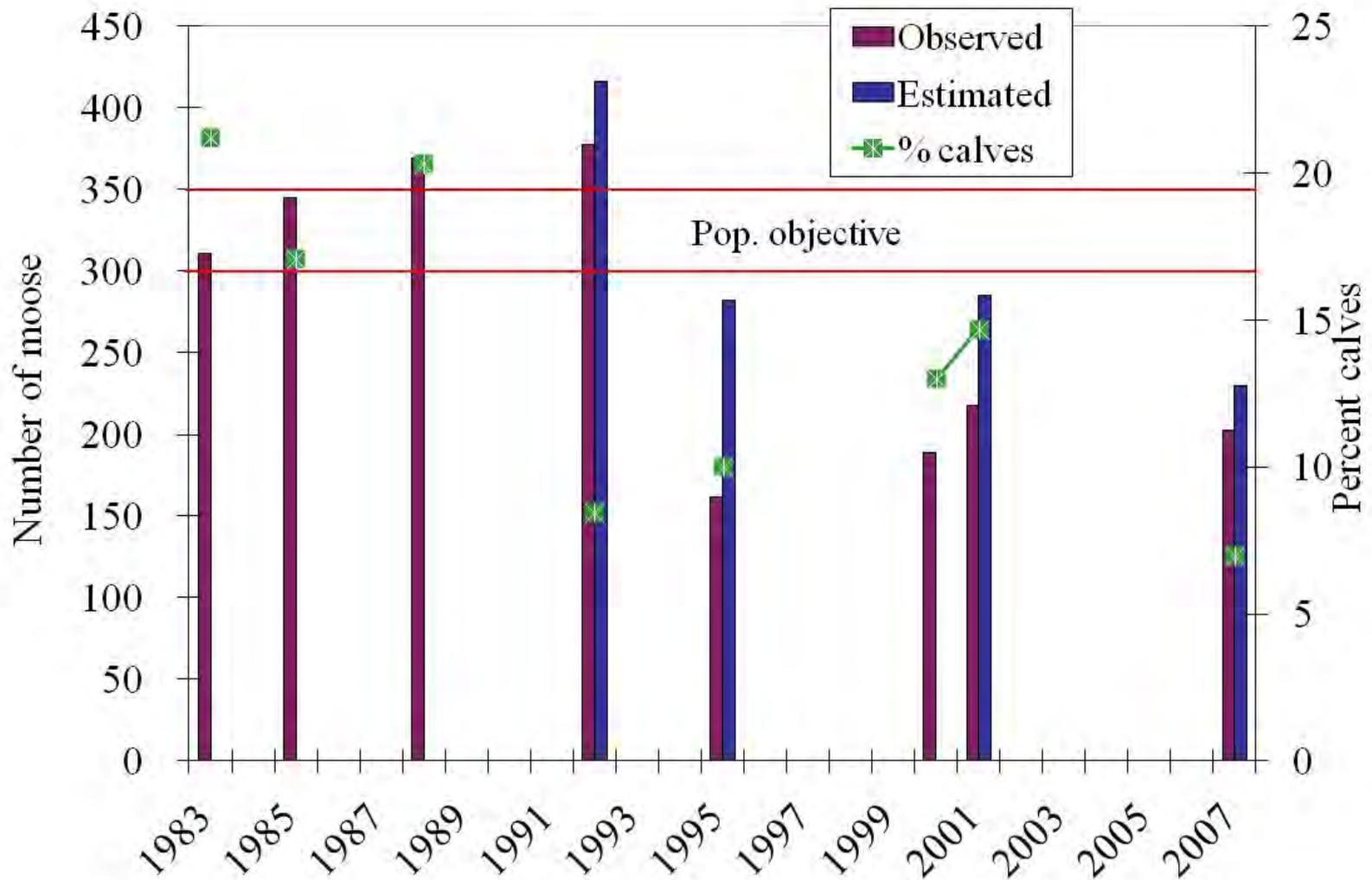


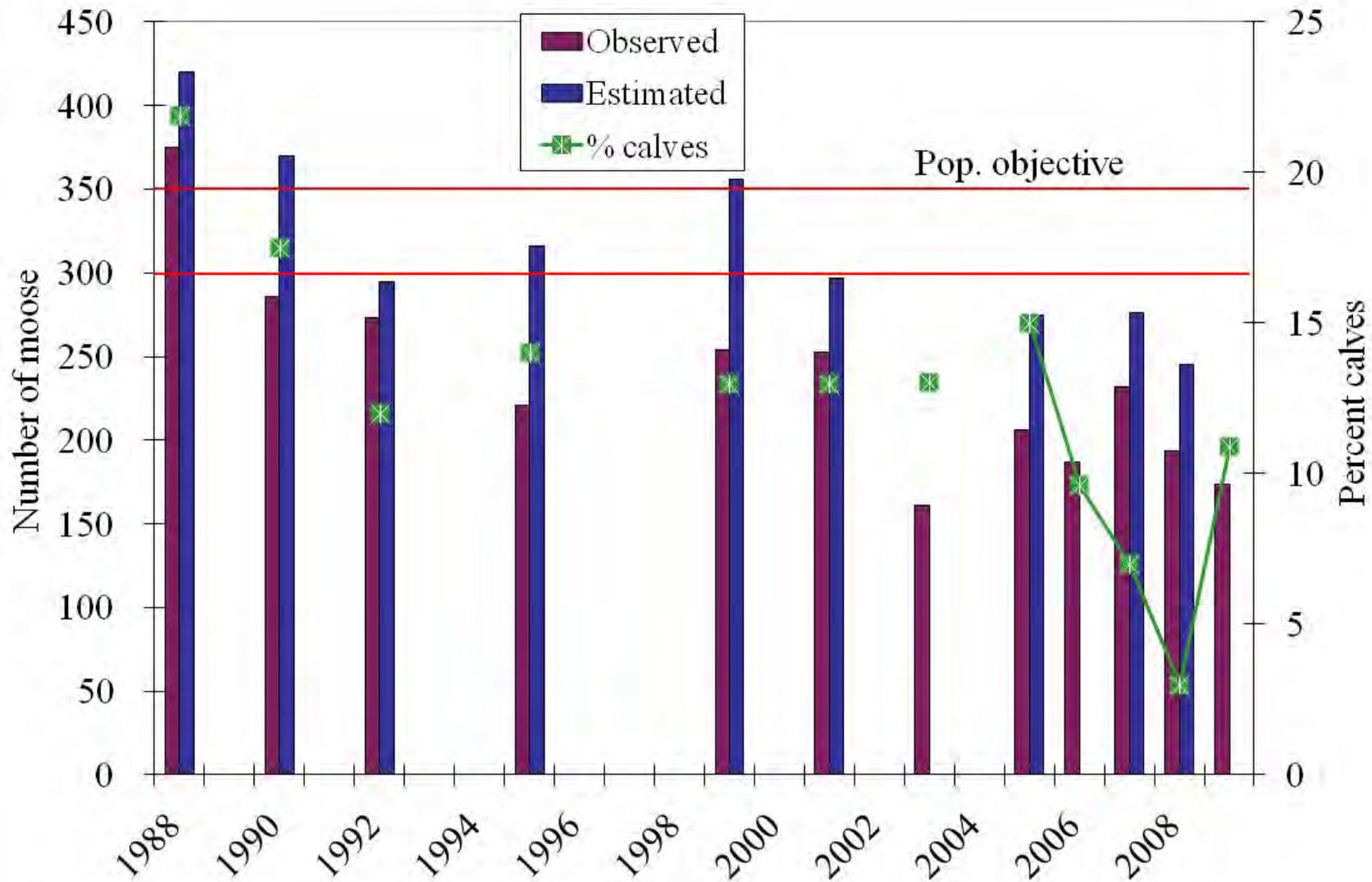
# Proposal 127

- ▶ **5 AAC 85.045. Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose.** Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in Unit 6A.
- ▶ Department Recommendation
  - Do not adopt
- ▶ RATIONALE: No use for antlerless hunts in the foreseeable future.
- ▶ Last hunt 1996 6A East, 2006 6A West
- ▶ CRPWS AC – Take no action

