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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kevin Messing, Department of Fish and Game

FROM: Scott Meriwether, Office of the Lieutenant Governor 465.4081

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DATE: June 1, 2016

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Board of Game

Board of Game Regulations re: March 18 - 26, 2016 Fairbanks Meeting: Statewide

Regulations (5 AAC 85.020 - 5 AAC 99.025)

Attorney General File: JU2015200518

Regulation Filed: May 31, 2016

Effective Date: July 1, 2016

Print: 218, July 2016

cc with enclosures: Linda Miller, Department of Law

Dianne Blumer, Administrative Regulation Review Committee

Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

ORDER CERTIFYING THE CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

The attached 85 pages of regulations, dealing with the use and taking of game, are hereby adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Alaska Board of Game adopted at its March 18-26, 2016 meeting in Fairbanks, Alaska, under the authority of AS 16.05.255 and AS 16.05.258 and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and AS 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

On the record, in considering public comments, the Alaska Board of Game paid special attention to the costs of private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on July 1, 2016, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

DATE: May 27, 2016 Juneau, Alaska

Sam Cotten, Commissioner

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Chire Richardson

FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on

(a, at 3.24).m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS

44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

Byron Mallott

Lieutenant Governor

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July 1, 2016

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STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME P.O. BOX 115526 JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

UNDER AS 44.17.010, THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR ADOPTING REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME UNDER THE ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT ARE DELEGATED TO KEVIN BROOKS, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER.

SIGNED:

SAM COTTEN
(Please print name)

SIGNED AND SWORN TO before me this 2 day of February

[NOTARY SEAL]

OFFICIAL SEAL
Abby Smith
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires

Notary Public in and for the

State of Alaska

My commission expires: WITH OFFICE

FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, BYRON MALLOTT, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employee to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

Claire Richardson, Special Assistant

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on January 7th 2015.

OF THE STATE OF ALAS

BYRON MALLOTT LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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Note to Publisher: When a subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, etc. is indicated by the appropriate number or letter and no text follows that symbol, then the omitted text is the same as that set out in the previous register containing the section. Amended text to be added is bolded and underlined. Amended text to be deleted is capitalized and enclosed in brackets.

Title 5. Fish and Game.

Part 3. Game.

Chapter 85. Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits.

Article 2. Seasons and Bag Limits.

5 AAC 85.020(a)(20) is amended to read:

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and Nonresident
Units and Bag Limits General Hunts) Open Season

(20)

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Remainder of Unit 22

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every Aug. 1-May 31

regulatory year (Subsistence hunt

by registration permit only only)

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1 bear every

Aug. 1-May 31

regulatory year

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every Aug. 1-May 31

regulatory year by

drawing permit only; up

to **21**[12] permits

may be issued

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 9/18/91, Register 119; am 7/1/92, Register 122; add'l am 7/1/92, Register 122; am/readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 7/1/94, Register 130; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 8/25/94, Register 131; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 8/4/95, Register 135; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/1/96, Register 138; am 7/1/97, Register 142; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/99, Register 150; add'l am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am

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7/1/2010, Register 194; em am 8/6/2010 – 12/3/2010, Register 195; am 2/4/2011, Register 197; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 1st add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 206; am 7/1/2016, Register 207, August 2014, August

Authority: AS 16.05.060 AS 16.05.258 AS 16.05.407

AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.330

5 AAC 85.025(a)(3) is amended to read:

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and Nonresident
Units and Bag Limits General Hunts) Open Season

(3)

Unit 9(A) and that portion

of Unit 9(C) within the

Alagnak River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Aug. 1---Mar. 15

2 caribou by registration

permit[; HOWEVER, NO

MORE THAN 1 BULL MAY BE

TAKEN AND NO MORE THAN 1

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CARIBOU MAY BE TAKEN	-			~				-	***
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FROM AUG. 1 - JAN. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Unit 9(B)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Aug. 1—Mar. 31

2 caribou by registration

permit[; HOWEVER, NO

MORE THAN 1 BULL MAY BE

TAKEN AND NO MORE THAN 1

CARIBOU MAY BE TAKEN

FROM AUG. 1 - JAN. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.025(a)(3) is unchanged.

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5 AAC 85.025(a)(12) is amended to read:

(12)

Unit 17(A), all drainages

that terminate east

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of Right Hand Point

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 caribou may be taken (Season to be

during the season to be announced)

announced by emergency

order by registration permit

only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Remainder of Unit 17(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Aug. 1-Mar. 31

2 caribou by registration

permit only[; HOWEVER, NO

MORE THAN 1 BULL MAY BE

TAKEN AND NO MORE THAN 1

CARIBOU MAY BE TAKEN

FROM AUG. 1 - JAN. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Unit 17(B), that portion in the Unit 17(B) Nonresident

Closed Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 caribou by registration

Aug. 1—Mar. 31

permit only[; HOWEVER, NO

MORE THAN 1 BULL MAY BE

TAKEN AND NO MORE THAN 1

CARIBOU MAY BE TAKEN

FROM AUG. 1 - JAN. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Remainder of Unit 17(B), and

that portion of Unit 17(C)

east of the east banks of the Wood River,

Lake Aleknagik, Agulowak River,

Lake Nerka, and the Agulukpak

River

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

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2 caribou by registration

Aug. 1—Mar. 31

permit only[; HOWEVER, NO

MORE THAN 1 BULL MAY BE

TAKEN AND NO MORE THAN 1

CARIBOU MAY BE TAKEN

FROM AUG. 1 - JAN. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Remainder of Unit 17(C)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

(Season to be

2 caribou may be taken

announced)

during the season to be

announced by emergency

order by registration permit

only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

5 AAC 85.025(a)(13) is amended to read:

(13)

Unit 18

FISH AND GAME

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Aug. 1—Mar. 15

2 caribou by registration

permit only[; HOWEVER, NO

MORE THAN 1 BULL MAY BE

TAKEN AND NO MORE THAN 1

CARIBOU MAY BE TAKEN

FROM AUG. 1 - JAN. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

5 AAC 85.025(a)(14) is amended to read:

(14)

Unit 19(A), that portion within

the Lime Village Management

Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 caribou by registration

Aug. 1-Mar. 15

permit only[; HOWEVER, NO

MORE THAN 1 BULL MAY BE

TAKEN AND NO MORE THAN 1

CARIBOU MAY BE TAKEN

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FROM AUG. 1 - JAN. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Units 19(A) and 19(B) within

the Nonresident Closed Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 caribou by registration

Aug. 1---Mar. 15

permit only[; HOWEVER, NO

MORE THAN 1 BULL MAY BE

TAKEN AND NO MORE THAN 1

CARIBOU MAY BE TAKEN

FROM AUG. 1 - JAN. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Remainder of Units 19(A) and

19(B)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 caribou by registration

Aug. 1-Mar. 15

permit only[; HOWEVER, NO

FISH AND GAME

MORE THAN 1 BULL MAY BE

TAKEN AND NO MORE THAN 1

CARIBOU MAY BE TAKEN

FROM AUG. 1 - JAN. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.025(a)(14) is unchanged.

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5 AAC 85.025(a)(17) is amended to read:

(17)

Unit 22(A), that portion north

of the Golsovia River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 caribou per day, by registration

permit only, up to

20 caribou total; as follows:

up to 5 bulls per day; however,

July 1-June 30

calves may not be taken;

[JULY 1 - OCT. 14

FEB. 1 - JUNE 30]

up to 5 cows per day; however,

July 1-Mar. 31

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calves may not be taken

[SEPT. 1 - MAR. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not be taken

Aug. 1 - Sept. 30

Unit 22(B), that portion west of

Golovnin Bay, and west of a line

along the west bank of the Fish

and Niukluk Rivers to the

mouth of the Libby River, and

excluding all portions of the

Niukluk River drainage upstream

from and including the

Libby River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 caribou per day, by registration

permit only, up to

20 caribou total; as follows:

up to 5 bulls per day; however,

Oct.1-Apr. 30

calves may not be taken;

[OCT. 1 - OCT. 14

FEB. 1 - APR. 30]

up to 5 cows per day; however,

Oct. 1 - Mar. 31

calves may not be taken;

up to 5 caribou per day; however,

(Season to be

calves may not be taken; during

announced by

the period May 1 - Sept. 30,

emergency order)

a season may be announced by

emergency order; however,

cow caribou may not be

taken April 1 - Aug 31[;

BULL CARIBOU MAY NOT BE TAKEN

OCT. 15 - JAN 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not be taken;

[(SEASON TO BE

(Season to be

during the period Aug. 1 - Sept. 30,

ANNOUNCED BY

announced by

a season may be announced by

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Remainder of Unit 22(B)

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5 caribou per day, by registration

permit only, up to

20 caribou total; as follows:

up to 5 bulls per day; however, July 1-June 30

calves may not be taken[;] [JULY 1 - OCT. 14

FEB. 1 - JUNE 30]

up to 5 cows per day; however, July 1-Mar. 31

calves may not be taken [SEPT. 1 - MAR. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not be taken

Aug. 1 - Sept. 30

Unit 22(D), that portion in the

Pilgrim River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 caribou per day, **by registration**

permit only, up to

20 caribou total; as follows:

up to 5 bulls per day; however,

calves may not be taken;

Oct.1-Apr. 30

[OCT. 1 - OCT. 14

FEB. 1 - APR. 30]

up to 5 cows per day; however,

calves may not be taken,

Oct. 1 - Mar. 31

up to 5 caribou per day; however,

calves may not be taken; during

the period May 1 - Sept. 30,

a season may be announced by

emergency order; however,

cow caribou may not be

taken April 1 - Aug. 31

(Season to be

announced by

emergency order)

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not

be taken; during

the period Aug. 1 - Sept. 30,

a season may be announced by

emergency order

[(SEASON TO BE

(Season to be

ANNOUNCED BY

announced by

EMERGENCY ORDER)]

emergency order)

Unit 22(D), that portion in the

Kuzitrin River drainage

(excluding the Pilgrim River

drainage) and the Agiapuk River

drainage, including the

tributaries

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

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5 caribou per day, by registration

permit only, up to

20 caribou total; as follows:

up to 5 bulls per day; however,

July 1-June 30

calves may not be taken;

[JULY 1 - OCT. 14

FEB. 1 - JUNE 30]

up to 5 cows per day; however,

July 1-Mar. 31

calves may not be taken

[SEPT. 1 - MAR. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not be taken

[(AUG. 1 - SEPT. 30)]

