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Last years "First come/first serve moose permits for RM855 was extremely unfair. There were very few permits (10) and they were distributed by the fastest entry. I was first thing in the morning and the drawing time changed by an hour with no notice and that added to confusion. I later learned (from ADFG staff) that some hunters had several friends working computers to get a single persons name in first. Again, that is unfair when others are trying hard to be fair.

Why isn't this a random computer drawing for these few permits, thus preventing some from gaming the system??? As a 63 year old Army Vet with a service connected disability, I am not quite as nimble with the computers as others. But when application times change and others game the system, older non-residence hunters like myself stand no chance. The hunt is expensive, but then to lose the application fee under the current allocation system is so unfair.

I am hopeful the board will take my comments in the positive spirit that they are intended and changed RM855 to a random drawing, thus giving everyone a fair and equal chance to hunt moose. Please make a special request that on July 7, 2022, that all applicants need to submit an application between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. and ADF&G conduct a drawing so that it will be a fair distribution of these limited tags. Thank you for your time.



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Unit 22E nonresident moose licenses.

It is very difficult to plan a hunt with the current systems short notice, flight, hotels, time off, etc to make a hunt with less than 60 days. That is only if you are successful in getting on the internet in a timely fashion and hopefully have a fast enough internet service to be able to apply in time.

Letting this continue until the 2023 meeting will benefit no one, it would be nice to change it sooner rather than later. Maybe you would consider all applicants that wish apply be able to apply and if there are more applicants than licenses, perform a drawing of those applicants for the 2022 season? Allow party applications with the max of 2?

All other drawing licenses allow the sportsman 6 months to plan this triple the amount of time available.

Regards,

Nevin Dahl



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19C Area Sheep Guide

Based on the statistics provided and the fact that the SOA Dept. of F&G has not proven the case (not having conducted sheep population baseline population and surveys in 19C for the prior 2 years) that Guides, AK Residents and Non-residents should be punished seems a bit like grasping at straws in the dark when more weight and support should be provided to looking deeper into the possible causative factors and a clearer picture of what is going on with the predators/Rams dynamics in this Sub Unit. Just because someone has a hunch shouldn't drive the policy.



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My name is Bruce Gordon and I am writing in regards to proposal number ACR-2. My community of residence is Boise, Idaho. After purchasing a non-resident Alaska hunting license number 21831999, I attempted to submit for a nonresident moose hunt # RM855 in unit 22 E. This was a first come first serve registration permit done by computer submission on July 7th at precisely 9 a.m. Alaska time. This was a very difficult process and required more computer skills than I possess even though I use a smart phone daily. May I suggest you review the selection process so it can be corrected and be fair for all individuals applying for this particular hunt for next year. I request that this process be formally reviewed asap before the next scheduled regulatory cycle of this hunting area so it can be conducted by the ADF&G in a manner that puts older individuals and those who may not have a high speed of electronic transmission or mobile technology equal to those from different areas of the country. I request this be reviewed to change it to more of a draw type selection which would put everyone on an equal playing field. I also request that more time between the selection process and the hunt of September 1st be provided. Seven weeks time makes it difficult to make arrangements and prepare for an out of state hunt properly. Thank you. Bruce Gordon

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Please change moose hunt tags to first come first serve basis!!



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ACR #4 - Limit or restrict all non-resident sheep hunting in 19C

Strongly oppose

The Dall's sheep resource should be equally available for both residents and non-residents.

Without non-resident hunters the state of Alaska will lose out on necessary funds. The Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, often referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act, provides funds to state fish and wildlife agencies and territories for wildlife management and research, and also funds projects to restore, conserve, and enhance wildlife populations and their habitats. I believe this to be the biggest asset to helping maintain Dall's sheep populations. As you know, this Act provides the availability of federal funds matching equivalent to funds received for hunting permits. The amount of dollars available through this matching program is greatly increased by allowing non-resident hunting.

Dall's sheep populations are cyclical. Since the early 1900s record keeping has proven that. Studies have shown that when sheep numbers are high more hunters go to the field and when sheep numbers are low fewer hunters go to the field. If and when surveys prove that the sheep population is on the brink, then by all means close the season completely. Don't limit it to one user group. Such was the case in the 1940s. Per the information on the ADF&G website, Dall's Sheep News, paragraph 3: "From a biological standpoint, sheep harvest management in Alaska has been successful." In this management plan a full curl regulation exists that helps preserve sheep hunting opportunities. With the current management plan and a stretch of mild winters, the Dall's sheep population will rebound. Time has proven this.

Respectfully,

Spencer Pape



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My name is Barbara Warfield and I am writing in regards to proposal # **ACR-2**. My community of residence is Boise, Idaho.

I found the process for applying for a non-resident moose tag in Unit 22E very complicated and I question the fairness of the process. It required being super adept at computer skills and being "lightening quick" on the keyboard since everyone wishing to vie for the ten available tags were playing a game of whose computer skills would give them the edge of getting their application to go through the **exact moment** on July 7th at 0900 when the ADF&G opened it up to retain a registration permit on a first come first serve basis.

This method is unfair because: **1)** puts older individuals who may have slower fingers or not skilled at the computer at an unfair disadvantage; **2)** speed of transmission of mobile technology is not the same for everyone from different parts of the country; **3)** many older hunters do not have access to a reliable computer or internet at their residence. **4)** there will be those super skilled at technology who may use multiple computers, and if possible set for a scheduled automatic transmission of the form or automatic recurring transmission of the form.

For the above reasons, I feel that your current method of obtaining a non-resident moose tag in Unit 22E are a barrier for many and perhaps discriminatory.

Because of this divide, **I urge you to bring this proposal for review asap rather than delaying so this unfairness can be rectified for the year 2022 by a "draw system.**

Lastly, holding the non-resident registration permit for Unit 22E on the date of July 7th gives very little time to prepare and make arrangements for a non-resident season opening of September 1st.

Thank you for your consideration.