

BOARD OF FISH

2025/2026

ROADMAP

AK Peninsula,
Aleutian Islands,
Bering Sea, and
Chignik Pacific Cod

October 30-31, 2025
Anchorage

Work Session
ACRs, Cycle Organization,
Stocks of Concern

October 28-29, 2025
Anchorage

Arctic/Yukon/
Kuskokwim

November 18-22, 2025
Fairbanks

Bristol Bay Finfish

January 13-17, 2026
Anchorage

Statewide Finfish and
Supplemental Issues
(Hatcheries)

March 17-20, 2026
Anchorage

AK Peninsula, Aleutian
Islands, Bering Sea, and
Chignik Finfish
(Area M)

February 18-24, 2026
Anchorage



Yukon River Drainage
Fisheries Association

August 2025

Board of Fish 2025/26 Cycle

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Proposal booklets will be released sometime in August or September- be on the look out!					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 *ACR Deadline	30

September 2025

Board of Fish 2025/26 Cycle

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Contact your regional coordinator/Tribal council/Board to plan first meeting in late Sept/early Oct to review proposal booklet					5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4

October 2025

Board of Fish 2025/26 Cycle

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
Set AC/Tribal meeting date one week in advance to give proper public notice						
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Final week to meet as AC/Tribe to vote on proposals and write comments						
12	13 ★ *Comment Deadline: Work Session	14	15 ★ **Comment Deadline: AK Pen/AI/BS/ Chignik Pacific Cod	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Set AC/Tribal meeting date one week in advance to give proper public notice						
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
		***BOF Work Session		***BOF P Cod Meeting		
Final week to meet as AC/Tribe to vote on proposals and write comments						

* Work Session Topics: ACRs, cycle organization, and Stocks of Concern

**Alaska Peninsula, Aleutian Islands, Bering Sea, and Chignik Topic: Pacific Cod

*** Board of Fish Work Session in Anchorage at the Egan Civic and Convention Center

**** Board of Fish Pacific Cod Meeting in Anchorage at the Egan Civic and Convention Center

November 2025

Board of Fish 2025/26 Cycle

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 ★ *Comment Deadline: AYK Finfish	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
**BOF Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim Finfish						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
						30

*Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim (AYK): Finfish

**Board of Fish AYK Meeting in Fairbanks at Pikes Waterfront Lodge

December 2025

Board of Fish 2025/26 Cycle

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Set AC/Tribal meeting date one week in advance to give proper public notice						
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Final week to meet as AC/Tribe to vote on proposals and write comments						
28	29 *Comment Deadline: Bristol Bay Finfish	30	31	1	2	

*Bristol Bay: Finfish

January 2026

Board of Fish 2025/26 Cycle

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
*BOF Bristol Bay Finfish						
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Set AC/Tribal meeting date one week in advance to give proper public notice						
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Final week to meet as AC/Tribe to vote on proposals and write comments						

*Board of Fish Bristol Bay Finfish Meeting in Anchorage at the Egan Civic and Convention Center

February 2026

Board of Fish 2025/26 Cycle

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 *Comment Deadline: Area M 	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
				** BOF Area M Meeting		
Set AC/Tribal meeting date one week in advance to give proper public notice						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
** BOF Area M Meeting						
Final week to meet as AC/Tribe to vote on proposals and write comments						

*Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Islands/Chignik: Finfish and Area M

