

PROPOSAL 198

5 AAC 85.030. Hunting seasons and bag limits for deer.

Shorten the nonresident hunting season for deer in Unit 8 Remainder as follows:

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

Sitka blacktail hunting season in UNIT 8 Remainder

August 1-November 25 for Nonresidents and Aliens

August 1st-December 31st for Residents

Kodiak Road zone stays the same as its been.

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

My proposal addresses the clashing of nonresident deer hunters on Kodiak Island with resident hunters during our hunting season. There are flat out too many people hunting especially during November and December every year. Resident hunters utilize deer as a major source of subsistence in Unit 8, nonresident hunters utilize deer as a source of hunting and adventure and to a vastly lesser degree, eating. They are not dependent on it as a means of survival and subsistence like residents hunters. Nonresident harvest has steadily increased since 2016 while resident deer harvest has stayed steady or dropped. The increase in nonresident hunting for deer is perpetuated by the internet and DIY videographers and opportunistic transporters. Quality of hunting has gone way down for all user groups. It is getting so bad I now wear a bright orange gumby suit when out hunting so I don't get smoked with a stray bullet. There needs to be a reasonable season in place for different user groups.

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

I have formulated this proposal with the input of many Kodiak Island, Unit 8 residents and village residents as well as input from other continental Alaskans residents

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