## ALASKA BOARD OF GAME Southcentral Region Meeting Soldotna Sports Center | Soldotna, Alaska March 17 - 22, 2023

## **Preliminary Actions on Proposals**

C = Carry; CA = Carry as Amended; F = Fail; D = Defer; T = Table; NA = No Action (*The Board of Game can reconsider the actions anytime during the meeting.*)

#### **Regionwide & Multiple Units**

- <u>F</u> **Proposal 55:** Reduce resident cow permits and nonresident bull permits for Southcentral Region units.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 56:** Prohibit taking of big game from boats in Units 6, 7, and 15.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 57:** Allow the use of dogs to track and retrieve dead or wounded fur animals in Units 6 8, 14C, and 15.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 58:** Require hunter orientation for hunting goat in Southcentral Region units.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 200:** Create a moose hunt in the Southcentral Region for seniors over the age 65 with ADF&G Permanent ID.

### <u>Cordova Area – Unit 6</u>

- <u>F</u> **Proposal 59:** Change the RG231 to an archery only hunt for goat in Unit 6 for certified bowhunters.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 60:** Create an archery only deer hunt in Unit 6 for resident and nonresident certified bowhunters only.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 61:** Lower the resident and nonresident general season bag limit for deer in Unit 6.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 62:** Re-establish an antlerless moose season in Unit 6C.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 63:** Lengthen the brown bear season in Unit 6D, excluding Montague Island.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 64:** Change the minimum jaw spread for trapping land otter in Unit 6.

#### Kodiak Area Proposals – Unit 8

- <u>F</u> **Proposal 65:** Establish a fall, registration goat hunt for residents and nonresidents in Unit 8, that portion of the Aliulik Peninsula.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 66:** Create an archery only, resident goat hunt within the Unit 8, RG480 hunt area.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 67:** Decrease the number of tags for the DG478 and DG479 goat hunts in Unit 8, to guarantee allocation of the weapons restricted, late season registration hunt.

- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 68:** Modify the Unit 8, caribou hunting season from a general season harvest ticket to a registration hunt. *The board amended the proposal to change the nonresident bag limit to bull-only, and to retain the any caribou bag limit for residents.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 69:** Exclude Kodiak Island from the hunt area for elk in Unit 8 Remainder.
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 70:** Modify the Unit 8, Raspberry Island hunting season and bag limit by changing the antlerless elk drawing hunt to an antlerless registration hunt. *The board amended the proposal to eliminate the nonresident registration hunt from the proposal.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 71:** Establish a drawing permit hunt for elk, open to take by bow and arrow only in Unit 8, Southwest Afognak.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 72:** Establish a drawing permit hunt for elk, open to take by bow and arrow only in Unit 8, Raspberry Island.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 209:** Reallocate four permits each, from elk drawing permit hunts DE715, DE717, DE721, and DE723 to resident registration hunts, with 8 permits available for pick up in Ouzinkie and 8 in Port Lions.
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 73:** Reduce the bag limit for deer in Unit 8, Remainder. *The board amended the proposal to change the nonresident bag limit to 1 buck, and retain the current resident bag limit.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 74:** Require that meat must be left on the bone when hunting deer in Unit 8.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 75:** Count brown bear wounded by hunters in Unit 8 against the bag limit of one bear every four calendar years.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 76:** Lengthen the brown bear registration hunt seasons for RB230 and RB260 in Unit 8.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 77:** Eliminate brown bear permits the following season, when a female bear is taken in Unit 8.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 78:** Require all hunters to apply for Unit 8 brown bear drawing permits.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 79:** Transfer under-subscribed nonresident brown bear permits for Unit 8 to the resident allocation.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 80:** Adjust the allocation for Unit 8 brown bear permit hunts, DB101 DB193.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 81:** Require all snares set on the Kodiak road system to include breakaway mechanisms.

### <u>Anchorage Area – Unit 14C</u>

- <u>C</u> **Proposal 82:** Expand the Unit 14C northeast sheep drawing hunt areas to include the East Fork Eklutna hunt area.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 83:** Reopen the late rifle hunt for sheep in Unit 14C and redistribute the existing permits to not increase the total take of rams.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 84:** Create a new archery only, drawing hunt for sheep in Unit 14C, that portion within the Eklutna River drainage area.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 208:** Modify the nonresident drawing permit allocation for Dall sheep in Unit 14C.

