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Restore our season in 2021 for all the right reasons. We pay a premium for the license and will need the State to fulfill it's obligations of letting us hunt or recycle the fee for years missed due to their call of closure.

The bear population will increase due to no hunting in 2020, all the more reason to let us hunt in 2021.

Loss of revenue to the people of this State as well as the State coffers is devastating! Everything should be done in the States power to restore the loss as well as can be.

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I wish to comment about the 19C & 19D bison draw permits that were left out of this proposal. Many permit holders that had hunts scheduled for late March were not able to make their hunt, even before the Alaska travel ban went in to place. We must acknowledge that even though Alaska did not allow travel until late March, permit holders may not have been able to leave their home state safely in early March 2020. Please allow the lucky permit holders of these few draw permits for the March 1-31, 2020 season to transfer their permit to a future regulatory year. Thank you for your consideration.

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I am a holder of a DL028 (unit 3 spring) permit for the 2019-2020 regulatory year and had to cancel my travel and hunt plans for May 2020 to hunt on Kuiu Island. I would voice my support in allowing us permit holders to transferring our permits to a future regulatory year. I would not want my permit to be in addition to the 50 permits already drawn for the 2020-2021 regulatory year as that is not fair to the permit holders that have already drawn. I feel it would make most sense for us permit holders to have the option to transfer the permit to the 2021-2022 regulatory year or to forfeit the permit completely and be eligible to apply for the next draw.



2019-2020 -Alaska Bear Hunt DL028 - Permit # 3000010-35 - Terry Bennett

Terry Bennett <coachterrybennett@gmail.com>

Mon 4/13/2020 9:04 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Cc: Terry Bennett <coachterrybennett@gmail.com>; Chris Yeoman <cdyeoman@gmail.com>

To Whom it May Concern :

My Name is Terry Bennett- Holder of the 2019-2020 -Alaska Bear - Hunt DL028 - Non Resident - Permit # 3000010-35.

As the Holder of this Black Bear Permit # 3000010-35 that I have not been able to utilize, due to and because of Travel restrictions / quarantine requirements of Covid 19 Worldwide Outbreak. This Hunter is in Favor of the Game Department approving and allowing the transfer of 2020 spring season drawing permit holders to a future year for hunting black bear. as recommended by the Board. This will allow so many to enjoy a Hunt of a Lifetime in Alaska. Also for those that work so hard to create Lifetime Memories for Hunters in Alaska and future generations, can recoupe some of the Lost Revenues from this season because of this pandemic .

If you have any comments or would like to further discuss , please feel to contact me any me.

Thank You

Terry Benne

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5/27/2020 4:40:56 AM
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Dear Members of the Board of Game,

I beseech you to abstain from holding an additional hunt for Brown Bears. They are significant ambassadors of good will for your state. The Explore.com cams attract thousands every summer. Many of these people end up going to Alaska, to Katmai and elsewhere to enjoy the splendors of your state and contribute to its economy.

The Brown Bears are ambassadors to the rest of the world. Please allow them to continue their lives unmolested.

Sincerely,

Gretchen Borges

Submitted By
Jason Button
Submitted On
5/1/2020 8:42:03 AM
Affiliation

With the challenges we all faced this year with Covid 19, my spring bear hunt was cancelled. This was disappointing but understandable given the nature of the pandemic. This hunt was been something I was looking forward to for a couple years and given the expenses of the hunt, I ask that my licence and tag be extended to another year.

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4/21/2020 2:06:14 PM
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I drew a spring bear tag for Afognak Island. However, due to the Corona virus pandemic, I was not able to travel to Afognak and take part in the 2020 spring bear hunt. Because of the inability to travel between communities due to the governor's travel restrictions and take part in the spring bear hunt, I would appreciate the board considering other options for those that drew tags for 2020 and were not able to participate due to these restrictions. It would be ideal if the board were able to allocate some of these unused tags to the 2021 and/or 2022 spring bear season. Thanks for considering some alternative options for those of us that were unable to participate.

