

# **MAJOR COMMUNITIES**

		Trend
-Petersburg	pop. ~ 3,000	$\bigcup$
-Wrangell	pop. ~ 2,300	$\bigcup$
-Kake	pop. ~ 700	$\bigcup$

- Area Office located in Petersburg
- Small satellite office in Wrangell

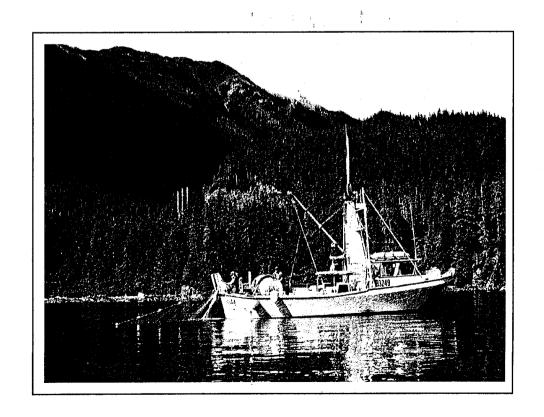
# PETERSBURG AREA STAFF

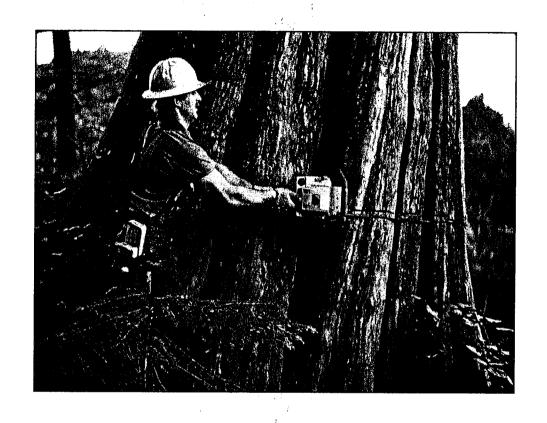


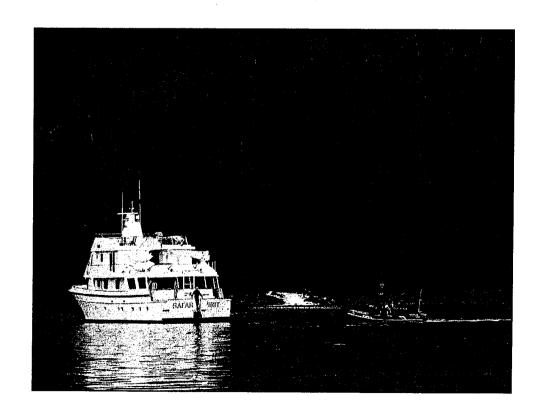
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# **LOCAL GAME SPECIES**

- Deer
- Moose
- Mountain Goat
- Elk
- Black Bear
- Brown Bear
- Wolf

- Grouse/Ptarmigan
  - Waterfowl

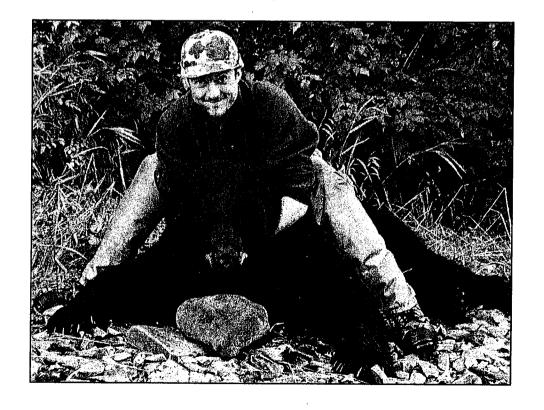


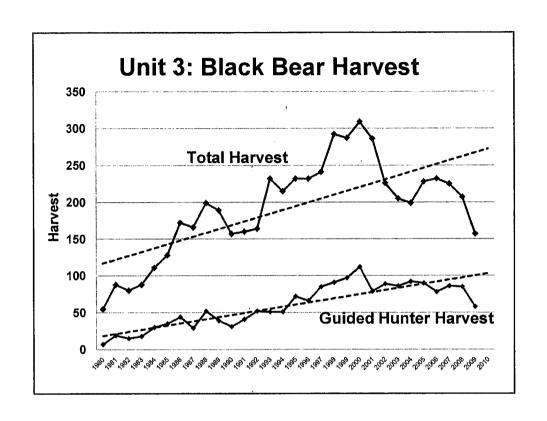
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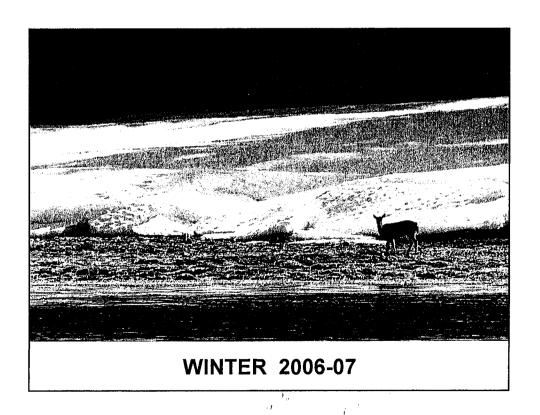
- Marten \*
- Wolves \*
- River\*& Sea Otter
- Beaver
- Mink
- Ermine
- Wolverine

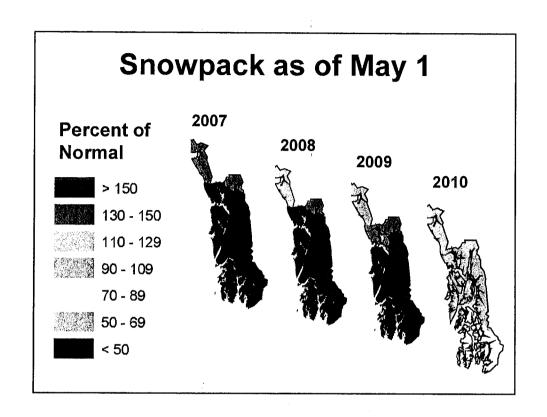


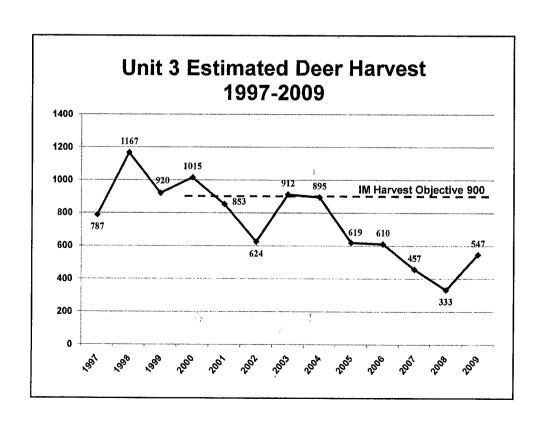
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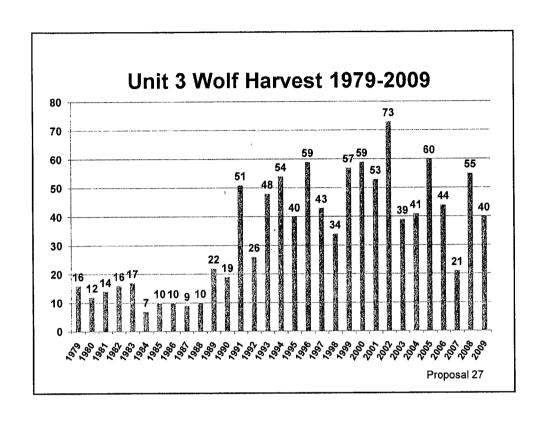


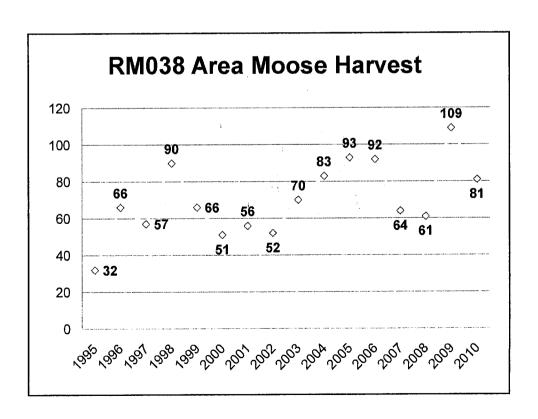


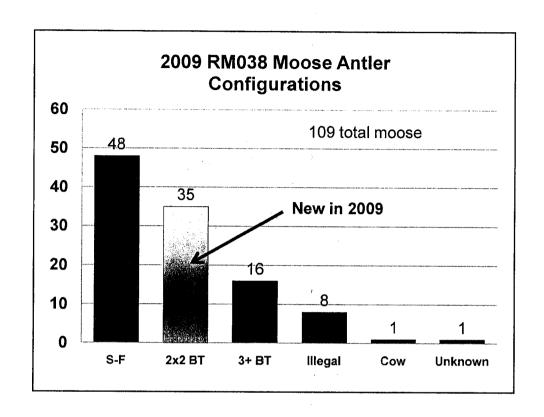


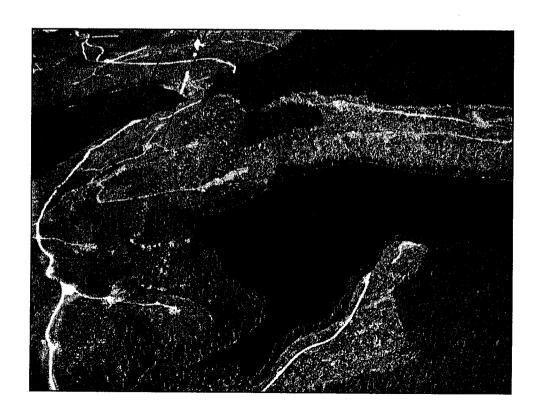


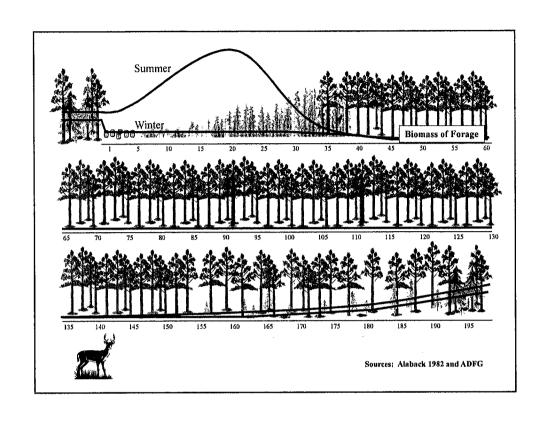


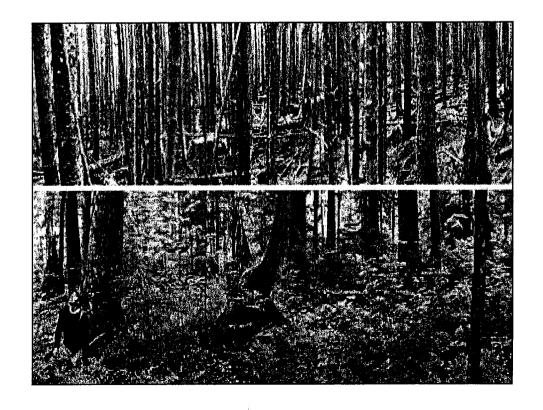




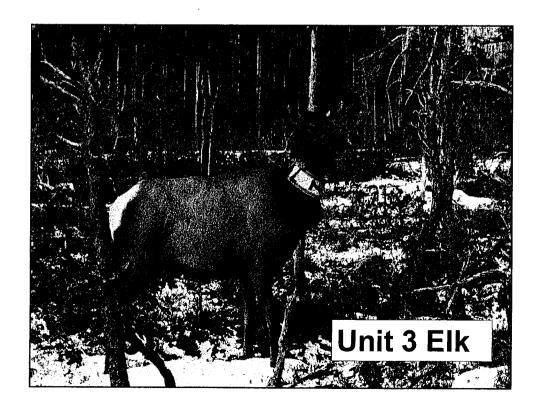


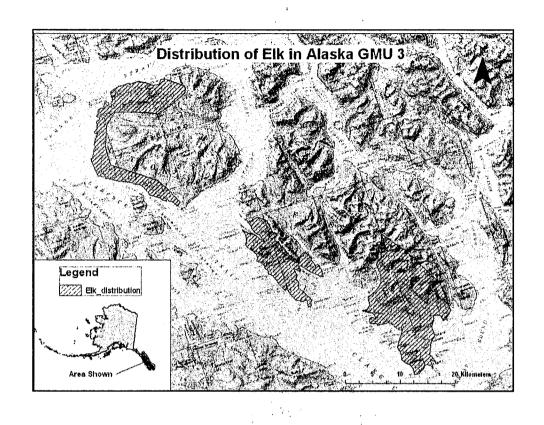


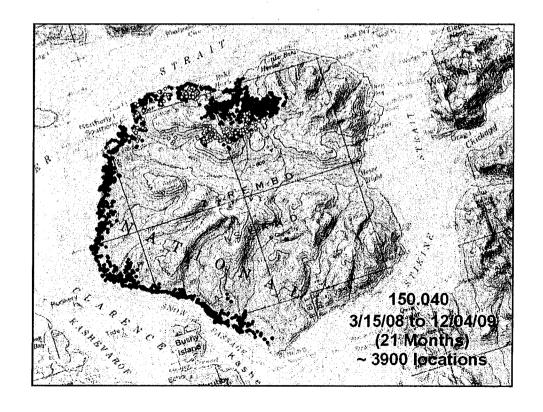


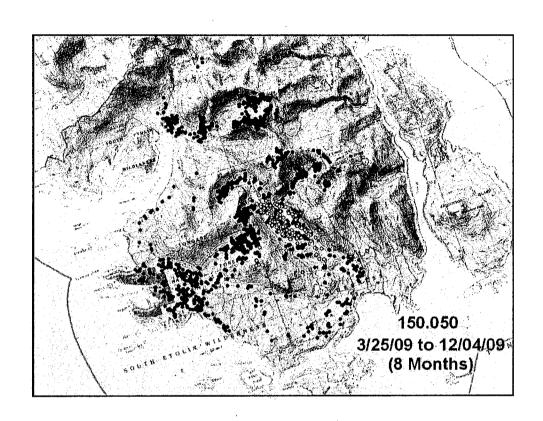


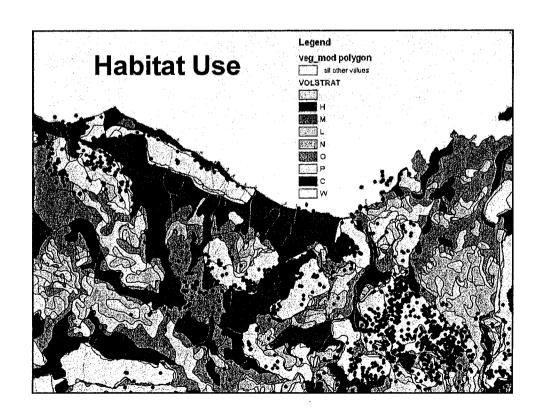
# RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

