

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO GUIDE-OUTFITTER USE AREA MAPS IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE BIG GAME COMMERCIAL SERVICES BOARD

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The Big Game Commercial Services Board proposes to update the guide-outfitter use area maps.

The Big Game Commercial Services Board (Board) proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 12, Chapter 75, of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with guide-outfitter use area maps established under AS 08.54.750(g), including the following:

12 AAC 75.235, Guide-outfitter use area maps, is proposed to be changed to alter the guide-outfitter use area maps that the board adopts by reference to define guide use areas.

Under 12 AAC 75.265, the Board is also soliciting petitions to propose amendments to guide use area boundaries included in the *Guide-Outfitter Use Area Maps* adopted by reference in 12 AAC 75.235. If you have questions regarding the **Guide-Outfitter Use Area Maps, including boundary adjustments**, please contact the Board staff: Cindy Hansen at (907) 465-2543 or cindy.hansen@alaska.gov. To view the current entire *Guide-Outfitter Use Area Maps* go to <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BigGameCommercialServicesBoard/GuideUseAreaMaps.aspx>.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, P.O. Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806. Additionally, the Board will accept comments by facsimile at (907) 465-2974, and by electronic mail at jun.maiquis@alaska.gov. Comments may also be submitted through the Alaska Online Public Notice System by accessing this notice on the system at <http://notice.alaska.gov/178910>, and using the comment link. **The comments must be received not later than 4:30 p.m. on February 3, 2016.**

Oral comments relevant to the proposed actions, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed action, may also be given at a hearing to be held on December 9, 2015, at the Coast International Inn, 3450 Aviation Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska. **Written comments will not be accepted at the hearing.** The hearing will begin at 1:45 p.m. and will end when those who have signed up before 1:45 p.m. to give oral testimony have had the opportunity to comment. The chair of the Board may set a time limit for each participant's oral testimony, determined by the chair before the hearing begins, to allow enough time for all those present and timely registered to give testimony.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, P.O. Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806, or by e-mail at jun.maiquis@alaska.gov. **The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period.** The Board will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Board's website at <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BigGameCommercialServicesBoard.aspx> or on the Alaska Online Public Notice System. The Board may, but is not required to, answer written questions received after the 10-day cut-off date and before the end of the comment period.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Jun Maiquis at (907) 465-2537 or jun.maiquis@alaska.gov not later than January 27, 2016 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

For a copy of the proposed regulation changes, contact Jun Maiquis at the address or phone number above, or go to <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/portals/5/pub/BGCSB-1115.pdf>.

After the public comment period ends, the Board will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. **You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected.** Written comments and questions received are public records and are subject to public inspection.

Chapter 75. Big Game Commercial Services Board.