Aug. 1 - Sept. 30

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Unit 22(E), that portion east of and including the Sanaguich River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 caribou per day, by registration

permit only, up to

20 caribou total; as follows:

up to 5 bulls per day; however,

July 1-June 30

calves may not be taken; [JULY 1 - OCT. 14

FEB. 1 - JUNE 30]

up to 5 cows per day; however, <u>July 1-Mar. 31</u>

calves may not be taken [SEPT. 1 - MAR. 31]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not be taken Aug. 1 - Sept. 30

Remainder of Unit 22

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 caribou per day; by registration (Season to be

permit only, however, announced by

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calves may not be taken;

emergency order)

cow caribou may not be

taken Apr. 1 - Aug. 31;

bull caribou may not be taken

Oct. 15 - Jan. 31

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; however, calves may not be taken;

(Season to be

during the period Aug. 1 - Sept. 30

announced by

emergency order)

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 8/10/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; em am 12/17/90 - 4/15/91, Register 117; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 2/29/92, Register 121; em am 4/14/92 - 8/11/92, Register 122; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 4/1/93, Register 125; em am 3/15/93 - 7/22/93, Register 126; am/readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 8/25/94, Register 131; em am 10/28/94 - 2/24/95, Register 132; em am 11/8/94 - 3/7/95, Register 132; em am 12/14/94 - 4/12/95, Register 133; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 8/4/95, Register 135; am 10/27/95, Register 136; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 10/30/96, Register 140; em am 11/12/96 - 3/11/97, Register 140; em am 11/22/96 - 3/21/97, Register 140; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 8/20/98, Register 147; am 7/1/99, Register 150; em am 9/24/99 - 1/21/2000, Register 152; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 1/1/2001, Register 156; am 3/17/2001, Register 157; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; em am 3/19/2002 - 3/29/2002, Register

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162; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; em am 7/24/2002 - 8/2/2002, Register 163; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 8/2/2010, Register 195; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7 / 1 /2016, Register 218)

Authority:

AS 16.05.060

AS 16.05.258

AS 16.05.330

AS 16.05.255

5 AAC 85.040(a)(7) is amended to read:

Resident **Open Season** (Subsistence and

Nonresident **Open Season**

Units and Bag Limits

General Hunts)

(7)

Remainder of Unit 14(C)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 goat by registration permit only;

Aug. 16 - Nov. 30

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however, goats may be taken from

(General hunt only)

Aug. 16 through Aug. 31 by bow

and arrow only; the taking of

nannies with kids is prohibited

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 goat by **drawing** [REGISTRATION]

permit only; and by bow and arrow

Aug. 16 — Aug. 31

only; the taking of nannies with kids is

prohibited; or

1 goat by **drawing** [REGISTRATION]

permit only; the taking of nannies

Sept. 1 — Oct. 15

with kids is prohibited

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 8/25/94, Register 131; am 7/9/95, Register 135; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 8/4/95, Register 135; am 7/1/97, Register 142; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; add'l am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; add'l am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; add'l am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2007, Register 174; add'l am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2007, Register 174; am 7/1/2007, Register 174; am 7/1/2007, Register 174; am 7/1/2007, Register 174; add'l am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2007, Register 174; am 7/1/

182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 12/1/2007, Register 184; am 7/1/2009, Register 190;

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Authority:

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258

5 AAC 85.045(a)(13) is amended to read:

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and
General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

(13)

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Unit 15(B), that portion

Units and Bag Limits

Sept. 1-Sept. 20

Sept. 1-Sept. 20

bounded by a line running

(General hunt only)

Sept. 26-Oct. 15

from the mouth of Shantatalik

Sept. 26-Oct. 15

Creek, Tustumena Lake,

(General hunt only)

northeastward to the head

of the westernmost fork of Funny

River; then downstream along

the westernmost fork of Funny River

to the Kenai National

Wildlife Refuge boundary;

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then east along the refuge
boundary to its junction
with the Kenai River; then
eastward along the south
side of the Kenai River and
Skilak Lake; then south
along the western side of
Skilak River, Skilak Glacier,
and Harding Icefield; then
west along the Unit 15(B)
boundary to the mouth of

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side, by drawing permit only; up to 100 permits may be issued

Shantatalik Creek

Unit 15(B), Kalgin Island

1 moose per regulatory year,

Aug. 20 - Sept. 20

Aug. 20 - Sept. 20

by registration permit only

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Remainder of Unit 15(B)

1 bull per regulatory year,

only as follows:

1 bull with spike or 50-inch

Aug. 22-Aug.29

Aug. 22-Aug. 29

antlers or antlers with 4 or more

(General hunt only)

brow tines on one side,

by bow and arrow only; or

1 bull with spike or 50-inch

Sept. 1-Sept. 25

Sept. 1-Sept. 25

antlers or antlers with 4 or more

(General hunt only)

brow tines on one side

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.045(a)(13) is unchanged.

5 AAC 85.045(a)(14) is amended to read:

(14)

[UNIT 16(B), KALGIN ISLAND]

[1 MOOSE PER REGULATORY YEAR, [AUG. 20 - SEPT. 20] BY REGISTRATION PERMIT ONLY]

[AUG. 20 - SEPT. 20]

Remainder of Unit 16(B)

1 bull per regulatory year,

only as follows:

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

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If the harvestable portion is

greater than 240 moose:

1 bull with spike-fork

Aug. 20-Sept. 25

antlers or 50-inch antlers or

antlers with 3 or more brow

tines on one side; or

1 bull by drawing permit only;

Aug. 20—Sept. 25

(General hunt only)

up to 75 percent of the

combined drawing permits in

the area may be issued to non-

youth hunters; up to 300 permits

may be issued; provided that the

harvestable portion is greater

than 310 moose; or

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1 bull by drawing permit only;

Aug. 20—Sept. 25

up to 25 percent of the

Nov. 15—Jan. 31

combined drawing permits in

[NOV. 15-DEC.15]

the area may be issued to youth

(General hunt only)

hunters; up to 100 permits

may be issued; provided that

the harvestable portion is

greater than 310 moose; or

1 bull by registration permit

Dec. 15—Last Day

only; or

of February

1 bull by drawing permit only;

Dec. 15—Last Day

up to 500 permits may be

of February

issued; or

1 bull by Tier II

Dec. 15—Mar. 31

subsistence hunting

(Subsistence hunt only)

permit only; up to 260

permits may be issued

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.045(a)(14) is unchanged.

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AS 16.05.780

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.330

AS 16.05.789

5 AAC 85.055(a)(3) is amended to read:

Resident

Open Season

(Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

(3)

Units 13 and 20, those

Units and Bag Limits

portions known as the

Delta Controlled Use Area:

up to 150 permits will be issued

[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL HORN OR

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER, BY DRAWING PERMIT

[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

ONLY; 150 PERMITS WILL BE ISSUED]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, by drawing permit

(General hunt only)

<u>only</u>

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by drawing permit

<u>only</u>

5 AAC 85.055(a)(4) is amended to read:

(4)

Unit 7, that portion south

of the Sterling Highway, west

of the Seward Highway, and

north and east of Kenai Lake; up

to 50 permits may be issued

FISH AND GAME

[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER OR 1 EWE BY DRAWING

[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

PERMIT ONLY; UP TO 50 PERMITS

MAY BE ISSUED FOR RAMS AND

UP TO 50 PERMITS MAY BE ISSUED

FOR EWES]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, by drawing

(General hunt only)

permit only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by drawing permit only

Units 7 and 15(A), those

FISH AND GAME

portions east of Fuller

Lake trail, south of Dike

Creek, and a straight

line from the source of

Dike Creek, east through the divide

south of Trout Lake, to Juneau Creek,

west of Juneau Creek, and north

of the Sterling Highway; up to

10 permits may be issued

[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER OR 1 EWE BY DRAWING

[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

PERMIT ONLY; UP TO 10 PERMITS

MAY BE ISSUED FOR RAMS AND UP

TO 20 PERMITS MAY BE ISSUED FOR

EWES]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1_ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, by drawing

(General hunt only)

permit only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by drawing permit only

Unit 13(D), that portion

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20] [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

west of a line along the west

side of Tazlina Glacier, the

west side of Tazlina Lake, and

the west bank of Mendeltna

Creek; up to 50 permits may be

issued

[1 RAM BY DRAWING PERMIT ONLY;

UP TO 50 PERMITS MAY BE ISSUED]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram by drawing permit only

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

1 ram, every 4 regulatory years,

by drawing permit only

Unit 13(D), that portion

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

east of a line along the west

side of Tazlina Glacier, the

west side of Tazlina Lake, and

the west bank of Mendeltna

Creek, to the Richardson High-

way; up to 130 permits may be issued

[1 RAM WITH FULL CURL HORN OR

LARGER BY DRAWING PERMIT ONLY;

UP TO 130 PERMITS MAY BE ISSUED]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

larger, by drawing permit only

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

FISH AND GAME

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by drawing permit only

Unit 14(A), south and east of

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

the Matanuska River; up to 100

permits may be issued

[1 RAM BY DRAWING PERMIT ONLY;

UP TO 100 PERMITS MAY BE

ISSUED]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram by drawing permit only

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram, every 4 regulatory years,

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

by drawing permit only

Remainder of Unit 7, Unit 9,

remainder of Unit 13,

remainder of Unit 14(A),

Unit 14(B), remainder of Unit 15,

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and Units 16, 19(A), 19(B), and

19(D)

[1 RAM WITH FULL CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger;

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years

Unit 19(C)

[1 RAM WITH FULL CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20] [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER; OR [OCT. 1-APRIL 30] [NO OPEN

1 SHEEP WITH 3/4 CURL HORN [(SUBSISTENCE SEASON.]

OR LESS; THE TAKE OF RAMS WITH HUNT ONLY)]

BOTH HORNS BROKEN, LAMBS, OR

EWES WITH LAMBS, IS PROHIBITED;

BY REGISTRATION PERMIT ONLY]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger; or

1 sheep with 3/4-curl horn Oct. 1-April 30

or less; the take of rams with (Subsistence hunt only)

both horns broken, lambs, or

ewes with lambs, is prohibited;

by registration permit only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl born or Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years

5 AAC 85.055(a)(5) is amended to read:

(5)

Unit 11

[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20] [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or **Aug. 1-Aug. 5**

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years

5 AAC 85.055(a)(6) is amended to read:

(6)

Remainder of Unit 12

[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20] [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER] [(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only; or (General hunt only)

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger (General hunt only)

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years

5 AAC 85.055(a)(7) is amended to read:

(7)

