<u>ACR 2</u> – Allow hunters to transfer Unit 24D moose permits (DM892) to 2021 or to reapply for 2021

SUBMITTED BY: Virgil Umphenour

CITE THE REGULATION THAT WILL BE CHANGED IF THIS ACR IS HEARD.

5 AAC 92.050 Required permit hunt conditions and procedures; paragraphs (a)(4)(F) and (a)(6).

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM YOU WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO ADDRESS? STATE IN DETAIL THE NATURE OF THE CURRENT PROBLEM.

5 AAC 92.050(f). Lockdowns or travel into my permitted Guide Use Area caused by the COVID-19, prohibited me taking my Huslia River clients hunting.

WHAT SOLUTION DO YOU PREFER?

The permit for 2020 would be reissued for 2021, or the individuals would be allowed to apply for the game permit DM892 for 2021.

STATE IN DETAIL HOW THIS ACR MEETS THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

1) To correct an error in regulation.

No

2) To correct an effect of a regulation that was unforeseen when a regulation was adopted.

The Village and Tribal Councils of Huslia held a meeting on 10 August 2020 to decide how to deal with non-permanent residents of Huslia and the moose season. My proposal is attached. They decided to keep the village locked down; this included: No one can get a resident of Huslia to buy gas and take it to the river bank for a hunter even a family member that no longer lives there. Wright Air will continue to not fly anyone to Huslia without approval from the village administrator to include charters.

3) Does the request identify a biological concern for the population or a threat to meeting objectives for the population?

No

4) Does the request identify an unforeseen, unexpected event or effect that would otherwise restrict or reduce a reasonable opportunity for customary and traditional wildlife uses, as defined in AS 16.05.258(f)?

No

5) Does the request identify an unforeseen, unexpected resource situation where a biologically allowable resource harvest would be precluded by delayed regulatory action and such delay would be significantly burdensome because the resource would be unavailable in the future?

No

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THIS PROBLEM IS NOT SOLVED PRIOR TO THE REGULAR CYCLE?

The five clients I cold not take hunting in 2020 will be ineligible to apply for 2021.

STATE WHY YOUR ACR IS NOT PREDOMINANTLY ALLOCATIVE.

IF THIS REQUEST IS ALLOCATIVE, STATE THE NEW INFORMATION THAT COMPELS THE BOARD TO CONSIDER AN ALLOCATIVE PROPOSAL OUTSIDE OF THE REGULAR CYCLE.

N.A.

STATE YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN THE ISSUE THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS ACR.
Guide

STATE WHETHER THIS ACR HAS BEEN CONSIDERED BEFORE, EITHER AS A PROPOSAL OR AS AN ACR, AND IF SO, DURING WHICH BOARD OF GAME MEETING.

The one the end of May, for bear hunters.

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August 18, 2020

Huslia Tribal Council,

I'm writing to request permission to fly hunting clients and hunting staff into Huslia on charter flights for moose hunting season in September. The hunting clients will be coming from out of state and will be in compliance with State of Alaska mandates regarding COVID-19 testing, including producing results of a negative COVID-19 tests to officials at Fairbanks International Airport upon arrival. After arriving in Huslia, they will be taken directly to the riverbank to proceed to hunting camp via boats. None of the hunting clients or staff will enter the village and they will be taken to the river in the back of a pick-up truck, none of them will be in close contact with any village residents.

When we schedule the charter flights we will work with the airline to get the earliest possible time in the day to minimize traffic at the airport. Proposed charter flights would be on these dates: September 4th (drop off), September 15th (to pick up the first group of hunters and drop off the second group of hunters) and September 26th (to pick up the second group of hunters).

Alvin Attla and Daren Dayton will be Hunt Alaska points of contact in Huslia. Daren and Alvin will be delivering fuel to camp and picking up meat. Fuel and meat will be picked up from the riverbank, no hunting camp member will come into direct contact with either Alvin or Daren.

We will not allow any visitors at any of the hunting camps, we will have a notice posted at each camp.

Please let me know your decision at your earliest convenience but no later than August 21st. If you have any questions, please call me on my cell phone at 907-328-8857.

Thank you,

Virgil Umphenour