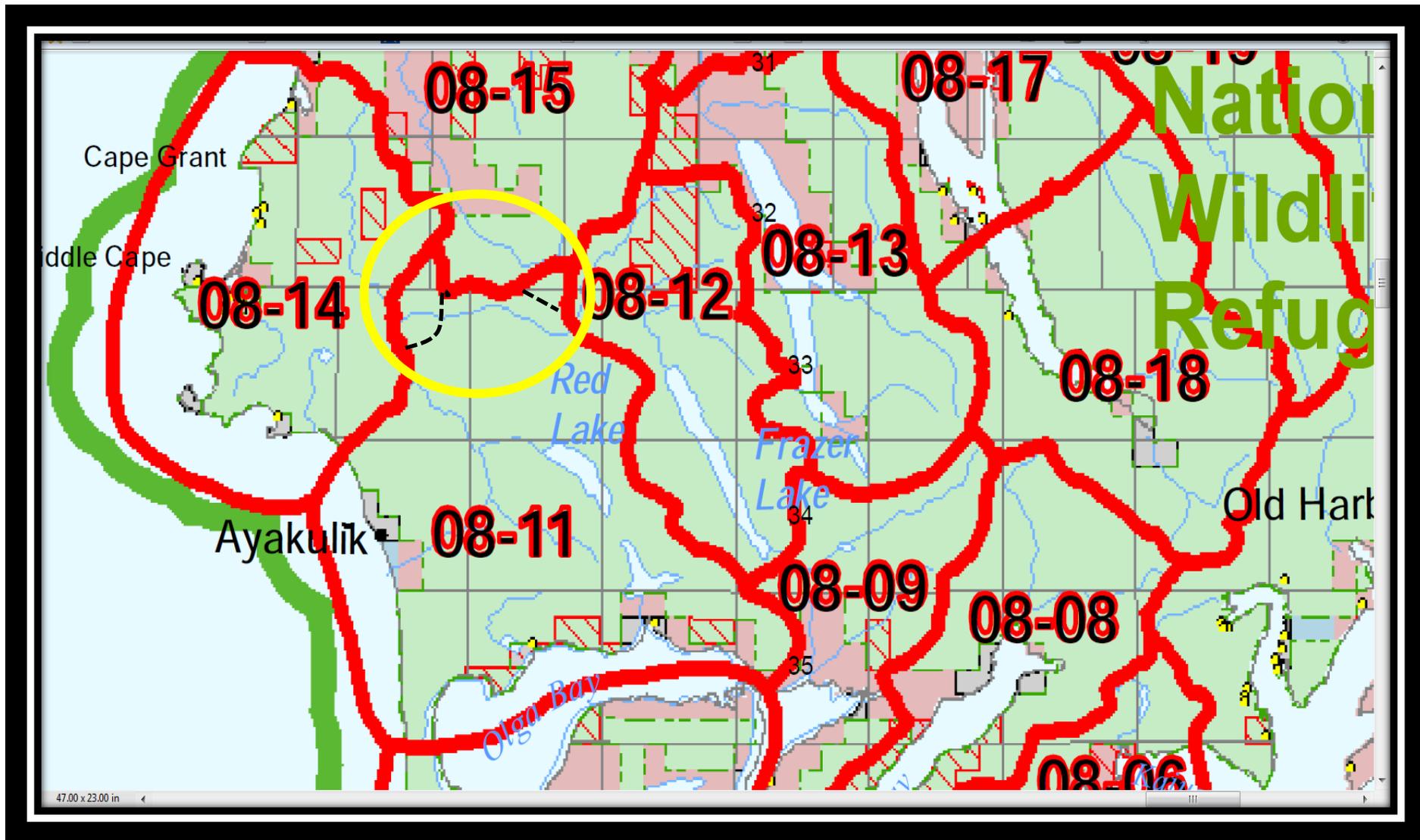
(Words in **boldface and underlined** indicate language being added; words [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] indicate language being deleted. Complete new sections are not underlined.)

12 AAC 75.235 is amended to read:

12 AAC 75.235. Guide-outfitter use area maps. The set of maps titled *Guide-Outfitter Use Area Maps*, dated June 22, 1994, as amended December 2009, July 2011, [AND] December 2011, **and November 2015**, also titled *Guide-Outfitter Use Area Maps*, is adopted by reference. This set of maps prepared by the Department of Natural Resources depicts the boundaries of the guide use areas established under AS 08.54.750(g). (Eff. 4/10/2010, Register 194; am 1/13/2012, Register 201; am 7/13/2012, Register 203; am ___/___/____, Register _____)

