

**ALASKA BOARD OF GAME**  
**Western Arctic/Western Region Meeting**  
**Kotzebue National Guard Armory | Kotzebue, Alaska**  
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**ROADMAP**

**Regionwide & Multiple Units (6 proposals)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 1:** Open an archery-only registration permit hunt in Units 23 and 26 for resident hunters when it is determined sheep hunting can be allowed in those areas.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 2:** Reduce the bag limit for taking caribou in Units 21D Remainder, 22, 23, 24B Remainder, 24C, 24D and 26A to four caribou per year, only one of which may be a cow.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 3:** Close nonresident caribou hunting in Units 21D Remainder, 22, 23, 24B Remainder, 24C, 24D, and 26A.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 4:** Align caribou seasons in Unit 26A and Unit 23, and reduce the bag limit.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 5:** Reduce the bag limit for caribou for RC907 resident hunters in Units 23 and 26A, and change the nonresident hunt to a registration permit with additional restrictions.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 190:** Reauthorize the current resident tag fee exemptions for brown bear in Units 18, 22, 23 and 26A.

**Bethel Area – Unit 18 (12 proposals)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 6:** Close the Mulchatna caribou herd to hunting for five to ten years in Unit 18.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 7:** Lengthen the resident only registration moose hunt RM617 in Unit 18 by two weeks to end October 15.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 8:** Extend season dates for moose hunting in hunt RM617 in Unit 18.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 9:** Liberalize the bag limit for moose in Unit 18.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 10:** Liberalize the bag limit for moose in Unit 18.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 11:** Reauthorize the resident antlerless moose season in Unit 18.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 12:** Establish a minimum caliber requirement for hunting moose in Unit 18.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 13:** Increase the bag and possession limits for ptarmigan in Unit 18.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 14:** Open a hunt for muskox in a portion of Unit 18, with permits available to residents only, made available in communities closest to the herd.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 15:** Allow the subsistence take of muskox in a portion of Unit 18.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 16:** Lengthen the wolf trapping season in Unit 18 by one month to end on April 30.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 17:** Increase the brown bear bag limit in Unit 18.

**Nome Area – Unit 22 (12 proposals)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 18:** Open the caribou season in a portion of Unit 22A.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 19:** Change the trophy destruction requirements for muskox taken in Unit 22 subsistence hunts.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 20:** Change the bag limit for Tier II muskox hunts in Unit 22 to one muskox every two years.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 21:** Establish season dates for the harvest of cow muskox in the TX095 and TX096 Tier II hunts in Unit 22C, beginning August 1<sup>st</sup> and ending October 31<sup>st</sup>.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 22:** Establish a minimum caliber for moose hunting un Unit22A and a portion of Unit 22B.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 23:** Revisit the Amount Reasonably Necessary for subsistence uses for moose in Unit 22.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 24:** Modify the winter season for moose in Unit 22A.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 25:** Close the nonresident moose hunting season in Unit 22C.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 26:** Lengthen the nonresident moose hunting season in Unit 22E by two weeks, to open on August 15.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 27:** Align the resident seasons for brown bear in Unit 22D and 22E with those in Unit 22B.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 28:** Change the Unit 22D and 22E nonresident brown bear drawing permit hunt to a general season hunt.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 29:** Increase the number of brown bear drawing permits available in Unit 22B for DB685 to 40 permits, or change DB685 to a registration permit.

**Utquigvik Area – Unit 26A (6 proposals)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 30:** Extend the trapping season to year-round for muskrat in Unit 26A.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 31:** Liberalize the moose bag limit in a portion of Unit 26A and expand the hunt area.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 32:** Change the boundaries of the Anaktuvuk Pass Controlled Use Area and allow the City of Anaktuvuk Pass, the Nunamiut Corporation, and the Naqsrarmiut tribe to set the dates the CUA is in effect.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 33:** Reduce the Unit 26A sheep bag limit for residents to one ram with full-curl horn or larger every four regulatory years.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 34:** Open an archery-only registration permit hunt in portions of Unit 26A for residents only when it is determined sheep hunting can be allowed in those area.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 35:** Change the Unit 26A and Unit 26B muskox hunt area boundaries to match federal hunt boundaries, and expand the state hunt areas.

### **Kotzebue Area – Unit 23 (8 proposals)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 36:** Reduce the caribou bag limit for residents in Unit 23 from five caribou per day to four caribou total, only one of which may be a cow.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 37:** Reduce the caribou bag limit for residents in Unit 23 from five caribou per day to four caribou total, only one of which may be a cow.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 38:** Close all nonresident caribou hunting in Unit 23.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 209:** Establish a target hunt for musk ox in Unit 23.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 39:** Lengthen the brown bear hunting season in Unit 23 for residents to no closed season.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 40:** Lengthen the brown/grizzly bear hunting season in Unit 23 for residents to year-round.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 41:** Lengthen the brown/grizzly bear hunting season in Unit 23 for residents to year-round.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 42:** Consolidate the nonresident brown bear registration permits into a single, unit-wide fall registration permit and a single, unit-wide spring registration permit.

### **Proposals Outside the Board of Game’s Authority**

*The Board of Game may discuss the following proposals but does not have authority to take regulatory action.*

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 201:** Allow non-residents to kill a grizzly on an over the counter permit without the requirement of a guide.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 202:** Change the nonresident license and tag requirements.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 203:** Monitor predator populations carefully and implement more aggressive controls when populations increase beyond a balanced level.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 204:** Make all Unit 23 moose hunts for non-federally qualified subsistence users, archery only.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 205:** Do not publicize in a publicly accessible format, the names of the winners of drawing permits.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 206:** Cap the numbers of sheep and moose that can be taken by a guide within their GUA for all GUAs in Alaska.