

Each applicant requests an ITPs to take the federally listed Alabama beach mouse (*Peromyscus polionotus ammobates*) incidental to the construction, maintenance and operation of a single-family home in Baldwin County, Alabama. We request public comment on each applicants' habitat conservation plans (HCP) and on the Service's preliminary determination that the proposed ITPs qualify under the GCP and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Alabama beach mouse published on March 28, 2012 (FWS-R4-ES-2012-N063).

Proposed Projects

Permit Number: PER21705285

Joseph Pianalto, applicant, requests a 50-year ITP to take Alabama beach mice via the conversion of 0.10 acre (ac) of occupied nesting, foraging, and sheltering ABM habitat incidental to the construction of a single-family home on a 0.66-ac parcel located off Bonita Lane in Gulf Shores, Alabama. The applicant proposes to mitigate for the take of ABM through an in-lieu fee of \$10,005.00 to the Alabama Coastal Heritage Trust's Alabama beach mouse conservation fund.

Permit Number: PER21702947

Jeffrey W. Floyd, applicant, requests a 50-year ITP to take Alabama beach via the conversion of approximately 0.13-ac of occupied nesting, foraging, and sheltering ABM habitat incidental to the construction of a single-family home on a 0.964-ac lot. The parcel is located at 2549 W Beach Boulevard, in Gulf Shores, Alabama. The applicant proposes to mitigate for the take of ABM through an in-lieu fee of \$12,590.20 to the Alabama Coastal Heritage Trust's Alabama beach mouse conservation fund.

Permit Number: PER21705302

Robert Holzberger, applicant, requests a 50-year ITP to take Alabama beach mice via the conversion of approximately 0.086-ac of occupied nesting, foraging, and sheltering ABM habitat incidental to the construction of a single-family home on a 0.57-ac lot. The parcel is located on Palmetto Drive in Gulf Shores, Alabama. The applicant proposes to mitigate for the take of ABM through an in-lieu fee of \$8,579 to the Alabama Coastal Heritage Trust's ABM conservation fund.

Our Preliminary Determination

The Service has made a preliminary determination that reasonably foreseeable effects of each applicants' proposed projects, including the construction of the three single family

homes, would have a minor effect on Alabama beach mice and the human environment. Reasonably foreseeable effects encompass effects of the implementation of the action along with other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future effects. Therefore, we have preliminarily determined that each proposed ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit would meet the requirements of the GCP and FEIS.

Next Steps

The Service will evaluate each application and the comments to determine whether to issue the requested ITP. We will also conduct an intra-Service consultation pursuant to section 7 of the ESA to evaluate the effects of the proposed take. After considering the preceding and other matters, we will determine whether the permit issuance criteria of section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA have been met. If met, the Service will issue ITP number PER21705285 to Joseph Pianalto, PER21702947 to Jeffrey W. Floyd, and PER21705302 to Robert Holzberger.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made available to the public. If you submit a comment at <https://www.regulations.gov>, your entire comment, including any personal identifying information, will be posted on the website. If you submit a hardcopy comment that includes personal identifying information, such as your address, phone number, or email address, you may request at the top of your document that we withhold this information from public review. However, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Moreover, all submissions from organizations or businesses and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses will be made available for public disclosure in their entirety.

Authority

The Service provides this notice under section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.32) and the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and

its implementing regulations and guidance.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

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Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council Meetings for 2026

AGENCY: Office of Subsistence Management, Interior; Forest Service, Agriculture.

ACTION: Announcement of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Federal Subsistence Board (Board) announces the public meetings of the 10 Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils (Councils) for the winter and fall of 2026. The Councils each meet approximately twice a year to provide advice and recommendations to the Board about subsistence hunting and fishing issues on Federal public lands in Alaska.

DATES:

Winter 2026 Meetings: The Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils will meet between February 17, 2026, and April 1, 2026, as shown in table 1 of **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

Fall 2026 Meetings: The Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils will meet between September 24, 2026, and October 29, 2026, as shown in table 2 of **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

Teleconferences will substitute for in-person meetings if public health or safety restrictions are in effect. For more information about accessing the meetings, including start times and whether meetings will be in person or via teleconference, visit <https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions>.