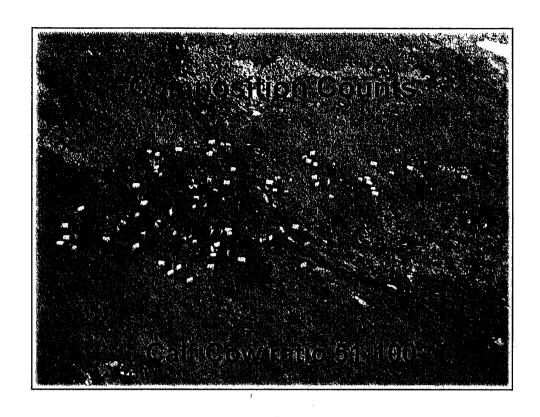


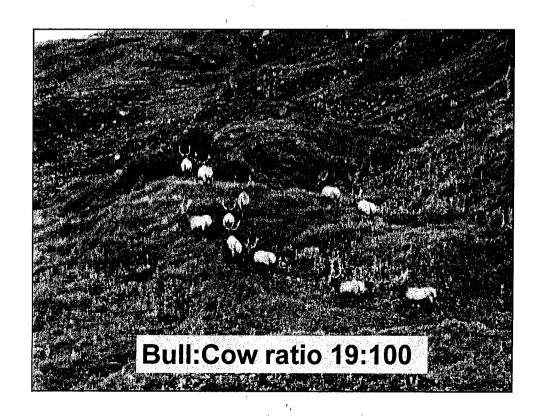


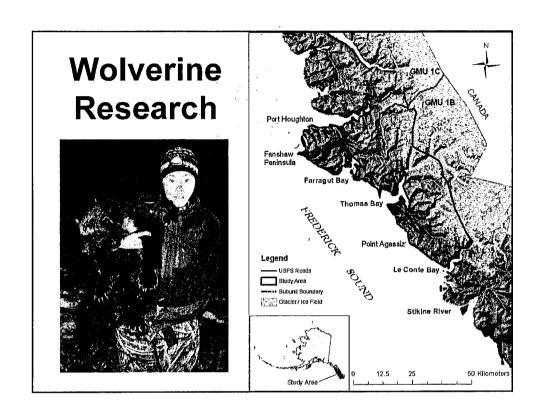


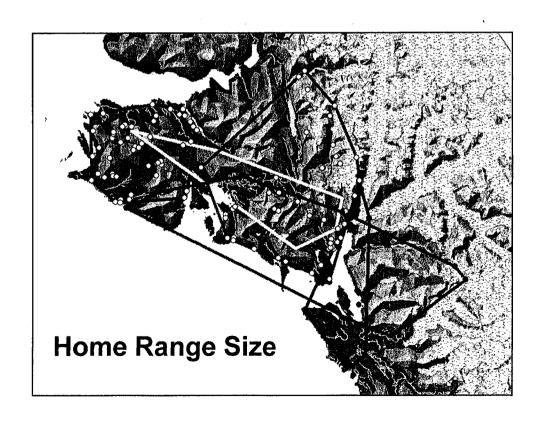


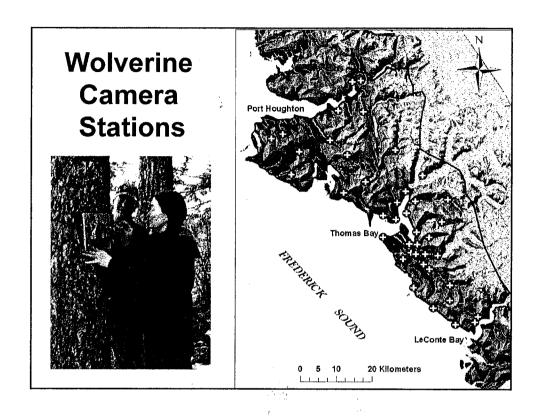


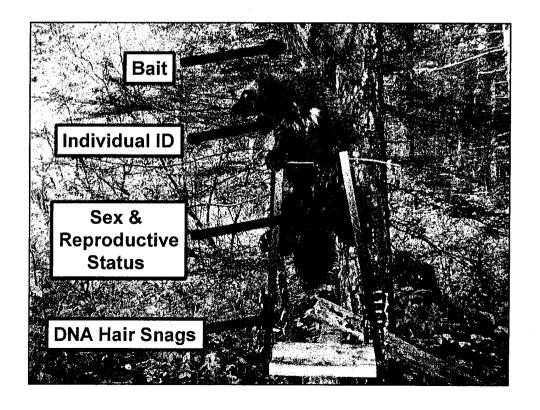


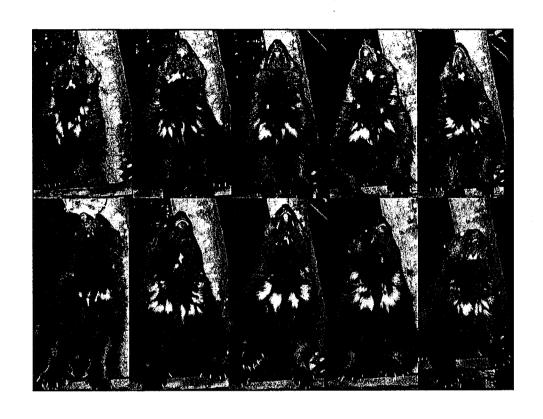










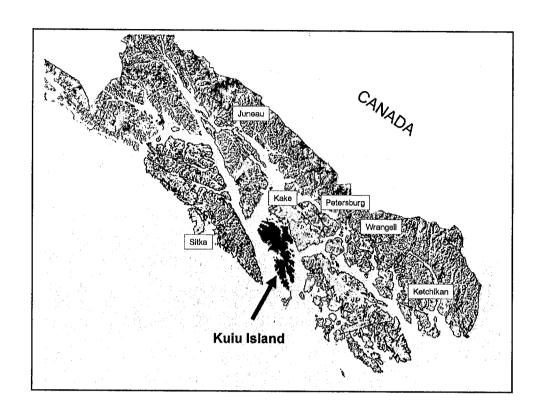




### **Wolverine Research Results**

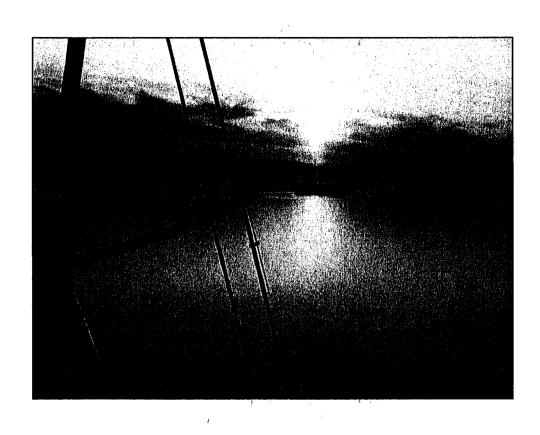
- √ Home Range size
- ✓ Individual Identification
- ✓ Sex Ratio
- ✓ Reproductive Status
- ✓ Productivity
- ✓ Density Estimation
- ✓ Genetics (DNA from hair)
- ✓ Assess vulnerability to Trapping





# **AREA SPECIFIC PROPOSALS**

- # 26 Modify controlled use area for black bear in Unit 3.
- # 27 Lengthen hunting season for wolves in Unit 3.
- # 42 Modify RM038 moose antler restrictions

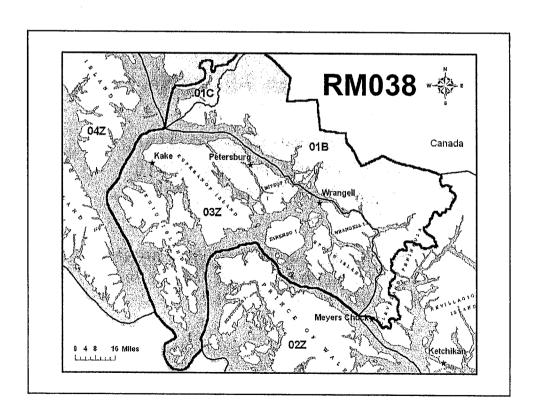


# UNIT 3 – Moose PROPOSAL 42

Modify the RM038 moose antler restrictions by either ...

- Prohibiting harvest spike-fork bulls or
- Establish harvest quota(s) for S-F bulls
   Public proposal

# Department Recommendation: <u>Do Not Adopt</u>



# **RM038 Regulation History**

The Board has addressed RM038 antler restrictions numerous times in recent years.

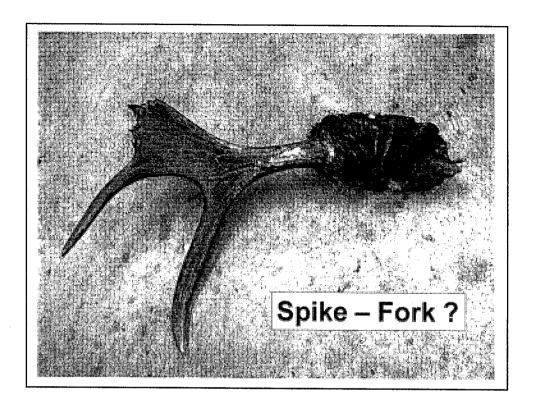
- 1995 2008
  - Spike, Fork, 3 Brow tines or 50 inch
  - Restrictions thought to be overly restrictive
- · 2005 2008
  - Implemented any-bull drawing hunts

Proposal 42

# **Regulation History**

- · 2006
  - adopted a "broken antler" regulation to address intentional antler modification

5AAC 92.150 (c) ... In [RM038 hunt area] a damaged, broken or altered antler is not considered a spike-fork antler ...

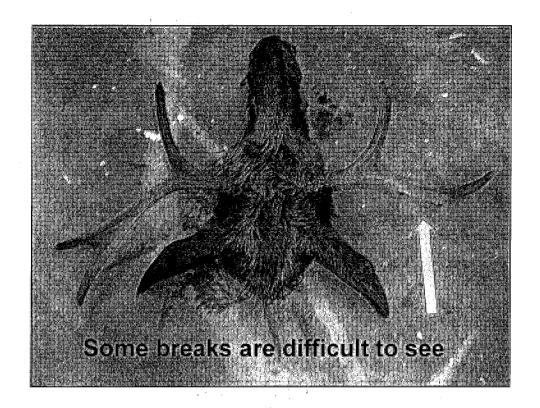


# **Discussion**

Proponent believes it is not always possible to accurately identify broken antlers

He contends that prohibiting the harvest of S-F bulls would ...

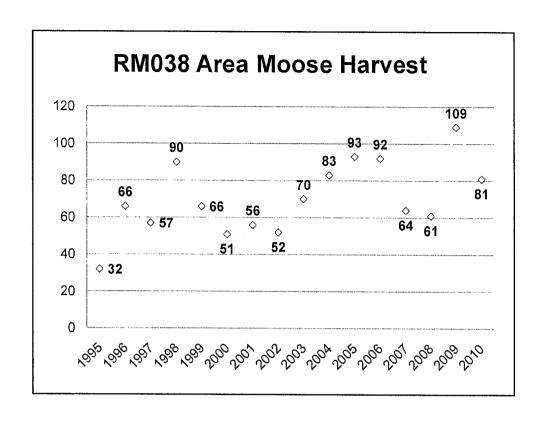
- Eliminate need for broken antler regulation
- Get rid of "broken antler trap"

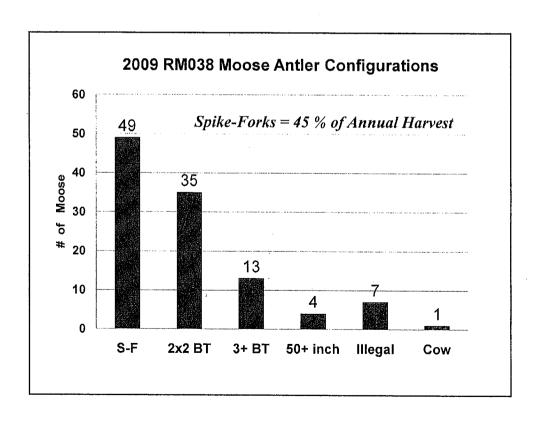


# **Regulation History**

#### · 2008

- RM038 antler restrictions liberalized
- Bulls with 2 brow tines on both antlers added to allowable harvest
- Yielded highest RM038 harvest on record in 2009 and above average harvest in 2010





#### **Discussion**

- Eliminating or limiting S-F harvest would unnecessarily restrict harvest
- · Would protect surplus bulls
- S-F bulls represent high percentage of RM038 annual take
- People can choose not to shoot S-F bulls if concerned about broken antler reg.

Proposal 42

#### **Discussion**

- Current antler restrictions based on 15 years of age and antler data.
- Since broken antler regulation was implemented in 2006
  - Approx. 350 moose harvested
  - 6 individuals have been cited for broken antlers
- Need additional time to fully evaluate the current SHS (in place for only 2 years)

# RECOMMENDATION

## Proposal 42

 Prohibit the harvest spike-fork bulls in the RM038 moose hunt

or

Establish harvest quota(s) for spike-fork bulls

No ACs acted on this proposal

**Do Not Adopt** 

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# **UNIT 3 – Wolf Hunting**

#### **PROPOSAL 27**

- Extend the wolf hunting season in Unit 3 by 31 days
  - August 1- May 31 [APRIL 30]
    - Public Proposal
       Dept. Recommendation
       <u>Amend and Adopt</u>

# **Proposed Amendment**

Original proposal is specific to Unit 3

The department recommends that Unit 1A and the southern portion of Unit 1B be included in this proposal to extend the wolf hunting season by 31-days to August 1- May 31

# **Outline**

#### **Unit 3 Wolves**

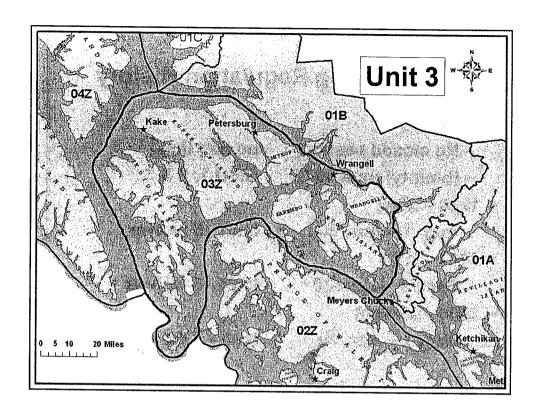
- Hunting regulation history
- · Harvest trends for wolves
  - Hunting & trapping combined
  - By shooting (hunting)
  - · Wolf population estimate
- · Unit 3 Deer
  - Intensive Management issue
  - · Unit 3 Deer harvest trends
  - · Possible reasons for deer decline

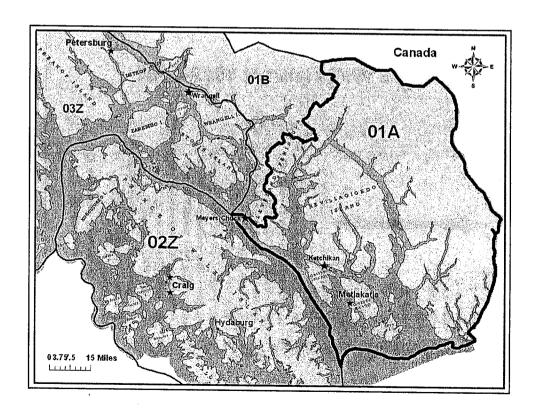
Proposal 27

# Outline (cont.)

#### Recommendations regarding ...

- Intensive Management
- · Proposed extension to wolf hunting season





#### **Wolf Hunting Regulation History**

- · 1954 1991
  - No closed season

no bag limit

- (bounty) until 1977

GMU 1, 2 & 3

- · 1992 2002
  - Aug. 1 Apr. 30

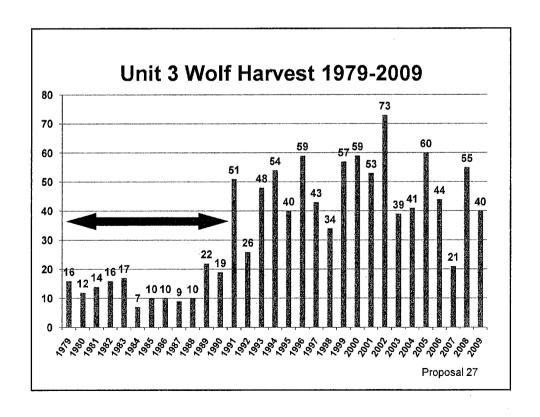
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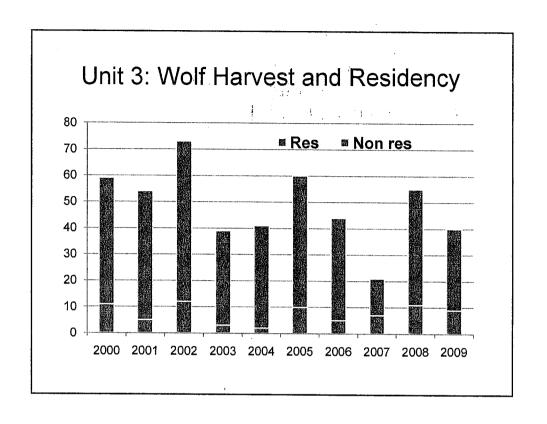
- 2003 2004
  - Sept. 1 Mar. 30

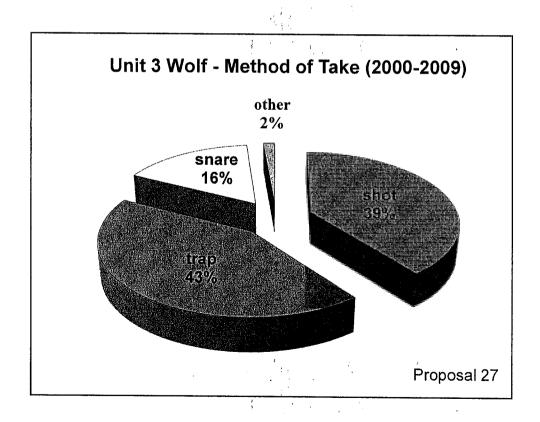
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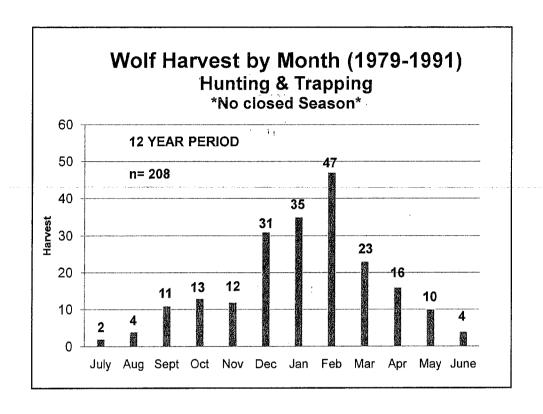
- 2004 present
  - Aug. 1 Apr. 30

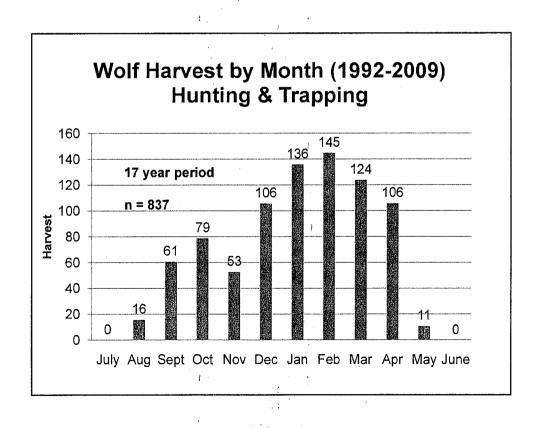
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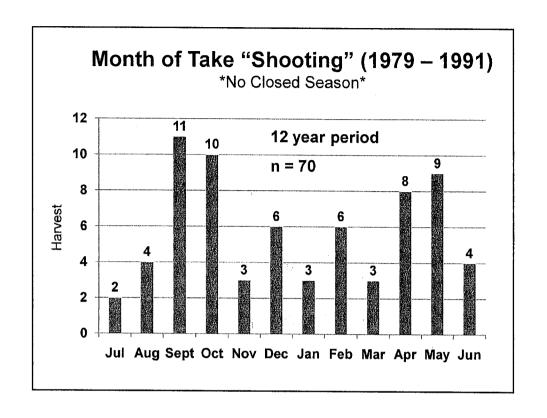