FISH AND GAME

Unit 14(C), the Eklutna Lake

[DAY AFTER LABOR

[DAY AFTER

Management Area

DAY - OCT. 31]

LABOR

[(GENERAL HUNT

DAY - OCT. 31]

1 ram by drawing permit

ONLY)]

only, by bow and arrow only;

up to 35 permits will

be issued

RESIDENT HUNTERS: Day after Labor

1 ram by drawing permit Day-Oct. 31

only, by bow and arrow only (General hunt only)

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram by drawing permit Day after Labor

only, by bow and arrow only,

Day-Oct. 31

every 4 regulatory years

Remainder of Unit 14(C)

[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL HORN [AUG. 10 - OCT. 31] [AUG. 10 - OCT. 31]

OR LARGER OR 1 EWE BY [(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

DRAWING PERMIT ONLY; UP

TO 240 PERMITS WILL BE

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ISSUED; OR 1 EWE BY DRAWING

PERMIT ONLY; UP TO 150

PERMITS WILL BE ISSUED]

[1 RAM BY BOW AND ARROW

[OCT. 1 - OCT. 10]

[OCT. 1 - OCT. 10]

ONLY, BY DRAWING PERMIT

[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

ONLY; UP TO 120 PERMITS

WILL BE ISSUED]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn Aug. 10 - Oct. 31

or larger by drawing permit (General hunt only)

only; up to 240 permits will be

issued total; or

1 ram by bow and arrow Oct. 1 - Oct. 10

only, by drawing permit (General hunt only)

only; up to 120 permits

will be issued total

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn Aug. 10 - Oct. 31

or larger, every 4 regulatory

FISH AND GAME

years, by drawing permit only;

up to 240 permits will be

issued total; or

1 ram by bow and arrow

Oct. 1 - Oct. 10

only, every 4 regulatory

years, by drawing permit

only; up to 120 permits

will be issued total

5 AAC 85.055(a)(8) is amended to read:

(8)

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Unit 20(D), that portion north of the

[AUG. 10 - SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10 - SEPT. 20]

Alaska Highway, and that portion of Unit

[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

20(E) within the Middle

Fork of the Fortymile River

drainage north and west of

the north bank upstream

from and including the

Joseph Creek drainage; up to 4

permits will be issued

FISH AND GAME

[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL

HORN OR LARGER, BY

DRAWING PERMIT ONLY; 4

PERMITS WILL BE ISSUED]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn Aug. 10-Sept. 20

or larger by drawing permit (General hunt only)

<u>only</u>

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn Aug. 10-Sept. 20

or larger, every 4 regulatory

years, by drawing permit only

Remainder of Unit 20

[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20] [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER] [(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only; or (General hunt only)

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger (General hunt only)

NONRESI	DENT H	UNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years

5 AAC 85.055(a)(9) is amended to read:

(9)

Unit 23, that portion

north of Rabbit Creek,

Kyak Creek, and the

Noatak River, and west

of the Aniuk River

("DeLong Mountains")

RESIDENT HUNTERS: No open season.

1 sheep by registration (Subsistence hunt

permit only; or only)

1 ram with No open season.

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full-curl horn or larger

by drawing permit only,

provided that the harvestable

surplus is greater than 9

sheep in combination with

that portion of Unit 26A,

west of the Etivluk River

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

<u>1 ram with</u> <u>No open season.</u>

full-curl horn or larger

by drawing permit only, every

4 regulatory years,

provided that the harvestable

surplus is greater than 9

sheep in combination with

that portion of Unit 26A,

west of the Etivluk River

[ALL HUNTERS:]

[1 RAM WITH [NO OPEN SEASON.] [NO OPEN

FULL-CURL HORN OR LARGER SEASON.]

BY DRAWING PERMIT ONLY,

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PROVIDED THAT THE HARVESTABLE

SURPLUS IS GREATER THAN 9

SHEEP IN COMBINATION WITH

THAT PORTION OF UNIT 26(A),

WEST OF THE ETIVLUK RIVER]

Unit 23, that portion

south of Rabbit

Creek, Kyak Creek, and

the Noatak River, and west

of the Cutler and Redstone

Rivers ("Baird Mountains")

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 sheep by registration No open season.

permit only; or (Subsistence hunt

only)

1 ram with full-curl No open season.

horn or larger by

drawing permit

only, provided that the

harvestable surplus is

greater than 47 sheep

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

	No open season.
[NO OPEN SEASON.]	[NO OPEN
	SEASON.]
	[NO OPEN SEASON.]

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3 sheep by	No open season.	
registration permit	(Subsistence hunt	
only ; or	only)	
1 ram with full-curl	No open season.	
horn or larger		
NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:		
1 ram with full-curl horn		No open season.
or larger, every 4 regulatory		
<u>years</u>		
[ALL HUNTERS:]		
[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL	[NO OPEN SEASON.]	[NO OPEN
HORN OR LARGER]		SEASON.]
5 AAC 85.055(a)(10) is amended to read:		
(10)		
Unit 24(A)		
[1 RAM WITH A FULL-CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]		[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

LARGER]

FISH AND GAME

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years

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Remainder of 24(B)

[1 RAM WITH A FULL-CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

FISH AND GAME

larger, every 4 regulatory

years, by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years

Unit 25(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with [A] full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger may be taken only

Oct. 1-Apr. 30

from Aug. 10-[THROUGH]

Sept. 20; up to 3 sheep may be

taken by registration permit

only Oct. 1-April 30; or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only;

1 ram with full-curl horn or

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with [A] full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger every 4 regulatory years;

<u>or</u>

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only;

every 4 regulatory years

Remainder of Unit 25

[1 RAM WITH A FULL-CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years

Unit 26(A), that portion west of

the Etivluk River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

FISH AND GAME

1 sheep by registration permit only

No open season.

only**; or**

(Subsistence hunt only)

1 ram with full-curl horn or

No open season.

larger by drawing permit only,

provided that the harvestable surplus

is greater than 9 sheep in combination

with that portion of Unit 23 in

the DeLong Mountains

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

No open season.

larger by drawing permit only,

every 4 regulatory years,

provided that the harvestable surplus

is greater than 9 sheep in combination

with that portion of Unit 23 in

the DeLong Mountains

[ALL HUNTERS:]

[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL

[NO OPEN SEASON.]

[NO OPEN

HORN OR LARGER BY DRAWING

SEASON.]

PERMIT ONLY PROVIDED THAT

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THE HARVESTABLE SURPLUS

IS GREATER THAN 9 IN

COMBINATION WITH

THAT PORTION OF UNIT 23

IN THE DELONG

MOUNTAINS]

Unit 26(A), that portion east of

and including the Etivluk

River drainage, excluding

Gates of the Arctic National

Park

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

3 sheep by registration Aug. 1-Apr. 30

permit only; or (Subsistence hunt only)

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

FISH AND GAME

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years;

[ALL HUNTERS:]

[1 RAM WITH FULL-CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER]

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Remainder of Units 26(A) and

26(B)

[1 RAM WITH A FULL-CURL HORN OR [AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

[AUG. 10-SEPT. 20]

LARGER]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by youth hunt only; or

FISH AND GAME

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years

Unit 26(C)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with [A] full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger may be taken only

Oct. 1-Apr. 30

from Aug. 10- [THROUGH]

Sept. 20; up to 3 sheep may be

taken by registration permit

only Oct. 1-April 30; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, by youth hunt only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 ram with [A] full-curl horn or

Aug. 10-Sept. 20

larger, every 4 regulatory years; or

1 ram with full-curl horn or

Aug. 1-Aug. 5

larger, every 4 regulatory years,

by youth hunt only

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5 AAC 85.056(a)(2) is amended to read:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(2)		
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Units 12, 20,	[AUG. 10 - MAY 31]	[AUG. 10 - MAY 31]
and 25(C)		
10 wolves <u>as follows:</u>		
Units 12, remainder of 20,	Aug. 10 - May 31	Aug. 10 - May 31
and 25(C)		
Unit 20(C), that portion west	Aug. 10-Apr 15	Aug. 10-Apr. 15

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of a line beginning at

63° 48.146' N. lat.,

148° 59.934' W. long., north to

63° 49.445' N. lat.,

148° 59.935' W. long.,

then west to 63° 49.445' N. lat.,

149° 12.699' W. long., then north to

63° 54.642' N. lat.,

149° 12.699' W. long.,

and bounded on the south, west,

and north by Denali National Park

Units 21 and 24

Aug. 10 - May 31

Aug. 10 - May 31

10 wolves

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.056(a)(2) is unchanged.

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5 AAC 85.070(a)(3) is amended to read:

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and

General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

(3)

Cormorant (Pelagic and Double-crested

only)

Units 6, 8, 9, 10, 17, 18, 22, and 23

Sept. 1-Apr. 1

No open season.

No limit; however, a bird

[NO CLOSED SEASON.]

may be taken only if used for

(Subsistence hunt

food or clothing, and no bird

only)

or part of a bird may be

sold or offered for sale

5 AAC 85.070(a)(5) is amended to read:

(5)

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Snowy Owl

Units 17, 18, 22,

Sept. 1-Apr. 1

No open season.

23, and 26

[NO CLOSED SEASON.]

(Subsistence hunt

No limit; however, a bird

only)

may be taken only if used

for food or clothing, and

no bird or part of a bird

may be sold or offered for

sale

Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/8/95, Register 135; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2016, Register 218)

Authority: AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.258 AS 16.05.330

Chapter 92. Statewide Provisions.

Article 1. General.

5 AAC 92.003(k) is repealed and readopted to read:

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(k) A person born on or after January 1, 1986 that is using a longbow, recurve bow, or compound bow to hunt big game must have successfully completed a department-approved bowhunter education course.

5 AAC 92.003 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(*l*) Beginning July 1, 2018, a hunter using a crossbow must have successfully completed a department-approved crossbow hunter certification course. (Eff. 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2016, Register 218)

Authority: AS 16.05.255 AS 16.55.020

Article 2. Licenses, Harvest Tickets, Harvest Reports, Tags, and Fees.

5 AAC 92.010(g) is amended to read:

(g) For caribou, a person may not hunt caribou, except in a permit hunt, unless the person has in possession a harvest ticket and has obtained a harvest report (issued with the harvest ticket); however, a person who resides north of the Yukon River and is hunting in Unit 18 north of the Yukon River, Unit 23, or Unit 26(A) [NORTH OF THE YUKON RIVER] is not required to use harvest tickets or harvest reports but must register to hunt caribou in Unit 18 north of the Yukon River, Unit 23, or Unit 26(A) [THE ARCTIC].

