

PROPOSAL 146

5 AAC 92.124. Intensive Management Plans VIII.

Adopt an Intensive Management Program and implement wolf control on all state lands in Units 24A and 25A as follows:

Adopt and implement a wolf Intensive Management program on all state lands in Unit 24A and 25A.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? In the last three years we have noticed a substantial increase in predation on moose in Unit 24A and 25A. I believe this to be caused by two main factors. The first being the crash of the snowshoe hares in 2019, and the second being the Porcupine Caribou Herd wintering in the area. Each fall when the caribou migrate in we see new packs of wolves following the caribou. These are in addition to the local wolf packs that are there year round. In the last few years it has not been uncommon to see wolves on a daily basis while in the field moose and sheep hunting in the fall. I believe that a wolf Intensive Management predator control program implemented on all state lands in Units 24A and 25A would help to maintain moose, and caribou populations as well as benefit other ungulates in the area.

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