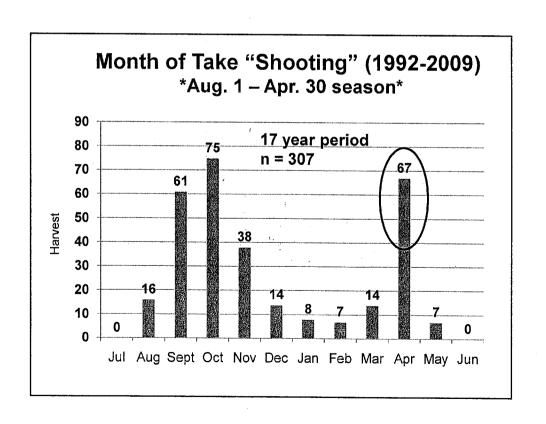












#### **Estimated Unit 3 Wolf Population**

# Unit 3 "estimate" is based on POW wolf research findings

#### Average home range size for packs ...

• 262 km<sup>2</sup> (100 mi <sup>2</sup>) with SD = 63 km<sup>2</sup> (24 mi<sup>2</sup>)

#### Average pack size ...

- Eight (8) wolves, with SD = 3.2
- · Plus two (2) non pack associated wolves
- Total = average of 10 wolves per pack territory

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#### **Estimated Unit 3 Wolf Population**

Minimum Population Estimate	Maximum Population Estimate	Min. Density	Max Density	Number of Wolf Packs
		(Wolves per 1000 km²)	(Wolves per 1000 km²)	
140	275	19.1	37.6	21 - 24

# **Unit 3 Deer**



Proposal 27

### **Unit 3 Deer IM Objectives**

IM	Population	Harvest	
<u>Population</u>	<u>Objective</u>	Objective	
Unit 3	15,000	900	

- IM harvest objective set in Fall 2000, during peak harvest years
- Based on average harvest, 1994 1998, plus
- Harvest objective set during peak years mild winters

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#### **Unit 3 Deer ANS Objective**

Amount Necessary for

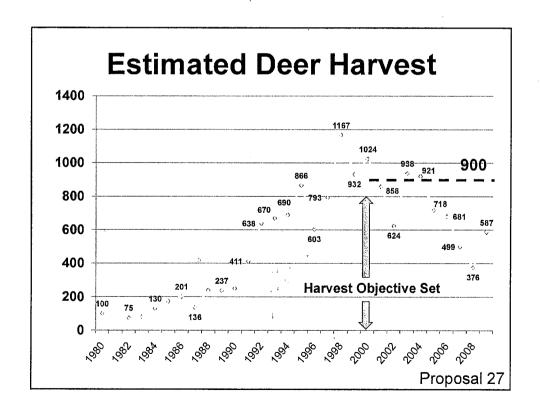
Subsistence Finding Objective

Unit 3

**Positive** 

150 - 175

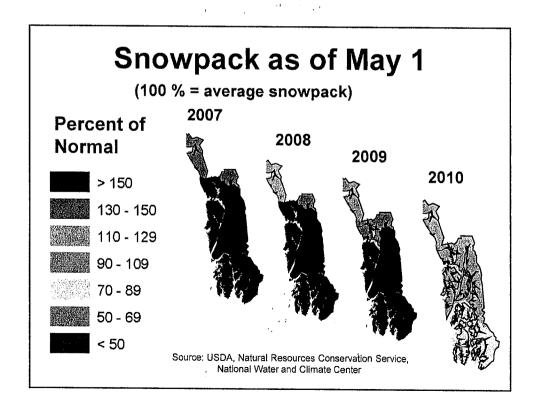
· ANS consistently achieved

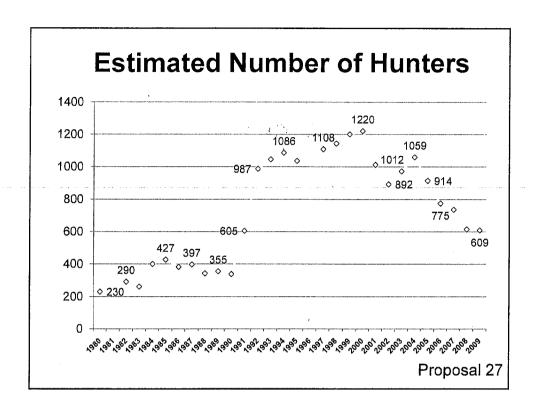


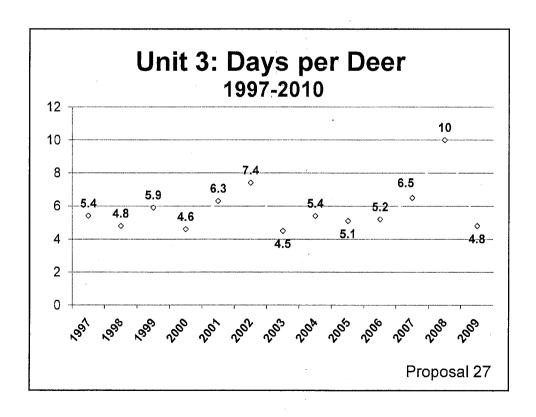
# **Deer Regulation History**

It's complicated ...

High variability in dates & bag limits







#### DISCUSSION

- Hard to pinpoint "causes and effects"
  - · Series of 3 consecutive hard winters
    - · Record & above average snowfall
  - Predation
    - Wolves
    - Bears (?)
  - Habitat Loss from clearcut logging
    - · Loss of important deer winter range
    - · Reductions in deer carrying capacity
  - Hunter activity
    - · Declining number of hunters
    - · Reduced hunter effort

Proposal 27

#### **DISCUSSION**

- Recent signs of improvement in deer numbers
- · 2009 hunter survey data encouraging
- Anecdotal reports from 2010 season also encouraging

#### What about the IM harvest objective?

- Assess 2010 deer hunter survey results
- Evaluate management options available to increase Unit 3 deer abundance
- · If IM action deemed necessary:
  - conduct a feasibility assessment for Unit 3
  - develop an IM plan for Unit 3
  - submit plan for Board approval

Proposal 27

#### **Wolf Season Extension**

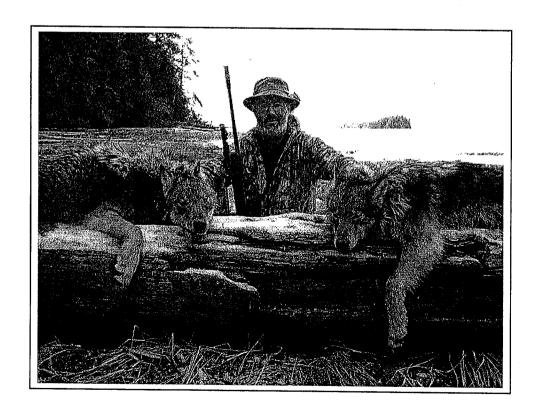
- NR hunters take most April wolves
- NR hunters expected to take most May wolves incidental to bear hunting
- Black bear management decisions (Prop. 36) may influence wolf harvest levels in May
- · Increase in wolf harvest expected
- Some benefits to deer anticipated

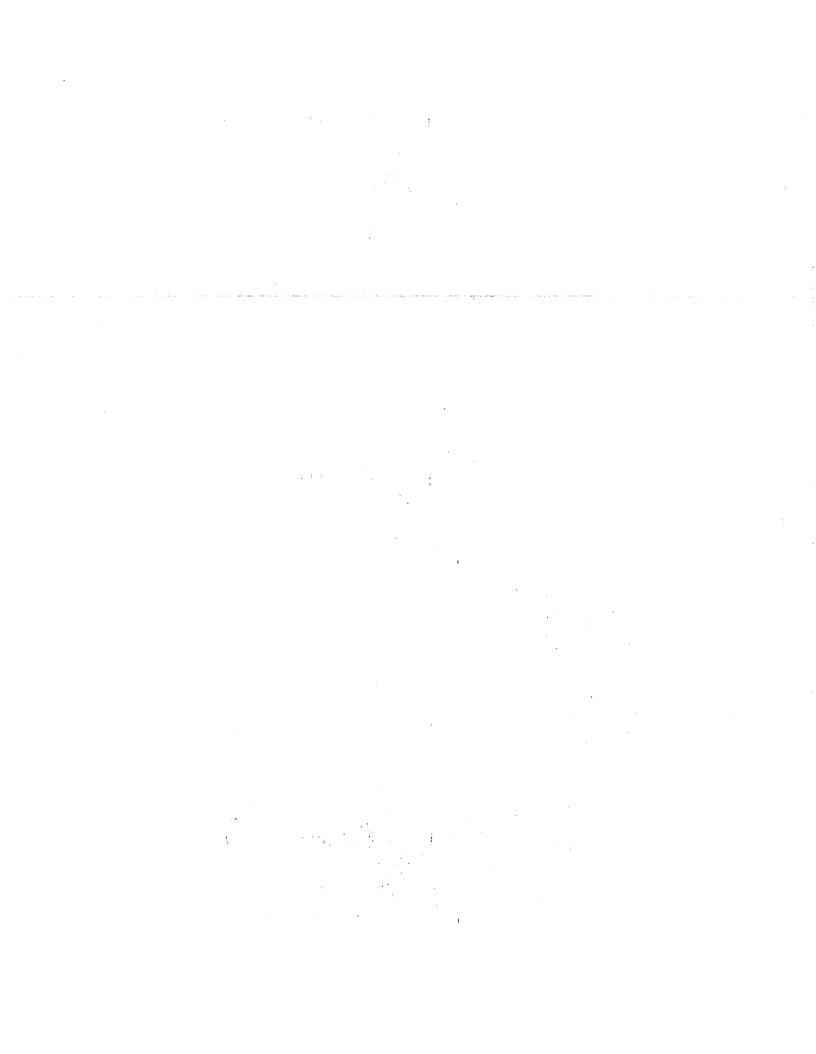
# RECOMMENDATION <u>Proposal 27</u>

Extend the wolf hunting season in Unit 3 by 31 days to include the month of May

No AC Recommendations, however...

## **Amend and Adopt**





#### PROPOSAL 36

Consider making one or more of the following changes to the black bear seasons in Units 1-3 and 5:

- Implement draw hunt for non-residents (NR)
- Close fall (Sept. 1 Dec. 31) hunting season for NR
- Close June hunting season for NR
- Extend controlled use areas for Units 2 & 3 through October
- Close bear baiting in Units 1A, 1B, 2, and 3

## PROPOSAL 36

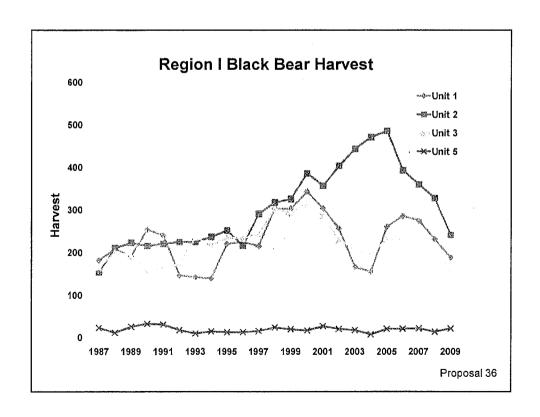
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Department Recommendation

AMEND AND ADOPT

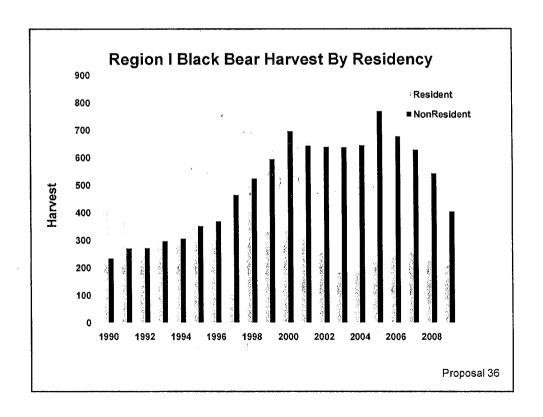
#### **DISCUSSION**

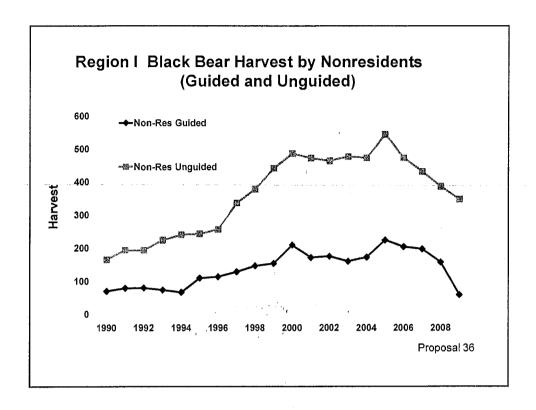
- The department is concerned about apparent declines in black bears in several parts of the region
- These concerns center around sharp increases in harvest in the late 1990s, followed by dramatic declines or erratic harvests since then
- We believe that limiting the harvest in some of these areas is a necessary conservation strategy



#### **DISCUSSION**

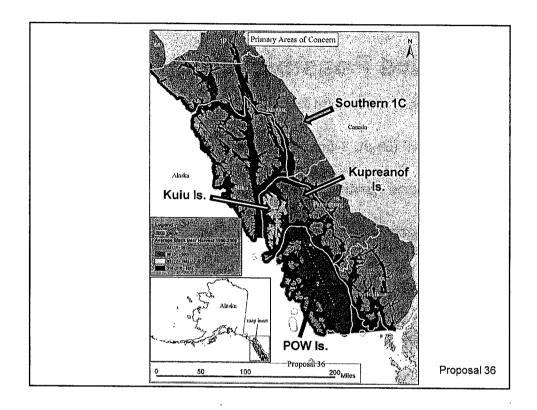
- Nonresident hunters are primarily responsible for the increased harvests
- Three of the five options in this proposal focus entirely on this nonresident component
- This multi-faceted proposal provides a number of possible options to reduce the harvest to sustainable levels
- This issue has both a biological and allocative component





### **Managing the Harvest**

- The scale at which we manage black bears can range in size from entire game management units to individual islands
- Harvest pressure is not uniform across areas, nor are concerns by managers
- A solution in one area that restricts hunting opportunity may create problems in other areas by shifting hunting pressure
- Within the region, we have four primary areas of concern about black bear harvest levels



#### **DISCUSSION**

- These four areas are of the most immediate concern, either due to present harvest or a possible shifting of harvest pressure
- We compared the effect each of the five proposal options would have in the four areas of concern
- With the boards help, we hope to identify which option(s) give us the best likelihood of addressing concerns about sustainable harvests

### **Five Possible Options**

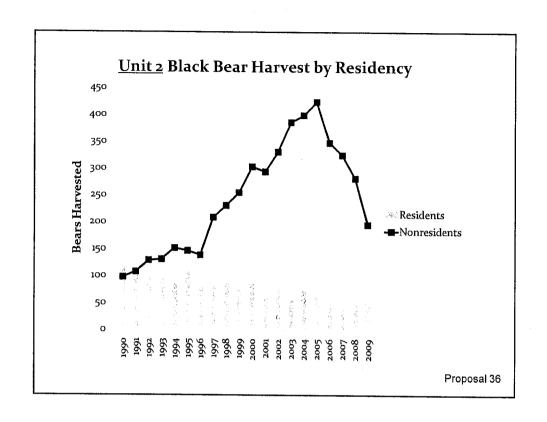
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   Four Areas of Primary Concern

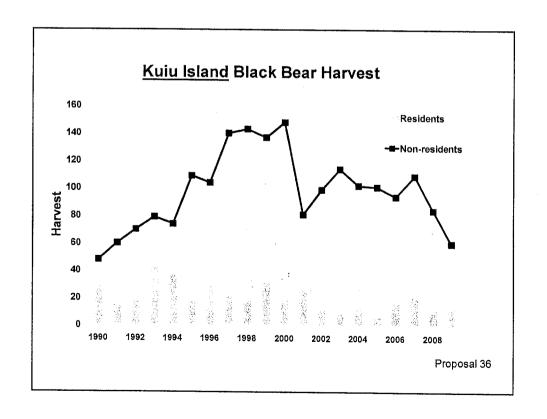
   POW, Kuiu and Kupreanof islands, & Southern 1C

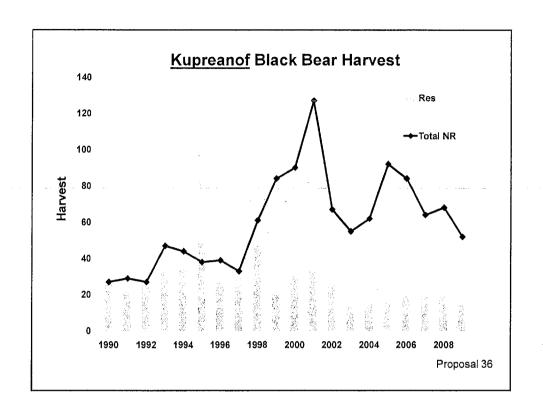
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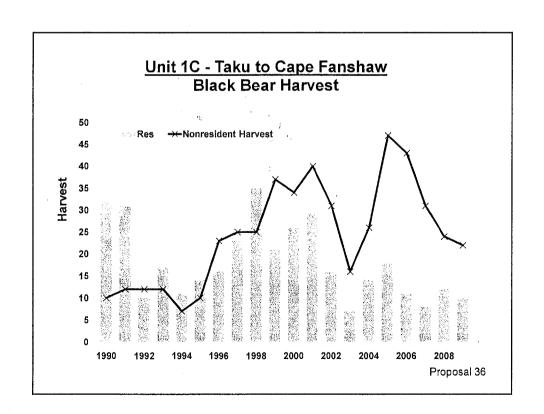
#### **Nonresident Draw Hunt**