**Board of Fish Area M Meeting in Anchorage at the Egan Civic and Convention Center

March 2026

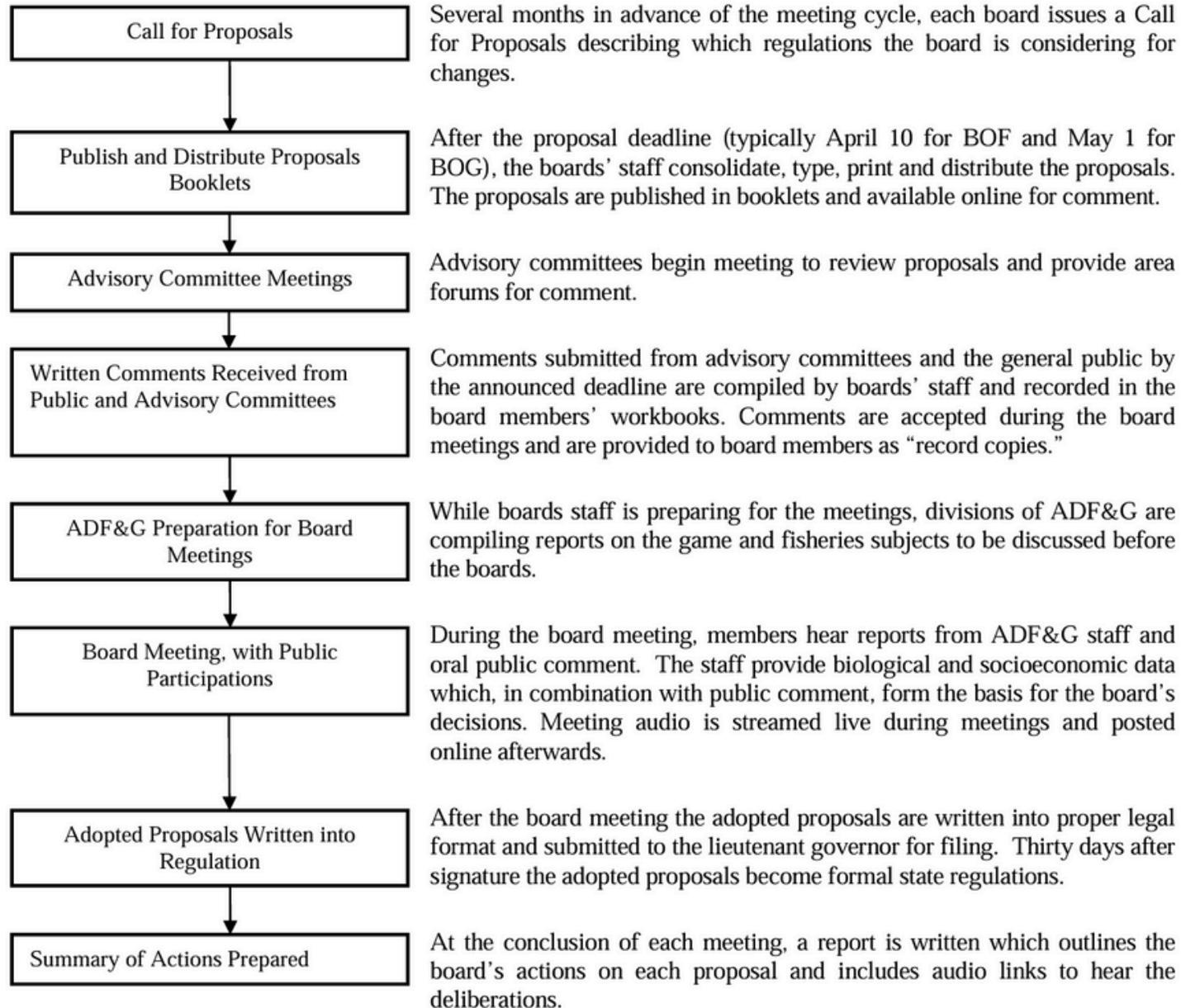
Board of Fish 2025/26 Cycle

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 ★ *Comment Deadline: Statewide	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
** BOF Statewide Meeting						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

*Statewide Meeting: Finfish, supplemental issues, hatcheries

**Statewide in Anchorage at the Egan Civic and Convention Center

How Public Suggestion Becomes Regulation



Proposal number and existing regulation

PROPOSAL 49

5 AAC 01.620. Lawful Gear and Gear Specifications.

Prohibit transport services in the Glennallen Subdistrict, as follows:

5 AAC 01.620(l)(1)

(l) Subsistence fishing guide services are prohibited in the Glennallen Subdistrict. For the purposes of this subsection,

(1) "subsistence fishing guide services" means assistance, for compensation or with the intent to receive compensation, to a subsistence fisherman to take or to attempt to take fish from a vessel by accompanying or physically **transporting** [DIRECTING] the subsistence fisherman in subsistence fishing activities during any part of a subsistence fishing trip

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? We want to clarify language to include the restriction of "transporting" subsistence fishermen in the Glennallen Subdistrict for subsistence fishing. Monetary compensation for transporting service should not exist in a subsistence fishery.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain. No

PROPOSED BY: Ahtna Intertribal Resource Commission

(HQ-F24-108)

Amended/new text in **bold and underlined**

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Author

PROPOSAL 14

5 AAC 28.263. Prince William Sound Walleye Pollock Pelagic Trawl Fishery Management Plan.

Close the Prince William Sound walleye pollock pelagic trawl fishery as follows:

Add a new section to 5 AAC 28.263. PWS Walleye Pollock Pelagic Trawl Fishery Management Plan.

x) A direct Alaska pollock Pelagic trawl fishery in PWS is prohibited unless;

1) No part or attachment to the Pelagic trawl gear makes contact with the seafloor habitat.

