

PROP 148**Larry Van Daele's summary and suggestions from the town hall meeting – 21 FEB 18****Draft regulatory language and definitions**

...however, in Unit 17 a motorized vehicle may be used to assist in the taking of a caribou, wolf or wolverine provided that the vehicle is not used to actively chase, torment, or molest the animal and that the is not shot at until the vehicle is stopped.

"Actively chase" – direct pursuit at a moderate to high rate of speed (>15 mph) that continues after the animals start to flee. This does not include accidentally causing animals to flee due to normal point-to-point vehicle operations or attempting to intercept animals that are more than 300 yds away.

"Torment" – repeatedly (more than once) causing animals to change their behavior in such a way that they flee or are otherwise harassed due to the activities of the motorized vehicle. This does not preclude operating around the animals in a manner that may change their movement patterns without causing them to run or panic.

"Molest" – causing physical harm to the animal directly or indirectly by a motorized vehicle.

Another suggestion offered by participants in the town hall meeting:

An outreach and education program should be coupled with regulatory change to help people understand the regulation and enhance respectful hunting techniques. That program would focus on culturally appropriate and effective methods to stalk and harvest animals with the aid of motorized vehicles, such as how to approach the animals without causing them to run, how to gently herd and intercept them in a way to get a clean shot, and why it is important to avoid causing animals to flee or panic and to never chase them. To be successful, the program must be created by a cooperative coalition of agencies (including state and federal wildlife management and law enforcement), Native corporations and associations, elders, experienced hunters, and other members of the public. The primary audience for the program would be young hunters and people new to the area (especially new biologists and enforcement agents).