- A drawing permit for black bear hunting would be required for all nonresident hunters
- The department would determine allowable harvest by area and would establish numbers of permits accordingly
- Permit numbers could be adjusted over time as hunter participation and success is monitored and assessed
- The following graphs display the nonresident contributions to bear harvest



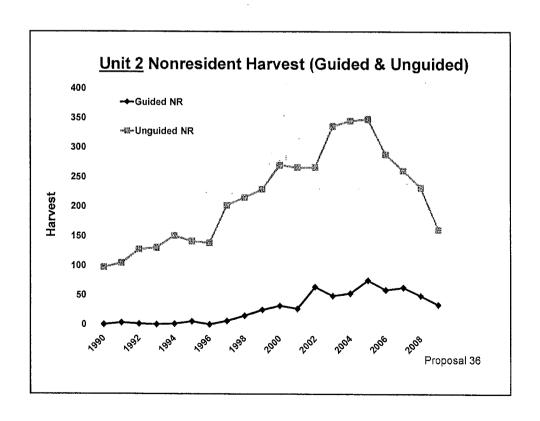


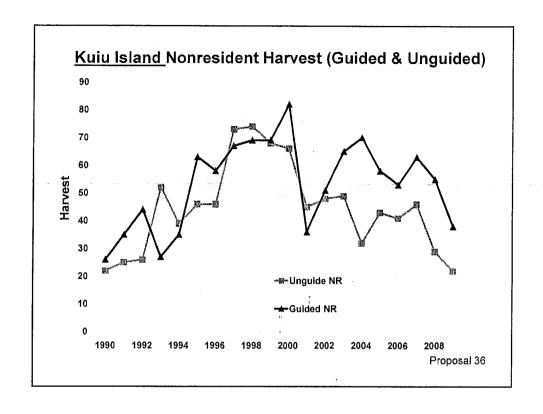


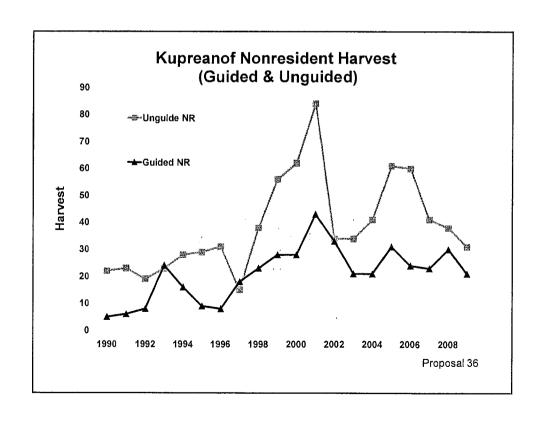


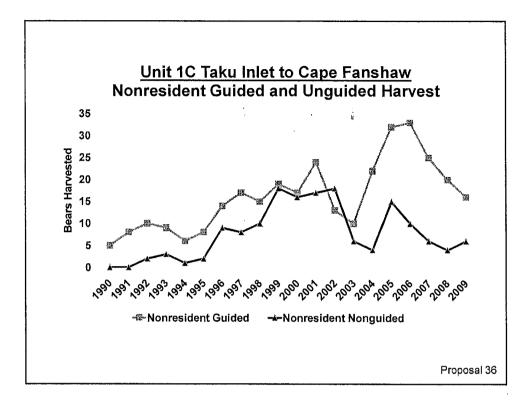
#### **Nonresident Hunters**

- Proposals targeting nonresident hunter opportunity can have an impact on groups and organizations who provide services to nonresidents
- Nonresident hunters vary from "do it yourself" types, to those who hire guides, outfitters, or transporters
- The increase in black bear harvest by nonresidents is attributed to both guided and unguided nonresident hunters



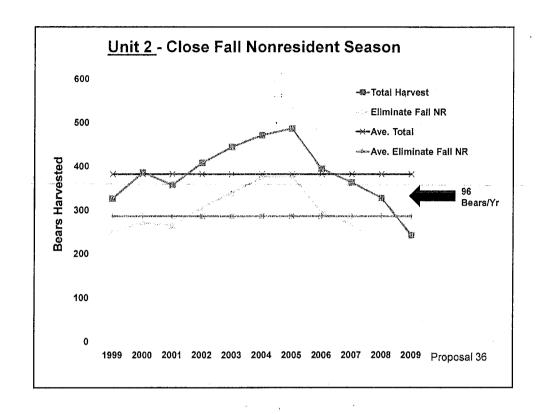


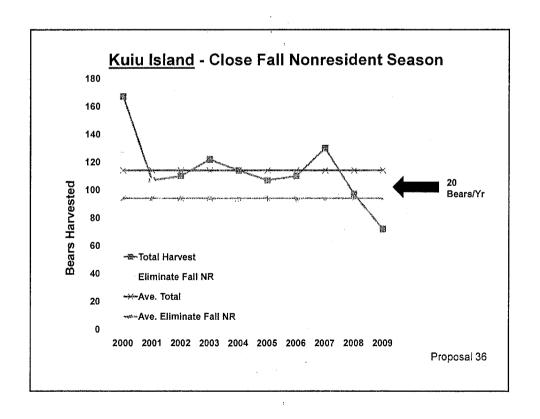


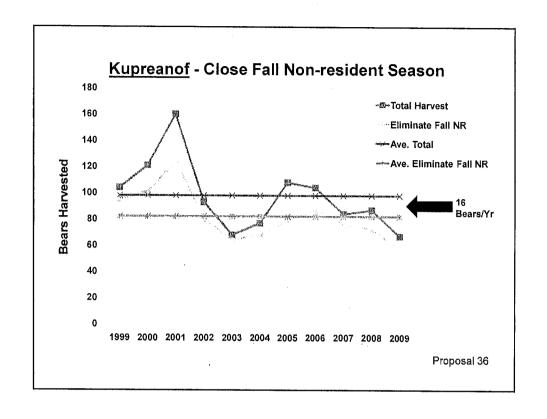


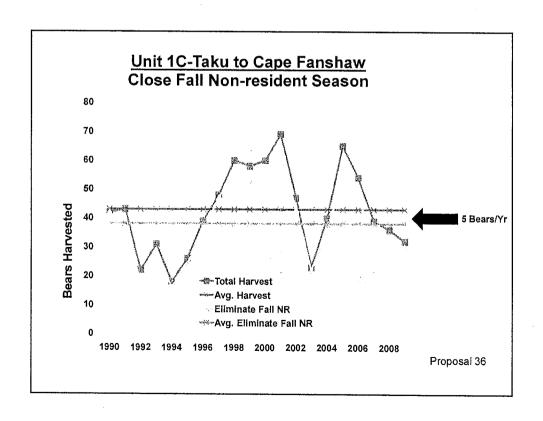
## Close Fall Nonresident Black Bear Season

- This restriction is expected to have the greatest impact in Unit 2, where hunters utilize the extensive road system
- Protects females that are most vulnerable in the fall
- Some areas receive very little fall hunting pressure and this change would have minimal impact in those areas
- Nonresident hunters could shift to the spring season



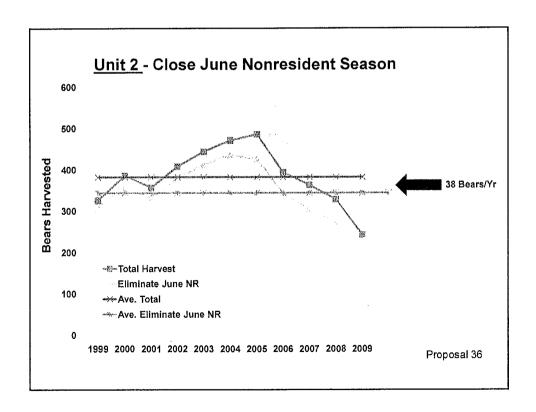


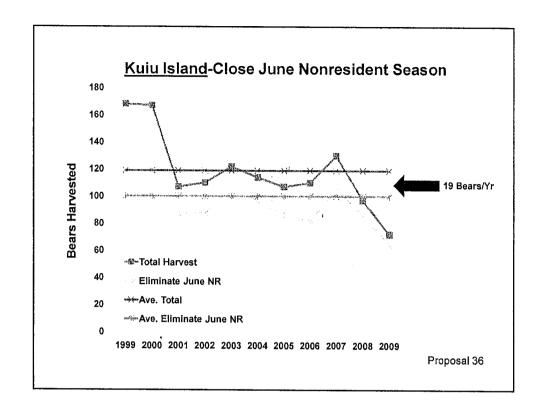


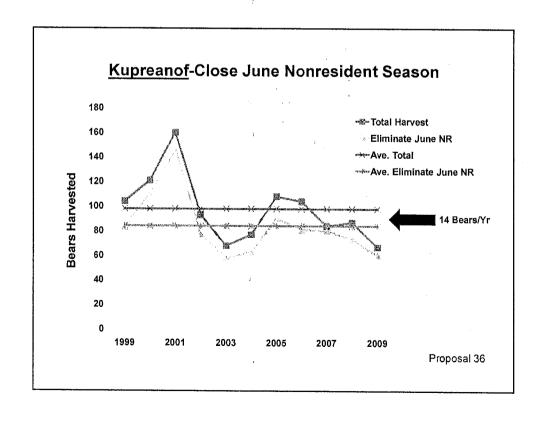


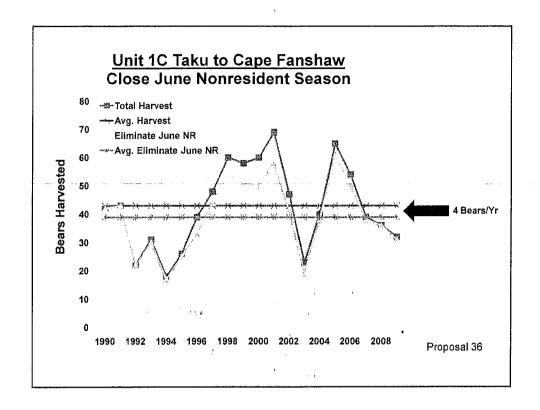
# Close June Nonresident Black Bear Season

- Spring is historically the most popular period for black bear hunting across Southeast Alaska
- The month of June is a shoulder season
- Nonresident hunters could shift to an earlier period during the spring season









# Extend the Controlled Use Area in Units 2 and 3

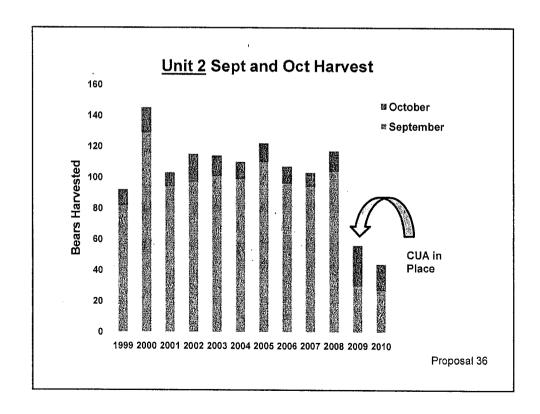
- Board passed proposal in 2008 that created controlled use areas (CUA) in Units 2 and 3
- This action was implemented to address female bear harvest on Prince of Wales (Unit 2); Unit 3 was included to prevent shift in hunting pressure
- CUA was successful in lowering harvest during September, but harvest in October increased

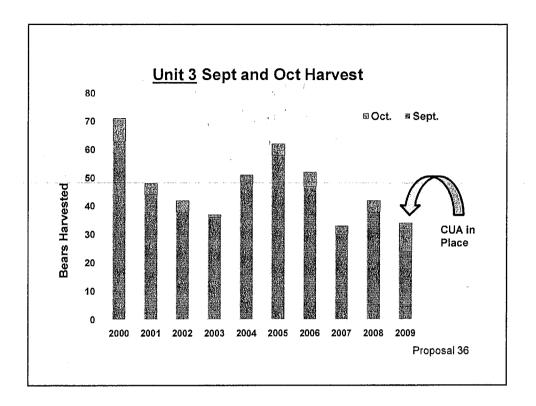
### Controlled Use Area language....

(12) Units 2 and 3

(A) Southern Southeast Islands Controlled Use Area:

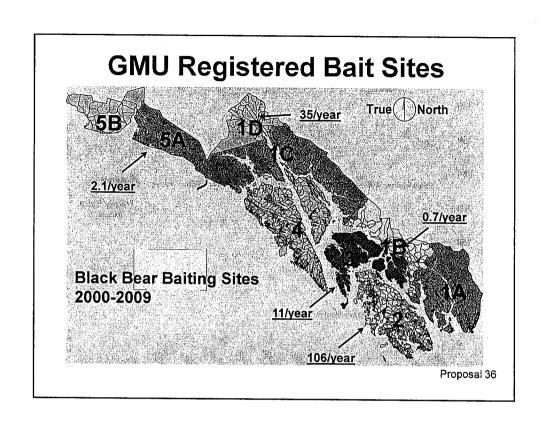
- (i) the area consists of all of Units 2 and 3:
- (ii) until June 30, 2012, the area is closed to the use of any motorized land vehicle for black bear hunting from September 1 through September 30, including the transportation of black bear hunters, their hunting gear, or parts of black bears; however, this prohibition does not apply to the transportation of black bear hunters, their hunting gear, or parts of black bears directly to or from publicly owned airports, department-designated boat launches, or Alaska State Ferry terminals.

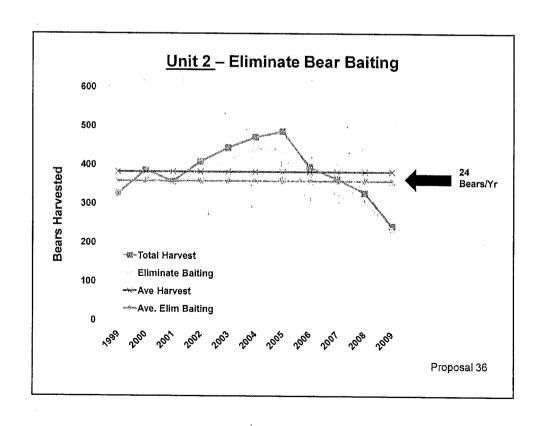


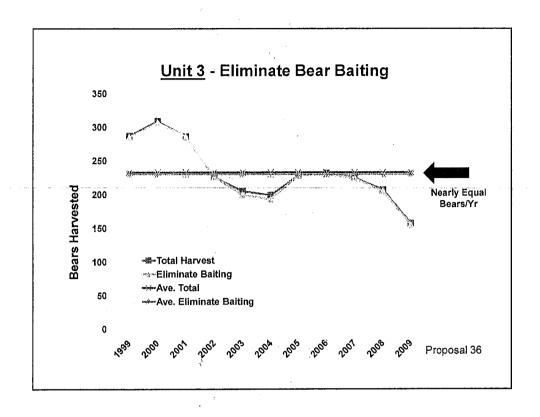


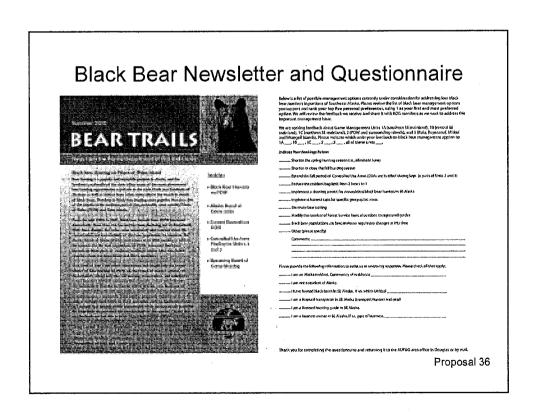
# Close Bear Baiting in Units 1A, 1B, 2, and 3

- Baiting of black bears is very popular in Unit 2, and less so in the other units
- · This hunting method allows selectivity of bears
- Hunters could shift their hunting effort to another period or another hunting method









### **Survey Distribution**

#### Sent to:

- A sample of 2008-2009 successful black bear hunters; resident and nonresident
- All Southeast big game guides

#### Also:

- Handed out in department area offices
- Distributed by mail to business owners through Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce

Proposal 36

# Southeast Alaska Black Bear Survey

- Not all respondents provided complete information
- 136 surveys received as of October 30,2010
- 107 Respondents provided residency

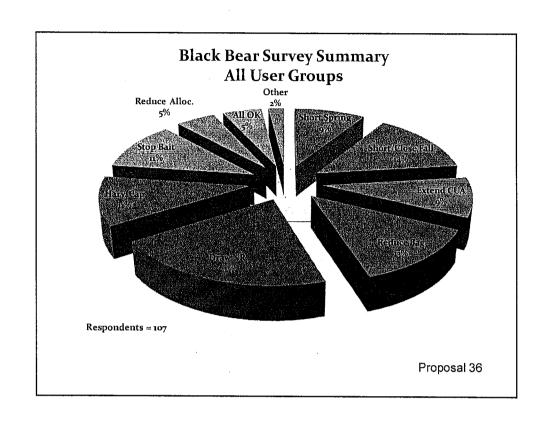
#### Southeast Alaska Black Bear Survey Results, 2010