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(Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 8/8/87, Register 103; am 8/20/89, Register 111; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 7/1/98, Register 146; em am 8/28/2000 – 12/25/2000, Register 155; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; 1st add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2016, Register 2/8)

Authority: AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.340 AS 16.05.370

AS 16.05.258

5 AAC 92.012(c) is amended to read:

(c) A resident may not take a brown bear, except as provided in 5 AAC 92.015, or a musk ox, without possessing a numbered, nontransferable, appropriate tag, issued to that person. The person taking game shall, prior to leaving the kill site, [IMMEDIATELY] affix the locking tag to the portion of the animal required to be salvaged from the field, and the person shall keep the tag affixed until the animal is prepared for storage, consumed, or exported.

5 AAC 92.012(e) is amended to read:

(e) In any hunt where a numbered, non-transferable locking tag is required, a person taking big game shall, **prior to leaving the kill site**, [IMMEDIATELY] affix the locking tag to the portion of the animal required to be salvaged from the field and the person shall keep the tag affixed until the animal is prepared for storage, consumed, or exported. (Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95;

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am 8/20/89, Register 111; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2016, Register 218

Authority: AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258

AS 16.05.340

5 AAC 92.044(b)(7) is amended to read:

(7) a person using bait or scent lures shall clearly identify the site with a sign reading "bear bait station" ["BLACK BEAR BAIT STATION" OR "BLACK AND BROWN BEAR BAIT STATION"] that also displays the person's hunting license number, and the permit number;

5 AAC 92.044(b)(8) is amended to read:

(8) only biodegradable materials may be used as bait; if fish or **big** game is used as bait, only the head, bones, viscera, or skin of legally harvested fish and game may be used, except that in Units 7 and 15, fish or fish parts may not be used as bait;

5 AAC 92.044(b)(12) is repealed:

(12) repealed 7/1/2016;

5 AAC 92.044(b) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(14) before a person establishes a bear baiting station and places bait at the baiting station that person shall, at the time of registration, provide to the department the specific location of the baiting station on a form provided by the department. (Eff. 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 12/30/2004, Register 172; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 5/21/2009, Register 190; am

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7/1/2009, Register 190; am 4/14/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 3/1/2011, Register 197; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 4/8/2012, Register 201; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2015, Register 21

Authority:

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.330

5 AAC 92.050(a)(1) is amended to read:

(1) the applicant or the applicant's agent shall complete the application form; two hunters may apply as party in a drawing permit hunt, and if drawn, both applicants will receive a permit; a permit application that is incomplete, or that does not include, if required, an Alaska big game hunting license number, or that contains a false statement, is void; the applicant must obtain or apply for an Alaska big game hunting license before submitting a drawing permit application; and

(A) to apply for a drawing permit hunt, for any hunt that requires a registered or master guide, a nonresident or a nonresident alien must contract a qualified registered guide or master guide as their agent to submit the application and provide hunting services; the contracting registered guide or master guide, shall provide, at the time of application, their current unique verification code that has been issued to them pursuant to 12 AAC 75.260(d);

(B) the requirement in 5 AAC 92.050(1)(A) does not apply if the applicant is a nonresident and will be accompanied by a resident over 19 years of

age who is a spouse or a relative within the second degree of kindred, as described in AS 16.05.407(a);

- 5 AAC 92.050(a)(2) is amended to read:
 - (2) except as provided in 5 AAC 92.061 and 5 AAC 92.069, a person may not
 - (A) apply for more than <u>six</u> [THREE DIFFERENT] drawing permit hunts for the same species per regulatory year, [EXCEPT THAT A PERSON MAY APPLY FOR UP TO SIX MOOSE DRAWING PERMIT HUNTS,] with no more than three for bull moose hunts;
 - (B) repealed 7/1/2016 [SUBMIT MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION FOR THE SAME DRAWING PERMIT HUNT DURING A REGULATORY YEAR];
 - (C) apply for more than one moose drawing permit for a nonresident in Unit 23 per regulatory year; or
 - (D) hold more than one drawing permit for the same species per regulatory year;
- 5 AAC 92.050(a)(3) is amended to read:
- (3) the commissioner shall void [ALL DUPLICATE APPLICATIONS,] all applications by one person for more than <u>six</u> [THREE] hunts for the same species, [EXCEPT] <u>or</u> <u>three hunts for bull</u> moose as described in (2)(A) of this subsection, and all applications by one person for more than one moose hunt for a nonresident in Unit 23;
- 5 AAC 92.050(a)(4) is amended to read:
 - (4) permit issuance:
 - (A) the department shall issue registration permits in the order applications are received, and drawing permits on a lottery basis;

- (B) a successful applicant
- [(i)] shall obtain the permit within the time specified by the department in a notification; [AND
- (ii) WHO IS A NONRESIDENT OR A NONRESIDENT ALIEN AND WHO, UNDER AS 16.05.407 OR 16.05.408, MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A LICENSED GUIDE-OUTFITTER, SHALL PROVIDE WRITTEN VERIFICATION, WITHIN THE TIME SPECIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN THE PERMIT APPLICATION FORM, THAT THE REQUIRED GUIDE OUTFITTER HAS BEEN HIRED; THE REQUIREMENT OF THIS CLAUSE DOES NOT APPLY IF THE SUCCESSFUL APPLICANT IS A NONRESIDENT AND WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESIDENT OVER 19 YEARS OF AGE WHO IS A SPOUSE OR A RELATIVE WITHIN THE SECOND DEGREE OF KINDRED, AS DESCRIBED IN AS 16.05.407(A);]
- 5 AAC 92.050(a)(8) is amended to read:
- (8) a person who has been issued a permit, or that person's proxy under 5 AAC 92.011, shall return the permit harvest report to the department within the time period stated on the permit; in addition to other penalties provided by law for failure to report harvest, and except as provided in this paragraph and (c) of this section, if a permittee or the permittee's proxy fails to provide the required report for a drawing permit, registration permit, targeted permit, Tier I subsistence permit, or Tier II subsistence permit, the permittee will be ineligible to be issued a drawing, registration, targeted. Tier I subsistence, or Tier II subsistence permit during the following regulatory year; notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, the department may

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determine that, for specific hunts, it is administratively impracticable, to apply the penalty for failure to report;

(Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 7/3/86, Register 99; am 4/24/88, Register 106; am 8/12/90, Register 115; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 7/1/92, Register 122; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 7/8/95, Register 135; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 1/1/97, Register 140; am 3/25/98, Register 145; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 11/1/2004, Register 172; am 12/30/2004, Register 172; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 1/14/2007, Register 181; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 1/1/2008, Register 184; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 2/4/2011, Register 197; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2016, Register 218

Authority: AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.330

AS 16.05.407

AS 16.05.258

AS 16.05.343

5 AAC 92.062 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

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(j) if the department learns that the harvestable portion of a population has declined to a level that requires a change in hunt type from Tier I to Tier II or vice-versa, the department must implement the appropriate change at the next regularly scheduled application period. (Eff. 8/9/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 6/27/91, Register 118; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 5/15/93, Register 126; am 6/7/95, Register 135; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 3/30/96, Register 137; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2006,

(if the department learns that the harvestable portion of a population has increased to a level that requires a change in hunt type from Tier I to Tier I

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Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7 / 1/2016, Register 218)

Authority:

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258

5 AAC 92.080(7) is amended to read:

(7) with the aid of a pit, fire, artificial light, laser sight, electronically enhanced night vision [SCOPE], <u>any forward looking infrared device</u>, any device that has been airborne, controlled remotely, and used to spot or locate game with the use of a camera or video device, radio communication, cellular or satellite telephone, artificial salt lick, explosive, expanding gas arrow, bomb, smoke, chemical (excluding scent lures), or a conventional steel trap with an inside jaw spread over nine inches, except that

- (A) a rangefinder [RANGEFINDERS] may be used;
- (B) a killer style trap with a jaw spread of less than 13 inches may be used;

[AND]

(C) artificial light may be used:[;]

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 92.080(7) is unchanged.

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(Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 6/19/86, Register 98; am 8/8/87, Register 103; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/12/90, Register 115; am 7/1/92, Register 122; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 4/25/96, Register 138; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; 1st add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 1/1/2005, Register 172; am

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7/1/2005, Register 174; em am 1/26/2006 - 5/25/2006, Register 177; am 4/12/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 12/1/2006, Register 180; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 5/20/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am

7/1/2009, Register 190; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am

7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am

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Authority:

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258

AS 16.05.920

5 AAC 92.085(8) is amended to read:

(8) a person who has been airborne may not take or assist in taking a big game

animal and a person may not be assisted in taking a big game animal by a person who has

been airborne until after 3:00 a.m. following the day in which the flying occurred, and from

August 10 through September 20 aircraft may not be used by or for any person to locate Dall

sheep for hunting or direct hunters to Dall sheep during the open sheep hunting season, however,

aircraft other than helicopters may be used by and for sheep hunters to place and remove hunters

and camps, maintain existing camps, and salvage harvested sheep. The Board of Game finding

2016-213-BOG, dated March 17, 2016, is adopted by reference. Restrictions in this

paragraph do not apply to

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 92.085(8) is unchanged.

5 AAC 92.085(10) is amended to read:

- (10) with the following archery equipment or devices in a restricted weapons hunt that authorizes taking by bow and arrow:
 - (A) any type of electronic device, or light attached to the bow, arrow, or arrowhead, except a non-illuminating camera or a lighted nock on the end of an arrow, or a scope or electronic sight that does not project light externally;
 - (B) scopes or other devices attached to the bow or arrow for optical enhancement;
 - (C) repealed 3/17/2001;

5 AAC 92.085(15) is amended to read:

- (15) with a crossbow, unless [THE]
 - (A) the bow peak draw weight is 100 pounds or more;
- (B) repealed 7/1/2016 [BOW HAS A MINIMUM DRAW LENGTH OF 14 INCHES FROM FRONT OF BOW TO BACK OF STRING WHEN IN THE COCKED POSITION];
- (C) <u>the</u> bolt is tipped with a broadhead and is a minimum of 16 inches in overall length and weighs at least 300 grains; [AND]
- (D) <u>the</u> crossbow has no attached electronic devices, except for a scope or electronic sight that does not project light externally; <u>and</u>

(E) it is a shoulder-mounted crossbow;

5 AAC 92.085 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

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(17) with a slingbow. (Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 8/8/87, Register 103; am 8/14/88, Register 107; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 3/14/90, Register 113; am 8/10/90, Register 115; am 8/12/90, Register 115; am 8/10/91, Register 119; add'l am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 7/1/92, Register 122; add'l am 7/1/92, Register 122; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 1/13/95, Register 133; am 4/25/96, Register 138; am 7/1/96, Register 138; am 8/1/96, Register 139; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 3/17/2001, Register 157; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 12/22/2002, Register 164; am 5/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; add'l am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 9/1/2006, Register 179; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 12/1/2007, Register 184; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; add'1 am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7 / 1 /2016, Register 218)

Authority:

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.270

AS 16.05.920

AS 16.05.258

AS 16.05.790

Editor's note: At its March 18-26, 2016 meeting, the Board of Game adopted the Board of Game Finding 2016-213-BOG and incorporated it in regulation by reference. A copy of the finding may be obtained by writing to the Department of Fish and Game, Board Support Section, P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526 or online at http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/regulations/regprocess/gameboard/pdfs/findings/16213.p df.