Special Spring Bear Season 2021 on Alaska Penninsula (GMU 9)

Jerry Cates <jcrocks41178@gmail.com>

Wed 5/27/2020 3:38 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

My name is Jerry Cates and I am a licensed assistant hunting guide here in Alaska and based on what I have seen and my experience I believe wholeheartedly that there are a myriad of reasons to open up a special spring brown bear hunting season in 2021 in GMU 9 due to this years spring brown bear season being closed. There is a population balance which has taken years and years if not decades of management to achieve and I believe that a special spring 2021 brown bear season in GMU 9 will help keep things from being throw too far off kilter as far as game management goes, especially with the brown bears.

Sincerely,

Jerry Cates

Sent from my iPhone

Submitted By
Rina Czek
Submitted On
5/27/2020 2:04:35 PM
Affiliation

Me and my family are not happy to learn that you are even considering this 'change'.

Everyone is on the losing end and struggling in this pandemic, Let the hunters deal with it, Why you want to increase the number of 2021 hunts? Just to favor bunch of people? What a sad sad decision to even call a meeting on this barbaric practice. Haven't we done hurting mother nature enough already? Let these bears live their lives.

Do NOT allow to increase numbers of killing of them for god's sake.

Kodiak Brown Bear Hunt Spring 2020

Bill Cenna <bcenna@gmail.com>

Tue 4/28/2020 6:25 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Hello,

I have touched base with many members of the Board of Game as well as AK Fish and Game. I want to make it known that everyone has been very helpful and supportive during this awkward time. Chairmen Spraker has been very thoughtful and respectful to all the hunters who are trying to salvage an opportunity for the tag they drew. He was just a great guy to speak with over the phone, and I wanted to personally thank him for his time and consideration.

I drew a resident Kodiak Bear tag for spring 2020, and due to the current travel restrictions and mandates from the state, I am unable to travel and quarantine in Kodiak to ensure the safety of myself as well as residents in Kodiak.

Moving the Spring 2020 hunt to Spring 2022 (2021 has already been drawn by residents) would be the most logical and fair option to reissue the tag. I strongly support a reissue of tags, as this is completely out of control from the hunter and the State of Alaska has travel restrictions in place that prevent travel to specific hunting locations.

Thanks to the Board of Game for keeping the dreams alive for some lucky residents who drew resident spring bear tags.

VR

Bill Cenna

Non res Alien brown bear tag on kodiak

Dan Chamberlain <hazuse@hotmail.com>

Thu 4/16/2020 5:08 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Hi there. Dan chamberlain from Moose Jaw Saskatchewan Canada. I drew a tag on Afognak for this spring. I'm thankful to hear the proposal for rolling the draw tags to 2021!!! Thank you. I'm all for it. Canada has the boarder locked up very tight, and there was no way I would have been able to make it this spring if the season was open. I'm thankful for this proposal and hope it passes. Thanks again.
Dan

Sent from my iPhone

Submitted By
Tom Chick
Submitted On
4/29/2020 11:32:23 AM
Affiliation

Dear Alaska Fish and Game,

Due to the travel restrictions imposed as a result of the impact of the COVID-19 virus, I had to cancel my hunting and fishing trip to Alaska for late April- early May of 2020. We are planning to reschedule our trip as soon as we are able. It would be so appreciated if the licenses, lock tags and hunting permits that were purchased for this year could be rolled over to be able to use them for the next hunt when it is scheduled.

Please feel free to contact me if I can assist you further.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Tom Chick

Submitted By
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Submitted On
5/27/2020 4:04:13 PM
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Given the proximity to the National Park, it is unsportsmanlike to hunt in this region.

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5/1/2020 11:12:27 PM
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I drew a lottery tag for spring bear on Afognak/Raspberry area (hunt #DB293). With travel prohibited I had to cancel my flights from Fairbanks to Kodiak and Raspberry. I would still like the opportunity to go on this hunt, a lot of planning went into it. I am requesting to be issued a tag for next year or the following since the state government kept me from actively participating.

