issues on federal public lands. Twenty-six appointments will be made in September 1997 to fill three-year terms on each of the Regional Councils.

"The Regional Councils are the crucial link between subsistence users and the Federal Subsistence Board," says Mitch

Demientieff, chair of the Board. "They provide the Board with unparalleled insight into the needs of subsistence users statewide, and their recommendations carry a great deal of weight in subsistence decision making."

Regional Council members are residents of their respective regions and are knowledgeable of local and regional subsistence issues and needs. The Regional Councils represents the Southeast, Southcentral, Kodiak/Aleutian Islands, Bristol Bay, Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta, Western Interior, Seward Peninsula,

Northwest Arctic, Eastern Interior and North Slope federal subsistence resource regions.

For an application packet or for more information, contact the Office of Subsistence Management toll-free at (800) 478-1456 or in Anchorage at (907) 786-3888. You may also request an application in writing by sending your request to the Office of Subsistence Management, 1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99503. Hearing-impaired individuals may call (907) 786-3309 (TTY available).