

Note: The Board of Game deferred this proposal from the 2017 Arctic/Western Region Meeting. It was previously numbered Proposal 158.

PROPOSAL 18 – 5 AAC 92.037. Permits for falconry. Remove the West Nile Virus testing requirement for raptors as follows:

Remove the requirements to test birds for West Nile Virus.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Please remove the West Nile Virus testing requirements, as per Alaska Division of Wildlife Conservation Alaska Falconry Manual 9 Addendum dated March 29, 2013. The current regulation requires falconers to give unnecessary vaccinations for raptors, costs hundreds of dollars in veterinary bills and requires unnecessary quarantines for up to 30 days each time a falconer travels outside of Alaska or imports a raptor.

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