



Upper Lynn Canal AC
12/7/2022
By zoom

- I. Call to Order: 5:35 pm by Tim McDonough
- II. Roll Call
Members Present: Adam Smith, Lee Nash, Rafe McGuire, Ayana Young, Mark Sogge, Kip Kermoian, Derek Pointsette, Jessica Platcha, Tim McDonough

Members Absent (Excused): Darren Belisle

Members Absent (Unexcused): Luke Rauscher, Marvin Willard Jr., Sam Nelson

Number Needed for Quorum on AC:

List of User Groups Present:

- III. Fish and Game Staff Present: Carl Koch
- IV. Guests Present: Max Graham (CVN)
- V. Approval of Agenda
- VI. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
- VII. Reports
 - a. Chair's report
 - b. ADF&G
 - c. Others
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business
- XI. Select representative(s) for board meeting



XII. Set next meeting date

XIII. Other

Adjourn

Alaska Board of Game Southeast Region Meeting Proposals January 20-24, 2023 Ketchikan, AK			
Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
<p><i>Note: Effective September 2019, when abstentions occur, the action or decision of a majority of the remaining members at a meeting at which a quorum is present is an act of the committee. For example, a vote tally of 7-6-2 means the motion carries. Members abstaining from voting must provide an explanation that is included in the committee record.</i></p>			
1	Require certified hunter safety education to hunt in Units 1 - 5		
	1 support w/ amend.	8 oppose	support vote w/ amendment was to add wording that would not require places in remote areas with limited access to hunter safety education. The oppose votes were concerned about that issue as well as enforcement being a problem.
2	Require hunter orientation for hunting goat in Southeast Region units		
	9 support w/ amend.	0 oppose	amend to include use of F&G online information/quiz already in use in 1D for goat hunting
3	Remove the requirement for residents to seal black bear skulls harvested in Units 1 - 4		
	0	9 oppose	oppose-loss of data collection from sealed skulls is detrimental to management of the resource



4			Change the resident bag limit for brown bear in Unit 1 to one bear every two years
	0 support	9 oppose	until population estimate numbers indicate a healthy 1D population & returned to pre 2020 #s it is unwise to increase take
5	Change the waterfowl season in Units 1 - 4 by creating a split season		
	9 support	0 oppose	it is good for hunters opportunity and avoids being out at moose hunting time
6	Lengthen river otter trapping seasons in Units 1 - 4 to align with Unit 5		
	0 support	9 oppose	this results in early overlap with duck hunting and the bd. was uncomfortable with the extended time without knowledge of how the population of otter might be affected
7	Extend marten trapping seasons to align with wolverine seasons in portions of Units 1 - 4 and 5		
	no action		after discussion with support and opposition given, the board decided no action was appropriate due to not enough information being available to answer questions about impact to the resource by extending the season on both ends
8	Extend the marten trapping season in Units 1 and 2		
	6 support	3 abstentions	support votes were comfortable that the extended season on just the tail end would not affect kits and the increased take wouldn't hurt the population. 3 abstentions due to feeling they didn't have enough information about the lengthened season
9	Extend the wolverine trapping season to March 15 in Units 1 - 5		
	0 support	9 oppose	late season trapping could affect denning and young wolverine survival.



10	Decrease the bag limit to four deer in Unit 4, Remainder		
no action			Please note all no actions taken on proposals 10 - 29 and 36 -54 were made due to the board feeling the issues were out of our area and we didn't feel it appropriate to comment on them
11	Decrease the bag limit to four deer in Unit 4, Remainder		
no action			
12	Open the Mitchell Bay Closed Area in Unit 4 to brown bear hunting		
no action			
13	Change the RB088 hunt boundary in Unit 4 to include Northeast Chichagof, and increase the allowable harvest for brown bear		
no action			
14	Change the brown bear hunt area for RB088 in Unit 4 to include all of Lisianski Inlet drainage		
no action			
15	Change the description of the Petersburg Road System Closed Area		
no action			
16	Lengthen the deer season in Unit 3, that portion of Mitkof Island within the Petersburg Management Area		
no action			
17	Establish a fall drawing permit hunt for elk on Zarembo Island in Unit 3		
no action			
18	Establish a fall, drawing permit hunt for elk on Zarembo, Bushy, Shrubby and Kashevarof Islands in Unit 3		
no action			
19	Change the hunt structure for elk on Etolin Island in Unit 3		
no action			
20	Split Etolin Island in Unit 3 into two hunt areas for elk		
no action			
21	Eliminate the regulation that excludes broken, damaged, or altered antlers from the definition of spike-fork antlers for Units 1B, 1C and 3		
no action			



