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To: Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
Date: November 17, 2026
From: Kevin Richard, Director
RE: AMCO Director's Report

- **Introduction**
  - This report summarizes the activities of the Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office (AMCO) from the last board meetings held in September 2026.
- **Discussion Topics**
  - **Licensing**
    - Sonya Irwin will update you on the progress that has been made since the September 2026 board meetings.
  - **Enforcement**
    - Joe Bankowski will update you on the activities of the AMCO Enforcement Unit since the September board meetings. There are currently three vacant Special Investigator positions in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau that are being reclassified.
  - **Administration**
    - As of November 10th, the AMCO administrative unit is fully staffed with the hiring of an Administrative Assistant I.
  - **AO 360**
    - AMCO has been working on the AO 360 Reform Plan since the project was opened on May 11. Staff have gone through the reform plan and identified regulations that are ready for draft language.
  - **Legislative Audit**
    - AMCO and the ABCB recently completed a legislative audit. The report, including any findings or recommendations, will be made available during legislative session.
  - **Rec Site Sunsetting and Seasonality Fees**
    - Please see memos attached.
  - **Fraudulent Payment E-Mails**
    - AMCO has received reports from licensees that they're received e-mails fraudulently requesting payment. Please be aware that legitimate e-mails from AMCO will only come from an @alaska.gov e-mail address.

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October 30, 2026

To: Recreational Site Licensees

From: Jane P Sawyer, Program Coordinator

Contact: alcohol.licensing@alaska.gov

Subject: Sunsetting of Recreational Site Licenses

Chapter 8, SLA 2022 (aka Title 4 Rewrite) removed recreational site licenses, issued under former AS 04.11.210, with a grace period to allow for licensees to apply for a conversation of their recreational site license to a sporting activity or event license type issued under AS 04.09.270, or another applicable license type under AS 04.09.

The following licenses will sunset on 12/31/2027. An application to convert to a sporting activity or event license type or to another applicable license type must be submitted to the office and follow the normal course of a new license application. We recommend licensees listed below file a complete application for processing no later than May 2027.

License No.	Doing Business As	License Type
1314	Anchorage Glacier Pilots	Recreational Site License (RSL)
1789	Mitchell Raceway	Recreational Site License (RSL)
3323	Home Run Concessions	Recreational Site License (RSL)
3968	Blue Line Pub and Cafe	Recreational Site License (RSL)
4567	Liarsville	Recreational Site License (RSL)
4674	Dimond Bowl	Recreational Site License (RSL)
4850	Arctic Valley Ski Area	Recreational Site License (RSL)
5328	Alaska Airlines Center	Recreational Site License (RSL)
5998	Riverside Eats & Drinks	Recreational Site License (RSL)
4674	Dimond Bowl	Recreational Site License (RSL)

The following licenses will sunset on 12/31/2028. An application to convert to a sporting activity or event license type or to another applicable license type must be submitted to the office and follow the normal course of a new license application. Please plan accordingly.

License No.	Doing Business As	License Type
196	Capitol Speedway	Recreational Site License (RSL)
1747	Anchorage Bucs	Recreational Site License (RSL)
2931	Mat-Su Miners	Recreational Site License (RSL)
3409	Gold Creek Salmon Bake	Recreational Site License (RSL)
3924	Alaska Raceway Park	Recreational Site License (RSL)
4678	Fairbanks Junior Ice Dogs	Recreational Site License (RSL)
4881	Alaska Travel Adventures	Recreational Site License (RSL)
4897	Denali Arts Council	Recreational Site License (RSL)
5004	The Summit	Recreational Site License (RSL)
5023	Kenai River Brown Bears	Recreational Site License (RSL)
5095	PINZ	Recreational Site License (RSL)
5982	Hilltop Ski Area	Recreational Site License (RSL)
6022	Trail Breaker Kennel	Recreational Site License (RSL)
6089	Skeetawk	Recreational Site License (RSL)
6164	Frosted Axe Throwing	Recreational Site License (RSL)

This memo will be sent to licensees listed here by email and regular mail to their email and mailing address on record.

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October 29, 2026

To: All licensees

From: Jane P Sawyer, Program Coordinator

Contact: alcohol.licensing@alaska.gov

Subject: Licenses operating on a seasonal basis

Affected licenses/licensees: licenses/licensees operating on a seasonal basis AND who paid one-half of the biennial license fee.

Upon the implementation of new Title 4, the Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office (AMCO) did not appropriately addressed the change in statute regarding seasonal license fees.

Chapter 8, SLA 2022 (aka Title 4 Rewrite) removed the 'one-half of the biennial fee' language for licenses operating on a seasonal basis. Licenses/licensees operating on a seasonal basis must pay the full biennial license fee.

This memo is to let licensees know AMCO is correcting its deficiency, and it will immediately implement the appropriate full biennial license fee for all license types regardless of operational season.

Former AS 04.11.680. Duration of licenses and permits used to read:

(a) Upon application and payment of one-half of the biennial fee, the board may issue a seasonal license under this title that is effective for the intervals stated on the license. A seasonal license may not be effective for more than 12 months in a two-year period. Otherwise, all licenses issued under this title other than a retail stock sale license are effective for the two calendar years ending December 31, unless a shorter period is prescribed by the board or by law.

(b) A permit issued under this title shall be for the period prescribed by the board. The period shall be clearly designated on the permit.

Current AS 04.11.680. Duration of licenses, endorsements, and permits now reads:

(a) Upon application, the board may issue a seasonal license under this title that is

effective for the intervals stated on the license. Otherwise, a license or endorsement issued under this title and a conditional contractor's permit issued under AS 04.09.690 is effective for the two calendar years ending December 31, unless a shorter period is prescribed by the board or by law.

(b) A permit issued under this title shall be for a specific time period. The period shall be clearly designated on the permit.