PROPOSAL 91

5 AAC 85.020. Hunting seasons and bag limits for brown bear.

Establish a general season by bow and arrow only for brown bear within Units 14A and 14B as follows:

Unit 14A **June 1 – June 30 by bow and arrow only; or** September 1 - May 31; one bear every regulatory year.

Unit 14B **June 1 – June 30 by bow and arrow only; or** August 10 - May 31; one bear every regulatory year.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Extending the general season for bow and arrow only would give more hunters the opportunity to spend time in the field pursuing bears within Unit 14A & 14B without having a negative impact on the resource. According to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, only one of 87 brown bears were taken with a bow in Unit 14A and 14B from 2014 to 2018. These reported archery harvests show the extremely low impact to the population.

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