- <u>F</u> **Proposal 85:** Create an archery only drawing hunt for goat in Unit 14C, within the drainage of the West Fork of Eklutna River.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 86:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in the Twentymile/Portage/Placer hunt area in Units 7 and 14C.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 87:** Establish a general moose season open for take by bow and arrow only, in Unit 14C Remainder.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 88:** Change the registration moose hunt, RM445, in the Chugach State Park Management Area in Unit 14C to an archery only hunt.
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 203:** Establish a moose drawing hunt within Unit 14C in Kincaid Park for hunters that meet the 70% disability standard with mobility impairments. *The board amended the proposal to strike muzzleloaders and add archery equipment and crossbows.*
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 89:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 14C.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 90:** Establish a primitive weapons hunt or any weapons hunt for black bear in the West Fork of Eagle River Drainage in Unit 14C.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 91:** Add bow and arrow to the legal means of take for the DL455 black bear hunt in Unit 14C, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 92:** Add bow and arrow to the legal means of take for the DL457 black bear hunt in Unit 14C, McHugh Creek area.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 93:** Allow certified bowhunters to participate in DL455 and DL457 black bear hunts in Unit 14C, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson and McHugh Creek areas. *The board took no action due to the discussion and action on proposal 91.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 94:** Open a black bear archery drawing hunt in the McHugh Creek hunt area in the Unit 14C, Anchorage Management Area.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 95:** Open a resident only, limited registration black bear archery hunt in McHugh Creek hunt area in the Unit 14C Anchorage Management Area. *The board took no action due to the discussion and action on proposal 94.*
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 96:** Establish a black bear archery hunt in Unit 14C, the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson management area for hunters who also draw an archery moose tag. *The board took no action due to the discussion and action on proposal 91.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 97:** Establish a primitive weapons hunt or any weapons hunt for brown bear in the West Fork of Eagle River Drainage in Unit 14C.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 98:** Open a hunt for brown bear within the Rainbow Creek drainage in Unit 14C.
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 99:** Open an archery drawing hunt for brown bear in Unit 14C, the McHugh Creek area for residents and nonresidents. *The board amended the proposal to mirror the season dates of 10/1-31, and allowable weapons as the black bear hunt, with up to 5 permits to be issued.*
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 100:** Establish an archery only drawing hunt for brown bear in Unit 14C, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson area, with a bag limit of one bear every four regulatory years. *The board took no action due to the discussion and action on proposal 91.*

- <u>F</u> **Proposal 101:** Extend the general season for brown bear, open for take by bow and arrow only, in Unit 14C Remainder.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 102:** Lengthen the season for brown bear in Unit 14C Remainder.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 103:** Establish a bear bait hunt in Unit 14C, the McHugh Creek drainage area for black and brown bear.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 104:** Close Chugach State Park and Glacier Creek drainage in Unit 14C to lynx hunting and trapping.

#### <u>Kenai Peninsula Area – Units 7 & 15</u>

- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 105:** Limit hunters to one big game registration permit at a time in Units 7 and 15. *The board amended the proposal to limit possession of one permit per species, per season, for those hunts with limited number of permits.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 106:** Modify the restrictions for using ATVs to hunt moose in Unit 15C.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 107:** Allow an exemption for disabled Veterans to hunt in the Lower Kenai Controlled Use Area in Unit 15C using motorized vehicles.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 108:** Make all sheep hunts in Units 7 and 15 registration hunts.
- F Proposal 109: Close sheep hunting on the Kenai Peninsula, Unit 15.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 110:** Create an archery only registration hunt and youth hunt for sheep in Unit 7 Remainder.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 111:** Create an archery only, registration sheep hunt for residents and nonresidents in Units 7 and 15 Remainder.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 112:** Establish a general sheep hunting season, open for take by bow and arrow only in Unit 15 Remainder.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 113:** Establish a general sheep season open for take by bow and arrow only, in Unit 7 Remainder.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 114:** Change the RG331 goat hunt in Unit 7 to an archery only hunt.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 115:** Divide all Unit 15C goat drawing hunts into two seasons.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 116:** Change the regulation to clarify goat hunters in Unit 15C are restricted from taking goat on the Kenai Peninsula for five years if a nanny is harvested.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 117:** Implement the penalty for taking nannies in the RG364, 365 and 374 goat hunts in Unit 15C. *The board took no action due to their action on proposal 116.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 118:** Change the general season, resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 to include bulls with fork antlers.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 119:** Create an archery only moose hunt in Unit 7 Remainder for both residents and nonresidents.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 120:** Open an archery, fall moose hunt in Unit 15.
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 121:** Establish an early archery only moose hunt in Unit 15C to align with Units 15A and 15B. *The board amended the proposal to exclude nonresidents and the subsistence area.*

- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 122:** Establish an early, archery only registration moose hunt in Unit 15C to align with Units 15A and 15B. *The board took no action due to the discussion on the previous proposals.*
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 123:** Establish an archery only, fall moose hunt in Unit 15C. *The board took no action due to the discussion on the previous proposals.*
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 124:** Establish a general moose season open for take by bow and arrow only, in Unit 15C Remainder. *The board took no action due to the discussion on the previous proposals.*
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 125:** Establish a fall archery hunt for moose in Unit 15C to align with Units 15A and 15B. *The board took no action due to the discussion on the previous proposals.*
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 126:** Establish an early archery moose hunt in Unit 15C. *The board took no action due to the discussion on the previous proposals.*
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 127:** Extend the TM549 moose hunting season in Unit 15C, Southwest of Point Pogibshi. *The board extended the late season to 11/30.*
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 128:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 15C.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 129:** Expand the hunt area boundaries for the antlerless moose hunt in Unit 15C.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 130:** Renew and update the Unit 15C Intensive Management Plan.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 131:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose season on Kalgin Island in Unit 15B.
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 132:** Remove the antler sealing requirement for moose harvested on Kalgin Island and from the TM549 Tier II subsistence area. *The board amended the proposal to remove the sealing requirement for all of Units 7 and 15.*
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 133:** Prohibit the taking of black bear from boats in Unit 15C. *The board took no action based on the action and discussion on proposal 56.*
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 134:** Extend the brown bear season in Units 7 and 15.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 135:** Extend the brown bear season in Unit 15 from May 31 to June 30, to align with the black bear baiting season.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 136:** Extend the season for the brown bear registration hunts in Units 7 and 15 to June 15.
- NA **Proposal 137:** Extend the brown bear registration hunt (RB300) in Unit 7 to June 15.
- NA **Proposal 138:** Extend the brown bear season in Unit 15 to June 15.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 139:** Extend the brown bear season for the RB300 hunt in Units 7 and 15 to June 15.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 140:** Extend the season for brown bear under RB300 open for take by bow and arrow only, in Units 7 and 15.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 141:** Lengthen the bear baiting season in Unit 7. *The board took no action due to the action on proposal 134.*
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 142:** Lengthen the brown bear baiting season in Unit 15. *The board took no action due to the action on proposal 134.*

- <u>F</u> **Proposal 143:** Restrict bear bait stations within a half mile of certain structures in Unit 15.
- <u>D</u> **Proposal 144:** Define "developed recreation facility" and "permanent dwelling" for bear baiting in Units 15 and 7. *The board deferred the proposal to the next Statewide Regulations meeting.*
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 145:** Close *areas* to hunting and trapping within 1/4 mile of parts of the Sterling Highway in Units 7 and 15. *The board amended the proposal to make it illegal to hunt or take game within the area.*
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 146:** Establish trapping setbacks on specific trails within the Kachemak Bay State Park in Unit 15C. *The board amended the proposal to allow trapping within 100 yards of the trails if sets are elevated 3 feet from the hard ground; under-water, under ice, or enclosed.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 147:** Establish trapping setbacks along certain snow machine and Nordic ski trails in Unit 15C.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 148:** Require 100-yard trapping setbacks from known multi-use trails in Unit 7.
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 149:** Establish trapping setbacks along the perimeter of campgrounds in Unit 7. *The board amended the proposal to mirror the amendment on proposal 146.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 150:** Establish trapping setbacks along certain roads and pullouts in Unit 7.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 151:** Establish trapping setbacks along highway pullouts, backcountry access points, and winter trails in Unit 7.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 152:** Establish trapping setbacks along trails and trailheads in Unit 7.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 153:** Establish trapping setbacks along Kenai Lake beaches in Unit 7.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 154:** Require signs be posted at all active trapping access points in Unit 7.
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 155:** Close Unit 15C to beaver trapping. *The board amended the proposal to shorten the beaver trapping season in Units 15 and 7 with season start date of 11/10.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 156:** Close beaver trapping in the Anchor River and Deep Creek Drainages in Unit 15C for six years.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 157:** Shorten the beaver trapping season in Unit 7. *The board took no action due to the action on proposals 155 and 156.*
- <u>CA</u> **Proposal 158:** Shorten the coyote trapping season in Units 7 and 15. *The board amended the proposal to include wolves.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 159:** Lengthen the wolverine hunting season in Units 7 and 15.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 160:** Limit beaver trapping to one set per lodge for Units 7 and 15, and require visual markers.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 161:** Direct ADF&G to conduct a feasibility study for transporting Sitka Blacktail deer to Unit 15C, south side of Kachemak Bay. *The board took no action due to the lack of authority*.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 162:** Extend the ptarmigan season in a portion of Unit 15C to March 31.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 163:** Rescind the bag limit restrictions for sea duck hunting in Unit 15C.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 164:** Reduce the bag limit for goldeneye in Units 7 and 15.

