PROPOSAL 16

5 AAC 84.270. Furbearer trapping.

Lengthen the wolf trapping season in Unit 18 by one month to end on April 30 as follows:

The Bethel Advisory Committee is proposing to change the Alaska trapping regulations for wolves in Unit 18 as follows:

WOLF* • Wolves must be sealed within 30 days after the close of the season. • You may not shoot or assist in shooting a wolf until after 3:00 a.m. following the day in which you have flown in an airplane. However, you may shoot a wolf caught in a trap or snare on the same day you have flown. • Unit 22: an ATV may be used to position trappers to take wolves during trapping seasons, the animals must be shot from a stationary ATV.

AREA OPEN SEASON LIMIT:

Unit 18	Nov. 10 - [MAR 31]	No limit
Units 22, 23, and 26A	Nov. 1 – Apr. 30	No limit

THE NEW LANGUAGE:

Unit 18Nov. 10 - Apr. 30.....No limit

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? In addition to help with the rebuilding population efforts of the Mulchatna caribou herd, the Bethel Advisory Committee would like to extend the wolf trapping season from March 31 to April 30. This will give extra opportunity for wolves to be harvested.

PROPOSED BY: Bethel Fish and Game Advisory Committee (EG-F23-257)