

PROPOSAL 44

5 AAC 99.025. Customary and traditional uses of game populations.

Establish customary and traditional use findings for migratory birds and waterfowl in Units 12, 19, 20, 21, 24, and 25, and modify regulations to provide reasonable opportunities as follows:

The Alaska Board of Game should determine that migratory birds and waterfowl in Units 12, 19, 20 outside the Fairbanks Nonsubsistence Area, 21, 24, and 25 are associated with customary and traditional subsistence uses and develop regulations that provide reasonable opportunities for subsistence uses of migratory birds and waterfowl in these Interior Region Game Management Units.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The Alaska Board of Game has not yet determined whether migratory birds and waterfowl are associated with customary and traditional uses in Game Management Units 12, 19, 20 outside the Fairbanks Nonsubsistence Area, 21, 24, and 25. While the Alaska Migratory Bird Co-Management Council provides spring and summer subsistence hunting of migratory birds and waterfowl, many Interior Region rural residents also pursue migratory birds and waterfowl during the fall season for subsistence uses.

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