Proposal 20
Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Limit hunter harvest of does on Douglas Island to 1 per season

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Supports (with amendment to 4 bucks only)
Upper Lynn Canal AC – Supports (with amendment to bucks only for Sullivan Island)

Douglas Island
• 70% of 1C harvest from Douglas Island
• 30-40% harvest is does
Background

Hunter Harvest

Hunter Effort

Douglas Island Management Area

- Limits wolf harvest to 3 wolves annually
- Douglas Island wolves not an insular population
- Deer harvest effort and success unchanged since 2013 wolf arrival
- Slight decline in pellet counts
- Focus of Proposal 22
Proposal 20
Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Limit hunter harvest of does on Douglas Island to 1 per season

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Supports (with amendment to 4 bucks only)
Upper Lynn Canal AC – Supports (with amendment to bucks only for Sullivan Island)

Proposal 21
Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Amend closed area on North Douglas Island to Fish Creek

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Supports
The current map on our website

Moving to Fish Creek

Will close 0.06 mi² to hunting.
Moving to Fish Creek/Eagle Crest Road

Will open 0.66 mi² to hunting.

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**Proposal 21**

Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Proposal

**Effect of Proposal:**

Amend closed area on North Douglas Island to Fish Creek

**Department Recommendation:**

Neutral

**Advisory Council Recommendation:**

Juneau-Douglas AC – Supports
Proposal 22
Public Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Eliminate the Douglas Island Management Area in Unit 1C

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Support

Douglas Island Management Area
Wolf Harvest in Unit 1C

Deer Harvest on Douglas Island
Douglas Island Deer Pellet Counts

Hunter and Harvest effort on Douglas Island
Proposal 22
Public Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Eliminate the Douglas Island Management Area in Unit 1C

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Support

Proposal 23
Public Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Expand the archery-only registration permit hunt area for Mt. Goats in Unit 1C

Department Recommendation:
Against

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Opposed
RG014 Goat Harvest

Archery Hunt Mountain Goat Harvest (2008-2018)
5 AAC 92.510. Areas closed to hunting

- Mt. Bullard
  - 5 AAC 92.510(a)(3)(D)
- Mt. Juneau Drainage
  - 5 AAC 92.510(a)(3)(F)
- Closed by regulation to mountain goat hunting.

Mendenhall Valley
Downtown Juneau

2018 Mt. Goat Survey Data

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1600
$r^2 = 0.32$, $F_{(1,21)} = 15.71$, $P < 0.0001$

Females
Males

Fall Rut Winter
Season

95% Fixed Kernel Home Range (ha)

Proposal 23

RC 4, Tab 5.2
### Proposal 23

**Public Proposal**

**Effect of Proposal:**
Expand the archery-only registration permit hunt area for Mt. Goats in Unit 1C

**Department Recommendation:**
Neutral

**Advisory Council Recommendation:**
Juneau-Douglas AC – Opposed

### Proposal 24

**Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Proposal**

**Effect of Proposal:**
Amend the boundary description of RG014 on Blackerby Ridge

**Department Recommendation:**
Neutral

**Advisory Council Recommendation:**
Juneau-Douglas AC – Support
The proposed description:

...On the south side of Balckerby Ridge encompassed by a line from Observation Peak west along the ridgeline down to the 1,000-foot contour, east along that contour to the north shore of Salmon Creek Reservoir, north of the main drainage into the head of the reservoir following that drainage south and east up to the ridgeline and east to

Proposal 24
Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Amend the boundary description of RG014 on Blackerby Ridge

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Support
Proposal 25
Yakutat Fish and Game Advisory Committee Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Extend 5A moose hunt

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Yakutat AC – Support

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Unit 5A Hunt Areas

Survey Data for East and West Dangerous River

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- Surveys conducted in late December
  Difficult to determine sex composition
- Managed as any bull hunt
Federal and State 5A Moose Seasons

Pre-changes East and West Dangerous

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Proposal 25

Yakutat Fish and Game Advisory Committee Proposal

Effect of Proposal:

Extend 5A moose hunt

Department Recommendation:

Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:

Yakutat AC – Support
Proposal 26
Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Reauthorize antlerless moose season Unit 5A Nunatak Bench

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Yakutat AC – Support
Proposal 26
Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Reauthorize antlerless moose season Unit 5A
Nunatak Bench

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Yakutat AC – Support

Proposal 27
Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Reauthorize Unit 1C antlerless moose seasons
Gustavus/Berners Bay

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Support
Proposal 27
Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Reauthorize Unit 1C antlerless moose seasons
Gustavus/Berners Bay

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Support
**Proposal 28**
Public Proposal

**Effect of Proposal:**
Require ADF&G to issue permits to bait black bears in Unit 1C

**Department Recommendation:**
Neutral

**Advisory Council Recommendation:**
Juneau-Douglas AC – Support
Outreach and Education

- Annual PSAs on the Radio
- Presentations to new Coast Guard recruits at orientation
- Created and distributed garbage/bear pamphlets
- Met with neighborhood associations
- Participated on interagency bear committees
- Participated in “community day” events
- Bear safety for Department of Natural Resources and Forest Service

Black Bear Mortality in Unit 1C

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Proposal 28

Public Proposal

Effect of Proposal:

Require ADF&G to issue permits to bait black bears in Unit 1C

Department Recommendation:

Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:

Juneau-Douglas AC – Support

Proposal 29

Shift Waterfowl Season Two Weeks Earlier

In Unit 1C

Public Proposal

Department Recommendation:

Neutral

AC Recommendation:

Juneau-Douglas AC: Support Proposal 16
Discussion

- Waterfowl season for Unit 1C would shift two weeks earlier: Sept. 1 – Dec. 16 [Sept. 16 – Dec. 31] for both residents and nonresidents

- Proposal is out of conformity with the State’s authority within USFWS waterfowl regulations framework.

