

**SEWARD PENINSULA
SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Mini-Convention Center
Nome, Alaska
October 14 – 15, 2026
Convening at 9:00 am daily

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AGENDA

*Asterisk identifies action item.

- 1. Invocation**
- 2. Call to Order** *(Chair)*
- 3. Roll Call and Establish Quorum** *(Secretary)* 5
- 4. Meeting Announcements** *(Council Coordinator)*
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- 6. Membership Update** *(Council Coordinator)*
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- 9. Regional Subsistence Reports**
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- 11. Public and Tribal Comment on Non-Agenda Items** (available each morning)

12. Action Items (Chair)

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14. Partners for Fisheries Monitoring Program Update *(OSM Fisheries)*

15. Reports *(Time limit of 15 minutes unless approved in advance)*

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- e. Bureau of Land Management
- f. Office of Subsistence Management
 - i. Tribal Government and ANCSA Corporation Consultation engagement in the Federal Subsistence Management Program *(OSM Native Liaison)*
 - ii. OSM general update *(OSM LT Lead)*
- g. UAS: Building Pathways for Youth Engagement in Federal Subsistence Management: Seward Peninsula Cohort

16. Other Business *(Chair)*

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- b. Deferred WP26-01: Move authority delegated through letters to unit-specific regulations *(OSM Wildlife)*
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17. Closing Comments

18. Adjourn *(Chair)*

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