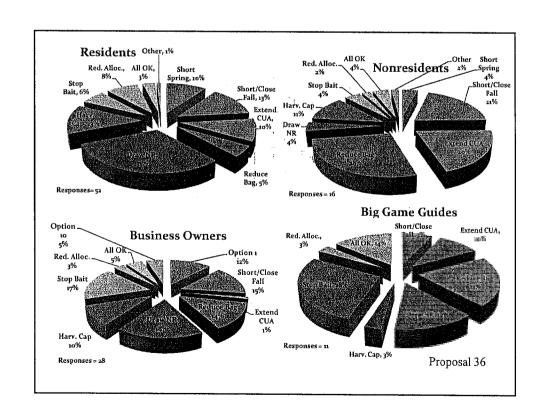
	Respo	nses to	Options, by	Percent	
					All Groups
Mgmt. Options	Guides	Business'	Nonresidents	Residents	Combined
Short Spring	0%	12%	4%	10%	9%
Short/Close Fall	7%	15%	20%	13%	14%)
Extend CUA	10%	1%	20%	10%	9%
Reduce Res.Bag	21%	14%	27%	5%	13%
Draw NR	14%	18%	4%	31%	21%
Harvest Cap	3%	10%	11%	13%	11%
Stop Baiting	28%	<b>(17%)</b>	4%	6%	11%
Reduce					
Allocation	3%	3%	2%	8%	5%
All OK	14%	5%	4%	3%	5%
Other	0%	5%	2%	1%	2%
Respondents	N= 11	N= 28	N = 16	N = 52	N = 107

Proposal 36

# Resident Responses by Community

Community	Responses
Burnett/Etolin	1
Craig	27
Coffman	5
Gustavus	3
Douglas	1
Haines	1
Hollis	1
Hoonah	2
Hyder	1
Kupreanof	1
Kodiak	1
Juneau	9
Ketchikan	22
Klawock	12
Petersburg	4
Nonresident	16
Total	107





#### **SURVEY SUMMARY**

- Guides (11) cumulatively identified "stop baiting" as their first choice, and "reducing the resident bag limit" as their second
- Business owners (28) cumulatively identified "drawing permit for nonresident hunters" as their first choice, and "stop baiting" as their second
- Nonresident hunters (16) cumulatively identified "reducing the resident bag limit" as their first choice, and "shortening or closing the fall season" and "extending the Controlled Use Area" as their second
- Resident hunters (52) cumulatively identified "drawing permit for nonresident hunters" as their first choice, and "implementing a harvest cap" and "shortening or closing the fall season" as their second
- Combined, all respondents identified "drawing permit for nonresident hunters" as the first choice and "shortening or closing the fall season" as the second

Proposal 36

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### **Advisory Committee Recommendations**

Juneau

Adopt

Yakutat

Do Not Adopt

Craig

**Adopt** 

Sitka

**Adopt** 

**Department Recommendation** 

**Amend and Adopt** 

## PROPOSAL 37

Require a drawing permit for unguided non-resident black bear hunters in Units 1, 2, 3 and 5

Public Proposal

Department Recommendation

<u>Take No Action</u> (see Department proposal 36)

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Reduce the resident bag limit from two black bears per regulatory year to one in Units 1-3 and 5

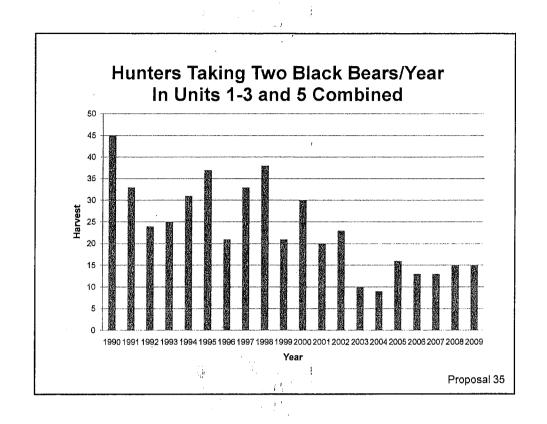
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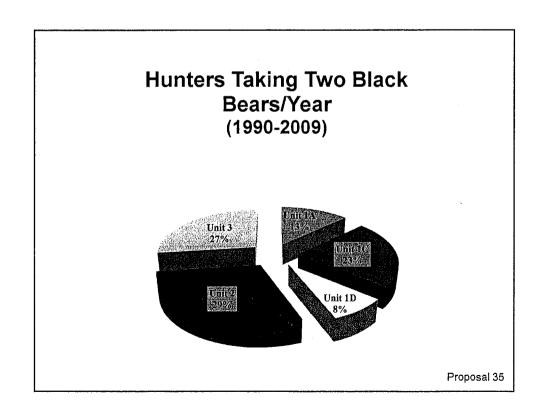
Department Recommendation

### **ADOPT**

### DISCUSSION

- The department has concerns about black bears in several parts of the region
- This action though small will help conserve some bears
- Bag limit of two runs counter to all users shouldering responsibility to conserve resource
- With sale of bear hides legal, we may see more hunters taking two bears
- Detracts from areas in the state where multiple bear bag limits are encouraged





# **RECOMMENDATION**

### **Advisory Committee Recommendations**

Juneau/Douglas

Do Not Adopt

Yakutat

Do Not Adopt

Sitka

Do Not Adopt

Craig

Do Not Adopt

Department Recommendation:

<u>Adopt</u>

Prohibit the hunting of black bears over bait in Units 1, 2 and 3

Public Proposal

**Department Recommendation** 

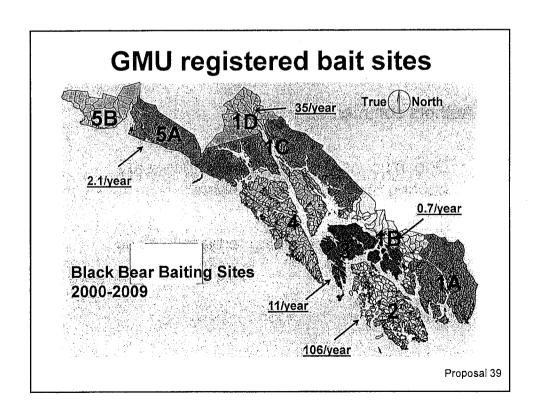
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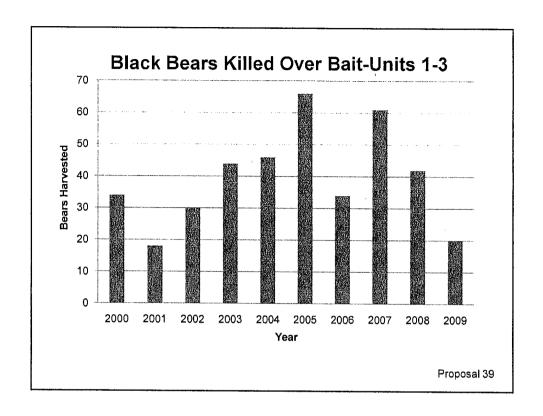
# **DISCUSSION**

- Authors comments:
  - Doesn't consider baiting as a necessary hunting method for black bears
  - Doesn't consider baiting to be fair chase

### **DISCUSSION**

- Department considers baiting of bears to be a valid hunting method and means
- Department has considered eliminating baiting as an option to reduce bear harvest (see proposal 36)
- Department sees this as an ethical issue rather than a conservation issue as raised by the author





# RECOMMENDATION

### **Advisory Committee Recommendations**

Ketchikan Craig

Do Not Adopt Do Not Adopt

Department Recommendation:
No Recommendation

### **UNIT 3 – Black Bear**

# PROPOSAL 26

- Modify boundaries of the Southern Southeast Islands Controlled Use Area for black bear in Unit 3 by excluding those islands not served by the Alaska Marine Highway System
  - Public Proposal
     Department Recommendation:
     Adopt

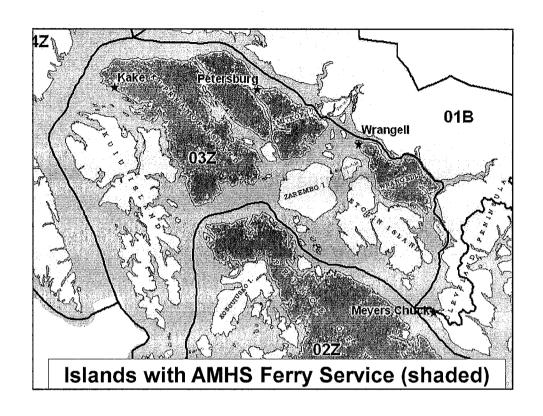
# **Regulation History**

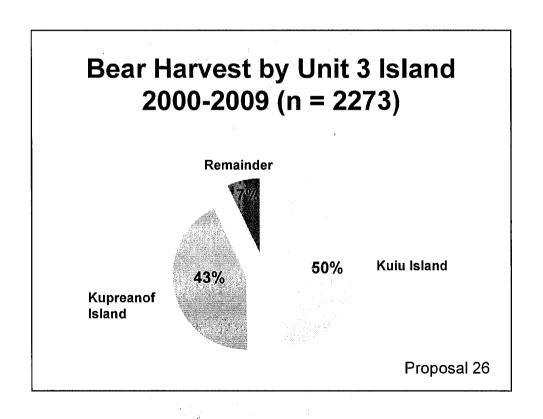
CUA implemented in 2009 to address concerns about black bear populations in Unit 2.

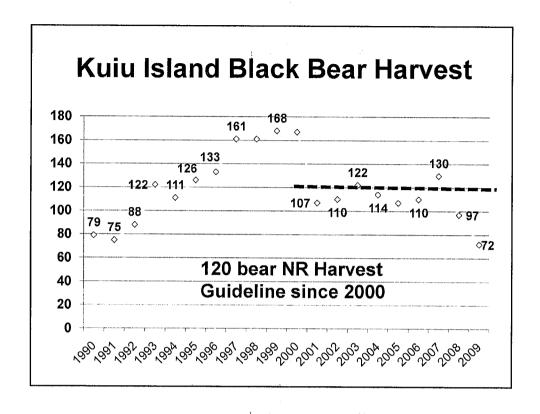
Prohibits nonresidents and non-local residents from using motorized land vehicles to hunt black bears in Units 2 & 3 during month of September

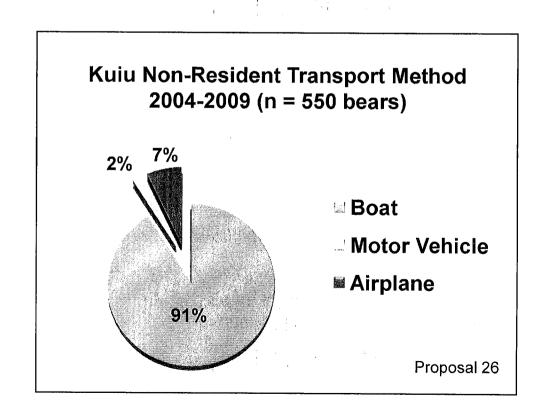
#### Intent ...

- Reduce POWI black bear harvest
- Reduce sow harvest
- Unit 3 included to prevent "domino effect."









### **Discussion**

- Most nonresident hunters use boats to access hunting areas on Kuiu.
- Kuiu and Kupreanof Islands provide majority of unit-wide harvest (~93%)
- Since 2000 Kuiu managed under a 120 bear nonresident harvest guideline
- · Kuiu harvest limit already in place

Proposal 26

### **Discussion**

- Guide/Outfitter use on Kuiu "frozen" by USFS at 2002 levels (adjusted slightly upward in 2004)
- Motor vehicle access to Kuiu is limited & expensive
- USFS controls commercial vehicle use via permits
- · CUA would remain in place on Kupreanof
- Significant increase in Kuiu bear harvest not anticipated with harvest limit in place

# **RECOMMENDATION**

# Proposal 26

Unit 3 black bear CUA boundary change

No AC Recommendations on this proposal

# <u>Adopt</u>

Require GPS coordinates for bear baiting stations in Units 1-5

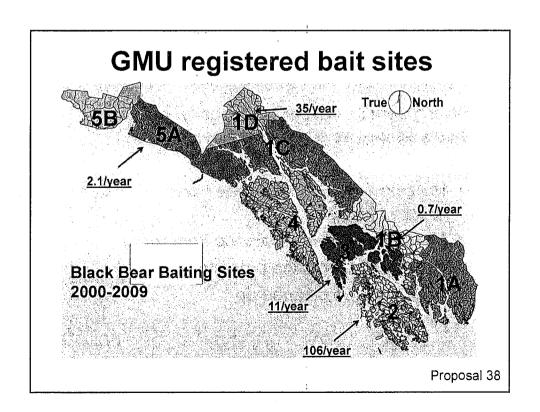
Alaska Wildlife Troopers Proposal
Department Recommendation
ADOPT

### **DISCUSSION**

- Baiting permits have stipulations for public safety as well as ethical practices:
  - Must be a required distance from residential areas
  - Must be a required distance from roads
  - · Sites must be posted properly
  - · Sites must be cleaned up

# **DISCUSSION**

- Alaska Wildlife Troopers need specific locations to assure permit compliance
  - GPS locations would provide this tool



# **RECOMMENDATION**

### **Advisory Committee Recommendations**

Yakutat

**Adopt** 

Sitka

Adopt

Craig

Adopt

**Department Recommendation:** 

**ADOPT** 

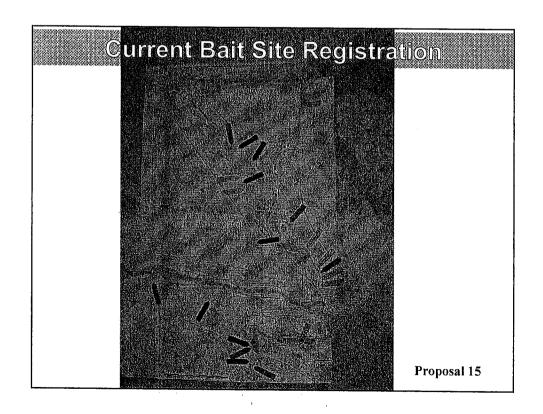
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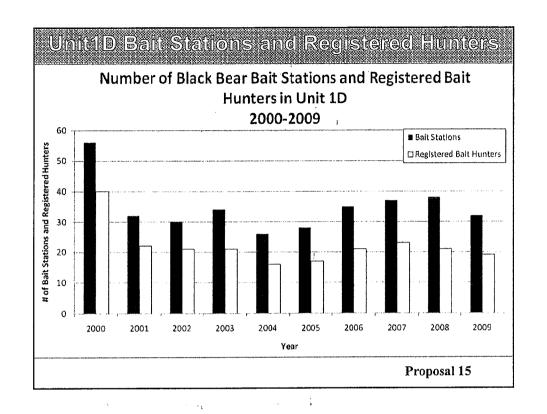
This proposal would require hunters to submit a GPS coordinate to the department when registering for a black bear bait station permit.

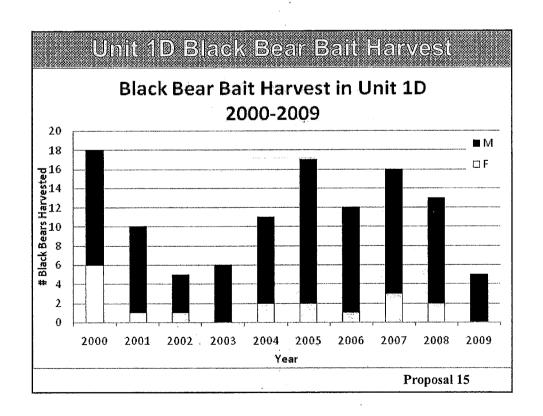
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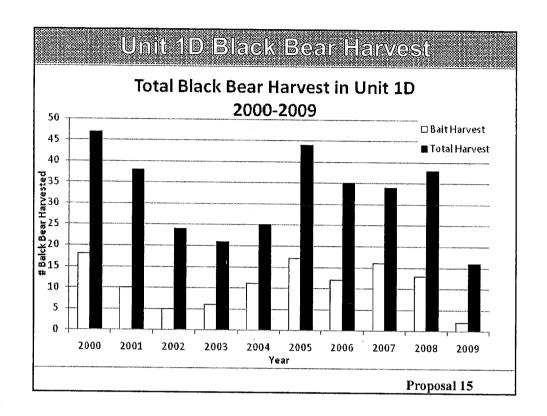
**Department Recommendation:** 

<u>Adopt</u>









### Conclusion

- Minimal burden to Unit 1D black bear hunters
- Alaska Wildlife Troopers would benefit from this requirement, as this is an enforcement issue

Upper Lynn Canal AC Recommendation:

<u>Vote Pending</u>

Department Recommendation: Adopt

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This proposal would require hunters to salvage black bear meat through the June season in Units 1-5

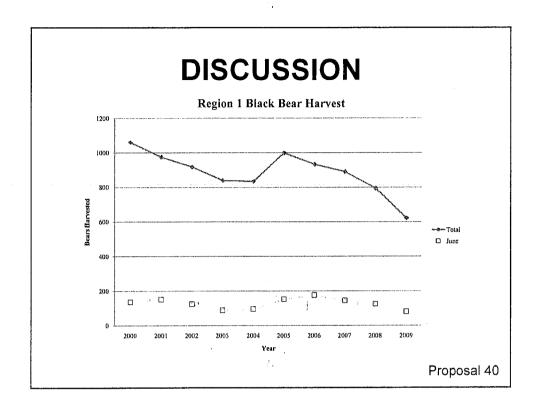
Public Proposal

Department Recommendation

No Recommendation

### **DISCUSSION**

- Author comments:
  - Believes the meat of bears killed in June should be salvaged
  - Meat should be good; bears aren't on salmon yet, and have fed on green vegetation
  - June hunt attracts hunters who do not want to salvage meat-increases harvest



# **DISCUSSION**

The department does not see this as a conservation issue, but rather a value driven proposal

Department recommendation

No Recommendation

# RECOMMENDATION

### **Advisory Committee Recommendations**

Ketchikan Craig

Do Not Adopt

Department Recommendation:
No Recommendation

Prohibit sale of black bear parts in Units 1-5

Public Proposal

Department Recommendation:

