

Proposal 50

Removes the requirement to leave evidence of sex naturally attached for all species except bears

- Department: Opposed
- Public Proposal

Background

Proposal 50

- In all hunts limited to one sex, evidence of sex must remain naturally attached to the animal until it has been delivered to the place where it will be processed for human consumption or prepared for storage
- Managing the sex composition of harvest is crucial for sustained-yield management
- Evidence of sex is required for ungulates when populations cannot support the unregulated harvest of either sex

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Proposal 51

Applies to nonresidents hunting guide required species with resident relatives, and seeks to:

1. Have the bag limit of the nonresident count toward the bag limit of the resident (similar to youth hunts)

and

2. Allow nonresidents to harvest game on behalf of resident relatives in permit hunts (similar to youth hunts)

- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Background

Proposal 51

- Potential to limit the total number of animals taken by nonresidents accompanied by resident relatives, and the resident relatives hunting with the nonresidents (share one bag limit)
- Nonresidents accompanied by resident relatives would be allowed to harvest animals that are part of the resident allocation (hunting with the resident's permit)

Background

Proposal 51

- Differs from youth hunts, in that hunter education is not required
- Allocative and does not conform to the board's policy on allocating to nonresidents (2007-173-BOG)

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Proposal 52

Clarify the requirements regarding retrieval and salvage of wounded game by removing:

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- Department: Neutral
- Alaska Wildlife Troopers

Background

Proposal 52

- 5 AAC 92.220(i) was adopted in 2004 and stemmed from the board discussing using a single leashed dog to track wounded game
- The discussion centered around the amount of effort hunters expend searching for wounded game
- This regulation has led to much confusion regarding what a hunter deems as "reasonable" vs what the board has determined to be "lawful"

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- Alaska Wildlife Troopers

Proposal 53

Removes the restriction that wounded game counts against the annual bag limit for bears in Units 1-5, and 8, and elk in Unit 8

- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Background

Proposal 53

- Existing regulations were created in an attempt to limit wounding loss and as an incentive for hunters to make good choices
- If adopted, hunters who wound bears in Units 1-5, and 8, and elk in Unit 8 would be able to continue hunting

Proposal 53

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- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Proposal 54

Add a “mulligan” bag limit for brown bears, caribou, goats, moose, and sheep; and imposes an administrative penalty if a hunter harvests one of these animals

- “Mulligan” is a term used in informal golf, and is a free shot given a golfer when a previous shot was poorly played, and is not recorded on the score card
- Department: Opposed
- Public proposal

Background

Proposal 54

- Many populations cannot support the additional harvest this proposal would allow
- Current bag limits are based primarily on individual populations and management objectives
- This type of additional harvest already occurs and is currently not legal. Adoption of this proposal would make the additional harvest legal and will lead to even more take of improper bag limits.
- Creating this alternate bag limit would add complexity to the regulations and be extremely difficult to enforce

Proposal 54

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- Department: Opposed
- Public proposal

Proposal 55

Change the bag limit for brown bears to one bear every regulatory year, except in areas where the bag limit is currently two per year

- Department:
 - Opposed to changing area specific hunt types and bag limits on a statewide basis
 - Neutral on restructuring the regulation
- Public proposal

Background

Proposal 55

- When adopted, the most common bag limit was one bear every four regulatory years
- Gradually evolved to the most common bag limit being one bear every regulatory year

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 - Neutral on restructuring the regulation
- Public proposal

Proposal 56

Prohibit the transportation of the hide and skull of bears from the field until the edible meat has been salvaged.

- Department: Neutral
- Alaska Wildlife Troopers

Background

Proposal 56

- The order in which the meat and antlers/horns must be salvaged is specified
- The proposal specifies the same order when the meat of bears (in addition to the hide and skull) must be salvaged

Proposal 56

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- Department: Neutral
- Alaska Wildlife Troopers

Proposal 57

Allow the sale of brown bear hides and/or skulls by resident hunters in areas with a bag limit of two or more per season.

- Department: Neutral
- Nushagak AC

Background

Proposal 57

- Brown bear hides, with claws attached, and skulls can be sold if harvested under an active brown bear predator control permit
- Black bear hides with claws attached, and skulls can be sold if taken under hunting regulations.

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- Department: Neutral
- Nushagak AC