Best regards

Matt Denison

Wildman LAKE LODGE Hunting proposal May 2021

Sergio Deschamps <sdeschampse@gmail.com>

Wed 5/27/2020 11:47 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

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Alaska Board Game

June 3, 2020. BOG Meeting ,

My name is Sergio Deschamps. I am from Monterrey, México.
I am Gary "Butch" King, Jr.'s client (Alaska Master Guide #97 Wildman Lake Lodge - Alaska)

I contracted my hunt with him 3 years ago to have it on May 2020 and I am being affected since I can't travel due to COVID-19 Pandemic and flights are being canceled.

I put to you consideration and authorization to see myself benefited with the proposal that Gary "Butch" from Wildman Lodge is doing since waiting one more year until 2022 is a long time waiting and for me it is a problem since I have a hunt in New Zealand on May 2022, which I have already paid for and they are not accepting any changes since they were also affected by this pandemic.

With nothing more for the moment, I hope to see myself benefited with your support.

Sergio Deschamps E .

Submitted By
Zachery Ferguson
Submitted On
4/24/2020 4:55:10 PM
Affiliation

I ask that bear tags for the season of spring 2020 be allowed to roll over to 2022 due to the outbreak of Covid-19. I had applied in 2019 and drew said bear tag but do to implications I am not able to participate in this spring season hunt. I hope this to happen considering circumstances. Thank you.

Proposed Bear Tag Change Comments

Chas Mail <mallardman2@earthlink.net>

Wed 5/27/2020 7:33 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

To whom it may concern,

I write this letter on behalf of Charles Foster, my father, whom drew a Non-Res Kodiak spring bear tag under the guide license of Steve Perrins owner and operator of Rainy Pass. It is my fathers hope that his tag be rolled over as it is his ultimate dream hunt for which he applied for many years. At 75, he is getting to the point where the hunt might be to much if he must prolong by redrawing. The excitement of the draw was beyond amazing for the both of us and the concern of loosing the tag to Covid was even more disheartening. He appreciated AK and your council taking the tag role over under advisement and he hopes that tag holders will have the opportunity to hunt. The best solution would be for tag holders to have a 3 year credit based time period to use their tag. This would alleviate to many mature bears being harvested in a single season, to many hunters in the field and would allow guides to give their hunters the best hunt possible while fulfilling contracts with drawn hunters and keeping contacts with those still applying.

Thanks You,
Chas Foster

Sent from my iPhone

Brown Bear Season 2021

Stephen Fox <sfox@foxbrindle.com>

Mon 5/11/2020 7:21 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

I fully understand the need to cancel the May 2020 Brown Bear Season, but I am certainly disappointed I was not able to hunt bear in Alaska this year after many years of waiting. I certainly support the rescheduling of the season to 2021. Thank you for the consideration. Stephen Fox

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I am the holder of a Non-Resident, 2020 Spring Brown Bear drawing permit for unit 8. I am unbelievably grateful that the Board is taking into consideration alternative options for me to make this hunt a reality because of travel restrictions attributed to health mandates!

One unique factor in my hunt is that it was set up with my-son-in-law, as a resident of Alaska, also hunting with me. Thus, the next of kin rule would be applied and as a non-resident, I would not be required to hire a guide.

My son-in-law (Daniel Micklewright) also was successful in obtaining a Resident Spring 2020 drawing permit for area 8. Additionally, my son-in-law is active duty military, and while an Alaska Resident, is currently not stationed in Alaska.

Logistically, it would be best if both our drawing permits were transferred to the same future timeframe. Discussions at the last board meeting implied that resident and non-resident drawing permits would be transferred to different spring seasons. If there were any way to keep our seasons synchronized it would be much appreciated.

Finally, I had already paid for my Spring 2020 Brown Bear locking tag before COVID 19 necessitated cancelling the Spring 2020 season. Will the cost of this locking tag be transferred into whatever future season my drawing permit is transferred?