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At its November 9-11, 1992, January 19-28, 1993 meeting, the Board of Game readopted 5 AAC 92.085 in its entirety, without change, under ch. 1, SSSLA 1992 (the 1992 subsistence law), which repealed and reenacted AS 16.05.258.

5 AAC 92.095(a)(13) is repealed:

(13) repealed **7**///2016;

5 AAC 92.095(a)(17) is repealed:

(17) repealed 7/1/2016;

5 AAC 92.095 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(c) for the purposes of this section, "underwater" means the trap or snare must be placed below the waterline and the restraining portion of the trap or snare must be in the water. (Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 8/8/87, Register 103; am 4/24/88, Register 106; am 4/5/89, Register 110; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 10/1/93, Register 127; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 4/25/96, Register 138; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 10/4/97, Register 144; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 12/5/2002, Register 164; am 12/22/2002, Register 164; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 8/10/2010, Register 195; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; add'l am

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Article 5. Intensive Management and Predator Control.

5 AAC 92.108 is amended to read:

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		Population	Harvest
Population	Finding	Objective	Objective
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Moose			

GMU 20(A) Positive <u>10,000 - 15,000</u> <u>500 - 900</u> [12,000 - 15,000] [900 - 1,100]

(Eff. 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/99, Register 150; add'l am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; add'l am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 9/1/2006, Register 179; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2016, Register 208;

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Authority:

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258

AS 16.05.270

5 AAC 92.121 is repealed and readopted to read:

- **5 AAC 92.121. Intensive Management Plan V.** (a) **Plan established**. The intensive management plan for the Unit 13 Wolf Predation Control Area is established in this section.
- (b) Unit 13 Wolf Predation Control Area: the Unit 13 Predation Control Area is established and consists of all lands within Units 13(A), 13(B), 13(C), and that portion of Unit 13(E) east of the Alaska Railroad, except National Park Service and other federal lands where same-day-airborne take of wildlife is not allowed, encompassing approximately 15,413 square miles;
- (1) This is a continuing control program that was first authorized by the board in 2000 for wolf control; it is currently designed to increase moose numbers and harvest by reducing predation on moose by wolves and is expected to make a contribution to achieving the intensive management (IM) objectives in Unit 13;
 - (2) Moose and wolf objectives are as follows:
 - (A) Moose IM objectives for Units 13(A), 13(B), 13(C), and 13(E) as established in 5 AAC 92.108 are 3,500 4,200, 5,300 6,300, 2,000 3,000, and 5,000 6,000 moose respectively; these objectives are below the maximum moose numbers estimated in these areas between 1987 and 1989 and are likely attainable given the history of productivity and survival patterns in this area; the bull-to-cow objective is 25:100 for Unit 13;
 - (B) The moose harvest objectives for Units 13(A), 13(B), 13(C), and 13(E) as established in 5 AAC 92.108 are 210 420, 310 620, 155 350, and 300 –

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600 moose respectively; with the harvest of bulls and cows, the current harvest objectives can be met in Unit 13(A) and are likely attainable in Units 13(B) and 13(C) given the history of harvest patterns in these areas; the harvest objectives for Unit 13(E) may not be attainable and will be re-evaluated;

- (C) The department adopted a range of 135 165 wolves as the late winter objective. Maintaining this population size will allow for sustained yield of wolves and will ensure that wolves persist in the control area;
 - (3) Board findings concerning populations and human use are as follows:
- (A) Moose harvest has been consistently below IM objectives in Units 13(B), 13(C), and 13(E);
- (B) predation by wolves is an important cause of the failure to achieve population and harvest objectives;
- (C) a reduction in wolf predation in Unit 13 can reasonably be expected to make progress toward achieving the Unit 13(A), 13(B), 13(C), and 13(E) IM objectives for moose;
- (D) reducing predation is likely to be effective and feasible using recognized and prudent active management techniques and based on scientific information;
- (E) reducing predation is likely to be effective given land ownership patterns, and;
- (F) reducing predation is in the best interest of subsistence users; Unit 13 has long been an important hunting area for subsistence by local area residents and much of the state's population in Anchorage, the Matanuska-Susitna Valley, as well as

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Fairbanks and other communities around the state; it is recognized under the state's intensive management law as an area where moose are to be managed for high levels of human consumptive use.

- (4) Authorized methods and means are as follows:
- (A) hunting and trapping of wolves by the public in the Unit 13 Predation Control Area during the term of the program will occur as provided in the hunting and trapping regulations set out elsewhere in this title, including the use of motorized vehicles;
- (B) notwithstanding any other provisions in this title, the commissioner may issue public aerial permits or public land and shoot permits as a method for wolf removal under AS 16.05.783;
 - (5) Time frame is as follows:
- (A) through July 1, 2027, the commissioner may authorize the removal of wolves in the Unit 13 Predation Control Area;
- (B) annually, the department shall, to the extent practicable, provide to the board a report of program activities conducted during the preceding 12 months, including implementation activities, the status of moose and wolf populations, and recommendations for changes, if necessary, to achieve the objectives of the plan;
- (6) The commissioner will review, modify or suspend program activities as follows:
 - (A) when the mid-point of the IM population and harvest objectives for the moose population are achieved;

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- (B) when wolf inventories or accumulated information from permittees indicate the need to avoid reducing wolf numbers below the management objective of 135 wolves specified in this subsection;
- (C) if after 3 years, the harvest of wolves is not sufficient to make progress towards the intensive management population objectives for wolves;
 - (D) predation control activities may be suspended:
 - (i) if after 3 years, there is no detectable increase in the total number of moose in the control area;
 - (ii) if after three years, any measure consistent with significant levels of nutritional stress in the moose population are identified;

(iii) when the moose population and harvest objectives within Unit 13 predation control area have been met. (Eff. 10/1/93, Register 127; am 8/18/95, Register 135; am 7/1/96, Register 138; add'l am 7/1/96, Register 138; am 7/27/97, Register 143; am 2/22/2000, Register 153; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/19/2000, Register 155; am 1/3/2001, Register 156; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/26/2003, Register 167; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 1/1/2005, Register 172; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 1/26/2006, Register 177; am 6/24/2006, Register 178; am 9/1/2006, Register 179; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 3/21/2008, Register 186; am 5/20/2008, Register 186; am 5/21/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 190; am 5/16/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 12/15/2010, Register 196; am 1/29/2011, Register 197; am 5/14/2011, Register 198; am 3/24/2012, Register 201; am 4/1/2012, Register 201; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2016, Register 202

Authority: AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.270 AS 16.05.783

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Article 6. Possession and Transportation.

5 AAC 92.130 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

Authority: AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.258

The introductory language of 5 AAC 92.165(a) is amended to read:

(a) Sealing is required for hides and skulls of brown bear taken in any unit in the state, hides and skulls of black <u>and brown</u> bear taken in any unit in the state before the hide or skull is sold, hides and skulls of black bear of any color variation taken from January 1 through May 31, and skulls of black bear of any color variation taken from June 1 through December 31 in Units 1 - 7, 14(A), 14(C), 15 - 17, and 20(B). The seal must remain on the skin until the tanning process has commenced. A person may not possess or transport the untanned skin or skull of a bear taken in a unit where sealing is required, or export from the state the untanned skin or skull of a bear taken anywhere in the state, unless the skin or the skull, or both as required in this section

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have been sealed by a department representative within 30 days after the taking, or a lesser time if requested by the department, except that

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(Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 11/1/85, Register 96; am 8/8/87, Register 103; am 7/14/88, Register 107; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 7/1/92, Register 122; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 1/26/2006, Register 177; am 5/10/2006, Register 178; am 6/24/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2001, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2016, Register 218)

Authority:

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.370

AS 16.05.920

AS 16.05.258

Article 7. Use of Game.

- 5 AAC 92.200(b)(1) is amended to read:
- (b) Except as provided in 5 AAC 92.031, a person may not purchase, sell, advertise, or otherwise offer for sale:
- (1) any part of a brown bear, except an article of handicraft made from the fur of a brown bear, and except skulls and hides with claws attached of brown bears harvested in areas where the bag limit is two bears per regulatory year;

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(Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 11/1/85, Register 96; am 8/8/87, Register 103; am 7/14/88, Register 107; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 5/5/93, Register 126; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 12/30/2004, Register 172; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2016, Register 218)

Authority: AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.920

AS 16.05.930

AS 16.05.258

5 AAC 92.220(a)(5) is amended to read:

(5) all meat of the ribs, neck, brisket, front quarters, hindquarters, and the meat along the backbone between the front and hindquarters of a brown bear taken under a subsistence registration permit in Unit 9(B), all drainages in Unit 9(E) that drain into the Pacific Ocean between Cape Kumliun and the border of Unit 9(D) and Unit 9(E), Unit 17, Unit 18, that portion of Units 19(A) and 19(B) downstream of and including the Aniak River drainage, Unit 21(D), Unit 22, Unit 23, Unit 24, and Unit 26(A) shall be salvaged for human consumption; salvage of the hide or skull is optional; [ALL EDIBLE MEAT OF A BROWN BEAR TAKEN UNDER A PERMIT ISSUED UNDER 5 AAC 92.044 IN UNITS 7, 11, 12, 13, 14(B), 15, 16, 20(A), 20(B), 20(C), 20(E), 21(D), 24(C), 24(D), and 25(D) SHALL BE SALVAGED;]

5 AAC 92.220(e) is amended to read:

(e) Antlers, [OR] horns, or the hide and skull of a brown or black bear may not be transported from the kill site until all edible meat salvaged in accordance with this chapter [(d)

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OF THIS SECTION] has been transported to the departure point from the field. However, antlers, [OR] horns, or the hide and skull of a brown or black bear may be transported simultaneously with the final load of edible meat salvaged.