# 6A east moose population



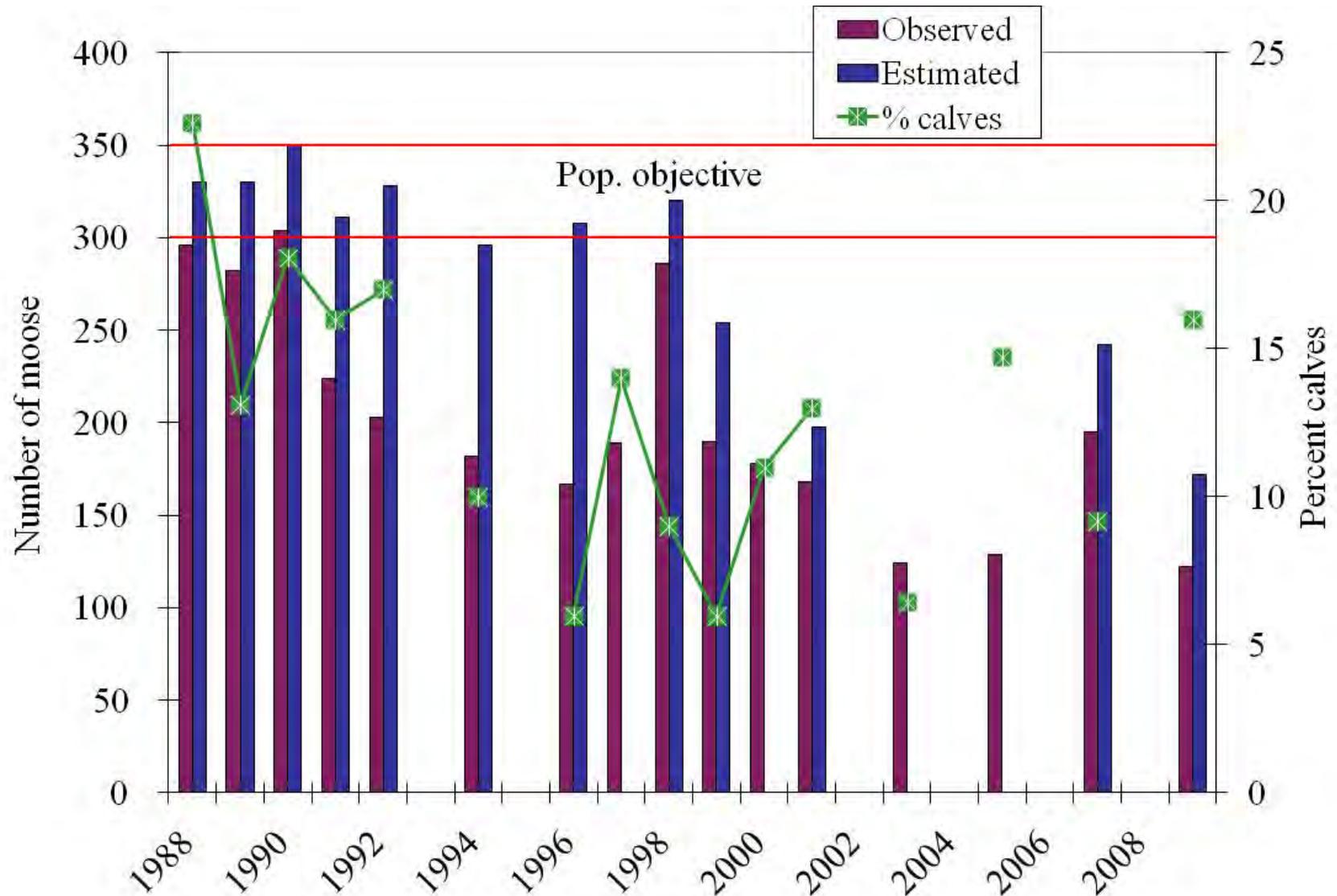
# 6A west moose population



# Proposal 128

- ▶ **5 AAC 85.045. Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose.** Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in Unit 6B.
- ▶ **Department Recommendation**
  - Do not adopt
- ▶ **RATIONALE:** No use for antlerless hunts in the foreseeable future.
- ▶ **CRPWS AC – Take no action**
  - Valdez Did not meet
  - Whittier Did not meet