Federal Waterfowl Framework

- USFWS has waterfowl management authority

- Current state authority to structure seasons:
  - Uniform across zone
  - Date range: Sept 1 – Jan 26
  - Maximum season length: 107 days

- Future options
  - Proposals to split the zone or to split season are eligible for consideration every five years (next in 2020)
Splitting Season or Zone

- These changes require federal approval and must be justified on the basis of creating equitable opportunity – not just higher harvest.

- Rationale should illustrate differences in migration paths, migration timing, habitat conditions, and weather/climate patterns.

- USFWS denied BOG zone split request (1998)

2008 Survey of Hunter Preferences

- Random survey of 2006 waterfowl hunters living in Southeast Alaska.

- Two question survey:
  - Preference of starting dates
    - Sept 1 – Dec 16 (current season)
    - Sept 16 – Dec 31 (two weeks later)
    - Oct 8 – Jan 22 (five weeks later)
  - Desire to have split season
The majority (65%) of respondents expressed interest in some shift in season dates to a later start.

Only 25% preferred splitting season dates.
Result

- 2008 BOG shifted dates to compromise for majority of hunters (From Sept. 1 – Dec. 16 to Sept. 16 – Dec. 31)

Pros and Cons of Shifting Earlier

**Pros**
- Increased opportunity for harvest of early migrants (small and medium dabblers)
- Better weather and longer daylight hours
- Less harvest of local wintering birds
- Increased opportunity for sandhill cranes

**Cons**
- Decreased ability to select males
- Less opportunity for sea ducks
- No hunting during holidays
- Less opportunity for late migrating dabblers and wintering mallards
Proposal 29

Shift Waterfowl Season Two Weeks Earlier
In Unit 1C
Public Proposal

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

AC Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC: Support Proposal 16

Proposal 30

Public Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Create 3-day youth hunt to start waterfowl season on Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Amended to 2 days; Support
Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge

Number of Youth using the Refuge

Proposal 30
**Proposal 30**  
Public Proposal

**Effect of Proposal:**  
Create 3-day youth hunt to start waterfowl season on Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge

**Department Recommendation:**  
Neutral

**Advisory Council Recommendation:**  
Juneau-Douglas AC – Amended to 2 days; Support

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**Proposal 31**  
Public Proposal

**Effect of Proposal:**  
Allow use of submerged traps in the Juneau closed area

**Department Recommendation:**  
Neutral

**Advisory Council Recommendation:**  
Juneau-Douglas AC – Support
Regulated Juneau Trails

Background (pre and post trail ordinance)

• Unit 1C fur sealing 1983-1986
  Otter – average 31 per year
  Beaver – average 55 per year

• Unit 1C fur sealing 2007-2017
  Otter – average 24 per year
  Beaver – average 39 per year

• Trails run along waterways and are off limits to trapping
• Difference in hides sealed may be due to lack of trapping access
Proposal 31
Public Proposal

Effect of Proposal:
Allow use of submerged traps in the Juneau closed area

Department Recommendation:
Neutral

Advisory Council Recommendation:
Juneau-Douglas AC – Support
Proposal 32
Areas Closed To Trapping
Public Proposal
Department Recommendation:
Neutral

AC Recommendation:
Upper Lynn Canal AC: Oppose

Discussion
- Adopts language and conditions found in Skagway Municipal Code
- Prohibits trapping in parks, cemeteries, and Dyea Campground.
- Methods
  - Leghold & ground traps - 1/8 mile buffer.
  - Tree traps - 5’ above ground & 50 yards.
    - “Rural” areas - 25 yards.
Discussion

Leghold and ground traps:
- Prohibited within 1/8 mile of roads, established trails, and right of ways.
- Federal lands in KLGO closed to all trapping.

Rural Trapping Areas:
- 25 yd. buffer for tree traps (5’ ft. off ground).
- ½ mile north of MP 3 to Canadian border.
- ½ mile north of Gold Rush Cemetery on R.R. tracks to Canadian border.
- West Creek Area.
- Leghold trapping 1/8 mile buffer.
Discussion

Additional Restrictions:

- Tree traps- 5’ above ground (50 yd. buffer).
- Dyea Campground, city parks, and cemeteries closed.
- “Active Trapping” signs (private property).
- Leghold trapping 1/8 mile buffer.
- Steep Terrain.

![Map](image)

![Graph](image)
Discussion

**PROS**
- Intended to increase safety.
- No conservation concerns.

**CONS**
- Steep terrain limits access for trapping.
- Reduced opportunity.

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**Proposal 32**

**Areas Closed To Trapping**
- Public proposal
- **Department Recommendation:** Neutral
- **AC Recommendation:** Upper Lynn Canal AC: Oppose