22	Eliminate the restriction for using motorized vehicles for the RM038 moose hunt in Unit 1B		
no action			
23	Allow the use of electric bikes for the RM038 moose hunt in Unit 1B		
no action			
24	Open the Petersburg Creek drainage of Kupreanof Island in Unit 3 to black bear hunting		
no action			
25	Allow black bear hunting in the Petersburg Creek Drainage area, with season dates to align with Unit 3		
no action			
26	Reduce the permit allocation and bag limit for nonresident, nonguided black bear hunters on Kuiu and Kupreanof Islands in Unit 3		
no action			
27	Require 100-yard trapping setbacks along hiking trails and drivable surfaces on Wrangell Island in Unit 3		
no action			
28	Change the hunt boundary from Little Sheep Creek to Sheep Creek, for the RG014 goat hunt in Unit 1C		
no action			
29	Expand the hunt area of the RG014 archery goat hunt in Unit 1C		
no action			
30	Open a fall archery goat hunt in Unit 1C, the southern end of the Chilkat Peninsula		
	0 support	9 oppose	goat populations are fragile in N. Lynn Canal and would be further stressed with a longer season. It appeared the proposal was directed at getting more hunting time for just one method -bow hunting - at the exclusion of guns
31	Lengthen the resident, registration goat hunt in Unit 1C, the Southern end of the Chilkat Range		
	0 support	9 oppose	goat pop. concerns in N. Lynn Canal due to longer season. Also the resident only part did not sit well with some members



32	Restrict hunters who take nanny goat in Unit 1D from hunting goat the following regulatory year in Unit 1D		
	9 support	0 oppose	certain areas in 1D goat pop. are struggling. This will help with that concern. Heightened awareness of shooting only billies due to the penalty will improve the herd size meaning more opportunity in the future
33	Increase the brown bear bag limit in that portion of Unit 1C of the Chilkat Peninsula mainland north of Point Couverden and south of Sullivan Island for resident hunters, from one bear every four regulatory years to one bear every regulatory year		
	0 support	9 oppose	population trends are unclear after a huge take a few years ago. Until data is available showing a healthy pop. it is unwise to increase bag limits. Also some of the board disagreed with the resident only portion of the proposal
34	Increase the brown bear bag limit in that portion of Unit 1C of the Chilkat Peninsula mainland north of Point Couverden and south of Sullivan Island for resident hunters, from one bear every four regulatory years to one bear every regulatory year		
	0 support	9 oppose	See proposal 33 - same reasons
35	Extend the bear baiting season for Unit 1D		
	2 support	7 oppose	opposition-June 30 takes it into early summer and conflicts with recreational users. Also it makes it more difficult to shorten in the future if that was a desire. support- cuts down on confusion of split season hunting
36	Reduce the bag limit for grouse for drainages that cross the Juneau-Douglas Road system in Unit 1C		
no action			
37	Reduce the bag limit for ptarmigan for drainages that cross the Juneau Douglas Road system in Unit 1C		
no action			
38	Amend the youth hunt for Unit 1C Mendenhall Wetland State Game Refuge		
no action			
39	Amend the hunter education requirement for the Unit 1C Mendenhall Wetland State Game Refuge		
no action			



40	Allow the take of deleterious exotic wildlife in the Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge
no action	
41	Eliminate the Douglas Island Management Area in Unit 1C
no action	
42	Extend the deer season to December 31, in Unit 1A Remainder
no action	
43	Increase the resident bag limit to two goats in Unit 1A
no action	
44	Extend the goat season in Unit 1A Remainder
no action	
45	Raise the population objective from 150-200 wolves to 250-350 wolves in Unit 2, and raise the threshold for closing the season from 100 to 200 wolves
no action	
46	Lengthen the hunting season for wolves in Unit 2, to open September 1
no action	
47	Require wolf harvest information be reported within 48 hours of recovery and sealing within 14 days in Unit 2
no action	
48	Change the methodology for setting the population objective for wolves in Unit 2
no action	
49	Utilize the lower confidence interval of the wolf population for estimating the population in Unit 2
no action	
50	Establish a population estimate and harvest limit based on Prince of Wales Island wolf population that excludes extrapolation from outer islands in Unit 2
no action	
51	Establish a percentage of the Unit 2 wolf population that can be harvested on a sustainable basis, develop a harvest quota each season, require in-season reporting, provide the harvest to the public in real time, and allow three days' notice before closing the season by emergency order
no action	



52	Establish a harvest quota for wolves, between 20% and 35% of the estimated wolf population in Unit 2
no action	
53	Establish an estimated unreported mortality rate for Unit 2 wolves to be used for establishing the harvest quota
no action	
54	Identify an area in Unit 2 for protected status for wolves
no action	

Adjournment:

Summary of Recommendations
Recorded By: Tim McDonough
Approved By: Mark Sogge
Date: 1/6/2022