

Note: Proposal 206 was accepted by the Board of Game as an Agenda Change Request for consideration at the Southcentral Region meeting scheduled for March 2023.

PROPOSAL 206

5 AAC 92.124 Intensive Management Plans VIII.

Reauthorize the Unit 21E Intensive Management Plan as follows:

(a) Plans established. Intensive management plans for the following areas are established in this section:

(b) Unit 21(E) Predation Control Area.

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(6) time frame is as follows:

(A) through **June 30, 2024** [JUNE 30, 2023], the commissioner may authorize removal of wolves and black and brown bears in Unit 21(E);

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WHAT IS THE ISSUE YOU WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO ADDRESS AND WHY?

The current Unit 21E intensive management (IM) plan will expire on June 30, 2023, which is out of cycle with the Region III (Interior and Eastern Arctic Region) regular Board of Game meeting. Due to Covid-19, the regularly scheduled Region III meeting was shifted by one year, and this IM plan is now out of sync with that cycle. This proposal will bring the IM plan back into alignment with the regularly scheduled board meetings for this area.

The IM plan has never been active and is in place only as a proactive measure if the population were to decline. Currently, the moose population is within the IM objectives. If not adopted, the IM plan will expire, and the department will be unable to implement the plan if the moose population were to decline.

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