

PROPOSAL 256 - 5 AAC 92.095 Unlawful methods of taking furbearers; exceptions; and 92.990. Definitions. Repeal the statewide definition for an ADF&G style breakaway snare; modify and add the requirement to trapping in the Gustavus area.

Amend 5 AAC 92.095(a)(16)(A) to allow the use of a specific type of snare with a diverter wire for wolf trapping only in Unit 1C. The board will discuss modifications to the following language so that it better clarifies the board intent and specifies that this type of snare is required only in Unit 1C.

(16) in Unit 1C, that portion west of Excursion Inlet and north of Icy Passage, by using
(A) a snare with a cable diameter of 1/32 inch or larger that is set out of water, unless the snare **cable is severed at a point that is 10.0 inches to 10.5 inches from the cable end stop and then reattached with a double ferrule, and the snare has a wire designed to divert non-target species that is attached to the snare so that the diverter wire extends at least 28 inches from the snare loop and is perpendicular to the loop** [IS CONSTRUCTED WITH AN ADF&G-STYLE NOOSE STOP/BREAKAWAY AND A DIVERTER WIRE];

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5 AAC 92.990(a): Definitions.

[(80) "ADF&G-STYLE NOOSE STOP/BREAKAWAY" MEANS SPECIFICALLY THAT THE CABLE IS SEVERED AT A POINT THAT IS 10.0 INCHES TO 10.5 INCHES FROM THE CABLE END STOP AND THEN REATTACHED WITH A DOUBLE FERRULE

(81) "DIVERTER WIRE" MEANS A WIRE DESIGNED TO DIVERT NON-TARGET SPECIES THAT IS ATTACHED TO A SNARE SO THAT THE DIVERTER WIRE EXTENDS AT LEAST 28 INCHES FROM THE SNARE LOOP AND IS PERPENDICULAR TO THE LOOP.]

ISSUE: At the November, 2010 Southeast Region meeting, the Board of Game authorized wolf trapping in Unit 1C with the use a specific type of breakaway snare with a diverter wire for the purpose of diverting non-target species. At a subsequent meeting, the board requested the regulation be addressed in the November, 2011 Arctic & Western Region meeting in order to modify the description of the snare so that it meets the original intention of the board and that it apply only to Unit 1C.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF NOTHING IS DONE? There may confusion that this snare is used in other areas of the state.

WILL THE QUALITY OF THE RESOURCE HARVESTED OR PRODUCTS PRODUCED BE IMPROVED? N/A

WHO IS LIKELY TO BENEFIT? Trappers will benefit from having better clarification of the regulations.

WHO IS LIKELY TO SUFFER?

OTHER SOLUTIONS CONSIDERED? Leave regulation in place.

PROPOSED BY: Board of Game

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