

PROPOSAL 56

5 AAC 92.080. Unlawful methods of taking game; exceptions.

Prohibit the use of night vision and infrared devices for taking furbearers in Unit 2, during state and federal deer seasons as follows:

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

Allow the use of electronically enhanced night vision and forward-looking infrared devices for taking furbearers statewide **except for Unit 2 during any open federal or state deer season.**

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

The statewide use of electronically enhanced night vision and forward-looking infrared devices for taking furbearers will create problems in Unit 2. Unit 2 is predominantly a very densely covered area, the only predator that would be available is wolves. The season for wolf harvest is tightly controlled and this may increase the take beyond ADFG harvest levels.

Plus allowing the use of electronically enhanced night vision and forward-looking infrared devices would threaten to increase the take of our already declining population of deer.

Enforcement would also be an issue.

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

Informal discussions with residents of Prince of Wales and Ketchikan.

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