- <u>F</u> **Proposal 165:** Reduce the bag limit for goldeneye in Unit 15C.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 166:** Reduce the bag limit for bufflehead in Units 7 and 15.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 167:** Reduce the bag limit for bufflehead in Unit 15C.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 168:** Reduce the bag limit for harlequin duck for Units 7 and 15.
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 169:** Reduce the bag limit for harlequin in Unit 15C.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 170:** Reduce the bag limit for long-tailed duck in Units 7 and 15.
- <u>NA</u> **Proposal 171:** Direct ADF&G to implement a method for accurate reporting of sea duck harvest for Units 6, 7 and 15. *The board took no action due to the lack of authority.*
- <u>F</u> **Proposal 172:** Require mandatory harvest reporting for sea ducks in Kachemak Bay in Unit 15C.

# **Proposals for Other Regions excluding Reauthorization Proposals**

Central and Southwest Region:

**Proposal 207:** Establish a Tier II hunt for Nelchina caribou in Unit 13.

### Interior and Eastern Arctic Region

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 204:** Close resident and nonresident hunting for Dall sheep in Unit 19C, for five years.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 205:** Change the Unit 19C moose hunt for nonresidents from a registration permit to a drawing permit, with up to 20 permits available.
- **Proposal 210:** Close the Unit 19C moose hunt for nonresidents, and beginning in 2024, allow nonresidents to hunt moose by drawing permit only.
- Proposal 211: Shorten the resident moose hunting season in Unit 19C, close the moose hunting season for nonresidents, and beginning in 2024, allow nonresidents to hunt moose by drawing permit only.
- **Proposal 206:** Reauthorize the Unit 21E Intensive Management Plan.

## Antlerless Moose and Brown Bear Tag Fee Reauthorizations for Other Regions

- <u>C</u> **Proposal 173:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 13A.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 174:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 13C.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 175:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 13E.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 176:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose draw permits in Units 14A and 14B.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 177:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in Unit 17A.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 178:** Reauthorize the resident antlerless moose season in Unit 18.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 179:** Reauthorize a winter antlerless moose season during February in a portion of Unit 19D.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 180:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 20A.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 181:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 20B.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 182:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose hunting seasons in Unit 20D.

- <u>C</u> **Proposal 183:** Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 20E.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 184:** Reauthorize a winter antlerless moose season during March in a portion of Unit 21D.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 185:** Reauthorize a winter antlerless moose season during part of February and March in Unit 21E.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 186:** Reauthorize resident grizzly/brown bear tag fee exemptions throughout Interior and Northeast Alaska.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 187:** Reauthorize the brown bear tag fee exemptions for the Central/Southwest Region.
- <u>C</u> **Proposal 188:** Reauthorize the current resident tag fee exemptions for brown bear in Units 18, 22, 23 and 26A.

## **Proposals Outside the Board of Game's Authority and Other Proposals**

The Board of Game may discuss the following proposals but does not have authority to take regulatory action.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 189:** Lower the costs for nonresident hunters and remove the hunting guide requirement.
- **Proposal 190:** Include trapping license as part of the Alaska Resident Disabled Veteran License Program.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Proposal 191:** A transporter shall transport hunters in Prince William Sound every year or Kodiak Island, but not both.
- Proposal 192: Transported hunts in Unit 8 shall be from October 25 November 30 and January 1 to May 15.
- **Proposal 193:** No business entity or individual may operate more than one transporter vessel in Unit 8.
- **Proposal 194:** Any individual that holds a federal exclusive guide use concession area is excluded from having any employed or contracted guide, second degree of kindred relative, or themselves apply for a drawing permit hunt in the area in which they hold the exclusive guide area.
- **Proposal 195:** Any individual cannot hold more than one federal exclusive guide use concession Area for Units 8 or 9.
- **Proposal 196:** Create a new migratory bird hunting zone consisting of the waters of Kachemak Bay and its drainages. P
- **Proposal 197:** Divide Unit 15C into two subunits.
- **Proposal 198:** Provide a number of tags to guides to take nonresidents hunting.
- **Proposal 199:** Create a village registration elk hunt by designating eight permits each to be distributed in person in the communities of Ouzinkie and Port Lions.