PROPOSAL 136

5 AAC 85.020. Hunting seasons and bag limits for brown bear.

Change the management of the RB300 brown bear mortality cap in Units 7 and 15 from a calendar year to a regulatory year as follows:

What solution do you recommend? In other words, if the board adopted your solution, what would the new regulation say?

"In Units 15 and 7 change the management year for brown bear from the calendar year to the regulatory year."

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?

The current management year for brown bears in Units 7 and 15 is the calendar year, whereas all other big game is managed by regulatory year.

Changing the management plan to regulatory year would simplify the regulations and improve predictability of open season for hunters hoping to harvest brown bears during moose season in the fall.

This should be considered as housekeeping.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local fish and game advisory committee?

Discussed with regional area biologist.