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11 January 2023

Alaska Board of Game  
C/O Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
P.O. Box 115526  
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**Re: BOARD OF GAME, BEAR CONSERVATION, HARVEST, AND MANAGEMENT POLICY**

Dear Board Members and Director Grasser:

On behalf of Safari Club International, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed version of the Board of Game, Bear Conservation, Harvest, and Management Policy.

The proposed version of the Board of Game, Bear Conservation, Harvest, and Management Policy generally demonstrates responsible and sustainable management of bears while maintaining high levels of opportunity for hunters. SCI believes that sound science-based conservation involving hunting as the primary management tool, while maximizing opportunities for all huntable species, including carnivores such as black, grizzly, and brown bears, is necessary to the long-term health of wildlife. Hunters have long paid the way for conservation, both game and non-game wildlife, and maximizing opportunity for hunting is also key to long-term funding for all conservation. Hunting benefits wildlife conservation.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the proposed version of the Board of Game, Bear Conservation, Harvest, and Management Policy. SCI is dedicated to protecting the freedom to hunt and we appreciate the continued partnership with the Department and the Wildlife Board. SCI is always first for hunters!

Sincerely,

Sven Lindquist  
President  
Safari Club International



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**Re: BOARD OF GAME, WOLF MANAGEMENT POLICY**

Dear Board Members and Director Grasser:

On behalf of Safari Club International, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed version of the Board of Game, Wolf Management Policy.

The proposed version of the Board of Game, Wolf Management Policy generally demonstrates responsible and sustainable management of wolves while maintaining high levels of opportunity for hunters. SCI believes that sound science-based conservation involving hunting as the primary management tool, while maximizing opportunities for all huntable species, including carnivores such as wolves, is necessary to the long-term health of wildlife. Hunters have long paid the way for conservation, both game and non-game wildlife, and maximizing opportunity for hunting is also key to long-term funding for all conservation. Hunting benefits wildlife conservation.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the proposed version of the Board of Game, Wolf Management Policy. SCI is dedicated to protecting the freedom to hunt and we appreciate the continued partnership with the Department and the Wildlife Board. SCI is always first for hunters!

Sincerely,

Sven Lindquist  
President  
Safari Club International



January 10, 2023

Dear Board Members,

I would like to ask the board to reconsider my request to clarify the intent of my proposal #199, to establish a registration hunt in Unit 8, allowing permits to be picked up in the communities of Ouzinkie and Port Lions by anyone.

The proposal was not intended to establish a village-only registration hunt. The attached document is the original draft of the proposal that was expected to be submitted by the May 1, 2021 deadline, which was then postponed one year because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The intended purpose of proposal 199 is to make available 16 permits, (8 Ouzinkie and 8 Port Lions) to be distributed on a first-come first-serve basis to anyone. We did not intend that the permits would be issued to a particular village, I just wanted them available in those villages.

The current lottery drawing program has been a disaster for the two villages involved. There has been zero permits to anyone who lives in either village in the last two years, possibly longer. Permits were fairly common in past years, but the popularity of the Roosevelt elk hunt nationwide has reduced our success rate of getting a tag, to zero in the past two years or longer.

The village elders are no longer capable to hunt for themselves so they rely on the younger hunters in the village to provide their winter meat, fish, duck and berries.

Having the possibility of a registration hunt available will greatly increase the chance to provide meat for the elders. Most members of the hunting community are active hunters and have all committed to provide part of their catch to the elk for elders program.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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ALASKA BOARD OF GAME  
REGULATION PROPOSAL FORM | 2019-2020 MEETING CYCLE

Send completed form by May 1, 2020 to:  
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**BOARD OF GAME REGULATIONS**  
Game Management Unit (GMU) \_\_\_\_\_

Hunting       Subsistence  
 Trapping      Other \_\_\_\_\_

Resident       Nonresident

Which meeting would you like to submit your proposal to?  
 Central & Southwest Region (GMUs 9, 10, 11, 13, 14A, 14B, 16 & 17)       Statewide Regulations – 5 AAC Ch. 92 provisions & 98.005 (see list on page 4)

Please answer all questions to the best of your ability. All answers will be printed in the proposal book along with the proposer's name (address and phone numbers will not be published). Use separate forms for each proposal. Address only one issue per proposal. State the issue clearly and concisely. The board will reject multiple or confusing items.

1. Alaska Administrative Code Number 5 AAC: \_\_\_\_\_ Regulation Book Page No: \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?  
 Allocation of elk drawing permits on Afognak Island, specifically permit drawing hunts DE715, DE717, DE721 and DE723. We would like to see four permits from each of these four drawing hunts be re-allocated to a registration hunt with the requirement that 8 registrations permits be picked up in Ouzinkie and 8 be picked up in Port Lions.

3. What solution do you recommend? In other words, if the board adopted your solution, what would the new regulation say? (Please provide draft regulatory language, if possible.)  
 One elk by registration permit only. Eight permits to be picked up in Ouzinkie and eight permits to be picked up in Port Lions. A total of four registration permits will be issued for each of the hunts (permit numbers to be determined by the Board of Game)

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