

Proposal 4

**Proposal 4 was tabled to the Western Arctic Western Region meeting in Kotzebue.*

5 AAC 92.510. Areas closed to hunting; and 5 AAC 92.550. Areas closed to trapping.

Close a 2-mile-wide corridor along the Ambler Road - as follows:

5 AAC 92.510. Areas closed to hunting. (a) The following areas are closed to hunting as specified:

(21) Units 23 and 24:

(A) the area within 1 mile from each side of the Ambler Road, including the driveable surface of the road is closed to hunting.

5 AAC 92.550. Areas closed to trapping. The following areas are closed to the trapping of furbearers as indicated:

(11) Units 23 and 24:

(A) the area within 1 mile from each side of the Ambler Road, including the driveable surface of the road is closed to trapping.

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

The access road for the Ambler Mining District is a proposed 211-mile-long road that will originate from the Dalton Highway in Unit 24A and will extend west through Unit 24 and terminate in the Ambler Mining District in Unit 23. The proposed road is for commercial purposes only, is private, and access to it will be controlled by a locked gate that is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. While the area within 1 mile on either side of the road will be closed, hunters and trappers will not be prevented from crossing the corridor or the road. Access across the closed area will be provided to areas open to hunting and trapping.

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