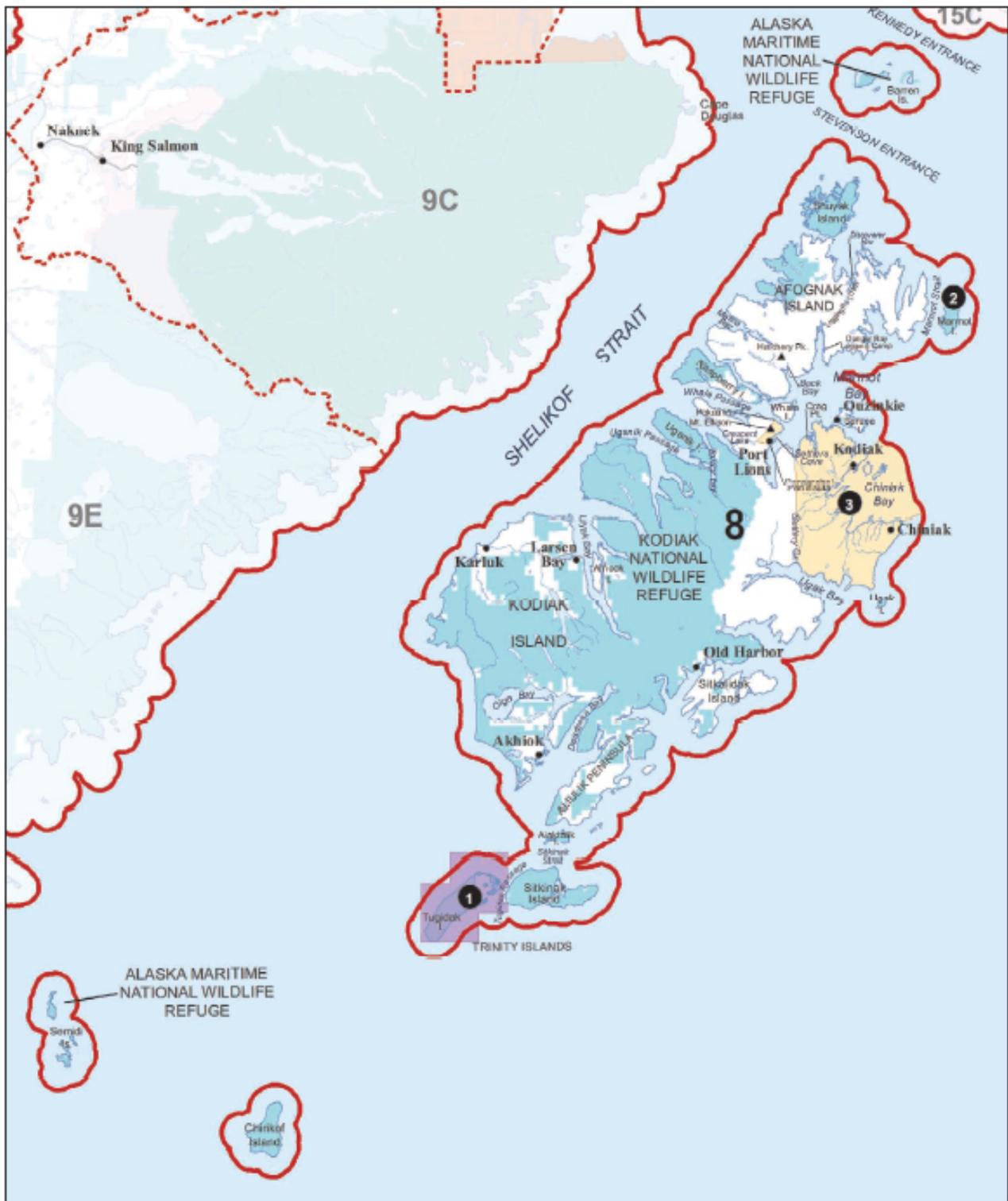
Authority: AS 08.54.600 AS 08.54.750

Editor's note: Copies of the *Guide-Outfitter Use Area Maps*, adopted by reference in 12 AAC 75.235, are available for inspection at the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land and Water offices in Anchorage at the Robert B. Atwood Building 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 900C, and in Fairbanks at 3700 Airport Way, and at the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing office in Juneau at the State Office Building, 9th Floor, 333 Willoughby Avenue. Electronic equivalents of the *Guide-Outfitter Use Area Maps* are also available through the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land and Water website at: <http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/gcp/gua.cfm>.



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Proposed boundary change in black dashes between the areas of 11 (Red Lake) and 14 (Halibut Bay) in GMU 8. The proposal would improve access conditions, return the boundaries so they are more recognizable and restore a significant portion of a very small guide use area.



Unit 8 Kodiak-Shelikof

Region 2

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Game Management Units / Special Management Areas

Closed Areas	National Parks	Military Boundary
Controlled Use Areas	National Preserves & Other Federal Lands	Military Closure
Management Areas	Unit Boundary	Tangle Lakes Archaeological District
State Refuges, Sanctuaries, & Critical Habitat Areas	Subunit Boundary	Roads
Other State Lands	City Boundary	Railroads
		Trails