Many Thanks,

William E. Gray III

Colonel, USAF Retired

Alaska Non-Resident Hunt License # 20632127

Season 2021, Spring

Marty Griffith <marty@griffithlandservices.com>

Tue 5/26/2020 2:16 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

I urge all Board of Game members to support this proposal. I agree that biological and traditional harvest data supports providing sportsmen with this replacement opportunity to participate on a Spring 2021 brown bear hunt on the Alaska Peninsula.

Marty Griffith

Sent from my iPhone

Alaska big game permits

Cwgroesch <cwgroesch@comcast.net>

Sat 5/9/2020 5:04 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Sirs/ madams, my name is Charles Groesch and I successfully drew a Kodiak brown bear permit for spring 2020. This of course was a bucket list hunt for me and at age 68, I don't know how many more years I can expect to participate in rigorous hunts such as this. So it was with great disappointment but also great understanding that I received the news of the the cancellation of this years hunt. The safety of small communities such as on Kodiak is of paramount importance. So, I would ask that you , in fairness to all parties, validate my 2020 spring license for spring 2021. This seems far and away the most equitable solution. Thanks for your careful consideration in this matter.

Sent from my iPad

2020 spring beat hunt

Christopher <cagnet64@gmail.com>

Thu 5/7/2020 10:40 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Hello,

My name is Christopher Grossman, I was lucky enough to draw a tag on Kodiak this year after a 3year wait. I am aware that there is talks to allow the 2020 spring tag to be valid for 2021 and I am all for it. If there was a possibility for an option to hunt this fall I'd love that too! I understand that the safety and heath of the residence of Kodiak and the rest of us is priority and hope this all passes soon.

Best Regards,

-Christopher

Spring bear hunt

Brian Hammer <bdhammer@aeiwelding.com>

Thu 5/7/2020 10:53 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Cc: Mike Zweng <alaskaadventure@live.com>

To whom it may concern:

My name is Brian Hammer And I was successful to hunt Kodiak for the 20 Brown bear spring season. I totally understand the measures that were put in place not to hunt this year. I also appreciate the extra effort to honor the permits that I won. I support the direcon t o allow my permit to be used next spring since I would rather not be placed back in the drawing because geng pick ed again could take several years or I may never get drawn again. Thank you and your staff again for all your efforts during these trying mes.

Brian Hammer



Brian Hammer, V.P.

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2020 Spring Bear

Dan Harrison <elktalkn@msn.com>

Mon 4/13/2020 2:59 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Alaska Board of Game,

Good day to you. My name is Daniel Harrison. Myself and my good friend, Capt. Troy Givens ret., (Hunting License #20627977) applied for and drew black bear tags for Kuiu Island for the Fall '19/Spring '20 hunt season. Troy and I scheduled our hunt with Calder Mountain Lodge from 26Apr-06May2020. However, given the memorandum put out by the ADFG on 01Apr, which cancelled all spring bear hunts until 31May, we are unable to execute our hunt as planned. Unfortunately Troy and I are not able to move this hunt to after the 31May closure. We have already purchased airline tickets, made hotel reservations, paid the lodge, and purchased our tags and licenses.

We respectfully request that the ADFG allow our tags to be reissued for the Spring '21 black bear season for the same unit. This hunt has

Thank you for your time and consideration of my request. If you have any questions, please contact me anytime.

Kind regards,

Dan Harrison
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Please overlook grammatical errors
Sent from my iPhone with big thumbs!

Spring Brown Bear Season

David R Hunt, Sr. <Dhuntsr@5houtdoors.com>

Mon 4/27/2020 1:55 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Dear BOG, I was not able to hunt brown bear this year due to the season being cancelled. I am appealing to the BOG to allow the hunters who were cancelled this year to hunt next spring. It won't increase the number of bears killed over the season that was cancelled and it will help the economy of Alaska. Having already paid roughly \$10,000 dollars in deposit, it will be difficult on the guides and airlines to refund those sums and stay in business. Simply rescheduling the hunt for next spring will help out the hunters, guides and our economy in general. I pray that all of you are safe and healthy during this difficult me.

