

CHARTER
SUBSISTENCE RESOURCE COMMISSION
GATES OF THE ARCTIC
NATIONAL PARK, ALASKA

1. The official designation of the committee is the Subsistence Resource Commission for Gates of the Arctic-National Park.
2. The purpose of the Commission is to devise and recommend to the Secretary and the Governor of Alaska a program for subsistence hunting within Gates of the Arctic National Park. Such program shall be prepared using technical information and other pertinent data assembled or produced by necessary field studies or investigations conducted jointly or separately by the technical and administrative personnel of the State of Alaska and the U. S. Department of the Interior, information submitted by, and after consultation with the appropriate local advisory committees and federal *regional* advisory councils and any testimony received in a public hearing or hearings held by the Commission prior to preparation of the plan at a convenient location or locations in the vicinity of the national park. Each year thereafter, the Commission, after consultation with the appropriate local committees and federal regional advisory councils, considering all relevant data and holding one or more additional hearings in the vicinity of the Park, shall make recommendations to the Secretary and the Governor for **any** changes in the program or its implementation which the Commission deems necessary.
3. In view of the objectives, scope and purposes of the Commission, it is expected to continue beyond the foreseeable future. The provisions of Section 14(b) of ~~the~~ Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 **U.S.C.** Appendix (1988) requiring a biennial rechartering, are inapplicable to this Subsistence Resource Commission. However, there shall be a biennial review of this Commission to determine if its purposes are being fulfilled.
4. The Commission reports to the Superintendent, Gates of the Arctic National Park, P. O. **Box 74680**, Fairbanks, Alaska 99707.
5. Support for the Commission is provided by the National Park **Service**, U. S. Department of the Interior.
6. The duties of the Commission are solely advisory and are as stated in paragraph 2 above.
7. The estimated annual operating cost of the Commission is **\$25,000**, which includes approximately one-fifth work year of staff support.

a. The **Commission** will **meet** approximately twice a year, or as often as circumstances require. The **Commission** shall not hold any meetings except at the call or with the advance approval of the Superintendent, Gates of the Arctic National Park. All meetings will be open to the general public. Any organization, association, or individual **may** attend or file a **statement** before the Commission regarding topics on a meeting agenda. All meetings of the Commission shall be subject to the provisions, of the 'Federal Advisory **Committee** Act.

9. The Commission's membership as set **forth** in P.L. 96-487 (December 2, 1980) shall consist of nine members appointed for **3-** year terms, or until the member's resignation or removal by the appointment source, as follows:

- a. three appointed by the Secretary of the Interior;
- b. three appointed by the Governor of the State of Alaska;
- c. one each appointed by the Western Interior, Federal Northwest Arctic, and North Slope Federal Regional Advisory Councils, established pursuant to Section 805 of P.L. 96-487 which have jurisdiction within Gates of the Arctic National Park. Each member must also be a member of either of the federal regional advisory councils or a local advisory committee within the region and also lawfully engaged in subsistence uses within the national park.

If no successor is appointed on or prior to the expiration date of a member's term, the incumbent **may** continue to serve until a new appointment is made, provided that a charter under the Federal Advisory Committee Act is in effect. Appointments made to fill vacancies created during a term will be for the length of time remaining in the unexpired term. Members **appointed** by the Secretary of the Interior under **9a**, shall represent the interests of the subsistence users of the park.

The chairperson is elected annually by the members of the Commission.

10. Members of the Commission shall serve without compensation as such, except that the Secretary of the Interior may **pay** the expenses reasonably incurred by the Commission in carrying out its responsibilities upon presentation of vouchers signed by the Chairperson and approved by the Superintendent, Gates of the Arctic National **Park**.

11. The designated Federal Officer, pursuant to Section **10(e)** of **the Federal Advisory Committee Act**, shall be the Superintendent, Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve, or his/her designee.

) 12. The Subsistence Resource Commission for Gates of the Arctic National Park is established pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 3118, P.L. 96-487, title VIII, section 808(a), December 2, 1980.



Secretary of the Interior

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