5 AAC 92.220(f) is amended to read:

(f) Antlers, [OR] horns, or the hide and skull of a brown or black bear may not be transported from the field unless accompanied by all edible meat or unless possession of the meat has been transferred in accordance with 5 AAC 92.135.

5 AAC 92.220(i) is repealed:

(i) repealed 7/1/2016. (Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 4/24/88, Register 106, am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 7/1/92, Register 122; add'l am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 5/5/93, Register 126; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; 1st add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/25/2002, Register 163; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 1/26/2006, Register 177; am 6/24/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2004, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 12/1/2007, Register 184; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 8/2/2010, Register 195; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210;

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Authority:

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.920

AS 16.30.010

AS 16.05.258

Article 11. Game Management Units.

The introductory language of 5 AAC 92.450(15) is amended to read:

(15) Game Management Unit 15 consists of that portion of the Kenai Peninsula and adjacent islands draining into the Gulf of Alaska, Cook Inlet, and Turnagain Arm from Gore Point to the point where longitude line 150° 00' W. crosses the coastline of Chickaloon Bay in Turnagain Arm, **including Kalgin Island, and** including that area lying west of longitude line 150° 00' W. to the mouth of the Russian River, thence southerly along the Chugach National Forest boundary to the upper end of Upper Russian Lake; and including the drainages into Upper Russian Lake west of the Chugach National Forest boundary, and all seaward waters and lands within three miles of these coastlines;

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5 AAC 92.450(15)(B) is amended to read:

(B) Unit 15(B) consists of that portion of Unit 15 south of the north bank of the Kenai River and the north shore of Skilak Lake, and north of the north bank of the Kasilof River, the north shore of Tustumena Lake, Glacier Creek, and Tustumena Glacier, and Kalgin Island;

The introductory language of 5 AAC 92.450(16) is amended to read:

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(16) Game Management Unit 16 consists of the drainages into Cook Inlet between Redoubt Creek and the Susitna River, including Redoubt Creek drainage, [KALGIN ISLAND,] and the drainages on the west side of the Susitna River (including the Susitna River) upstream to its junction with the Chulitna River; the drainages into the west side of the Chulitna River (including the Chulitna River) upstream to the Tokositna River (including the Tokositna River), and drainages into the south side of the Tokositna River upstream to the base of the Tokositna Glacier, including the drainage of the Kanikula Glacier, and all seaward waters and lands within three miles of these coastlines;

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Authority: AS

AS 16.05.255

Article 20. Definitions.

5 AAC 92.990(8) is amended to read:

(8) "barbed" means, in the case of an arrowhead, having any fixed portion of the rear edge of the arrowhead forming an angle less than 90 degrees with the shaft when measured from the nock end of the arrow; a notch or space of no more than two millimeters between the base of the blade and the shaft shall not be considered a barb;

5 AAC 92.990(21) is amended to read:

- (21) "deleterious exotic wildlife" includes
 - (A) English sparrow;
 - (B) raccoon;
 - (C) starling;
 - (D) unconfined or unrestrained[;]
 - (i) Belgian hare;
 - (ii) Muridae rodent;
 - (iii) rockdove;
 - (E) feral[;]
 - (i) ferret;
 - (ii) swine;

(F) Eurasian collared dove;

5 AAC 92.990(30) is amended to read:

- (30) "full-curl horn" of a male (ram) Dall sheep means that
- (A) the tip of at least one horn has grown through 360 degrees of a circle described by the outer surface of the horn, as viewed from the side, or
- (B) both horn tips are broken[,]; broken means the lamb tip is completely absent; horn tips that are chipped or cracked are not broken if any portion of the lamb tip is present; characteristics of the lamb tip include:
 - (i) a length of less than four inches,
- (ii) the inside surface of the lamb tip is distinctly concave when compared to the remainder of the horn, and

(iii) the lamb tip is the section of a horn that is grown during
the first six months of a sheep's life and is the section of horn distal of the first
annulus, which is the swelling of the horn that forms during the first winter of life,
or

(C) the sheep is a least eight years of age as determined by horn growth annuli;

5 AAC 92.990(46) is amended to read:

- (46) "moose antler" definitions:
- (A) "50-inch antlers" means the antlers of a bull moose with a spread of 50 inches or more measured in a straight line perpendicular to the center line of the skull;
- (B) "spike-fork antlers" means antlers of a bull moose with only one or two tines on at least one antler; [FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH,]

 an antler point or tine originating within two inches from the base, and less than three inches in length, will not be counted as a tine; male calves are not considered spike-fork bulls;
- (C) "spike" means antlers of a bull moose with only one tine on at least one antler; for the purposes of this subparagraph, male calves are not considered spike bulls;

(Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 6/19/86, Register 98; am 7/3/86, Register 99; am 8/8/87, Register 103; am 4/24/88, Register 106; am 7/14/88, Register 107; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/10/90, Register 115; am 8/12/90, Register 115; am 1/17/91, Register 117; am 8/10/91, Register 119; add'l am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 5/5/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94,

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Register 131; am 7/8/95, Register 135; am 7/9/95, Register 135; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/1/97, Register 142; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 10/4/97, Register 144; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 9/13/2007, Register 183; am 12/2/2007, Register 184; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; 1st add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am/readopt 10/23/2014, Register 212; am 7/1/2016, Register 218)

Authority: AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.258

Part 7. Subsistence Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping. Chapter 99. Subsistence Uses.

5 AAC 99.015(a)(3) is amended to read:

(3) The Anchorage-Matsu-Kenai Nonsubsistence Area is comprised of the following: Units 7, as defined by 5 AAC 92.450(7) (except the Kenai Fjords National Park lands), 14, as defined by 5 AAC 92.450(14), 15, as defined by 5 AAC 92.450(15) (except <u>Kalgin Island and</u> that portion south and west of a line beginning at the mouth of Rocky River up the Rocky and Windy Rivers across the Windy River/Jakolof Creek divide and down Jakolof Creek to its mouth, including the islands between the eastern most point of Jakolof Bay and the eastern most point of Rocky Bay), 16(A), as defined by 5 AAC 92.450(16)(A); all waters of Alaska in the Cook Inlet Area, as defined by 5 AAC 21.100 (except those waters north of Point Bede

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which are west of a line from the eastern most point of Jakolof Bay north to the western most point of Hesketh Island including Jakolof Bay and south of a line west from Hesketh Island; the waters south of Point Bede which are west of the eastern most point of Rocky Bay; and those waters described in 5 AAC 01.555(b), known as the Tyonek subdistrict).

(Eff. 5/15/93, Register 126; am 4/28/94, Register 130; am 2/23/2014, Register 209; am

7/1 /2016, Register 218)

Authority: AS 16.05.251 AS 16.05.255

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5 AAC 99.025(a)(4) is amended to read:

AMOUNT REASONABLY **NECESSARY FOR SUBSISTENCE**

SPECIES & UNIT

FINDING

USES

(4) Caribou

Unit 8

negative

Units 9(A), 9(B), 17, **18**, 19(A)

positive

2,100 - 2,400

that portion south of the

Kuskokwim River, and Unit 19(B)

(Mulchatna herd)

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 99.025(a)(4) is unchanged.

5 AAC 99.025(a)(8) is amended to read:

AMOUNT REASONABLY

SPECIES & UNIT	FINDING	NECESSARY FOR SUBSISTENCE USES		
(8) Moose				
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Unit 13	positive	300 - 600		
Unit 15(B) (Kalgin Island)	<u>positive</u>	<u>2</u>		
Unit 15(C), that portion	positive	5 - 6		
southwest of a line from				
Point Pogibshi to the point				
of land between Rocky Bay				
and Windy Bay				
[UNIT 16(B) (KALGIN ISLAND)]	[POSITIVE]	[2]		
Unit 16(B) (Redoubt Bay	positive	10		
drainages)				
Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 99.025(a)(8) is unchanged.				
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5 AAC 99.025(a)(12) is amended to read:				
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SPECIES & UNIT	FINDING	USES		
(12) Small Game				

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(E) Cormorant (Pelagic and Double-crested only)

Units 6, 8, 9, 10, 17, 18, 22, and 23

positive

(F) Snowy Owl

Units 17, 18, 22, 23, and 26

positive

(Eff. 8/8/87, Register 103; am 7/14/88, Register 107; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 10/27/90, Register 116; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 5/13/93, Register 126; am 10/4/97, Register 144; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 1/1/2001, Register 156; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 1st add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2016, Register 218)

Authority:

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258

MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

Department of Law

To: The Honorable Byron Mallott

Lieutenant Governor (hand delivery)

Date: May 31, 2016

File No.: JU2015200518

Tel. No.: 465-3600

From: Susan R. Pollard

Chief Assistant Attorney General and Regulations Attorney
Legislation and Regulations Section

Re: Board of Game Regulations re: March 18 - 26, 2016 Fairbanks

Meeting: Statewide Regulations (5 AAC 85.020 – 5 AAC 99.025)

We have reviewed the attached regulations from the Board of Game against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. The regulations concern hunting, trapping, and statewide regulations.

We find no legal problems. This memorandum constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations.

Please note that the May 27, 2016 certification of adoption order sets out an effective date of July 1, 2016 for the regulations. Therefore, the history note following each section will need to reflect this date.

The February 12, 2016 public notice and the May 27, 2016 certification of adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.195 is not required.

We have made some technical corrections to conform the regulations in accordance with AS 44.62.125. The corrections are shown on the attached copy of the regulations.

SRP:ljm

cc w/enc: (via email)

Honorable Sam Cotten, Commissioner Department of Fish and Game

MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska Department of Law

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Department of Fish and Game

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Re: Board of Game Regulations re:

March 18 - 26, 2016 Fairbanks Meeting: Statewide Regulations (5 AAC 85.020 – 5 AAC 99.025)

Under AS 44.62.060, we have reviewed the attached regulations changes by the Board of Game against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act and approve the changes for filing by the lieutenant governor.

You might wish to contact the lieutenant governor's office to confirm the filing date and effective date of the attached regulations changes.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

Notice is given that the Alaska Board of Game, under the authority of Title 16, Alaska Statutes, proposes to adopt, amend, or repeal regulations in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code which implement, interpret or make specific the provisions of Title 16.

