

**SUSITNA BASIN
RECREATION RIVERS MANAGEMENT PLAN
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, October 26, 2022
10:00am-12:00pm**

MEETING MINUTES

The recording for this meeting is available [online](#).

I. Call to Order

- A. The regular meeting of the Susitna Basin Recreation Rivers Advisory Board was called to order at approximately 10:05 AM on October 26, 2022, via Microsoft Teams.
- B. Roll Call – Board Members Present: Israel Mahay (Chair), Donald Redick, Mike DeMaria, Emma Pokon, Nancy Conklin, Joseph Wright (Vice Chair), Mike Overcast, Tim Dabney, & Stephanie Nowers
- C. Board Members Absent: Stafford Glashan (excused), Bruce Knowles, and Aaron Benjamin.
- D. Joseph Wright MOVED to approve the meeting Agenda. Mike DeMaria SECONDED. PASSED without objection.
- E. Joseph Wright MOVED to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from 6/22/2022. Nancy Conklin SECONDED. PASSED without objection.

II. Old Business

- A. Board Member Public Contact Information
 - a. Through the course of the meeting, board members who had yet to provide their public contact emails did so. Donald Redick will share the final contact list with DNR to be put on the Advisory Board website.
- B. Plan Process Update
 - a. DNR staff discussed with the Board the recently released Newsletter summarizing the results of the Scoping Process and the next steps in the plan process.
 - b. The Newsletter can be viewed on the Plan Project webpage:
<https://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/planning/mgtplans/susitna-revision/pdf/rr-fall-2022-newsletter-final.pdf>
- C. Board Vacancy Update
 - a. The Governor has been presented with the Board Resolution recommending removal of two board members (representing Mining and Sport Fishing) that have missed at least three board meetings without being excused. As of this meeting date, the Governor has

not acted to remove these two members, nor appointed a representative to fill the single current board vacancy (representing Recreationally Oriented Commercial Users).

III. New Business

A. Fall/Winter Meeting Schedule

- a. Joseph Wright MOVED to continue meeting on the 4th Wednesday of every month through the winter. Mike Overcast SECONDED. PASSED with a single objection from Don Redick. (Based on this Motion, staff will schedule meetings every month until March 22, 2023.)

B. Susitna Basin Recreation Rivers Management Plan Review

- a. The Board decided to postpone discussion of the Little Susitna River and Deshka River sections of Chapter 3 until a future meeting.
- b. The Board would like to review Chapter 2 at the next meeting.

IV. Comments from Members of the Public (Maximum 3 minutes/person)

- a. Becky Long of the Susitna River Coalition called in to provide public comment.
- b. Andy Wolski called in to provide public comment.

V. Comments from Board Members

VI. Adjournment – Next Regular Meeting 11/23/2022

- a. Donald Redick MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Joseph Wright SECONDED. PASSED without objection. The Board adjourned at 10:49 AM.