Do Not Adopt

#### DISCUSSION

This proposal does not deal with trapping, that is an aspect of proposal 34

- This proposal consists of two parts:
  - 1) Prohibit sale of black bear meat and other parts
  - 2) Prohibit sale of black bear hides and skulls

Proposal 33

#### DISCUSSION

- · Sale of hides and skulls:
  - The only part of black bears currently legal to sell are the hides and skulls
  - Sale of black bear hides and skulls became effective July 1, 2010
  - The Department will assess implications over time especially in reference to unique bear color morphs

Proposal 33

#### DISCUSSION

- · Sale of meat and other parts:
  - The sale of meat and other parts such as gall bladders is presently not legal
  - The sale of meat and other parts could only be allowed after a trapping season is established
  - The sale of gall bladders is strictly prohibited under both hunting and trapping

Proposal 33

#### RECOMMENDATION

**Advisory Committee Recommendations:** 

Juneau

Take No Action

Sitka

Adopt

Craig

Do Not Adopt

Department Recommendation:

Do Not Adopt

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Prohibit black bear trapping and sale of meat in Units 1-5

Public Proposal

**Department Recommendation:** 

Do Not Adopt

#### DISCUSSION

- The A&R on this proposal has changed from TNA to DNA due to a change in interpretation of proposal 33
- Proposal 33 did not address black bear trapping while this proposal does

Proposal 34

#### DISCUSSION

- · This proposal consists of two parts:
  - 1) Prohibit black bear trapping
  - 2) Prohibit sale of black bear meat

Proposal 34

#### DISCUSSION

- · Sale of meat :
  - · The sale of meat is presently not legal
  - This could only be allowed after a trapping season is established

Proposal.34

#### DISCUSSION

- · Prohibit black bear trapping:
  - Trapping of black bears is not legal in Southeast Alaska
  - Trapping of black bears has not been proposed in Southeast Alaska
  - The proposal for considering the trapping of black bears in some parts of the state has been deferred to March 2012

Proposal 34

#### RECOMMENDATION

Advisory Committee Recommendations:

Sitka

Take No Action

Craig

Do Not Adopt

Department Recommendation:

Do Not Adopt

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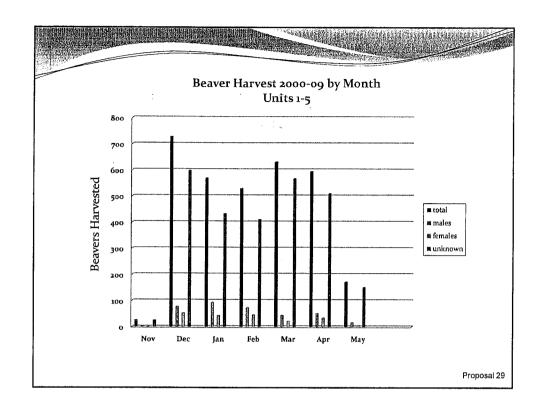
- This proposal would allow change the opening date for beaver trapping in Units 1-5 from December 1 to November 1.
- Department Recommendation:

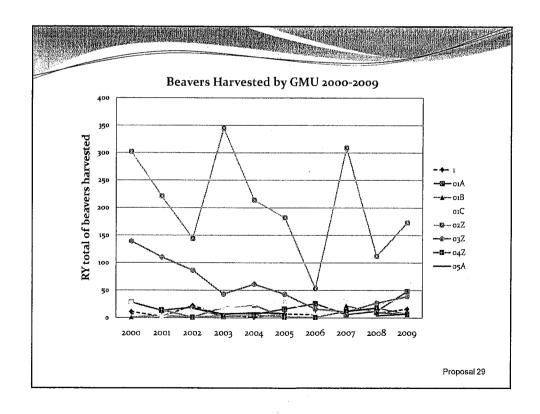
  Amend and Adopt

Proposal 29

### Discussion

- The department intended to propose a November 10 starting date rather than a November 1 date printed in the proposal book, to be consistent with Game Management Units 5, 6, 7, 8 and 15.
- Beaver populations are healthy throughout SE Alaska.
- Beaver nuisance problems have resulted in permits to harvest beavers when their pelts are not high value.
- Overall trapping pressure for beavers is light and over harvest is not considered to be a potential problem.
- Trappers will reduce the need for nuisance permits and utilize a fur resource when it is most valuable.





### **Advisory Committee Recommendations**

Craig Adopt
Juneau/Douglas Adopt
Yakutat Adopt

Department Recommendation: Amend and Adopt



Prohibit Small Trap Use When Mink and Marten Season Closed

**Department Proposal** 

Department Recommendation:
Adopt

Proposal 31

#### Discussion

- Proposal addresses concerns about traps set for smaller furbearers for which the season is closed
- This language would mirror that already in statute for river otters
- Closing a loophole in trapping regulations

Proposal 31

### Regulatory Language

- When the season is closed on mink and marten in the unit where you are trapping otter, you may only use snares or traps with an inside jaw spread of at least 5 7/8 inches (killer- style or foothold).
- For reference: The killer style traps would include conibear size 280 or larger.

Proposal 31

### **Advisory Council Votes**

- Ketchikan AC no vote
- Craig AC no vote

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This proposal would establish a fisher season and bag limit in Units 1-5

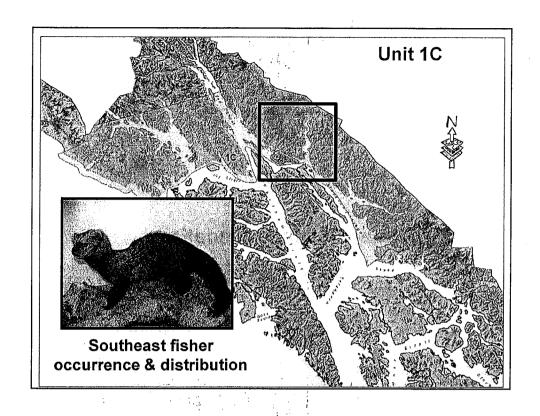
Public Proposal

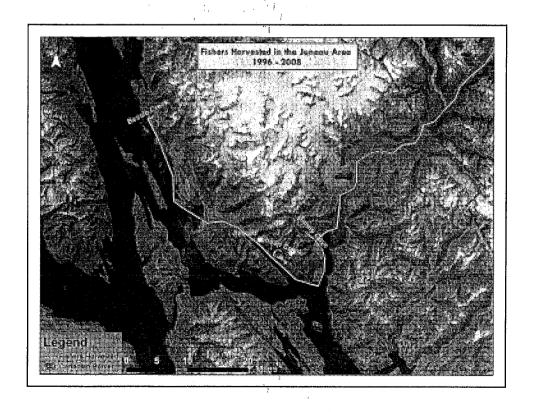
# Department Recommendation: <u>Do Not Adopt</u>

Proposal 30

#### **Discussion**

- Currently no fisher seasons in Alaska
- Fishers are known to occur only in the Juneau area
- Source population likely from British Columbia via the Taku River
  - Conservation concerns in Canada & Lower 48
- Incidental catch in Juneau area
  - =Trappers must surrender animal to State





#### **Discussion**

- · First fisher caught in 1996
- Between 1996-2009
  - 6 fishers taken (3 female, 1 male, 2 unknown sex)
  - · Taku River & Juneau road system
- Canadian harvest
  - 13 fishers since 1985
  - Habitat Capability Model: est. 15-50 fishers in upper Taku drainage
  - Trapping season: Nov. 1-Feb. 15
  - Mandatory check-in

Proposal 30

#### Conclusion

- Population status and distribution of fishers in Alaska is unknown
- Allowing for incidentally taken species may set precedent (e.g., mountain lion)

Juneau-Douglas AC recommendation:
Adopt

Department Recommendation:

<u>Do Not Adopt</u>

#### PROPOSAL 44

This proposal would require a resident acting as a guide (for a non-resident relative) to get pre-approval from the Department prior to hunting

Public Proposal

Department Recommendation:

**Take No Action** 

#### DISCUSSION

- · Authors comments:
  - To qualify as a "guide" the resident would need proof that they had hunted the previous 5 years
  - Suggests the system is being abused by having "unqualified" residents acting as guides

Proposal 44

#### DISCUSSION

- · Three aspects of this proposal:
  - The 2<sup>nd</sup> degree kindred requirements are listed in statute and are not subject to regulatory change
  - This action would put the responsibility of monitoring this issue on ADF&G rather than on enforcement where it is better served
  - This action would put additional burdens on residents who want to act as guides for relatives

Proposal 44

#### CONCLUSION

Advisory Committee Recommendations

Sitka

Adopt

Craig

Do Not Adopt

**Department Recommendation:** 

**Take No Action** 

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- At the request of the Board of Game, the Department of Fish and Game will review all Required Permit Hunt Conditions authorized by 5 AAC 92.050 for all hunts in Region I (Southeast Alaska). The delegated authorities of 5 AAC 92.050 are listed in Proposal 45. The following pages contain permit hunt requirement for the 29 permit hunts that currently exist in Region I.
- Department Recommendation: Take No Action

#### **Proposal 45**

• Hunt Name provides the general hunt locations, and in some cases additional information on hunt location is provided in the Additional Requirement section. In other cases it may be necessary to use the hunt number to refer descriptions found in the Alaska Hunting Regulations.

#### • HUNT: RBo62 Registration Brown Bear Hunt

- Hunt Name: Units 1A, 1B, 1C (Southeast Mainland)
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- · Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must report within 10 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Petersburg, Ketchikan or Douglas. See sealing requirements.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Douglas, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by January 15, 2011.
- Specimen: evidence of sex

#### R8062

#### Hunt Conditions:

This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) brown bear in Units 1A, 1B, 1C covered by Registration Hunt #RBo62 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting

Regulations and conditions described below:

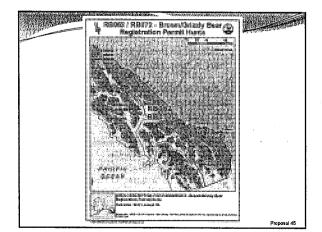
1. Season dates: September 15 - December 31, 2010.

2. Successful hunters must report their kill to the ADF&G office in Ketchikan,
Petersburg or Douglas within ten (10) days of kill (in person, by phone, or mail).

Completed hunt reports are due at the time of sealing.

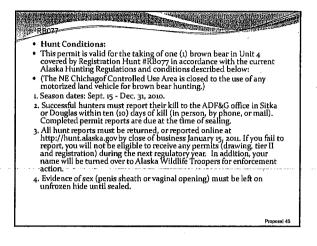
3. All hunt reports must be returned or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business January 15, 2011. If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, Tier II and registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for

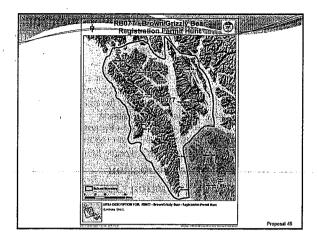
4. Evidence of sex (penis sheath or vaginal opening) must be left on hide until sealed.



#### HUNT: RBo77 Registration Brown Bear Hunt

- Hunt Name: Unit 4 (The NE Chichagof Controlled Use Area is closed to the use of any motorized land vehicle for brown bear hunting.)
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must report within 10 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Sitka or Douglas.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Sitka, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by January 15, 2011.
- Specimen: Sealed



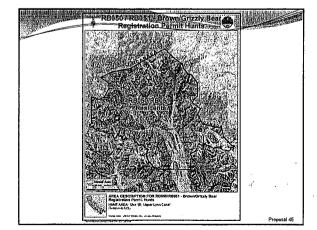


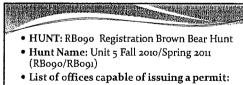


- HUNT: RBo50 Registration Brown Bear Hunt
- Hunt Name: Unit 1(D) (Haines and Skagway)
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must report within 10 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Haines or Douglas.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Douglas, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov on January 15, 2011.
- Specimen: Sealed

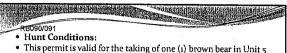


- This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) brown bear in Unit 1(D) covered by Registration Hunt #RB050 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described below:
- ı. Season dates: September 15 December 31, 2010.
- 2. Successful hunters must report their kill to the ADF&G office in Haines or Douglas within ten (10) days of kill (in person, by phone, mail or radio). Completed hunt reports are due at the time of sealing.
- Douglas, or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by January 15, 2011. If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, tier II and registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for enforcement action.
- 4. Evidence of sex (penis sheath or vaginal opening) must be left on hide until sealed.

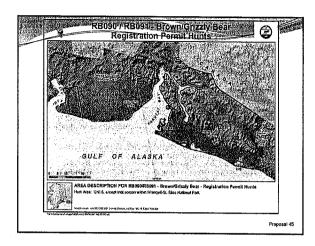




- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must report within 10 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Yakutat or Douglas.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Douglas, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by June 15, 2011.
- Specimen: Sealed



- This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) brown bear in Unit 5 covered by Registration Hunts # RB090/091 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described below:
- ı. Season dates: September ı, 2010 May 31, 2011.
- Successful hunters must report their kill to the ADF&G office in Yakutat or Douglas within ten (10) days of kill (in person, by phone, or mail). Completed hunt reports are due at the time of sealing
- 3. All hunt reports must be returned to the ADF&G office in Douglas, or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by June 15, 2011. If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, tier II and registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for enforcement action.
- 4. Evidence of sex (penis sheath or vaginal opening) must be left on hide until sealed.

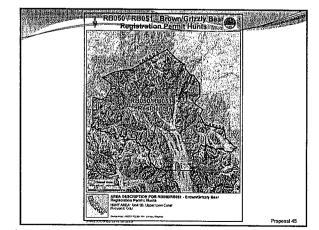




- HUNT: RBo51 Registration Brown Bear Hunt
- Hunt Name: Unit 1D (Haines and Skagway)
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg ,Sitka ,Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must report within 10 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Haines or Douglas.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Douglas by close of business on June 15, 2011.
- Specimen: Evidence of sex



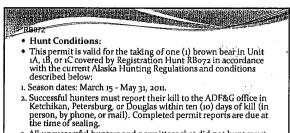
- Hunt Conditions:
- This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) brown bear in Unit 1D covered by Registration Hunt RBo51 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described
- 1. Season dates: March 15 May 31, 2011.
- Successful hunters must report their kill to the ADF&G office in Haines or Douglas within ten (10) days of kill (in person, by phone, or mail). Completed permit reports are due at the time of
- 3. All hunt reports must be returned to the ADF&G office in Douglas by June 15, 2011. If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, tier II and registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska State Troopers for enforcement action.
- Evidence of sex (penis sheath or vaginal opening) must be left on hide until sealed.



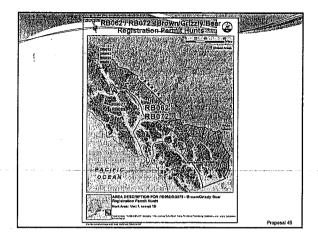


- HUNT: RBo72 Registration Brown Bear Hunt
- Hunt Name: Unit 1A, 1B, or 1C (Southeast Mainland)

- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must report within 10 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Petersburg, Ketchikan, or
- Unsuccessful: you must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Douglas by June 15, 2011.
- Specimen: Evidence of sex



- 3. All unsuccessful hunters and permittees that did not hunt must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Douglas by June 15, 2011. If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, Tier II, or registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will beturned over to Alaska State Troopers for enforcement action.
- Evidence of sex (penis sheath or vaginal opening) must be left on hide until sealed.



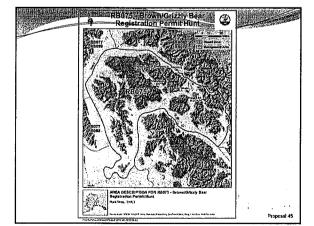


- HUNT: RB075 Registration Brown Bear Hunt
- Hunt Name: Unit 3
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must report within 10 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Petersburg, Ketchikan, Douglas or Wrangell.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Petersburg by June 15, 2011.
- Specimen: Evidence of sex



- Hunt Conditions:

- Hunt Conditions:
  This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) brown bear in Unit 3 covered by Registration Hunt #RB075 by Alaskan Residents only in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described below:
  Season dates: March 15 May 31, 201.
  Successful hunters must report their kill to the ADF&G office in Ketchikan, Petersburg, Douglas or Wrangell within ten (10) days of kill (in person, by phone, mail or radio). Completed permit reports are due at the time of sealing.
  All unsuccessful hunters and permittees that did not hunt must return the completed hunter sport to the ADF&G office in Petersburg by June 15, 2011. If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, tier II and registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska State Troopers for enforcement action.
- 4. Evidence of sex (penis sheath or vaginal opening) must be left on hide until sealed.



• HUNT: RBo88 Registration Brown Bear Hunt

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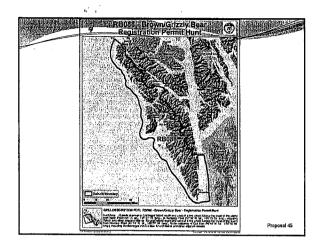
- Hunt Name: Unit 4, Outside Drainages Only
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- · Anchorage, Delta Jct, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must report within 10 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Sitka or Douglas.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Sitka by June 15, 2011. Noncompliance will result in citation.
- Specimen: Evidence of sex



- This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) brown bear in Unit 4, Outside Drainages only, covered by Registration Hunt #RBo88 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described below:
- Season dates: Unit 4: Outside Drainages March 15 May 31, 2011.
   Successful hunters must report their kill to the ADF&G office in Sitka or Douglas within ten (10) days of kill (in person, by phone,
- Sitka or Douglas within ten (10) days of kill (in person, by phone, mail or radio). Completed permit reports are due at the time of sealing.

  3. All unsuccessful hunters and permittees that did not hunt must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Sitka by June 15, 2011. If you fail to comply, you will be cited and you
- will not be eligible to receive any permits next regulatory year.
  Evidence of sex (penis sheath or vaginal opening) must be left on unfrozen hide until sealed.

