



Federal Subsistence Board News Release



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Comments Invited on Proposed Changes to Federal Subsistence Hunting and Trapping Regulations for the 2026-2028 Regulatory Years

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — The Federal Subsistence Board today announced a public comment period on proposed changes to federal subsistence hunting and trapping regulations. These proposed changes would affect seasons, harvest limits, methods and means, and customary and traditional use determinations for the taking of wildlife for the 2026–2028 regulatory years (July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028). The Board will accept written comments through June 30, 2025.

The Board is also accepting public comments on existing wildlife closures that will be reviewed by the Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils and the Board during this wildlife cycle. These closures are being reviewed to determine whether the original justifications for closure continue to apply. Closure review analyses are being addressed by the Councils and the Board in the same manner as regulatory proposal analyses.

The proposals and wildlife closures are available on the Federal Subsistence Management Program's website at [https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/wildlife/2026-2028/Proposals and Closure Reviews](https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/wildlife/2026-2028/Proposals%20and%20Closure%20Reviews).

Comments should reference the proposal number or wildlife closure review number and should be emailed to subsistence@ios.doi.gov by June 30, 2025. Those without email access may mail comments to:

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Members of the public are also welcome to testify at any fall 2025 Councils' meetings. The Councils' meeting schedule is available at <https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions>. Members of the public can also give testimony at the Board wildlife regulatory meeting in April 2026.

The public may call the Office of Subsistence Management at (800) 478-1456 or email subsistence@ios.doi.gov with questions.

Information about the Federal Subsistence Management Program may be found on the web at www.doi.gov/subsistence or by visiting www.facebook.com/subsistencealaska.

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