The Board of Game may adopt, amend, repeal, or take no action on the subject matters listed below. Regulations to be the subject of board action concern the use or taking of game and include, but are not limited to the following:

- A. HUNTING AND TRAPPING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS, including: Statewide seasons and bag limits for Dall sheep including youth hunts; statewide bag limit for brown bear; caribou in Units 9, 17, 18, 19, and 22; moose in Unit 16; goat in Unit 14; wolves in Unit 20; and all seasons for snowy owl and cormorants.
- B. METHODS AND MEANS FOR TAKING BIG GAME, GAME, FUR ANIMALS, AND FURBEARERS, including: Unlawful methods of taking big game and game including restrictions on archery, blackpowder, slingbow, and crossbow weapons; artificial or enhanced light; infrared devices; certain sizes of caliber including calibers for high-power air rifles; use of felt soles; hunting with dogs; use of aircraft including same-day-airborne requirements; and taking big game and game within highway/road right-of-ways. Also in the section, unlawful methods of taking furbearers including trap check requirements; taking within highway/road right-of-ways; taking with underwater traps; and restrictions on trapping near communities, public places, and residences.
- C. POSSESSION, TRANSPORTATION, AND USE OF GAME including: Evidence of sex and identity; salvage and retrieval of wounded game; salvage of game meat, furs, and hides including bear hide and skull; sale of brown bear parts; and restrictions to bag limit including wounded game and bag limits for nonresident hunters hunting with resident relatives.
- D. PERMITS, PERMIT HUNT CONDITIONS, AND PROCEDURES including: Discretionary and required hunting permit conditions and procedures; special provisions for drawing hunts for sheep, goat, brown bear, and moose; permit allocation for residents and nonresidents; permits for possessing live game, including sugar gliders, and feral game; permits for falconry including the capture of raptors by nonresidents; permits for scientific, education, propagative, or public safety purposes; permits for using radio telemetry equipment; permit point system for drawing hunts; permits for hunting bear with the use of bait including types of bait allowed, and requirements for salvage, cleanup, and location reporting. Also in this section, Tier I subsistence permits; Tier II subsistence hunting permit point system; and provisions for subsistence hunting priority.
- E. LICENSES, HARVEST TICKETS, HARVEST REPORTS, TAGS, and FEES including: Harvest ticket requirements including sheep and caribou in northern Alaska; inspection requirements for licenses, harvest tickets, and permits; and brown bear tag fee exemptions statewide.
- F. INTENSIVE MANAGEMENT AND PREDATOR CONTROL IMPLEMENTATION PLANS including: Intensive management plans for Units 20 and 13.
- G. GAME MANAGEMENT UNITS including: Boundary descriptions for Units 2, 15, and 16.

- H. ANTLERLESS MOOSE SEASON AUTHORIZATIONS including: Areas of jurisdiction for the Seward and Matanuska Valley Advisory Committees, and reauthorization of antlerless moose seasons and bag limits statewide.
- I REGULATORY DEFINITIONS including: "Unclassified game", "feral game", "specific location" of wildlife, "ATV (all-terrain vehicle)", "general hunts", "bag limit", "full curl ram", "arrow", "bolt", "legal ram", "edible meat", "barbed", "spike-fork antlers", "underwater traps and snares", "antler point", "deleterious exotic wildlife", and "motorized land vehicle."
- J. CUSTOMARY AND TRADITIONAL USES OF GAME POPULATIONS including but not limited to: adding Unit 18 to the Mulchatna caribou herd in 99.025(a)(4).
- K. GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS including: Hunter education and orientation requirements including certification for bowhunters; process for generating board regulatory proposals; and policy for off-road vehicle use for hunting and transporting game.

The board will also take action on non-regulatory items during this meeting such as findings, letters, and delegations, typically at the end of the meeting under miscellaneous business but occasionally it occurs earlier in the meeting if necessary.

The proposed regulation changes are available on the Board of Game website at www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfim?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=03-18-2016&meeting=fairbanks or from the ADF&G Boards Support Section Office at (907) 465-4110. Additional meeting information will be added to the website as it becomes available.

You may comment on the proposed regulations including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes by submitting written comments, limited to no more than 100 single sided or 50 double sided pages, to the Alaska Board of Game, Boards Support Section at P.O. Box 99811-5526. Comments 115526, Juneau. AK can also be submitted online 465-6094, www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov, fax (907)emailed by to or to dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov (PDF format only). Comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 4, 2016 to be included in the board workbook.

Submission of written comments after the March 4, 2016 deadline are limited to ten single-sided or five double-sided pages in length from any one individual or group and will be provided to the board members at the beginning of the meeting. During the meeting, written comments from any one individual or group may be submitted by hand delivery if 20 copies are provided. Written comments that are submitted are public record and are subject to public inspection.

The public hearing portion of the meeting is scheduled for the beginning of the meeting after staff reports, and will continue until everyone who has signed up and is present when called has been given the opportunity to be heard. However, state advisory committee representatives may elect to provide testimony at a later portion of the meetings. Additional public hearings may be held throughout the meeting just before consideration and adoption of proposed changes in the regulations. The board will take oral testimony only from those who register before the cut-off time announced by the board chair at the meeting. The length of oral statements may be limited to three to five minutes, or less. Anyone interested in, or affected by, the subject matter contained in this legal notice should make written or oral comments if they wish to have their views considered by the board.

TENTATIVE MEETING SCHEDULE

Statewide Regulations Meeting March 18–28, 2016 Pikes Waterfront Lodge 1850 Hoselton Drive Fairbanks, AK 99709

Any changes to meeting location, dates or times, or rescheduling of topics or subject matter will be announced by news release and posted on the board's website. Please watch for these announcements or call (907) 465-4110. Please carefully review the **PROPOSAL INDEX and the additional proposal listing on the above-mentioned website** for all specific proposal issues to be addressed by the board.

Anyone interested in or affected by subsistence and general hunting or trapping regulations is hereby informed that, by publishing this legal notice the Board of Game may consider any or all of the subject areas covered by this notice. THE BOARD IS NOT LIMITED BY THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE OR CONFINES OF THE ACTUAL PROPOSALS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC OR STAFF. Pursuant to AS 44.62.200, the board may review the full range of activities appropriate to any of the subjects listed in this notice. The board may make changes to the hunting and trapping regulations as may be required to ensure the subsistence priority in AS 16.05.258 including reexamining customary and traditional use findings and determinations for amounts reasonably necessary for subsistence use. After the public hearing, the Board of Game may adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or amend, reject, supplement, or decide to take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.

If you are a person with a disability who may need special accommodations in order to participate in this process, please contact ADF&G, Boards Support Section at (907) 465-4110 no later than two weeks prior to the beginning of each meeting to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

Statutory Authority: AS 16.05, AS 16.30.

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 16.05.255; AS 16.05.256; AS 16.05.258; AS 16.05.405; AS 16.05.340; AS 16.05.340; AS 16.05.340; AS 16.05.380; AS 16.05.780; and AS 16.05.783.

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: February 11, 2016

Kristy Hobles, Executive Director Alaska Board of Game 465-4110

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION (AS 44.62.190(d))

- 1. Adopting agency: Alaska Board of Game
- 2. General subject of regulation: Statewide hunting and trapping regulations and other miscellaneous provisions.
- 3. Citation of regulations: 5 AAC 85, 92, 98, and 99
- 4. Department of Law file numbers: JU2015200518
- 5. Reason for the proposed action:
 - () compliance with federal law
 - () compliance with new or changed state statute
 - () compliance with court order
 - () development of program standards
 - (X) other: Regularly scheduled topics and other miscellaneous provisions for the Board of Game Statewide Regulations Meeting. Implement, interpret, or make specific the provisions of AS 16.05-16.30.
- 6. Appropriation/Allocation: Natural Resources and all RDUs
- 7. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding: It is not possible to estimate costs. However, this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.
- 8. The name of the contact person for the regulations:

Name:

Kristy Tibbles

Title:

Executive Director, Board Game

Address:

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Juneau, AK 99811-5526

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(907) 465-4110

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- 9. The origin of the proposed action:
 - staff of state agency
 - federal government
 - general public

10. Date: February 11, 2015

Prepared by:

Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director Alaska

Board of Game

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Additional Proposals for the March 2016, Statewide Regulations Board Meeting

The following proposals are in addition to those published in the Statewide Regulations Proposal Book. The full text of the proposals is available on the Board of Game meeting information website at: www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.proposalbook.

Proposal 138 – Change the nonresident, general sheep hunts on state and BLM lands to drawing permit hunts; submitted by Alaska Chapter Backcountry Hunters & Anglers. This proposal was inadvertently excluded from the proposal book but was submitted prior to the proposal deadline.

Proposal 139 - Change the nonresident registration goat hunts in Unit 14C, Lake George area, to drawing hunts; submitted by the Department of Fish and Game. This proposal was accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request (ACR 17) for consideration at the Statewide Regulations meeting in March 2016.

Proposal 140 - Change the hunting seasons and bag limits in Unit 22; submitted by Charles Lean. This proposal was accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request (ACR 19) for consideration at the Statewide Regulations meeting in March 2016.

Proposal 141 – Change the wolf hunting season near Denali National Park; submitted by Denali National Park and Preserve. This proposal was accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request (ACR 20) for consideration at the Statewide Regulations meeting in March 2016.

Proposal 142 - Review and modify the Unit 13 predation control plan; submitted by the Department of Fish and Game. This proposal was accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request (ACR 16) for consideration at the Statewide Regulations meeting in March 2016.

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AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS AND FURNISHING OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I, Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director of the Alaska Board of Game, being sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 44.62.190, notice of the proposed adoption of changes dealing with the use and taking of game has been given by being

- (1) published in a newspaper or trade publication;
- (2) furnished to interested persons;
- (3) furnished to appropriate state officials;
- (4) furnished to the Department of Law, along with a copy of the proposed regulations;
- (5) electronically transmitted to incumbent State of Alaska legislators;
- (6) furnished to the Legislative Affairs Agency, Legislative Legal and Research Services;
- (7) posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System as required by AS 44.62.175(a)(1) and (b) and 44.62.190(a)(1);

As required by AS 44.62.190(d), additional regulations notice information regarding the proposed adoption of the regulation changes described above has been furnished to interested persons and those in (5) and (6) of the list above. The additional regulations notice information also has been posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

DATE: 4/27/16

Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 27th day of April , 2016

Notary Public
SHANNON J. MOESER
State of Alaska
My Commission Expires With Office

Notary Public in and for the

State of Alaska

My commission expires: with office

STATE OF ALASKA)
1st JUDICIAL DISTRICT) ss.)
<u> 4</u>	AFFIDAVIT OF ORAL HEARING
I, Kristy Tibbles, Executive Dir following:	rector of the Alaska Board of Game, being sworn, state the
Alaska, the Board of Game pres	s Waterfront Landing, located at 1850 Hoselton Drive, Fairbanks, sided over a public hearing held under AS 44.62.210 for the connection with the adoption of changes dealing with the use and
DATE: 4/27/15 Juneau, Alaska	_
	Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 27th day of April , 2016.