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#### • HUNT: RBo89 Registration Brown Bear Hunt

- Hunt Name: Unit 4, Inside Drainages Only
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Delta Jct, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must report within 10 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Sitka or Douglas.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Sitka by June 15, 2011.
   Noncompliance will result in citation.
- Specimen: Evidence of sex

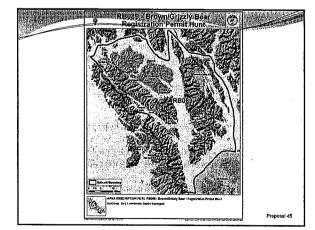
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#### • Hunt Conditions:

- This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) brown bear in Unit 4, Inside Drainages only, covered by Registration Hunt #RBo89 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described below:
- 1. Season dates: Unit 4: Inside Drainages March 15 May 20, 2011.
- Successful hunters must report their kill to the ADF&G office in Sitka or Douglas within ten (10) days of kill (in person, by phone, mail or radio). Completed permit reports are due at the time of sealing.
- 3. All unsuccessful hunters and permittees that did not hunt must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Sitka by June 15, 2011. If you fail to comply, you will be cited and you will not be eligible to receive any permits next regulatory year.
- Evidence of sex (penis sheath or vaginal opening) must be left on unfrozen hide until sealed.

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#### • HUNT: DE318 Draw Elk Hunt

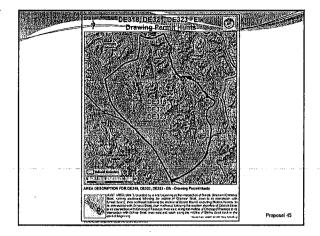
- Hunt Name: 3, Etolin and Zarembo & associated islands
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Bethel, Delta Jct, Douglas, Fairbanks, Juneau, Kodiak, Palmer, Petersburg, Sitka, Soldotna
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: If successful, report in person or by phone to Petersburg, Ketchikan or Wrangell within 5 days of kill.
- Unsuccessful: Unsuccessful hunters, including hunters who did not hunt, report by mail within 15 days of season end
- Specimen: Lower front teeth 5-inch section.

(DESTE Additional Requirements (primarily Draw and Tier II and Tier I):

Hunt Area: Unit 3, that portion bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Sumner Strait and Clarence Strait, running southeast following the midline of Clarence Strait, down the midline of Snow Passage, then east of the Kashevarof Islands back to the midline of Clarence Strait down to its intersection with Ernest Sound, then northeast following the midline of Ernest Sound, excluding Niblack Islands, to its intersection with Zimovia Strait, then northwest following the western shoreline of Zimovia Strait to its intersection with Chichagof Passage, then west along the midline of Chichagof Passage to its intersection with Stikine Strait, then northerly along the midline of Stikine Strait, west of Vank Island, to its intersection with Summer Strait, then northwest along the midline of Stikine Strait, west of Vank Island, to its intersection with Summer Strait back to the point of beginning.

The use of motorized equipment and vehicles is restricted in the South Etolin Island Wilderness. Hunters should use Leave-No-Trace techniques when establishing and breaking camp. Contact the USDA-FS Wrangell Ranger District at (907) 874-2323 for details.

Season Dates: Sept. 1- Sept. 30, Certified Bowhunters Only Successful hunters must send a 5" section of the lower front jaw (Including teeth) to the Petersburg Fish and Game office. We also request that successful hunters send a photo of their elk antlers along with the lower front teeth



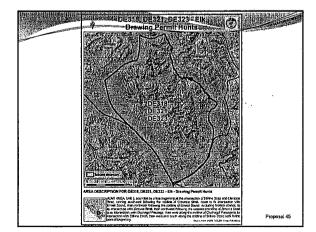
#### HUNT: DE321 Draw Elk Hunt

- Hunt Name: 3, Etolin and Zarembo & associated islands
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Bethel, Delta Jct, Douglas, Fairbanks, Juneau, Kodiak, Palmer, Petersburg, Sitka, Soldotna
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: If successful, report in person or by phone to Petersburg, Ketchikan or Wrangell within 5 days of
- Unsuccessful: Unsuccessful hunters, including hunters who did not hunt, report by mail within 15 days of season end
- Specimen: Lower front teeth 5-inch section.

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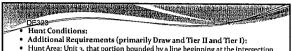
- Hunt Conditions:
- Hunt Conditions:
   Additional Requirements (primarily Draw and Tier II and Tier I):
   Hunt Area: Unit 3, that portion bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Sumner Strait and Clarence Strait, running southeast following the midline of Clarence Strait down the midline of Show Passage, then east of the Kashevarof Islands back to the midline of Clarence Strait down to its intersection with Ernest Sound, excluding Niblack Islands, to its intersection with Zimovia Strait, then northwest following the western shoreline of Zimovia Strait to its intersection with Chapper Passage, then west along the midline of Chichagof Passage to its intersection with Stikine Strait, then northerly along the midline of Slikine Strait, sets of Vank Island, to its intersection with Sumner Strait, then northwest along the midline of Sumner Strait back to the point of Deginning. The use of motorized equipment and whicles is restricted in the South Bitolin Island Wilderness. Hunters should use Leave-No-Trace techniques when establishing and breaking camp. Contact the USDA-FS Wrangell Ranger District at (907) 874-2325 for details.

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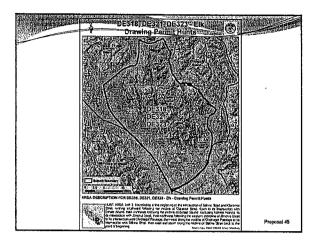


• HUNT: DE323 Draw Elk Hunt

- Hunt Name: 3, Etolin and Zarembo & associated islands
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- · Anchorage, Bethel, Delta Jct, Douglas, Fairbanks, Juneau, Kodiak, Palmer, Petersburg, Sitka, Soldotna
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: If successful, report in person or by phone to Petersburg, Ketchikan or Wrangell within 5 days of kill.
- Unsuccessful: Unsuccessful hunters, including hunters who did not hunt, report by mail within 15 days of season
- Specimen: Lower front teeth 5-inch section.



- Hunt Conditions:
  Additional Requirements (primarily Draw and Tier II and Tier I):
  Hunt Area: Unit 3, that portion bounded by a line beginning at the intersection
  of Sumner Strait and Clarence Strait, running southeast following the midline
  of Clarence Strait, down the midline of Snow Passage, then east of the
  Kashevarof Islands back to the midline of Clarence Strait down to its
  intersection with Ernest Sound, then northeast following the midline of Ernest
  Sound, excluding Niblack Islands, to its intersection with Zimovia Strait, then
  northwest following the western shoreline of Zimovia Strait to its intersection
  with Chichagof Passage, then west along the midline of Chichagof Passage to
  its intersection with Stikine Strait, then northerly along the midline of Stikine
  Strait, west of Vank Island, to its intersection with Sumner Strait, then
  northwest along the midline of Sumner Strait back to the point of beginning.
- The use of motorized equipment and vehicles is restricted in the South Etolin Island Wilderness. Hunters should use Leave-No-Trace techniques when establishing and breaking camp. Contact the USDA-FS Wrangell Ranger District at (907) 874-2323 for details.
- Successful hunters must send a 5" section of the lower front jaw (including teeth) to the Petersburg Fish and Game office. We also request that successful hunters send a photo of their elk antlers along with the lower front teeth.





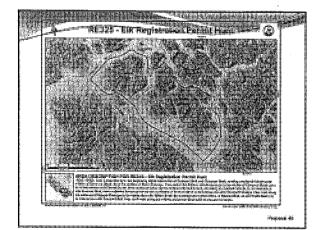
- HUNT: RE325 Registration Elk Hunt Hunt Name: Unit 3 (see attached area description for hunting area)
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat

- Sitka, Yakutat
  Reporting requirements
  Successful: Hunters must return the completed hunt report within 5
  days of kill to the ADF&G office in Petersburg or Wrangell.
  Unsuccessful: You must return the completed hunt report to the
  ADF&G office in Petersburg, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov
  by December 15, 2010.
  Specimen: Antlers attached to the skull plate and the lower front teeth



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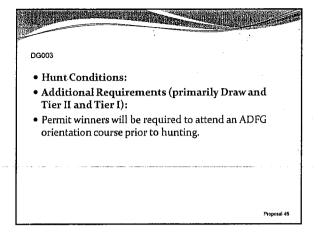
- Hunt Conditions:
- This permit valid for the taking of one (1) bull elk in Unit 3, as covered by Registration Hunt #RE325 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described below:
- 1. Seasons dates: November 15 November 30, 2010.
- Seasons dates: November 15 November 30, 2010.
   Successful hunters must return the completed hunt report portion of this permit and the lower front teeth to the ADF&G representatives in Petersburg, Douglas or Wrangell within five (5) days of kill. We also request a photo of your elk's antlers.
   All hunt reports must be returned, or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business December 15, 2010, If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, tier II and registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for enforcement action.
   Zarembo Island is closed to elk hunting
- 4. Zarembo Island is closed to elk hunting.

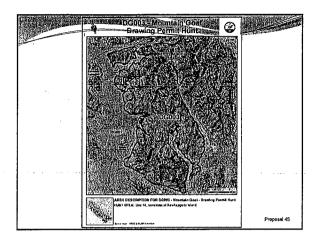


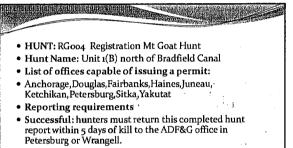


- HUNT: DGoo3 Draw Mt Goat Hunt
- Hunt Name: 1(A), Deer Mountain
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:

- · Anchorage, Bethel, Delta Jct, Douglas, Fairbanks, Juneau, Ketchikan, Kodiak, Palmer, Sitka, Soldotna
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: In person to Ketchikan within 10 days of kill with horns
- Unsuccessful: Report within 15 days of close of season
- Specimen: Horns for Measuring



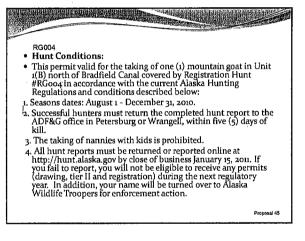


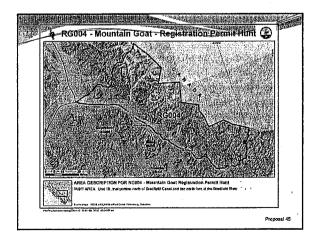


 Unsuccessful: you must return the hunt report to the above office, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by January 15, 2011.

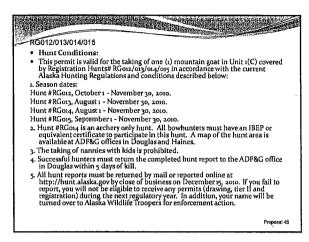
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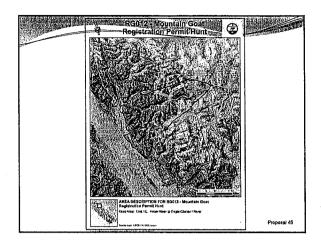
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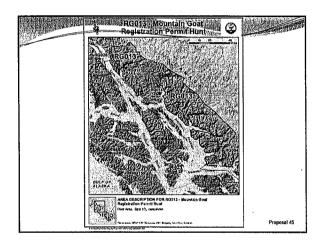


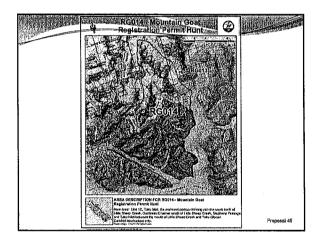


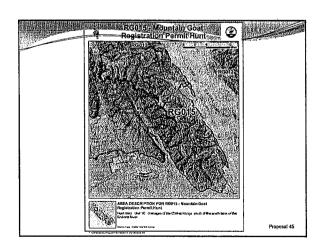
HUNT: RG012 Registration Mt Goat Hunt
Hunt Name: Unit 1(C) (RG012/RG013/RG014/RG015)
List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
Reporting requirements
Successful: hunters must return this completed hunt report within 5 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Douglas.
Unsuccessful: you must return the hunt report to the above office or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by December 15, 2010.
Specimen:

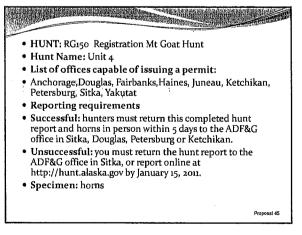










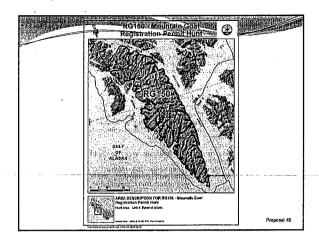




- This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) mountain goat in Unit 4 covered by Registration Hunt #RG150 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described below:
- ı. Season dates: August 1 December 31, 2010.
- 2. Successful hunters must submit horns for age and sex identification and must return the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Sitka, Douglas, Petersburg or Ketchikan within five (5) days of kill.
- 3. The taking of nannies with kids is prohibited.
- 3. The taking or namnes with Rids is profilined.

  4. All hunt reports must be returned to the ADF&G office in Sitka,

  or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by.close of business
  January 15, 20n. If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to
  receive any permits (drawing, tier II and registration) during the
  next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over
  to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for enforcement action.





- HUNT: RG170 Registration Mt Goat Hunt
- Hunt Name: Unit 5
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- · Successful: hunters must return this completed hunt report within 5 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Yakutat or Douglas with horns attached to skull plate.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the hunt report to the ADF&G office in Yakutat or Douglas, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by January 15, 2011.
- Specimen: horns attached to skull plate



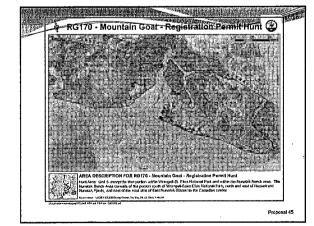
- **Hunt Conditions:**
- This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) mountain goat in Unit 5 covered by Registration Hunt #RG170 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described below;
- Season dates: August 1 December 31, 2009.
   This permit is valid for all of Unit 5 except the Nunatak Bench hunt area (see map).

- area (see map).

  3. The taking of namies with kids is prohibited.

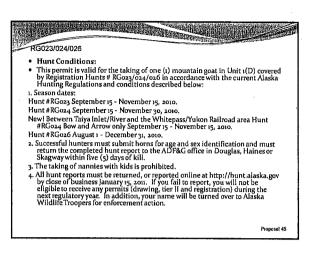
  4. Successful hunters must present the horns attached to the skull plate and the completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Yakutat or Douglas for sex and age identification within five (5) days of kill.

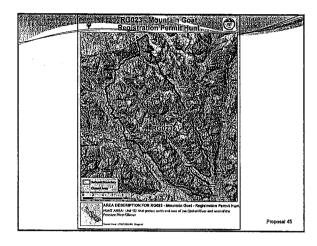
  5. All hunt reports must be returned, or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business January 15, 2010. If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, tier II and registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for enforcement action.

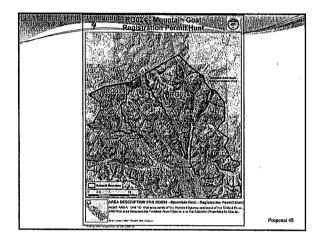


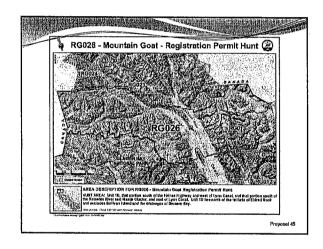
• HUNT: RG023 Registration Mt Goat Hunt

- Hunt Name: Unit 1(D) (RG023/RG024/RG026)
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- · Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must return this completed hunter report within 5 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Douglas.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the hunt report of the above office, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business on January 15, 2011.
- Specimen: horns





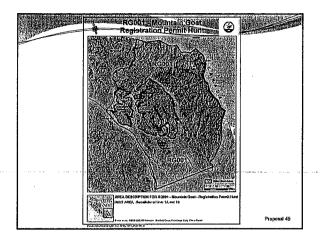


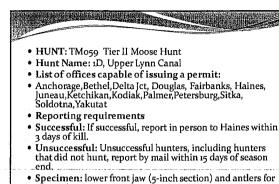




- HUNT: RGoo1 Registration Mt Goat Hunt
- Hunt Name: Units 1(A) and 1(B), South of Bradfield Canal (RGoo1/RGoo2)
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must return this completed hunt report within 5 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Ketchikan. Horn specimen required.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the hunt report to the Ketchikan office, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business on January 15, 2011.
- Specimen: horns

# \*\*RG001/1002 \* Hunt Conditions: This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) mountain goat in Unit 1(A) (except Revilla Island) or one (1) mountain goat in 1(B) south of the Bradfield Canal, or one (1) goat on Revilla Island covered by Registration Hunts # RG001/002 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and Conditions described below: Season dates: August 1 - December 31, 2010. Successful hunters must submit goat horns and the completed hunt report to the Ketchikan Fish and Game office for sealing within 5 days of kill. The taking of nannies with kids is prohibited. All hunt reports must be returned, or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business January 15, 2011. If you fail to report you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, tier II or registration) during the next regulatoryyear. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for enforcement action. One (1) goat may be taken in that portion of 1(A) on Revillagigedo Island except west of Carroll inlet and Creek, west of the divide between Carroll Creek and the south fork of Orchard Creek, South of Orchard Creek, Orchard Lake, Shrimp Bay, and Gedney Pass and on the mainland south of Bradfield Canal to Portland Canal.

