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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Removes Regulations Governing Non-Subsistence Take of Wildlife that Were Nullified by Congress

Today, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service removed regulations from the Code of Federal Regulations that were published in 2016 regarding the non-subsistence take of wildlife, public participation, and closure procedures for national wildlife refuges in Alaska. This administrative step has been taken in response to a congressional resolution that nullified the regulations under the Congressional Review Act, which was signed by the President in April 2017.

Hunting is deeply rooted in American tradition and is a way of life for many Alaskans who often depend on the land and resources. We all share the same goal of conservation of wildlife and habitat for future generations. The Service looks forward to working closely with the State of Alaska to ensure that mission is met.

Refuges in Alaska were established under the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act and are managed for conservation of the conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity. Learn more about the 16 national wildlife refuges in Alaska:

<https://www.fws.gov/alaska/nwr/map.htm>

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