

Board of Fisheries Fact Sheet

Board: Board of Fisheries

Board identification number: 037

Department: FISH & GAME

Authority: AS 16.05.221

Status: Active

Sunset date:

Requirements: Legislative Confirmation and Financial Disclosure

Prohibitions: None

Term: 3 years

Chair: Board selects.

Description: The board consists of 7 members appointed by Governor on the basis of interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in the field of action of the board, and with a view to providing diversity of interest and points of view in the membership. Members must be residents of the state, appointed without regard to political affiliation or geographical location of residence. The Commissioner of the Dept. of Fish and Game is not a member, but serves as ex-officio secretary. Appointments must be made by April 1st. Terms begin July 1.

Function: Conservation and development of fishery resources.

Special facts: This board is a regulatory body. A quorum consists of a majority of the members of the board. Members may be removed only for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or misconduct in office (AS 16.05.280). Statute requires board to hold at least one meeting a year where the board selects time and place. The Board of Fisheries generally meets four to six times each year, for approximately 33-45 days. The Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game occasionally meet in joint session. The Board of Fisheries may meet at any time upon the call of the commissioner or upon the request of two board members.

Compensation: Standard travel and per diem. Range 20A for board meetings; 1/2 Range 20A for other mtgs.

Meetings: Historically meets 4-5 times/year, total 33-45 days; Joint F&G Boards meet occasionally.