Thank you for your consideraon.

David R Hunt, Sr.

President

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Rescheduling of Alaska Brown Bear season

Carey <bigdaddyjenks@hotmail.com>

Fri 4/24/2020 11:25 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

BOG Members,

My name is William Carey Jenkins and I'm sending my comments in reference to the Spring Brown Bear Hunt 2020 that was cancelled.

I understand the need to have canceled the May 2020 Spring Brown Bear hunting season. Nonetheless I am still disappointed that I was unable to make my May 2020 Alaska Brown Bear spring hunt.

I am in full support of rescheduling the GMU-9 Brown Bear season to May 2021.

Thank you for your consideration.

William Carey Jenkins
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

2020 GMU-9 Brown Bear Reschedule Support

Robert Josey <rjosey@yahoo.com>

Sun 4/26/2020 5:33 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Dear Sirs:

While I fully understand the need to cancel the May 2020 GMU-9 Brown Bear season, I was very disappointed to cancel my family's trip to Alaska. I am writing to express my full support for rescheduling the season to May 2021.

Robert Josey

Hunting brown bears

ï»¿mushi <mushimushi@frontier.com>

Sat 5/23/2020 6:44 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Hello, my name is Tamara Kannenberg.

I am emailing about the proposal to hunt a dwindling population of brown bears on the Alaska Peninsula.

I would like to point out that a game is something you play. Animals are NOT toys to do with as we please. I have no issue with hunting for food but from a moral and psychological stand point, hunting for the thrill of it, for the fun of it, to earn points, is wrong. There is something wrong with a person who likes to kill for fun. I call so called "trophy" hunters serial animal killers. Because that is what they really are. I would also like to point out that a trophy is something earn playing against another PERSON or TEAM and being better than they are. An animal is NOT a trophy. It is a living being.

I don't care that the word "game" has been given to wild animals that people hunt. The word only makes killing animals sound acceptable. Again, I am not against hunting for food. But I am against serial animal killing. It's disturbing, it's cruel, it's morally and psychologically WRONG.

Banning serial animal killing is what needs to be done.

In this current time, with covid 19, we know that this virus is related to the animal trade. We MUST start PROTECTING wilderness areas and wildlife to prevent another viral pandemic. Killing animals for fun isn't helping to prevent another pandemic.

Thank you for your time,
Tamara Kannenberg

-- To Boldly Go.....

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I am a 65 year resident of Alaska, born in this great State when it was still a Territory. I have seen many changes in hunting laws and wildlife management, but the extra bear hunt takes the cake. What makes my blood boil is the fact that the bear population is being tossed to the side in order to satisfy big game hunters. In all my 65 years in Alaska, this is the most foolhardy, reckless decision the Board of Game has made yet. Sacrificing our wildlife for the special interests of a few, how can anyone justify that? How can anyone who cares about our Great State allow this?

Public Comment GMU #9 Bear Season 2021

Michael King <king5098634853@gmail.com>

Tue 5/26/2020 5:15 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

RE: Public Comment GMU #9 Bear Season 2021

For Public Comment I would like to add my support for an opening of Spring Bear Season for 2021 as a financial offset for the loss of this month the May 2020 spring bear season on the Alaska Peninsula in Game Management Unit #9.

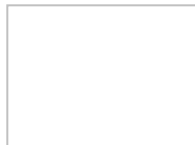
We are all financially poorer due to the current CV-19 pandemic, both hunters, guides, pilots, lodge owners, aviation commuter air taxi, local hotel, restaurants, and the State of Alaska. Millions of dollars are pumped into the Alaskan economy due to our resources and the management of Fish & Game in the Sate of Alaska.

Do take action to open a 2021 Spring Bear Season in Unit #9 on the Alaska Peninsula.

