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I have a degree in biology and have been practicing falconry since 2005. It is my understanding the non-resident falconry take laws are being considered for amendment. There are many applicants each year and few winners. I would like to recommend that there be more available winning participants chosen each year. I would also like to recommend that winners must wait one calendar year to apply again unless there are more 'tags' available than lottery participants at which time the opportunity would open to any non-resident. The resources (bird of prey populations) would not be impacted negatively. Alaska provides brutal winter conditions for young animals. Allowing June eyass through to early November passage take for lottery winners would make sense. These changes would align with most states non-resident take regulations.



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Why has unit 15c hunting season been managed to close off access's by motor vehicle at the end of the moose season restricting access to hunting areas. This has been in effect since I first move to Alaska in 1982. Could some one explain to me the reason for this regulation? Moose numbers are up in 15c so it can't be because of that. The regulation pretty much closes access during the best part of the moose season. I think this regulation needs to be addressed or explain its purpose. It is my belief and many of my hunting associates that this needs to be changed or the closure days shortened so we can have access at the later part of the season. If not let us know the purpose of this regulation. Thank you for your consideration



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I apologize in advance for submitting an additional form before I commented. Please void my first attempt. Not all cats are pets, many are cats that created a community of their own. They provide a natural form of pest control. The trap, sterilize and release program ensures reducing disease, their unchecked reproduction and general health. Those found to be cast away from homes are put up for adoption. Those born within a colony are not candidates for adoption but typically released in the location they were originally trapped. This is a humane system that helps everyone involved.



**Subject:** Non-resident Falconry Take

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Board Members,

I can't tell you how strenuously I object to expanding the taking of any Alaska falcons by non-residents. One can quote relevant statistics 24/7, but those statistics pale in comparison to one other factor. As a long-time resident and participant, I've seen fish and game opportunities erode to the point of either being non-existent or unpleasant. The term, "Combat fishing," is no joke.

When I first fished the Deska, we were the only ones there. I took my dad and the oldest boy. We caught our limits of silvers. An Alaska dream that has turned into a nightmare. Try sheep hunting. I began taking my oldest son sheep hunting when he was nine and scored. That continued through my second son and daughter. Try it now. You won't because you can't.

You may think that this, "Minor," addition that our falconry board proposes won't really hurt Alaska falconry, and statistically, it may not. But if you approve this, you are opening a door that will never close and will just get pushed wider and wider open, until you've wrecked the one, last, remaining truly Alaska outdoor experience we have. Think how much of our land is federal! This issue won't be governed by you, and our F&G Department. It'll be governed by the Feds under the pressure of politicians who outnumber our own.

It baffles me that our falconry leadership is willing to sacrifice our sport and this valuable treasure to outsiders who have no investment in Alaska other than to take from it and us Alaskans.

Respectfully,

Burt Bomhoff  
Master Falconer



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I believe the hunting guides being licensed is a really good thing. But I believe the animals they shoot .

The price is too low. The moose, they need to take it all home,with them.

The indian don't want the meat.

The hunter must take it home.

a 20,000 bear about right

a moose 15000.09

the resources of Alaska are then for free.

the salmon guides fish , are absolutely free to them.

Guides need to buy permits to fish.

Charter boats have taken 44 billion 310 million of revenue just off the Kenai peninsula alone.

They get there resources for free. Free fish ,300 days of fishing non stop.

The board of game, at least the guides are licensed,

Unlike the sports guides association,

The reap the fish , and leave alaaska with a pot of money



Submitted By  
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Regarding increased muzzleloader opportunities.

Dear Board Members,

I think it would be great if more non drawing muzzleloader hunts were available for certified muzzleloader hunters. I believe this could be a win/win scenario for these reasons.

1. As a tool to keep game populations in check in areas where a high powered rifle may not be as safe as a muzzleloader with limited range, being used by a hunter that has completed the muzzleloader class and is likely more cognizant of shot placement and general safety considerations than less trained hunters.
2. This would extend hunting opportunities for Alaskans to enjoy their state and put meat on the table.
3. This could be a good economic boost to the businesses that sell the necessary equipment to participate in muzzleloader hunts.