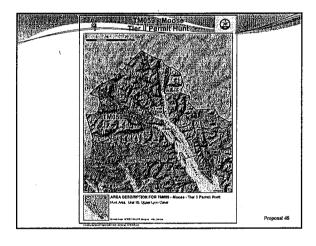




TM059 Tier II Moose Hunt

- Hunt Conditions:
- Additional Requirements (primarily Draw and Tier II and Tier I):
- Only one Tier II moose permit per household.
- A portion of the sex organ must remain "naturally" attached to the meat until the moose is transported to your place of residence.

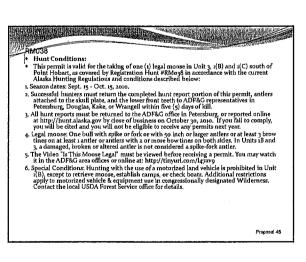
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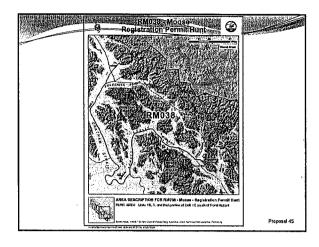


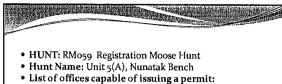


- HUNT: RMo38 Registration Moose Hunt
- Hunt Name: Units 3, 1(B), and 1(C) south of Point Hobart
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must return this completed hunt report within 5 days of kill to an ADF&G representative in Petersburg, Douglas, Kake or Wrangell.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the hunt report to the Petersburg office, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by October 30, 2010.
- Specimen: lower front teeth and antlers attached to the skull plate

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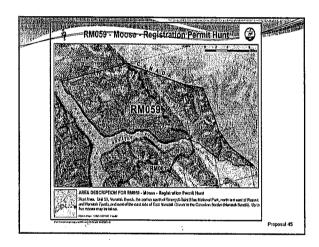


- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must return this completed hunt report and lower front teeth within 5 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Douglas or Yakutat.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the hunt report to the ADF&G office in Douglas, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by March 1, 2011.
- Specimen: lower front teeth



#### • Hunt Conditions:

- This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) moose in Unit 5(A) Nunatak Bench, covered by Registration Hunt #RMo59 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described below:
- 1. Season dates: November 15, 2010 February 15, 2011.
- Successful hunters must return the completed hunt report and lower front teeth to the ADF&G office in Douglas or Yakutat within five (5) days of kill.
- 3. All hunt reports must be returned, or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business on March 1, 2011. If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, tier II and registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for enforcement action.
- 4. Legal moose: Any Moose





- HUNT: RMo61 Registration Moose Hunt
- Hunt Name: Unit 5(A), except Nunatak Bench
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- · Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must return the completed hunt report and lower front teeth to the ADF&G office in Douglas or Yakutat or the USDA Forest Service office in Yakutat within five (5) days of kill.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the hunt report to one of the above offices, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by Dec. i, 2010.
- · Specimen: Lower front teeth



- Hunt Conditions:
   Hunt Conditions:
   This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) bull moose in Unit s(A), except Nunatak Bench, covered by Registration Hunt #RMo6s in accordance with the current Alaska and Federal Hunting Regulations and conditions described below:

  1. Season dates:

  Oct. 8, 200 Nov. 15, 2010 Unit s(A) Residents (Federal Subsistence Season)

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  2. Location(1): From October 8 21 only residents of Unit s(A) may hunt on Federal Public State (excluding the nine townships).

  3. Successful excluding the nine townships).

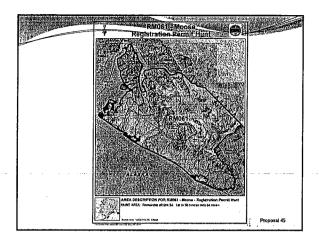
  3. Successful for the side of the subsidered from the SDA Forest Service office in Yakutat within five (5) days of kill.

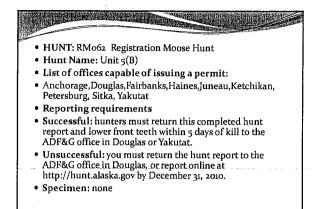
  4. Unsuccessful hunters and permittees who did not hunt must return the completed hunt report to the offices listed above or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business on Dec. 1, 2010.

  5. Legal moose? Bull. Up to 55 hulls may be taken: however, no more than 25 bulls may be taken west of the Dangerous River.

  All successful hunters are asked to provide a photograph of their moose antlers to the ADF&G office in Yakutat or Douglas, or, send an electronic image to ryan.scut@alaska.gov

  Contact the ADF&G office in Yakutat at (907) 784-3255. Douglas (907) 465-4265, or the USDA Forest Service office in Yakutat at (907) 784-3359 for hunt status information.





• Hunt Conditions:

• This permit is valid for the taking of one (1) bull moose in Unit 5(B), covered by Registration Hunt #RMo62 in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions described below:

1. Season dates: September 1 - December 15, 2010.

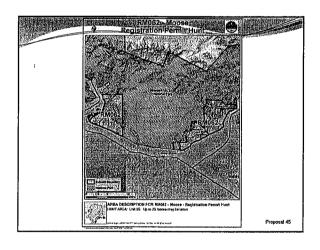
2. Successful hunters must return the completed hunt report and lower front teeth to the ADF&G office in Douglas or Yakutat within five (5) days of kill.

2. All hunt reports must be returned, or reported online at

All hunt reports must be returned, or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business December 31, 2010. If you fail to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, tier II and registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for enforcement action.

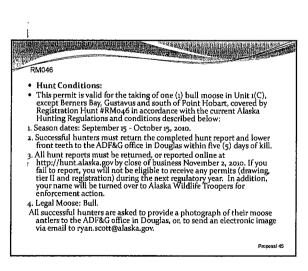
4. Legal moose: 1 Bull.

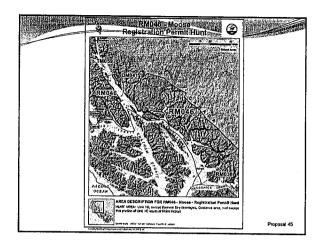
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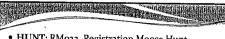




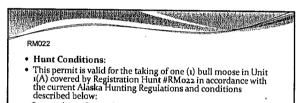
- HUNT: RMo46 Registration Moose Hunt
- Hunt Name: Unit 1(C), except Berners Bay, Gustavus and south of Point Hobart
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must return this completed hunt report within 5 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Douglas.
- Unsuccessful: All hunt reports must be returned, or reports submitted online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by November 2, 2010.
- Specimen: lower front teeth



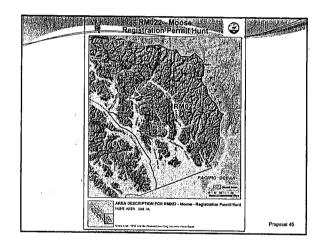




- HUNT: RM022 Registration Moose Hunt
- Hunt Name: Unit 1(A)
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must return this completed hunt report within 10 days of kill to the ADF&G office in Ketchikan. Specimen required.
- Unsuccessful: you must return the hunt report to the Ketchikan office, or report online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business on November 2, 2010.
- Specimen:



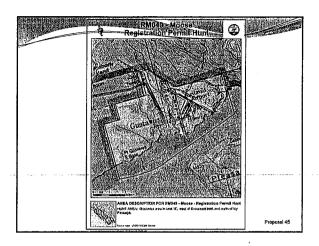
- 1. Season dates: September 15 October 15, 2010. 2. Successful hunters must submit moose antlers and the completed hunt report to the Ketchikan Fish and Game office within 10 days of kill.
- 3. All hunt reports must be returned to the ADF&G office in Ketchikan, or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by close of business November 2, 2010. If you fail to report you will not be eligible to receive any permits (drawing, tier II or registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for enforcement action.
- 4. Legal Moose: Bull.

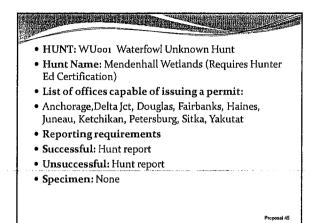




- HUNT: RM049 Registration Moose Hunt
- Hunt Name: Unit 1(C), Gustavus
- List of offices capable of issuing a permit:
- Anchorage, Douglas, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Yakutat
- Reporting requirements
- Successful: hunters must return the completed hunt report, and the lower front teeth to the ADF&G office in Douglas within five (5) days of kill.
- Unsuccessful: hunt reports must be returned or reported online at http://hunt.alaska.gov by November 2, 2010.
- Specimen: lower front teeth

# RM049 Hunt Conditions: This permit is valid for taking one (t) built mose with legal antilers in Unit; t(C), specifically the Gustawusare, in accordance with the current hunting regulations and conditions for Rhóayas described below: 1. Season dates: September 19. October 15, 2010. The use of motorized vehicles (except aircraft and boats) off of the highway system for the transportation of moose hunters, their gear and/or parts of moose is prohibled within the Gustawus area between Sept. 19 and Cet. 15, 2010. "Highway means the drivable surface of a constructed road. A map defining the Gustawus area is available from the Douglas ADPEG office. 3. Successful hunters must return the completed hunt report portion of this permit, and the lower front August Poulars of the Company of 4. Legal moose: One bull with spike or fork or with 50 inch or larger antiers or at least 3 bmw tines on at least and the vice of the control of the control





WU001

• Hunt Conditions:

This permit is valid for hunting waterfowl including sulpe and cranes on the Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge in accordance with the current Alaska Hunting Regulations and conditions established below:

1. You must read the associated educational and safety information provided through the online permit issuance process.

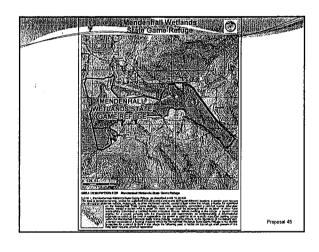
2. Season dates: September 16 - December 31, 2010.

3. Individuals convicted of a wildlife violation while hunting on the refuge will be ineligible for waterfowl permit during the next regulatory year.

4. Basic Funter Education certification is required to waterfowl hunt on the Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge.

5. All Permittees must return their completed hunt report to the ADF&G office in Douglas by close of business on January 15th, 2011. If you fall to report, you will not be eligible to receive any permits (fadwaring, tier II and registration) during the next regulatory year. In addition, your name will be turned over to Alaska Wildlife Troopers for enforcement action.

1. agree to comply with the permit conditions and reporting requirements of this hunt, certify that I am eligible to participate in the hunt and have not been notified by the Department in the previous regulatory year for failure to report on any permit hunt, understand that this hunt may be closed by emergency order, understand that a violation of these conditions is a misdemeanor under 5 AAC 85, 5 AAC 92.059, 5 AAC 92.052, and AS 16.05, 420, and that making a laise skatement on a permit application or report is a misdemeanor (5AAC 92.020), Violators will be prosecuted.



5 AAC 92.010 Harvest Tickets and Reports

Description: Would replace the current deer hunter survey with a deer harvest tickets in GMU's 1-5.

Proposed by ADFG

# Department Recommendation: <u>Adopt</u>

# **Federal Recommended Action:**

Office of Subsistence Management:

<u>Adopt</u>

Southeast Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council:

<u>Adopt</u>

# Deer Harvest Report

•Would look similar to the current survey

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# Discussion

## **Pros**

- •Would eliminate separate surveys for different GMUs, resulting in less confusion and manual processing needs.
- •Would allow the development of statewide deer harvest statistics from an integrated database of all GMUs

# Pros, continued

- •Deer database could be integrated with other species and the data could be accessed online like other species.
- •Could report deer harvest online "as you go" though the season, so that hunt trip details are not forgotten.
- Higher number of overall responses will be received.
- Could still follow up with a randomized survey to estimate total harvest and to evaluate non-response bias.

Proposal 41

#### Cons

- •Mailing costs for reminders may be higher since more people would be reporting (but not if many people opt to report online).
- •More labor may be required to code hunt trip locations since more people will be reporting (unless locations are coded by individuals using online maps).
- •Unless followed up with a randomized survey, harvest results will change from estimated total harvest to only reported harvest.

### Advisory Committee Recommendations

Sitka

Adopt

Craig

Do Not Adopt

Juneau/Douglas

Adopt

Yakutat

Adopt

Department Recommendation:

<u>Adopt</u>

This proposal would change the season dates in the Southeast Alaska waterfowl hunting zone (Units 1 – 4) from Sept 16 – Dec 31 to Sept 1-Dec 16

**Public Proposal** 

Department Recommendation

No Recommendation

# Discussion

- Proposals to shift waterfowl season were submitted by public during each of these previous years: 1996, 1998, 2000, 2006, and 2008
- In 2008 the board passed a proposal to change the season dates from Sept 1-Dec 16, to Sept 16-Dec 31
- This present proposal would reverse the 2008 season change

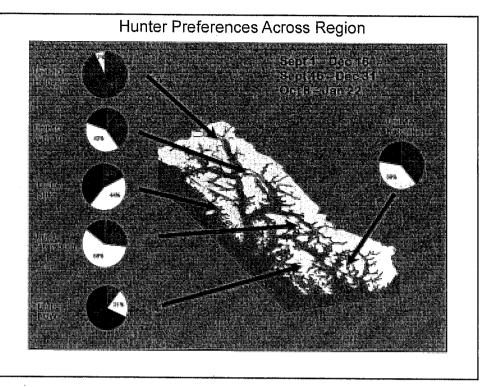
### **Discussion**

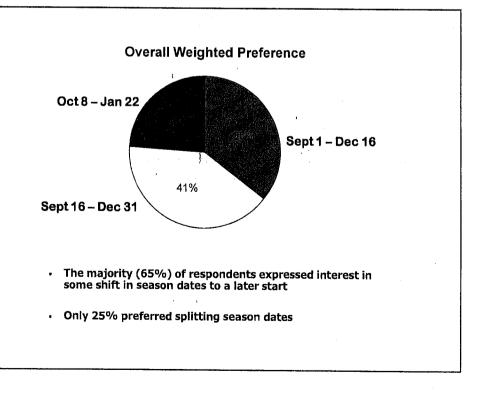
- Season change in 2008 was based on data from an ADF&G survey of Southeast waterfowl hunters
- Survey showed that a majority of hunters across Southeast Alaska preferred the Sept 15 start date
- Based on past history, not all hunters are likely to be satisfied with a single set of season dates

Proposal 32

# 2008 ADF&G Survey of Hunter Preferences

- Random survey of 2006 waterfowl hunters living in Southeast Alaska
- Two question survey
  - Preference of starting dates
    - Sept 1 Dec 16 (current season)
    - Sept 16 Dec 31 (two weeks later)
    - Oct 8 Jan 22 (five weeks later)
  - Desire to have split season





## Conclusion

- Advisory Committee Recommendations
- Juneau/Douglas Adopt

Craig Do Not Adopt

Sitka Do Not Adopt

Department Recommendation

No Recommendation

Proposal 32

#### **Pros and Cons**

- Pros
  - Better opportunity for late-season ducks
    - · Late migrating dabblers & wintering mallards
    - · Better ability to select males
    - Sea ducks
  - Hunting during year-end holidays
- Cons
  - Reduces opportunity for harvest of early migrants (small and medium dabblers)
  - May increase harvest of local wintering ducks and geese
  - Poorer weather and shorter daylight hours later in the year

# **AC Support for Proposal**

- Advisory Committees
  - Yakutat

No Vote

– Juneau

Adopt

- Craig

**Do Not Adopt** 

# Recommendation

 This is an allocation issue – no biological effects are anticipated

Department Recommendation

No Recommendation

# Background - 1996

- Proposal to shift season to Oct 8 Jan 22 in <u>Unit 4</u>
- AC Support
  - Icy Straits: Opposed
  - Gastineau Channel: Opposed
- Board failed to support proposal
  - State does not have authority to enact multiple season dates within a hunting zone

# Background - 1998

- Proposal to shift season to Oct 8 Jan 22 in <u>Unit 4</u>
- AC Support
  - Sitka: Support
  - Edna Bay: Opposed
  - Petersburg: Opposed
- Board discussed other options and voted to request a zone split from the Flyway Council
- Fish and Wildlife Service did not allow a zone split at that time

# Background - 2000

- Proposal to shift season to Oct 8 Jan 22 in Units 1 4
- AC Support
  - Edna Bay: Support
  - Juneau/Douglas: Opposed
- Board discussion also considered zone and season splits
- Board failed to support any changes (0-7)

# Background - 2006

- Proposals to shift season to Sept 15 Dec 31 in Units 1 4
- Informal polling of hunter preference by staff suggested some preference for change
- AC Support
  - Juneau AC: Neutral
  - Upper Lynn Canal AC: Opposed
  - Wrangell AC: Support
- Board failed to support any changes (split vote, 2-4)
- Department committed to conduct a comprehensive survey of hunter preferences for next board cycle

# Current Seasons by Zone

- North (Interior) Sept 1 to Dec 16
- Gulf Coast Sept 1 to Dec 16
- Southeast Sept 1 to Dec 16
- Pribilof/Aleutian Oct 8 to Jan 22
- Kodiak Oct 8 to Jan 22

## **Discussion**

- · The change in 2008 was based on survey data
- 2008 Random mail survey of hunter preference suggested some preference for change
- Board passed amended proposal for season dates from September 16 – December 31

# SE Waterfowl Hunter Statistics

GMU (Town)	Waterfowl Hunters	# Sampled	# Responded
1A (KTN)	168 (12%)	84 (50%)	31 (37%)
2 (POW)	91 (7%)	46 (50%)	19 (41%)
3 (PSG)	253 (19%)	127 (50%)	43 (34%)
4 (SIT)	154 (11%)	77 (50%)	26 (34%)
1C (JNU)	605 (45%)	126 (20%)	49 (39%)
1D (HAI)	75 (6%)	38 (50%)	16 (42%)
	1346	498 (37%)	184 (37%)