PROPOSAL 228

92.095. Unlawful methods of taking furbearers; exceptions.

Require trap identification tags in Unit 14A, 14B, 16 as follows:

Traps set for furbearers in Units 14A, 14B, and 16 should be marked with permanently affixed tags identifying the individual by reference to the individual's trapping license number, or other information sufficient to provide law enforcement with the individual's name and address.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Portions of Units 14A, 14B and 16 are heavily populated while trapping of furbearers is authorized in these parts of the State of Alaska. There have been numerous incidents of dogs being caught in traps near trails, trailheads, campgrounds, and permanent dwellings. The identification of individuals setting illegal traps will aid law enforcement, and more importantly, provide a disincentive to individuals who might be tempted to place a trap where it is illegal to do so. This has been done for traps set in Chugach State Park by the Board of Game, and has been helpful in reducing incidents of illegally placed traps.

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