

Federal Subsistence Board News Release



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Public Hearing Announced for Three Temporary Special Action Requests Regarding Federal Deer Hunting in Unit 2

The Southeast Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council requests the Federal Subsistence Board (Board) consider several actions regarding deer harvest on Federal public lands in Unit 2 for the conservation of a healthy deer population and the continuation of subsistence uses. The submitted requests are listed below and can also be viewed at www.doi.gov/subsistence/pending-special-actions.

- WSA25-01 requests that the Board close Federal public lands in Unit 2 to deer hunting by non-federally qualified users for the 2025/2026 regulatory year.
- WSA25-02 requests that the Board eliminate the doe hunt in Unit 2 for the 2025/2026 regulatory year if the final rule establishing Ketchikan as a rural community publishes before the end of the Unit 2 deer season.
- WSA25-03 requests that the Board determine which communities of federally qualified subsistence users should be permitted to harvest deer on Federal public lands in Unit 2 for the 2025/2026 regulatory year.

A public hearing to receive testimony on these Special Action Requests is scheduled on:

May 13, 2025, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. *

in-person at Generations Southeast, 6565 Boundary Road, Klawock, Alaska or by <u>Teleconference</u>: (833) 436-1163 <u>Conference ID</u>: 202592486# Microsoft Teams Meeting Link: Click here to join meeting

*Public hearings may end early or run late depending on public participation.

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