## **PROPOSAL 15**

## 5 AAC 92.510(a)(5)(B) Areas closed to hunting.

Change the description of the Petersburg Road System Closed Area as follows:

5 AAC 92.510(a)(5)

(B) in the Petersburg vicinity, a strip one-fourth mile wide on each side of the Mitkof Highway from mile marker 8.75 of the Mitkof Highway to <u>mile marker 17.22</u> [THE CRYSTAL LAKE CAMPGROUND] is closed to the taking of big game, except wolves;

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The current description of the Petersburg Road System Closed Area is inaccurate. The southern most boundary of the closed area is described as the Crystal Lake campground. While the US Forest Service does maintain a public use facility at mile marker 17.22 of the Mitkof Highway, there is no campground present. Additionally, the name of the public use facility is not consistent and varies on currently available maps from "Blind Slough Campground" to "Bind Slough Picnic Area".

To avoid confusion, the department proposes correcting the boundary description by replacing Crystal Lake campground with mile marker 17.22 of the Mitkof Highway.