2) There is no bycatch of Chinook salmon in the PWS Pollock Pelagic trawl fishery.

Comments: Support- This proposal strategically addresses critical challenges, including the rising bycatch of Chinook salmon and the detrimental impacts of trawling on marine ecosystems.

Chinook salmon populations in the Copper River and across Alaska are facing ongoing challenges, with escapement goals frequently unmet. This is particularly concerning as Chinook salmon are vital for subsistence-use, cultural practices, and food security of many rural Alaskans and Alaska Natives. Bycatch of Chinook salmon in the pollock pelagic trawl fishery exacerbates this problem, contributing to population declines and hindering the recovery of these critical stocks.

Support/collaboration from more than one AC/Tribe/Organization is beneficial, shows unity

PROPOSAL 173

Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 20A.

Comments:

MNAC opposes Proposal 173 to reauthorize the antlerless moose hunt in Unit 20A in solidarity with the Tanana/Rampart/Manly advisory committee. See rationale for opposition to antlerless hunts in comments for Proposal 178.

Tips for Written Comments:

Quality over quantity

TNA or skip proposals that aren't of interest or affect your area

Clearly outline how the proposed regulation will affect your community/region

Refer to prior comments when applicable

Include local, traditional knowledge or data to support

Include official meeting notes and a record of the discussion and voting that took place

COMMENTING/TESTIFYING AT BOARD OF FISH

Time Limits

- AC Testimony- 10 minutes
- Public Testimony- 3 minutes

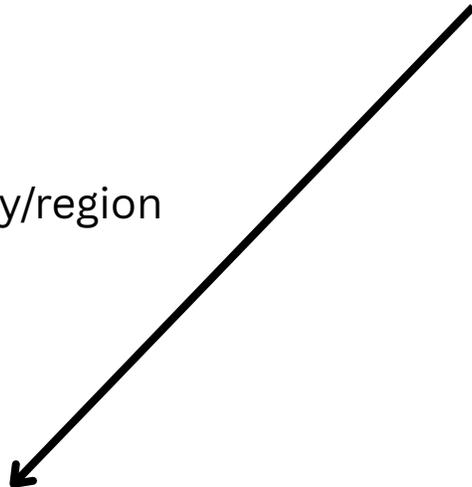
What to Include

- Official meeting notes from AC or Tribal meeting
- How this proposed regulation would affect your community/region
- Traditional knowledge (TK)

How to Participate

- Read suggested proposals
- Written comments (Tribal, AC, personal, or organizational)
- Public Testimony
- Get on your local AC or attend a meeting
- Get familiar with your Board Members- *invite them to your meetings/communities, read on their background, prepare questions for them*
- Submit a Record Copy (RC), *during the BOF meeting*
- Traditional Knowledge Report

Set meeting date two weeks prior to comment deadline



When we tell our story, we tell the story of the salmon

Board of Fisheries
TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE (TK) REPORT SIGN UP CARD

The board considers Traditional Knowledge to be knowledge, or a way of knowing, that is unique to a given culture or society, and, often through language, encompasses a worldview that defines specific relationships between humans and nonhuman attributes of the world. As knowledge that derives from both personal and the cumulative experiences of one's forbearers, it is grounded in generational knowledge but also subject to change and refinement. It is characterized by a long time scale. It is usually local in scale and often provides a counterpoint to more broad-based, scientifically produced knowledge.

The Board endeavors to incorporate traditional knowledge by seeking and inviting traditional knowledge holders recognized by their community, tribe, or by an organization whose interests encompass the conservation, protection, restoration, or enhancement of fishery resources, to share their experiences, values, alternative and/or independent observations and data collections directly with the Board.

Traditional knowledge reports are a time to share knowledge and understanding of the environment and fishery resources and are not intended by the board to be a time to advocate for or against proposals or policies. Please keep those topics in PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

REPRESENTING: Community, specify _____, *or*
 Tribe, specify _____, *or*
 Organization, specify _____

Subject of report:

Describe background of your Traditional Knowledge (optional):

Who should sign up to provide TK reports?

Elders

Youth

Fishermen

Advocates

Traditional Chiefs

Community providers

Culture camp leaders

Language bearers

Traditional knowledge holders

Anyone with local, traditional knowledge of the area can provide testimony. You do not need to be Alaska Native or Tribal to provide a TK report

ADF&G Board Support

Regional Coordinators

Contact your regional coordinator to set up advisory committee (AC) meetings to hold elections, review proposal booklets, discuss local observations/issues, etc.

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