All meetings are open to the public. For more information, see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

ADDRESSES: Specific information about meeting locations and the final agendas can be found at <https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Chair, Federal Subsistence Board, c/o Office of Subsistence Management; Attention: Crystal Leonetti, Director, Office of Subsistence Management; (907) 786-3888 (phone) or subsistence@ios.doi.gov (email). For questions

specific to National Forest System lands, contact Gregory Risdahl, Subsistence Program Leader, (907) 302-7354 (phone) or gregory.risdahl@usda.gov (email). Individuals in the United States who are deaf, blind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

Reasonable Accommodations: The Board is committed to providing access to these meetings for all participants. Please make requests in advance for sign language interpreter services, assistive listening devices, or other reasonable accommodations. We ask that you contact Katerina Wessels, (907) 444-

1376 (phone), katerina_wessels@ios.doi.gov (email), at least 7 business days prior to the meeting to give the Department of the Interior sufficient time to process your request. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case-by-case basis.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board announces the 2026 public meeting schedule for the 10 Councils, in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Ch. 10). Established in 1993, the Councils are statutory Federal advisory committees that provide a public forum for their regions and recommendations to the Board about subsistence hunting, trapping, and fishing issues on Federal public lands in Alaska, as authorized by section 805 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA; 16 U.S.C. 3111–3126).

The Councils are a crucial link between federally qualified subsistence users and the Board. The Board is a multi-agency body that includes representatives of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and U.S. Forest Service, as well as a chair and five public members who are appointed by the Secretary of the Interior with the concurrence of the Secretary of Agriculture.

Each Council generally meets two times per calendar year, once in the winter and once in the fall, to attend to business and develop proposals and recommendations to the Board.

Winter 2026 Meetings: The Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils will meet between February 17, 2026, and April 1, 2026, as shown in table 1.

TABLE 1—WINTER 2026 MEETINGS OF THE ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCILS

Regional Advisory Council	Dates	Location
Southeast Alaska—Region 1	March 10–12	Juneau.
Southcentral Alaska—Region 2	March 17–18	Anchorage.
Kodiak/Aleutians—Region 3	March 4–5	Kodiak.
Bristol Bay—Region 4	March 9–10	Naknek.
Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta—Region 5	March 17–19	Bethel.
Western Interior—Region 6	February 24–25	Fairbanks.
Seward Peninsula—Region 7	March 30–31	Nome.
Northwest Arctic—Region 8	March 31–April 1	Kotzebue.
Eastern Interior—Region 9	March 3–5	Fairbanks.
North Slope—Region 10	February 24–25	Utqiagvik.

Fall 2026 Meetings: The Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils will meet between September 24, 2026,

and October 29, 2026, as shown in table 2.

TABLE 2—FALL 2026 MEETINGS OF THE ALASKA SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCILS

Regional Advisory Council	Dates	Location
Southeast Alaska—Region 1	October 20–22	Gustavus.
Southcentral Alaska—Region 2	October 14–15	Anchorage.
Kodiak/Aleutians—Region 3	October 1–2	Unalaska.
Bristol Bay—Region 4	October 28–29	Dillingham.
Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta—Region 5	October 27–29	Bethel.
Western Interior—Region 6	October 6–7	Aniak.
Seward Peninsula—Region 7	October 20–21	Nome.
Northwest Arctic—Region 8	September 24–25	Kotzebue.
Eastern Interior—Region 9	October 6–8	Fort Yukon.
North Slope—Region 10	October 1–2	Utqiagvik.

Meeting Agendas

Winter 2026 Meetings

- **General Council business:** Review and adoption of agenda; election of officers; review and approval of previous meeting minutes; Council Chair and members reports; public and Tribal comments on non-agenda items.
- Develop proposals and accept public comments on potential changes

to federal regulations for subsistence take of fish and shellfish.

- Review and approve Annual Report.
- Develop proposals and/or comments on the Alaska Board of Game and Alaska Board of Fisheries proposals for the current cycles.
- Appoint members to the vacant seats on Subsistence Resource Commissions.

- Agency, Tribal governments, State of Alaska, and nongovernmental organizations reports.

Fall 2026 Meetings

- **General Council business:** Review and adoption of agenda; review and approval of previous meeting minutes; Council Chair and members reports;

public and Tribal comments on non-agenda items.

- Prepare recommendations and accept public comments on proposals to change federal regulations for subsistence take of fish and shellfish regulations and review and prepare recommendations on fisheries closures.
- Define issues for upcoming Annual Report.
- Develop proposals and/or comments on the Alaska Board of Game and Alaska Board of Fisheries proposals for the current cycles.
- Agency, Tribal governments, Native organizations, State of Alaska, and nongovernmental organizations reports.
- Future meeting dates.

