## **PROPOSAL 46**

## 5 AAC 85.056. Hunting seasons and bag limits for wolf.

Lengthen the hunting season for wolves in Unit 2, to open September 1 as follows:

Open to residents and nonresidents:

Five wolves

September 1st [December 1st] - March 31st

All wolves taken in Unit 2 must be sequentially numbered or marked by the hunter, the hunter must call the ADF&G office at (907) 225-2475 within 7 days of take to report the date and location of take, and all hides must be sealed within 15 days of take.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? We would like to see the start of wolf season in Unit 2 start on September 1 to better align with the federal season and to provide additional harvest opportunity.

Wolves are often encountered throughout the deer hunting season in Unit 2. Opportunistic harvest of wolves during this time is prohibited because the current season does not open until December 1.

We believe the department could benefit from the information that would be gathered from wolves harvested prior to the current season start date.