Issues of Crossover Jurisdiction between the Big Game Commercial Services Board and the Board of Game

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- 1. Consequences of Drawing Hunts for Guides:
 - Guides are limited to specific locations and numbers of animals on federal land. They
 are limited to small numbers of clients so in a draw in competition with transporters,
 they are penalized the most while having the least cause of a drawing hunt.
- 2. Intensive management hunts impact resident guides while giving transient, out of area guides the advantage of a "free" area.
- 3. Guides have many regulatory agencies controlling their activities. Regulatory decisions by each agency/board ripple far beyond the decision the board or agency that took the action.
- 4. Second degree of kindred allocation impacts guides out of proportion to other users.
- 5. Sea otter guiding permits.
- 6. Alaska natural resource entities should practice coordinated resource management. Currently, timber sales and mining exploration permits are issued by one agency with little or no regard to other user groups using the same area. Board of Game actions affect Big Game Commercial Services Board regulations and vice versa. Department of Natural Resources, US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Services, and other land management decisions affect all users. Perhaps efforts should be started to begin to coordinate actions in management plans.