A meeting announcement with specific dates, times, and meeting locations will be sent to the public and regional contact via email distribution list prior to both series of meetings; in addition, announcements will be made on local radio stations and posted on social media and the Federal Subsistence Management Program website (<https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions>). Locations and dates may change based on weather or local circumstances. A teleconference will substitute for an in-person meeting if public health or safety restrictions are in effect. The final draft agendas, call-in numbers, instructions on how to participate and provide public comments, and other related meeting information will be posted on the Federal Subsistence Management Program website and on social media at <https://www.facebook.com/subsistence.alaska/>. Transcripts of the meetings are maintained by the program and will generally be available for public inspection within 14 days after each meeting at <https://www.doi.gov/subsistence/regions>.

Public Submission of Comments

Time will be allowed during the meetings for any individual or organization wishing to present oral or written comments. If you are not available to submit your comments, you may have another party present your comments on your behalf. Any written comments received will be presented to the Council members by staff.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personally identifiable information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can request, in your comment, to withhold

your personally identifiable information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority

5 U.S.C. Ch. 10; 16 U.S.C. 3115(a).

Crystal Leonetti,

Director, DOI—Office of Subsistence Management.

Gregory Risdahl,

Subsistence Program Leader, USDA—Forest Service.

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public participation, and environmental analyses.

DATES: BOEM must receive all comments, information, and indications of interest in response to this RFI no later than March 2, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Please submit indications of interest in commercial leasing electronically via email to AlaskaLeaseSales@boem.gov or by hard copy by mail to the following address: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Alaska Region, Office of Leasing and Plans, 3801 Centerpoint Dr., Ste. 500, Anchorage, Alaska 99503. If you elect to mail a hard copy, also include an electronic copy on a portable storage device. These are the only acceptable means of submitting indication of interest in commercial leasing under this RFI to BOEM.

Please submit all other comments and information as discussed in section 6, entitled, “Types of Information and Comments Requested,” by either of the following two methods:

1. *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the search box at the top of the web page, enter BOEM-2025-0318 and then click “search.” Follow the instructions to submit public comments and to view supporting and related materials.

2. *By mail to the following address:* Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Alaska Region, Office of Leasing and Plans, 3801 Centerpoint Dr., Ste. 500, Anchorage, Alaska 99503.

Treatment of confidential information is addressed in Section 8 of this notice entitled, “Protection of Privileged, Personal, or Confidential Information.” BOEM will post all comments received on regulations.gov unless labeled as confidential and BOEM determines that an exemption from disclosure applies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Aldine Reynolds, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Alaska Region, Office of Leasing and Plans, 3801 Centerpoint Dr., Ste. 500, Anchorage, Alaska 99503, at AlaskaLeaseSales@boem.gov or (907) 334-5200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*) declares that it is the policy of the United States that the OCS “is a vital national resource reserve held by the Federal Government for the public, which should be made available for expeditious and orderly development, subject to environmental safeguards, in a manner which is consistent with the maintenance of competition and other national needs.” *Id.* at 1332(3). BOEM requests information and comments from Indigenous communities, state and local governments, Federal agencies,

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

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Commercial Leasing for Outer Continental Shelf Minerals Offshore Alaska—Request for Information and Interest

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Interior.

ACTION: Request for information and interest.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is initiating the first steps that could potentially lead to a lease sale for minerals on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) offshore Alaska by publishing this request for information and interest (RFI). This RFI is not a final decision to lease and does not prejudge any future Secretarial decisions concerning leasing on the OCS offshore Alaska. This RFI requests information and comments on, and indications of interest in, the leasing of OCS minerals in an area offshore Alaska, referred to as the RFI Area, with details in Section 5 “Description of the RFI Area.” BOEM will consider information and interest received in response to this RFI when considering whether to proceed with additional steps leading to the offer of OCS minerals for lease offshore Alaska. Those interested in providing comments or information should provide the information requested in Section 6 “Types of Information and Comments Requested,” of this RFI. Those interested in leasing in and around the RFI Area for OCS mineral development should provide the information described in Section 7 “Requested Information for Indications of Interest.” BOEM will decide whether and under what terms and conditions to hold a lease sale for commercial OCS mineral development offshore Alaska after further consideration, consultations,