PROPOSAL 63

5 AAC 85.035. Hunting seasons and bag limits for elk.

Adjust the season dates for the DE318 elk hunt in Unit 3, and open a new drawing hunt in September as follows:

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

Adjust the starting and ending date for DE318 and open an additional elk season as follows:

DE318 August 16-September 15

DE??? September 16-September 30

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

Since the current Etolin Island elk hunting season dates where impemented in 2005, the elk harvest has consistently produced a lower harvest. The average annual harvest has been reduced by roughly 30% to what it was prior to this change.

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

Yes, this proposals was discussed with and agreed upon by the Ketchikan Advisory Committee.

PROPOSED BY: Ketchikan Fish and Game Advisory Committee (OI-F25-173)