PROPOSAL 141

5 AAC 92.044. Permit for hunting bear with the use of bait or scent lures.

Require bear baiting sites to be at least one mile apart as follows:

I recommend that regulation be put into place to keep bait sites at least one mile apart.
I would also recommend that the Department of Fish and Game create a centralized database to keep track of registered bait sites including exact locations. Only then can the department keep from registering bait sites too close together.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? As bear baiting becomes more popular, hunter conflicts in the field are becoming more common due to the lack of organization. Currently, there are no regulations in place to keep bait sites at a safe distance from each other. For example, two or more people can register a bait site in the same location. Many people are putting bait sites too close together which leads not only to hunter conflict but also serious safety concerns.

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