Findings for the Alaska Board of Game 2013-201-BOG

Board Direction to the Department of Fish and Game Provided during the Central/Southwest Region Meeting February 14, 2013

The Board of Game finds as follows, based on information provided by Department staff, Alaska residents and other wildlife users:

The Board directed the department to take the following actions:

- 1. Issue 20 permits the first year for 17A nonresident moose drawing permit (the first year of the hunt will be the 2014/2015 regulatory year).
- 2. Use discretionary authority to restrict aircraft access during the fall season for moose hunting in 17A in a 2 mile corridor along the rivers and lakes as identified in the Unit 17A Moose Management Plan recommendations. The board did not adopt the moose management plan in its entirety.
- 3. Come back to the Board at the October 2013 work session with a review of the application and reporting form for the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Hunt. This will include a review of possible changes to the program that were raised by the department and public at this meeting.
- 4. Allow the take of brown bears at bait sites in Unit 16 only during the existing spring baiting season (April 15-June 30).
- 5. Registration permits for Unit 13 winter moose hunt will be available only in Glennallen 10 working days prior to the hunt opening and ending the day prior to the hunt opening. November 17-28, 2014. Reporting period will be within 24 hours of returning from the field.

With regards to items 1, 2, 4 and 5, the Board acknowledges that the direction provided concerning these changes is the purview of the department under its discretionary and fiscal authority. The department will attempt to make the changes as directed, but may choose to exercise its authority in the future and make changes necessary to provide additional opportunity and cost savings.

Vote: 7-0

February 14, 2013

Wasilla, Alaska

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Alaska Board of Game