**Mike King,
Born and raised in Alaska
Alaska registered guide for over 50-years**

Respectfully, (509-863-4853 cell phone)

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[Please review Idaho Real Estate Law of Agency](#)

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I am in support of allowing the transfer of 2020 spring drawing permits for both resident and nonresident to a future year for black bears and brown and grizzly bears in the proposed units.

May 2020 Bear Hunt

Scott LaRoque <scott.laroque@mpowerpractice.net>

Mon 4/27/2020 7:52 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

To Whom it May Concern,

I understand the need to have canceled the May 2020 season given what is happening around the world. Nonetheless, I am disappointed that the May 2020 Alaska trip is cancelled as I was really looking forward to it and spent a year planning around it. I support rescheduling the season to May 2021. I am really looking forward to this trip and hoping to do it in May 2021.

Best,

Scott LaRoque

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4/09/2020

BOG,

I am writing in regards to the Covid19 pandemic that has caused residents to lose their chances to hunt the draw tags they won in 2019. I won the Aliulik Peninsula Brown Bear tag (DB237) on Kodiak Island and was extremely excited to get out in the field and pursue a mature boar.

Due to all the mandates put in place by Governor Dunleavy, his team and the city of Kodiak it is completely out of my control at this point to be able to pursue the opportunity I was awarded when I was selected for the tag. With all the flights and logistics in place, we have been waiting patiently to get the go ahead to hunt, but unfortunately, that is not possible anymore. This is an unforeseen time in our state in regards to this situation, and I feel the BOG and Fish and Game have the power to do what is right for all the hunters selected in the spring of 2019.

I propose that the BOG along with the Alaska Fish and Game transfer all draw winners for the spring 2020 hunt winners to the spring of 2021. This would mean for all hunts that were affected by this unforeseen pandemic, would not be in the 2020 draw supplement for the spring of 2022 and all winners from February will be awarded their tags in the spring of 2022.

Sincerely,

Phil Leck

Best hunt

Dan Lousberg <dlzbrg@icloud.com>

Mon 4/13/2020 12:57 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Hollo I am 60 and have been putting in for well over 20 years for a kodiak brown bear tag know I have one and can't go. I urge you to extend these tags to next year.

Thanks Dan

Sent from my iPad

Unit 9 Bear Season

Chris Lyon <chamiltonlyon1973@yahoo.com>

Tue 4/14/2020 4:03 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

To whom it may concern,

I am a non-resident and was greatly looking forward to my 2020 spring Brown Bear hunt in Unit 9. While I certainly understand the closure due to the COVID19 crisis, I also applaud the great state of Alaska and their Fish & Game department for putting forth these votes regarding their Bear seasons and also allowing comments. Therefore, I agree with the majority and would concur that by opening a 2021 spring season for both non-residents and residents in Unit 9, this would most certainly be the most logical and economical decision. I would sincerely ask that the Alaska Board of Fish & Game to please open a spring 2021, resident and non-resident Brown Bear hunt season in GMU 9.

Thank you kindly,
C. Lyon

Submitted By
Sandra Moallemian
Submitted On
5/26/2020 12:28:06 PM
Affiliation

I am humbly requesting a no vote on the Special Spring Bear Hunt. There are too many vulnerable sows with spring cubs, who can be and are often mistakenly killed as boars. The hunt will also be too near a much loved and visited bear viewing camp. Many people recognize these bears by sight and wait for months on end just to catch glimpses of them on the wildlife viewing cameras. Please take in to consideration all that is affected by a bear hunt. Respectfully, Sandra Moallemian

Submitted By
Jacob Mock
Submitted On
4/28/2020 4:39:20 PM
Affiliation

For the Unit 8 spring bear hunt, I would ask that you place in the proposal that you intend on moving those who havent hunted in the spring of 2020 to the the spring of 2022. As it's worded now, it sounds like the Spring 2020 people will be able to choose, which will lead to crowding in field possibly and uneven harvest.

Thank you for considering this in this unusual time.