# Unit 6B moose population

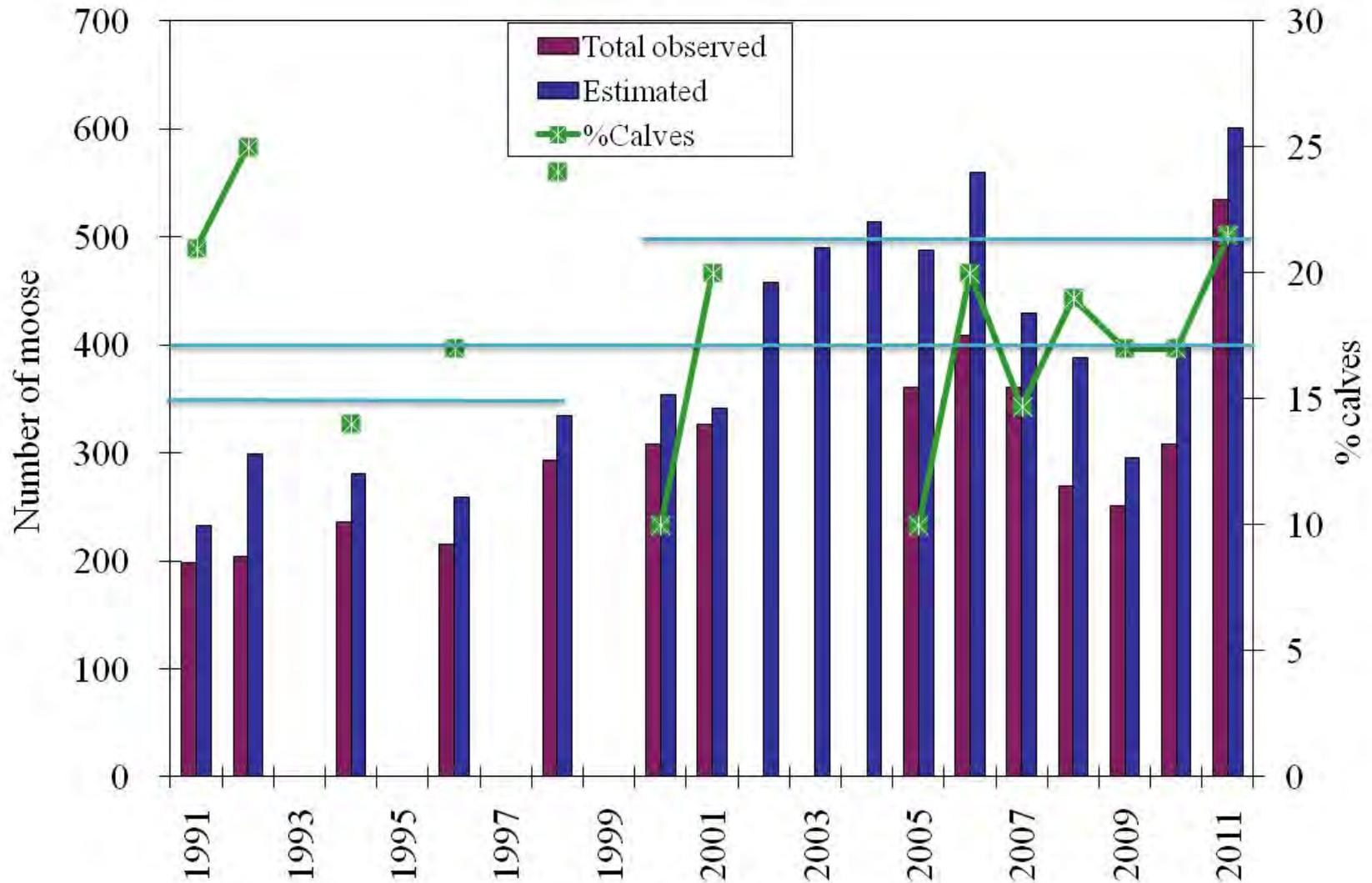


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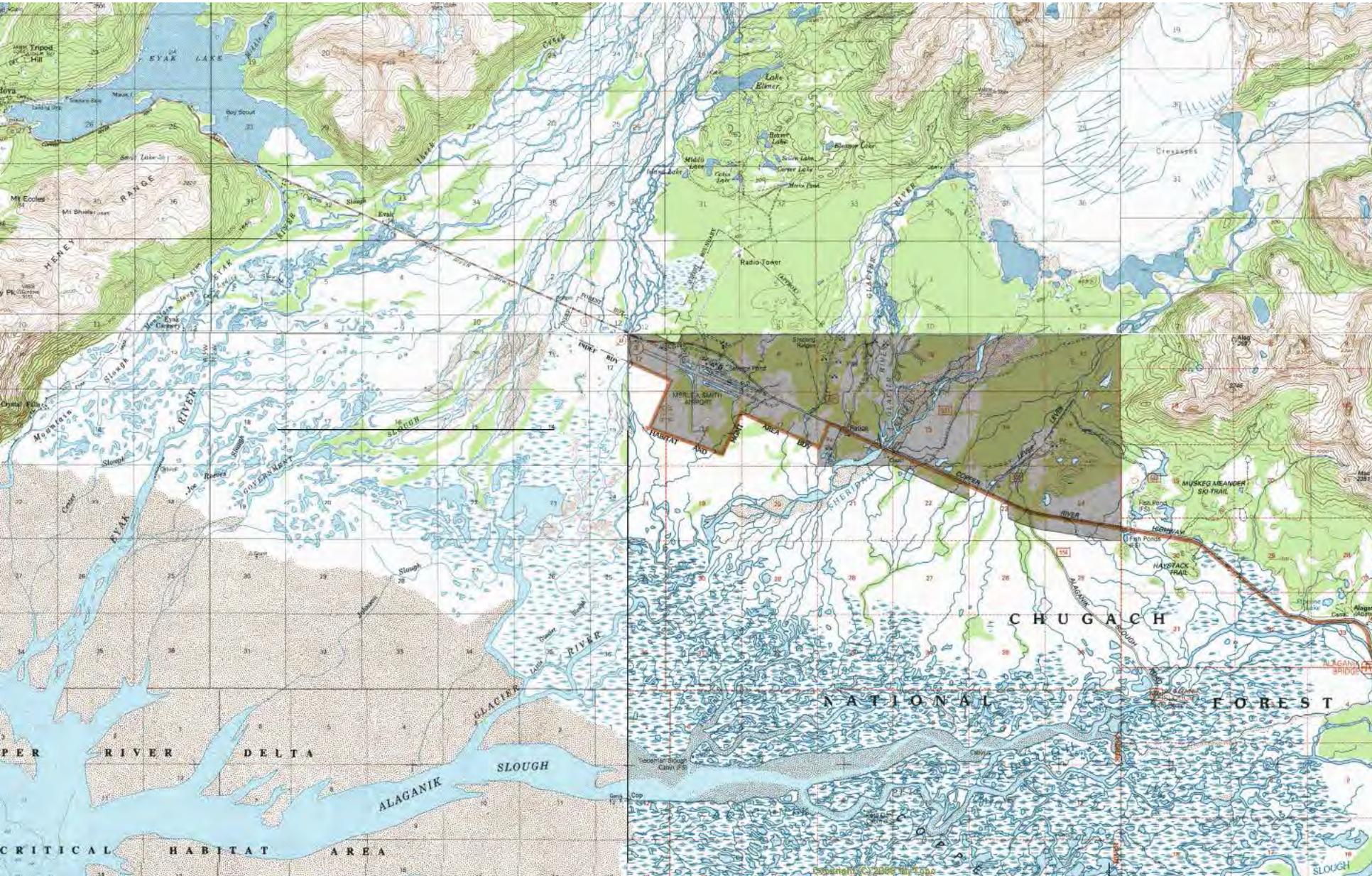
- ▶ **5 AAC 85.045. Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose.** Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in Unit 6C.
- ▶ **Department Recommendation**
  - Amend and adopt
- ▶ **RATIONALE:** Add a late season registration permit hunt (any moose) to harvest remaining quota, if any, after drawing hunts. Open to residents.
- ▶ **CRPWS AC – Oppose 0, Support 11 (original proposal)**  
**Amendment Failed**
  - Valdez Did not meet
  - Whittier Did not meet

# Unit 6C moose population

3 moose per sq mi.



