

Proposal 18

5 AAC 85.025. Hunting seasons and bag limits for caribou.

Close all nonresident caribou hunts in Units 22, 23, and 26 as follows:

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

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

Close all nonresident caribou hunts in Units 22, 23, and 26. The Northwest Arctic Council also submitted a proposal to reduce resident bag limits to four a year, with no cow harvest due to our extreme concern over the population trajectory of the Western Arctic Caribou Herd (WACH). With the sacrifices that subsistence users are making, non-local hunters need to also share the burden of conservation, and the Council believes that the closure is necessary for the continuation of subsistence uses and for the conservation of the WACH.

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

No. The Council did hear others were putting in similar proposals, but the Council did not work in conjuncture with anyone.

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