Thank you for your service and considering my suggestion.

Sincerely,

James Conner



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I am in support of the proposal for 50-yard trap setbacks from popular multi-use trails, including those in: Nancy Lakes Recreation Area, Big Lake, Palmer Hayflats, Hatcher Pass, Jim Creek, Talkeetna, Sutton, Glacier, Mat-Su Valley Moose Range, Chickaloon, Government Peak, Knik, Settler's Bay Coastal Park, Willow, Nelchina, and more. I believe this would cut down on multi-user conflicts in these high traffic areas, allowing all trail users to co-exist peaceably, in addition to increasing overall safety for trail users and their pets. Thank you.



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Would like to see more non-resident tags offered! This would bring more revenue into the state as hunters come in and stay and hunt. Also stats show the resident tags are not filled at a high percentage. Offering more to our of state will still be able to maintain the harvest numbers and as stated above bring more money to all parties involved in traveling to Alaska.





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I believe the State of Alaska should allow non resident falconers to be regulated in the same manner as the resident falconers. All US falconers have the same and equal credentials and qualifications based on USFWS laws and regulations relating to the art of falconry. Therefore, all US falconers should have equal access to a **national resource**( raptors used in falconry) based on biologic information for sustainable take. There should be **no discrimination** related to where a qualified falconer lives. The take of raptors for falconry has been shown by USFWS studies to have no negative impact on the resource ( raptor population ) and will improve the survival of the raptor taken as well as the eyases that remain. A decision in this line would be good for the raptors, the falconers, and the state by eliminating unnecessary regulation and increasing state revenue.



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Please consider allowing TNVR cats to be able to uphold the 'R' and allow them to be released once they are vaccinated, spayed /neutered. This works well in most areas to reduce the population over time with creating and immediate termination of the animal's life.



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Alaska, as a state, should be focused on allowing non-resident take of raptors for conservative political reasons. When states limit the use of state resources to only residents it is exactly the same as when communist Cuba does so. Don't be communists! Vote to allow tourist/non-resident take of the valuable and plentiful Alaskan gyrfalcons, peregrine falcons, goshawks and other wildlife.



**From:** [Knik](#)

**Subject:** Dall sheep management and the public's perception of BOG decisions

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I support proposals 151, 230, 241, and 267 (relating to wild sheep) for the following reasons:

Alaska's wildlife is a public asset. The allocation of these assets should be in accordance with 1) sound science and 2) the Alaska state constitution. There is a growing public perception that that the BOG is drifting away from their mission and instead caving in to pressure from profit motivated special interest groups that represent the guiding industry. This is effectively taking these resources away from the man of simple means and handing them over to the elite and the wealthy.



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Propose that the regulation requiring the taxidermist to wait 6 months before submitting required paperwork to sell be changed to 3 months. The current 6 months has little effect in effectively assisting the taxidermist/business in getting payed for monies/funds owed. It has never been effective in this manner. I have taken over this business from my Father/Charlie Livingston/Ak Wilderness Arts and Taxidermy, and he informed me this regulation is flawed and ineffective during his time from 1982 thru 2016, for 32 years of business. Those who don't or won't pay, DO NOT pay without exception. We have spent up to 30 plus dollars, plus admin costs with accountants in attempts to collect. 3 months is much more manageable, even though it is mostly a lost cause and a financial loss regardless, as who wants someone else's Big Game/Small Game or Fish Trophy.

98% of these mounts remain in the showroom and are seldom sold, although some, a few and as many as possible, down payments are taken when possible. Promises of down payments, payed in the future days to come, are pursued and attempts to collect are tried, usually without success.

Joshua Livingston, Taxidermist/Owner

Charlie Livingston, Former Owner/ Ak Wilderness Arts and Taxidermy



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I believe that the number of Alaskan non-resident falconry permits should not be as restricted or as few as they currently are, and should be expanded as the actual biological numbers of the raptor resource allows, and in my opinion, unlimited non-resident take permits should be considered.