# Unit 6C, west Copper River Delta



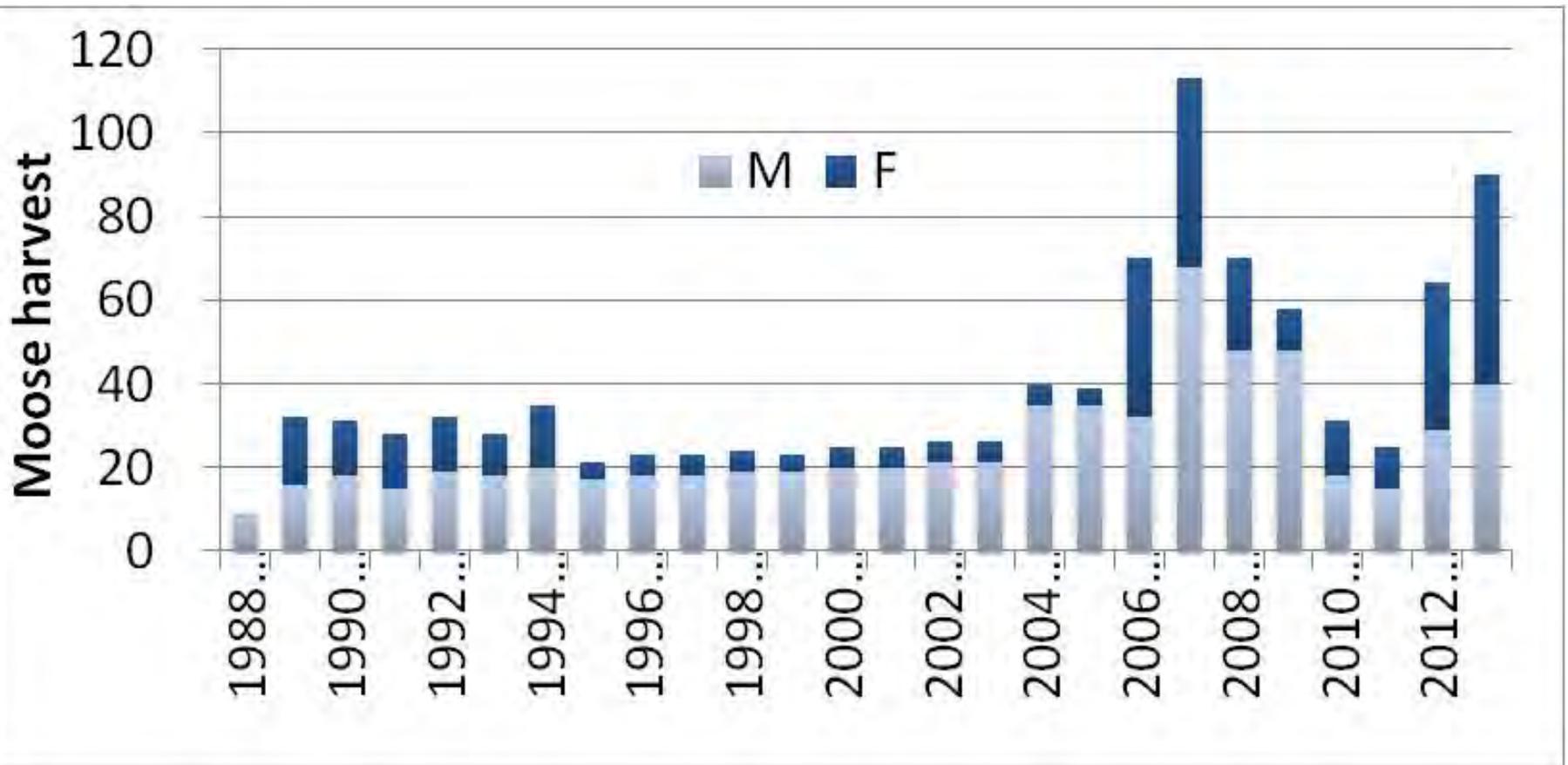
# Unit 6C, typical winter habitat





**Survey conditions**

# 6C moose harvest



# 6C moose harvest

- ▶ State drawing hunt: 25% of bull quota
- ▶ Fed. subsistence drawing hunt: 75% of bulls
- ▶ Fed. subsistence drawing hunt: 100% of cows
  - Established when cow harvest was 5.
  - Recent cow harvest is 30 to 50.
- ▶ Rural preference of ~ 90% for Cordova hunters.
- ▶ Proposed late season hunt would be open state wide but dominated by Cordova hunters.

