## Proposal 33

Reauthorize the antlerless moose season west of $156^{\circ} 00^{\prime}$ W longitude and north of the Colville drainage in Unit 26A

Season: July 1-Sept 14

## Recommendation: Support

## Department Proposal

## Proposal 33

## Moose / Unit 26A

- The minimum population count has declined from 1,180 in 2008 to 294 in 2014.

Unit 26A Moose Minimum Population Count 1970-2014


## Proposal 33

## Moose / Unit 26A

- Low Reported Moose Harvest

| Reported Harvest | Regulatory Year |
| :--- | :--- |
| 13 | 2010 |
| 5 | 2011 |
| 9 | 2012 |
| 6 | 2013 |
| 2 | 2014 |
| 3 | 2015 |

- Reported harvest between RY2006 and RY2015 is 3 antlerless moose
- Unreported harvest is likely below 5 (social media and word of mouth)


## Proposal 33

## Moose / Unit 26A

- West of $156^{\circ} 00^{\prime} \mathrm{W}$ longitude and north of the Colville drainage does not have a year round moose population and only 3 antlerless moose have been harvested in the past 10 years.



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Season: July 1-Sept 14
Recommendation: Support

Department Proposal

## Proposal 34

Open the wolverine hunting season on July 15 instead of September 1

## Recommendation: Neutral

## Public Proposal

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## Proposal 34

## Wolverine / Unit 26A

Reported Wolverine Harvest


## Proposal 34

- Few wolverines are harvested under hunting regulations so it is unlikely that there would be a biological problem.
- Female wolverines wean their kits from late July through early August. Harvesting females may result in decreased survival rates of kits.
- Fur quality is poor in August.
- Would create an inconsistency in the starting date from all other Units in Alaska.


## Proposal 34

Open the wolverine hunting season on July 15 instead of September 1

## Recommendation: Neutral

## Public Proposal

## Proposal 35

# Lengthen the hunting season for wolves in 

 Unit 26A by 11 daysRecommendation: Neutral

If adopted we recommend retaining the current closure date of April 30

Public Proposal

## Proposal 35

Current Season: August 10- April 30 Bag Limit: 10 wolves per year

Proposed Season: July 31- April 20 Bag Limit: 10 wolves per year

## Proposal 35

- There have been no recent surveys to assess the current UNITWIDE woIf population.
- The number of wolves seen during spring moose surveys and hunter's reports indicate that wolf numbers are stable.
- Annual reported harvest has been variable, ranging from 5-37 wolves (hunting and trapping combined), and there is no apparent increasing or decreasing trend since 2000.


## Proposal 35

## Wolf / Unit 26A

Reported Wolf Harvest


## Proposal 35

# Lengthen the hunting season for wolves in 

 Unit 26A by 11 daysRecommendation: Neutral, if adopted we recommend retaining the current closure date of April 30

Public Proposal

