

Proposal 111

5 AAC 85.010. Hunting seasons and bag limits for bison.

Limit the Non-Resident permit allocation for the Unit 19 Bison drawing hunt DI351, to “Up To” 10% of the available permits as follows:

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

Limit the Non-Resident permit allocation for the Unit 19 Bison drawing hunt DI351, to “Up To” 10% of the available permits. If at least 10 permits are not available a Non-Resident permit will not be available.

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

Limit the number of tags that may be drawn by Non-Residents for Bison drawing hunt DI351.

There is currently no allocation cap on how many tags may be drawn by Non-Residents.

Non-Residents are drawing a consistently high proportion of the tags for high demand drawing hunts. Free Range Bison hunting in Alaska is one of only 6 states that have genetically pure Bison, making it a highly desirable opportunity. Meat value of a Bison is high and obtaining Bison permits is difficult. Both Residents and Non-Residents compete for the tags equally in the Big Game Drawing which means Alaska Residents receive no preference in the drawing.

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

No

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