Jacob Mock

(No subject)

Jeff Olson <baetis605@gmail.com>

Tue 4/21/2020 8:14 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Spring Brown Bear

I urge the commission to please support the proposal to allow unit 9 spring brown bear hunting for 2021. The population of bears can handle this hunt and this is needed to help with the huge loss that outfitters are experiencing now.

Jeff Olson
South Dakota

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Proposal submission

Nathan Peterson <petersonsalaskanguides@gmail.com>

Thu 5/14/2020 9:52 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Thank you for calling this to your attention and pursuing everyone's best interest and making the effort to make our hunting and guiding opportunities possible.

I propose that the unit 9, 2020 spring bear season be moved to spring of 2021 and resume normal season dates thereafter.

I also propose draw recipients for spring 2020 bear hunts be moved to spring 2021 and 21' recipients moved to 22' and alter further draw options based on harvest data.

Thank You

Sent from my iPad

2020 Bear Season Re-Schedule

Matt Saulsbury <matt@saulsbury.com>

Mon 4/27/2020 9:22 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

To Whom it May Concern,

In regards to the 2020 bear season, I fully understand the reason why and the need to cancel the May 2020 season. Nonetheless, I am still disappointed that I was unable to make this Alaska trip that I had been anticipating for 3 years! I certainly support re-scheduling the season to May 2021 and hope you will give that consideration.

Sincerely,
Matt Saulsbury

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I write with great concern regarding the bear hunt and I implore you to not allow it. It is paramount that the animals are protected and kept safe. Please do not allow any hunting.

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To whom it may concern, I do not believe we should be opening a longer hunting season on our iconic brown bears when numbers show they are in decline. Catering to hunting guides when numbers show it is not sustainable is greed and selfishness to say the least. Please do not allow this hunt to go thru. Save our bears.

Submitted By
Taj Shoemaker
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4/24/2020 9:58:19 AM
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I would like to see a spring bear season next 2021. Perhaps we could exclude anyone who received a registration permit for 2020 to help reduce overuse of the resource. That way anyone who hunted 2020 would not be able to hunt 2021 Spring Season.

I am a resident of Unit 8 and 9 and have been living in Unit 9 most of my life. I believe that a spring 2021 season would help State and local economies to recover from lost revenue from this year. Air services, hotels, restaurants, guides, outfitters, and sporting good retailers are all impacted by the lack of travel. Additionally, a spring 2021 season would disincentivize many from traveling to bear hunt this spring, when spread of disease is a major concern.

Thanks for your consideration on this matter.

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please no bear hunting

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My son Zach Ferguson and I had drawn our 1st ever Alaska Hunting trip for spring Bear 2020. Neither of us had been to Alaska yet. We were very excited about this upcoming adventure to hunt Bear and Fish. Due to the Covid 19 virus the season was cancelled. We would really hope that the Alaska Game and fish will give us another opportunity to come hunt bears on our permits for the 2022 season. The hunting Lodge and airfare have already allowed us to transfer our already paid trip to a later date. Please allow us to Roll our tags over for the 2022 season or whatever works best for you guys. We certainly do not want to miss this out on this. We have talked about for years and finally saved enough money for it. Please and stay safe.

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I oppose a spring season for bear hunts in Unit 9. Conservation of our wildlife should be the highest priority in management decisions. The proposed special bear hunt is not about bears, but about people who want more money from guiding. Science does not support a special spring hunt.

As concerns money, more money is made by Alaskans taking tourists to view these brown bears than is made by Alaskans taking tourists to kill these brown bears.

The Board of Game has been captured by a minority of Alaskans who dominate management decisions for their personal financial gain. I hope that the BOG can show that I am mistaken about that by making conservation the first priority, wildlife viewing the second, and hunting the third.