Notary Public SHANNON J. MOESER

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being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says that he/she is a representative of the Alaska Dispatch News, a daily newspaper. That said newspaper has been approved by the Third Judicial Court, Anchorage, Alaska, and it now and has been published in the English language continually as a daily newspaper in Anchorage, Alaska, and it is now and during all said time was printed in an office maintained at the aforesaid place of publication of said newspaper. That the annexed is a copy of an advertisement as it was published in regular issues (and not in supplemental form) of said newspaper on

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and that such newspaper was regularly distributed to its subscribers during all of said period. That the full amount of the fee charged for the foregoing publication is not in excess of the rate charged private individuals.

Signed

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of February, 2016

Notary Public in and for The State of Alaska.

Third Division

OMMISSIONEXPIRES BRITNEY L. THOMPSON, Commission Expires Feb 23, 2019

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

Notice is given that the Alaska Board of Game, under the authority of Title 16, Alaska Statutes, proposes adopt, amend, or repeal regulations in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code which implement, interpret make specific the provisions of Title 16.

The Board of Game may adopt, amend, repeal, or take no action on the subject matters listed below Regulations to be the subject of board action concern the use or taking of game and include, but are no limited to the following:

- B. HUNTING AND TRAPPING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS, including: Statewide seasons and bag limits for Dall sheep including youth hunts; statewide bag limit for brown bear; caribou in Units 9, 17, 18, 19, and 2 moose in Unit 16; goat in Unit 14; wolves in Unit 20; and all seasons for snowy owl and cormorants.
- B. METHODS AND MEANS FOR TAKING BIG GAME, GAME, FUR ANIMALS, AND FURBEARERS, includir Unlawful methods of taking big game and game including restrictions on archery, blackpowder, slingbow, an crossbow weapons; artificial or enhanced light; infrared devices; certain sizes of caliber including calibers for high-power air rifles; use of felt soles; hunting with dogs; use of aircraft including same-day-airborn requirements; and taking big game and game within highway/road right-of-ways. Also in the section unlawful methods of taking furbearers including trap check requirements; taking within highway/road right-of-ways; taking with underwater traps; and restrictions on trapping near communities, public places, an residences.
- C. POSSESSION, TRANSPORTATION, AND USE OF GAME including: Evidence of sex and identity; salva, and retrieval of wounded game; salvage of game meat, furs, and hides including bear hide and skull; sale brown bear parts; and restrictions to bag limit including wounded game and bag limits for nonresident hunter hunting with resident relatives.
- D. PERMITS, PERMIT HUNT CONDITIONS, AND PROCEDURES including: Discretionary and required hunting permit conditions and procedures; special provisions for drawing hunts for sheep, goat, brown bear, an moose; permit allocation for residents and nonresidents; permits for possessing live game, including suggisleders, and feral game; permits for falconry including the capture of raptors by nonresidents; permits for scientific, education, propagative, or public safety purposes; permits for using radio telemetry equipment permit point system for drawing hunts; permits for hunting bear with the use of bait including types of baillowed, and requirements for salvage, cleanup, and location reporting. Also in this section, Tier I subsistence permits; Tier II subsistence hunting permit point system; and provisions for subsistence hunting priority.
- E. LICÈNSES, HARVEST TICKETS, HARVEST REPORTS, TAGS, and FEES including: Harvest tick requirements including sheep and caribou in northern Alaska; Inspection requirements for licenses, harvestickets, and permits; and brown bear tag fee exemptions statewide.
- F. INTENSIVE MANAGEMENT AND PREDATOR CONTROL IMPLEMENTATION PLANS including: Intensive management plans for Units 20 and 13.
- GAME MANAGEMENT UNITS including: Boundary descriptions for Units 2, 15, and 16.
- H. ANTLERLESS MOOSE SEASON AUTHORIZATIONS including: Areas of jurisdiction for the Seward an Matanuska Valley Advisory Committees, and reauthorization of antlerless moose seasons and bag limit
- I REGULATORY DEFINITIONS including: "Unclassified game", "feral game", "specific location" of wildlit "ATV (all-terrain vehicle)", "general hunts", "bag limit", "full curl ram", "arrow", "bolt", "legal ram", "edli meat", "barbed", "spike-fork antiers", "underwater traps and snares", "antier point", "deleterious exoly wildlife", and "motorized land vehicle."
- CUSTOMARY AND TRADITIONAL USES OF GAME POPULATIONS including but not limited to: addir Unit 18 to the Mulchatna caribou herd in 99.025(a)(4).
- K. GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS including: Hunter education and orientatio requirements including certification for bowhunters; process for generating board regulatory proposals; an policy for off-road vehicle use for hunting and transporting game.

The board will also take action on non-regulatory items during this meeting such as findings, letters, an delegations, typically at the end of the meeting under miscellaneous business but occasionally it occurs earlie in the meeting if necessary.

The proposed regulation changes are available on the Board of Game website a www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=03-18-2016&meeting=fairbanks or from the ADF&G Boards Support Section Office at (907) 465-4110. Additional meeting information will be added to the website as it becomes available.

You may comment on the proposed regulations including the potential costs to private persons of complyin with the proposed changes by submitting written comments, limited to no more than 100 single sided or 5 double sided pages, to the Alaska Board of Game, Boards Support Section at P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, Al 99811-5526. Comments can also be submitted online at www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov, by fax to (907 465-6094, or emailed to dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov (PDF format only). Comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 4, 2016 to be included in the board workbook.

Submission of written comments after the March 4, 2016 deadline are limited to ten single-sided or five double-sided pages in length from any one individual or group and will be provided to the board members at the beginning of the meeting. During the meeting, written comments from any one individual or group may be submitted by hand delivery if 20 copies are provided. Written comments that are submitted are public record and are subject to public inspection.

The public hearing portion of the meeting is scheduled for the beginning of the meeting after staff reports, and will continue until everyone who has signed up and is present when called has been added to be been alled her beginning of the meeting after staff reports.

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Findings Related to Proposal 207: Restrictions on the Use of Aircraft Associated with Sheep Hunting

To address complaints concerning misuse of aircraft, particularly during sheep hunting season, the Board of Game drafted a proposal to limit aircraft use associated with sheep hunting, later identified as proposal 207. This proposal was deliberated on during the January 8, 2015 Work Session Meeting held in Juneau, where the Board agreed to schedule the proposal to be addressed at the February 2015, Central/SW Regional meeting in Wasilla. The Board also held an evening "town hall" style meeting in February where approximately 165 people participated in a discussion concerning the use of aircraft during sheep season.

Recognizing there was opposition from those using aircraft and support from hunters that did not use aircraft, the Board deferred the proposal to the March 2015, Southcentral Region Meeting held in Anchorage to facilitate additional public comment. Proposal 207 was approved at this meeting with six members in support and one opposed, following a lengthy public testimony process.

A special meeting was then held on April 24, 2015 for the purpose of scheduling a future meeting to rescind the action taken by the Board on proposal 207, at the request of two Board members. A special meeting was held on May 28, 2015 to discuss the merits of retaining proposal 207. The request to rescind failed; with a vote of two supporting rescinding and five supporting the proposal.

The adopted language now reads: 5 AAC 92.085. Unlawful methods of taking big game; exceptions....(8) a person who has been airborne may not take or assist in taking a big game animal until after 3:00 a.m. following the day in which the flying occurred, and from August 10 through September 20 aircraft may not be used by or for any person to locate Dall sheep for hunting or direct hunters to Dall sheep during the open sheep hunting season, however, aircraft other than helicopters may be used by and for sheep hunters to place and remove hunters and camps, maintain existing camps, and salvage harvested sheep.

The purpose of this finding is to clarify the Board's intent when adopting this restriction and address some of the commonly heard misinterpretations brought to Board members' attention since the regulation became effective July 1, 2015.

Passage of proposal 207 is intended to:

- 1. Specifically address public complaint that the Board of Game has heard for many decades regarding the controversial practice of hunting for wildlife from aircraft.
 - Since at least the 1970's the Board of game has heard testimony regarding how hunting from an aircraft has both disrupted the efforts of other hunters through displacement of animals and also lowered the quality of experience for other hunters who do not use aircraft as a hunting tool.

- The Board recognizes that there has been increased complaint especially during the last decade regarding perceived crowding issues and increased competition among Dall sheep hunters in their efforts, despite less hunter participation than in previous decades, and that the practice of aircraft hunting may be contributing to these problems by disturbing both hunters and sheep populations themselves.
- Technological advances in small aircraft capability and the increasing popularity of short field performance educational videos have combined in recent decades, resulting both in increased aircraft dependent hunting methods and decreased number of areas where foot based hunters are able to go without competition from those who primarily hunt from the air and then land nearby in marginal conditions to pursue the sheep.
- 2. Prohibit the deliberate use of an aircraft for locating any Dall sheep for hunting purposes between August 10 and September 20. This precludes flying with the intention to generally locate Dall sheep and also making single or repeated passes to evaluate the location, type, or quality of specific animals. This prohibition is intended to apply to both the pilot and anyone that this information is communicated to during the open season, who has the intent to harvest a Dall sheep anywhere in the state.
 - The prohibition is not meant to prevent the hunting of animals that were incidentally spotted while under the allowed provisions of this regulation (... "to place and remove hunters and camps, maintain existing camps, and salvage harvested sheep".) so long as the aircraft is not being used for the purpose of locating Dall sheep for hunting purposes. "From August 10 through September 20 aircraft may not be used by or for any person to locate Dall sheep for hunting or direct hunters to Dall sheep during the open sheep hunting season.
 - This prohibition was not intended to prohibit the hunting of Dall sheep in the present season, or following seasons, if the sheep were incidentally spotted by a pilot or passenger who are directly in route to or from a proposed camp or hunter drop-off or pick-up location, an existing camp or cache, or Dall sheep harvest location between the August 10 and September 20 hunting season.
 - This prohibition does not preclude someone from legally harvesting any Dall sheep if it were incidentally spotted while directly in route to or from a proposed landing location.
 - This prohibition does not intend to prevent any flight maneuvers that are necessary to make an informed and safe landing in the field.

Adopted: March 17, 2016

Vote: 4-2-1 Fairbanks, Alaska Ted Spraker, Chairman
Alaska Board of Game