

CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMISSION ON FEDERAL AREAS
ALASKA STATE LANDS ADVISORY GROUP
JANUARY 19, 2016 | TELECONFERENCE

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

10:03am – Call to Order

Bill Satterberg nominates Bud Fate as temporary chair, in the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair
Bud Fate accepts; Sara Taylor will introduce Agenda items

Roll Call

- Bill Satterberg
- JP Tangen
- John Crowther
- Bud Fate
- Ray Kreig
- Craig Fleener

Member Opening Comments

Bill Satterberg – I am currently in D.C. for the Sturgeon oral arguments before the U.S. Supreme Court.

JP Tangen – I testified at a December 3 hearing before the U.S. Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on ANILCA issues, alongside Governor Walker, Senator Coghill, Rod Arno, and other attorneys. The record for that hearing was kept open until yesterday and numerous organizations submitted testimony. The extension for holding the record open for submissions was at the request of the Alaska Federation of Natives.

Approval of December Meeting Minutes

Approved at **10:11am** by motion without objection

Juneau Meeting Discussion

Sara Taylor walks through draft agenda

Topics of Interest

Craig Fleener – meeting tomorrow with Senator Murkowski's staff on USFWS proposed rulemaking at 11am Alaska Time.

Sara Taylor – So everyone knows, this rulemaking, like the recently finalized NPS rulemaking before it, serves to preempt state management authorities regarding fish and wildlife within our borders. This allows for the total usurpation of sovereign police powers by individual Service decision makers, from refuge managers all the way up to the Secretary.

JP Tangen – Did anyone request a court order or something to stop the NPS regulations from taking effect?

Sara Taylor – Not that I am aware of. At our October meeting, CACFA voted unanimously to request the Attorney General file suit against the Service. This is pursuant to our statutory authority to make such a request. The request will be in the form of a letter to the Attorney General, with letters also to the delegation and the Governor. The reason it has taken so long to draft a simple letter is I am also working on crafting the legal arguments. So far, I can see challenges for violations of the constitutions, ANILCA and NEPA. For the constitution, this is a due process matter mostly, as someone on the ground will not know whether what they are doing is illegal.

Craig Fleener – Declaring the regulations unconstitutional may be an alternative to declaring disagreement.

Bill Satterberg – I will be traveling to Saipan, Japan, during next week's meeting in Juneau. I can call in at the beginning if necessary, just let me know.

10:30am – Recess

11:30am – Call to Order

Public Participation

No one on line

Member Opening Comments (cont)

Scott Ogan – I am sorry I could not make the meeting today, I was testifying as a witness for the State in an RS 2477 case. In October, I made a report to CACFA on behalf of ASLAG, in place of Vice-Chair Leaphart and based on the group's report, hope I did that justice. Revolution Media released a video concurrent with a Heritage Foundation meeting today on the transfer of public lands issue, did a fantastic job explaining the issues.

11:40am – Adjourn

Sara Taylor and Scott Ogan to stay online until 12:00pm to take questions and testimony from the public
None were received