PROPOSAL 98

5 AAC 85.045. Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose

Change the Tier II permit hunt for moose in Unit 19A to a registration permit hunt as follows:

I recommend moving from a Tier II hunt to a registration permit hunt. Permits only available in Units 18 and 19 before the hunt. The allowable harvest is and has been above the upper range of the ANS (amount reasonably necessary for subsistence) for a few years and it time to move into a registration hunt.

CURRENT LANGUAGE:

5AAC 85.045 Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose:

Unit 19A, that portion downstream from and including the George River drainage, and downstream from and excluding the Downey River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

One antlered bull by <u>registration permit</u> Sept. 1 - Sept. 20 [TIER II] permit only; [UP TO 300 PERMITS MAY BE ISSUED.]

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? I would like the Board of Game to replace the TM680 Tier II, Unit 19A hunt with a registration permit hunt. Unit 19A moose have long been a regional resource and the Tier II limits hunters based on household and age. I would like to see younger people participating in the hunt.