PROPOSAL 68 – 5 AAC 92.XXX. New regulation. Create a new regulation to allow season openings and increased hunting opportunities in-season by emergency order as follows:

Create regulation that will allow ADF&G to open or increase hunting opportunities in-season based on best available science when additional harvest can be supported.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Biologists within ADF&G should have the ability to adjust harvest by opening or closing seasons during the regulatory year by Emergency Order (EO), based on in-season information. Currently, ADF&G can only close seasons. A mechanism should be in place to allow opening of hunting opportunities when game populations can support additional harvest.

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