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CALL FOR PROPOSALS Alaska Board of Fisheries

THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES CALLS FOR PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE SUBSISTENCE, PERSONAL USE, SPORT, GUIDED SPORT, AND COMMERCIAL FISHING REGULATIONS FOR BRISTOL BAY FINFISH, ARCTIC / YUKON / KUSKOKWIM FINFISH, ALASKA PENINSULA / ALEUTIAN ISLANDS / CHIGNIK FINFISH AREAS, and STATEWIDE FINFISH AREAS.

PROPOSAL DEADLINE – THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025

The Alaska Board of Fisheries (board) is accepting proposed changes to the subsistence, personal use, sport, guided sport, and commercial fishing regulations for the Bristol Bay; Arctic, Yukon, Kuskokwim; Alaska Peninsula, Aleutian Islands, Chignik; and Statewide finfish management areas. Finfish includes salmon, herring, trout, other freshwater finfishes, and groundfish, including Pacific cod, for consideration by the board in its 2025–2026 meeting cycle. The board may also consider subsistence proposals for other topics (including other areas) under the subsistence proposal policy, 5 AAC 96.615, if proposals are submitted within this deadline and the board determines they meet the criteria in either 5 AAC 96.615(a)(1) or (2).

To ensure the proposal book is finished in advance of the board meetings, the board sets Thursday, April 10, 2025, as the proposal deadline.

Proposals may be submitted online, mail or fax at:

Online:	http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.forms
Mail:	ADF&G, Boards Support Section P.O. Box 115526 Juneau, AK 99811-5526
Fax:	(907) 465-6094

Proposals must be received by <u>Thursday, April 10, 2025</u> at the Boards Support Section office in <u>Juneau</u>. A postmark is NOT sufficient for timely receipt.

Interested parties are encouraged to submit proposals at the earliest possible date. The Board of Fisheries proposal form, including the on-line proposal form, is available at the Boards Support website, <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.forms</u>. Proposal forms are also available at any Boards Support office. Proposals must be submitted on the current approved

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form. Any additional information provided with the form, such as pictures, tables, Internet web links, or charts/maps will not be included in the proposal book.

The completed proposal form must contain a contact telephone number and address. Email addresses are appreciated. Please print or type the individual's or organization's name as appropriate.

All proposals are reviewed prior to publication. Language that is emotionally charged detracts from the substance of the proposal and may draw opposition not germane to the element(s) of the proposal. Such language may be edited or deleted prior to publication. **Proposals that do not meet this call will not be accepted**. Proposals must pertain to the region, species, and uses in this call. Proposals that do not request a regulatory change or are outside the authority of the board will not be accepted. If duplicative proposals are received by the same individual or group only one will be included in the proposal book.

Proposals published in the proposal book will be referenced with the appropriate Alaska Administrative Code citation and include a brief description of the action requested.

Proposal books are sent to advisory committees and the public for review and comment. Proposals are online at <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.proposalbook</u>. Those submitting proposals are encouraged to review the proposal book at their earliest convenience to ensure proposals are included and accurate. Noted errors and omissions should be reported to Boards Support immediately. The public is encouraged to visit the Board of Fisheries website frequently for news and information regarding the upcoming cycle.

Responsive proposals received by the proposal deadline will be considered during the board's 2025/2026 meeting schedule.

For more information, please contact the Art Nelson, Executive Director for the Board of Fisheries at <u>art.nelson@alaska.gov</u> or (907) 267-2292.



ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES 2025/2026 Cycle Tentative Meeting Schedule

Alaska Peninsula, Aleutian Island, Bering Sea and Chignik Pacific Cod; Bristol Bay Finfish; Arctic, Yukon, and Kuskokwim Finfish; Alaska Peninsula, Aleutian Island, and Chignik Finfish; Statewide Finfish and Supplemental Issues

Meeting Dates	Topics	Location	Comment Deadline
Oct. 28–29, 2025 [2 days]	Work Session ACRs, cycle organization, Stocks of Concern	Anchorage Egan Civic and Convention Center	October 13, 2025
Oct. 30-31, 2025 [2 days]	Alaska Peninsula, Aleutian Islands, Bering Sea, and Chignik Pacific Cod	Anchorage Egan Civic and Convention Center	October 15, 2025
Nov. 18–22, 2025 [5 days]	Arctic / Yukon / Kuskokwim Finfish	Fairbanks Pikes Waterfront Lodge	November 3, 2025
Jan. 13–17, 2026 [5 days]	Bristol Bay Finfish	Anchorage Egan Civic and Convention Center	December 29, 2025
Feb. 18–24, 2026 [7 days]	Alaska Peninsula / Aleutian Island / Chignik Finfish	Anchorage Egan Civic and Convention Center	February 3, 2026
March 17–20, 2026 [4 days]	Statewide Finfish and Supplemental Issues	Anchorage Egan Civic and Convention Center	March 2, 2026

Total Meeting Days: 25

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Agenda Change Request Deadline: August 29, 2025 [60 days prior to fall work session]