

PROPOSAL 38

5 AAC 92.066. Permit for access to Walrus Island State Game Sanctuary.

Lengthen the permit dates to access Walrus Island State Game Sanctuary for hunting as follows.

5 AAC 92.006 (4) an access permit for hunting may be issued under the conditions specified by the department on a case-by-case basis, subject to the application procedures and rules set out in (1) and (2) of this section, to hunting parties for the period of ~~September 10 – October 20~~ **September 5 - October 20** only;

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Extend the hunting period from ~~Sept 10th – October 20th~~ to **September 5th – October 20th**.

Background:

- A.) Dates were chosen based off how harvesting was done by our ancestors. Now that we have new technology and just about every household has freezers to store their subsistence, preservation is no longer an issue.
- B.) Weather is becoming more of a challenge, with climate change, weather patterns are more severe into the Fall season.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local fish and game advisory committee? The proposal was developed by the Qayassiq Walrus Commission working with ADF&G and USF&WS.

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