Here in my state (Washington state), we have unlimited take permits for non-residents (yes, including goshawks and gyrfalcons!), yet we have a significantly smaller landmass than does Alaska. We have seen absolutely no loss in raptor numbers during that time, if anything we have seen dramatic increases in several species.

Thank you for your consideration.  
-Wendy Louie

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My wife and I support the adoption of Proposal 199. This proposal would resolve conflicts between trappers and other recreational users of identified public trails and recreational sites by establishing a "no-trap" buffer between these uses. Ethical trappers usually respect other outdoor users, but without an enforceable boundary, there will always be lapses. This proposal will enact minimal trapping ethics into law, and is long overdue. Please adopt Proposal No. 199. Thank you.



May 15, 2020

The North American Falconers Association (NAFA) is the largest membership falconry organization in the world, representing the falconry community of all three countries on this continent. Wild raptors are an important and integral part of the long traditions of the cultural heritage of falconry; and, therefore, falconers are among the most ardent raptor conservationists.

NAFA continues to strongly support science-based, biologically sustainable management of falconry and birds of prey and we have always encouraged the development of non-resident take provisions across the United States. NAFA was very pleased, therefore, when the Alaska Board of Game introduced a modest non-resident take for the first time in 2015.

Alaska has enormous raptor resources with species that are difficult to obtain in many other parts of the country. A trip to Alaska to obtain a falconry raptor represents the opportunity of a lifetime for many falconers in the lower 48. We applaud the Alaska Board of Game for considering an expansion to non-resident take opportunities for falconry.

Once again, we would like to offer any additional assistance that you are willing to call upon us for.

Respectfully,

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Please support for Proposal 144 and for TNVR programs. Ask the Board of Game to support Proposal 144 and to exempt sterilized community cats from the list of species prohibited from being released into the wild. Tell them TNVR programs are good for cats and good for communities. Include your experience with community cat programs if applicable.



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Please save God's creature's. God Bless ☐☐☐♥☐♥☐♥☐



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I think this proposal would be a great opportunity to not only create additional revenue for Alaskan wildlife but would also give more hunters the opportunity to chase a species that they might otherwise never get to hunt. This would mean more recognition for the species and potentially more involvement from the traditional community for conservation efforts going forward. As hunters and conservationists there is no downside to involving more people who are passionate about the outdoors and allowing them to participate in the efforts of preserving a species.



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I agree with spaying and neutering cats, if the veterinarians weren't charging 3 to 400 dollars to get a cat fixed this wouldn't be so much of a problem.



Submitted By  
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Dear Members of the Board of Game:

I am writing to help support saving the lives of community cats by advocating for lifesaving programs I strongly urge you to consider changes to regulations that would benefit outdoor cats. Allowing TNVR [trap-neuter-vaccinate-return] programs in Alaska is a long-overdue solution to managing our outdoor stray cat population.

**Current state rules and regulations severely hamper any lifesaving efforts focused on community cats. Alaska's Board of Game has been considering rule changes that could impact cats and the people who care for them. These changes have been pushed to early 2022.**

Alaska's residents deserve TNVR (trap-neuter-vaccinate-return) programs, which are animal-friendly, cost-effective, and reduce the burden and bureaucracy placed on the state's animal shelters. The process is simple: Community cats are trapped, evaluated by veterinarians, vaccinated, spayed or neutered, ear-tipped, and returned to their outdoor homes, unable to have kittens.

The simple truth is that current methods of animal control relative to community cats are expensive, ineffective and often inhumane. Rule changes allowing TNVR programs would be better for the cats, for public health and for the wildlife we all want to protect.

Thank you for your consideration and for showing that you support safe, humane and positive solutions for cats living in your community.

Sincerely,

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TNR is the only effective solution worldwide. Please don't make it worse with the strategy you may be discussing.