

PROPOSAL 15

5 AAC 85.050. Hunting seasons and bag limits for musk oxen.

Allow the subsistence take of muskox in a portion of Unit 18 as follows:

With healthy populations of muskox and upon availability. Adults may be used for subsistence harvest whenever they roam in the region. The same regulations that apply for moose should apply for muskoxen.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Some muskox now do roam else where not only in their original site in lower unit 18 region and allow their meat to be used in potlucks as they are plentiful than moose in this area. Some do wander far out to the coast, get stranded on the sea ice, drift out, later drowning. They are one of the few land animals that are available for harvest. We depend on a subsistence lifestyle and the price of store bought meat is becoming increasingly expensive making it difficult to provide sustenance for our families.

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