PROPOSAL 210

5 AAC 85.045. Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose.

Eliminate the community subsistence harvest moose hunts in Unit 13 as follows.

Eliminate the community harvest moose hunts in Unit 13. General season moose hunt for all should be September 1st to September 20th.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Discontinue community harvest moose hunts. This hunt, in its sixth or seventh year has destroyed the moose population in Unit 13. My family has survived off Unit 13 moose for 20 years continuously. On and off we have lived off them since 1961. We have gone two years, hunting every day of the 20-day season without seeing a legal moose. The community hunt is putting too much pressure on moose, and since they can also harvest spike-fork or 50", 4 brow tines moose before the general season without it counting on the community harvest quota, there is increase pressure on those moose, thus removing them from the woods before the general season. I live in the middle of Unit 13, and this fall, for the first time in 20 years, I will be forced to travel to other areas to harvest moose meat. Tier I caribou tied to moose in Unit 13 also has put added pressure on moose in Unit 13.