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4/22/2020 6:48:55 PM
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I drew a non-resident black bear tag on Kuiu island for the fall of 2020 and spring of 2021. I do not want to see you transfer the spring 2020 hunters to the spring 2021 season because it will cause excess hunting pressure and make for a less desirable hunt. I chose this unit to eliminate the majority of the self guided non-resident competition and I don't think its fair to anyone to pile all the hunters together. I propose you either offer refunds and leave it at that or ask them if they want that tag for the 2021 fall and 2022 spring since those tags haven't been drawn yet. Thank you for considering my comments. Best Wishes, Jared

Bear season

Tracy Vrem <tracy@bluemountainlodge.com>

Mon 4/13/2020 11:35 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Dear members of the Alaska Board of Game,

My name is Tracy Vrem, I have Master guide license #96. I own and operater Blue Mountain Lodge. The lodge is located 60 miles South of King Salmon in unit 9E. I acquired my operation from Gene Needels in 1983 and have been guiding bear hunters from that location since 1979. I also guide sport fishermen from my lodge from early July to mid September. I fly out daily with my guest and always keep track of game populations.

I am in full support of having a spring brown season in May 2021.

Guided hunters primarily harvest male bears. In my opinion the bear population is growing since it last dipped around 2007 to 2014. I believe the population down cycle had more to do with natural population cycles than hunting pressure.

The past 5 years I have observed sows rearing 3-4 cubs. Having a spring season in 2021, in my opinion will have no long term affect on the bear population.

Thank you,

Tracy Vrem

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Rescheduling Alaskan 2020 spring bear season to spring of 2021

Paul Wollenman <prwollenman@att.net>

Fri 4/24/2020 10:53 AM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Dear Alaskan Board of Game... I had booked and paid for an Alaskan Peninsula brown bear hunt for the spring of 2020 as well as all the plane reservations and was disappointed but understanding about the need to cancel this spring season for everyone's protection. I sincerely hope that the board elects to move it to next years spring to accommodate all this years resident and nonresidents alike..thanks for the opportunity for hunter comments on the subject....Dr Paul Wollenman ,Big Horn Wyoming 561-635-2658 or prwollenman@att.net

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2019 Draw Black Bear Hunt

Chris Yeoman <cdyeoman@gmail.com>

Mon 4/13/2020 6:21 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

Dear Alaska Fish and Game I have drawn a black bear tag to hunt on Prince of Wales Island this spring. I agree with your proposal to 1. Modify 5 AAC 92.050(6) to allow the transfer of 2020 spring season drawing permits to a future year for hunting black bear in GMUs 1-3, and 14C. I have other personal reasons that will prevent me from coming after June 1, 2020, if the COVID-19 Pandemic gets better and allows us to do that. I have reservations to hunt the week of 15 May 2020 as it stands now.

Thank you,
Chris Yeoman

June Special BOG meeting-Public comment

Mike Zweng <alaskaadventure@live.com>

Sat 5/9/2020 1:06 PM

To: DFG, BOG Comments (DFG sponsored) <dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov>

I appreciate the effort that the BOG and ADF&G has given to address the issue of the spring 2020 non-resident Kodiak Bear season being cancelled due to COVID-19. Safety is always most important and I understand the measures taken to keep everybody healthy.

I support the idea of honoring the Kodiak Bear permits that were drawn for spring 2020 and allow them to be used in a future season. It is only fair that a hunter who won a permit in the state lottery should get to use that permit and not have to re-apply in a future drawing. In some cases it has taken many years for the hunter to be successful in the drawing, and they would be extremely disappointed if they had to re-apply and draw another permit. The hunters that I have talked to understand the situation and feel it is only right that they should be able to hunt in a future season. This is the primary issue I would like to see a solution for.

As a secondary issue, I also believe it makes sense to create a mechanism that will make up for lost opportunity due to the cancellation of the Kodiak 2020 spring season. Understanding that there are underlying concerns with this, I feel that some effort in this area would pay dividends biologically since the cancellation of the spring 2020 season would result in 210 resident permits and 106 non-resident permits not being used. Making up this opportunity over the next few years would keep the overall harvest the same and maintain balance, while having minimal impact to hunter experience if implemented properly.

Mike Zweng