# Proposal 130

- ▶ 5 AAC 85.015. Hunting seasons and bag limits for black bear. Modify the bag limit for hunting black bear in Unit 6D. (Currently 1 bear per year).
- ▶ One boar every regulatory year. One sow every two regulatory years.
- ▶ Department recommendation
  - Do not adopt
- ▶ CRPWS AC – Oppose 11, Support 0

# Effect of Proposal 130

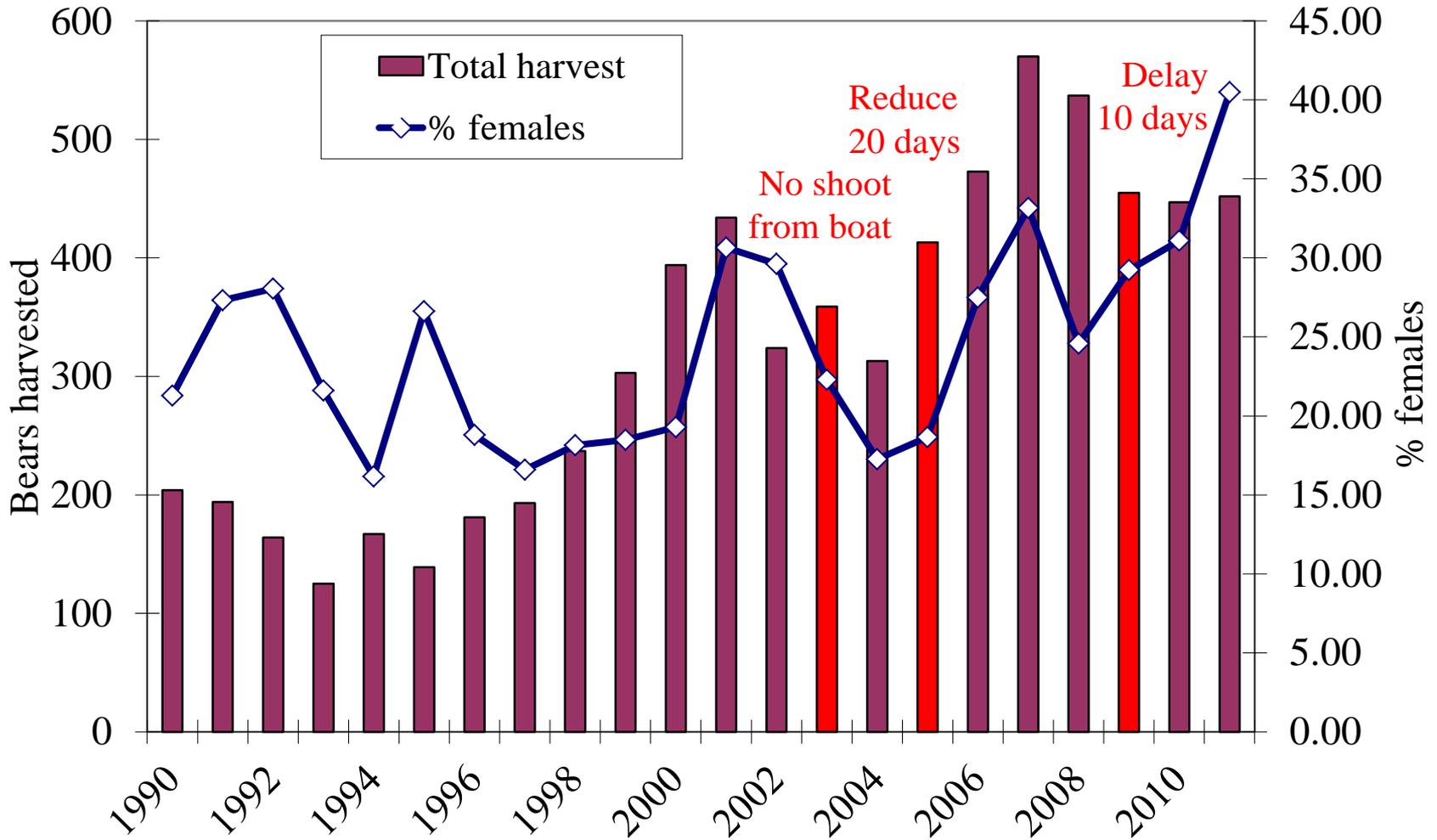
**900** hunters per year x 50% = 450 successful hunters  
**450** minus 30% first-timers = 315 potential consecutive-year hunters  
**315** x 5% hunters who harvest consecutive years = 16 bears  
**16** x 30% female harvest rate = 5 bears  
**5** number of bears conserved if female harvested previous year

- ▶ **Unknown: How much would the regulation deter hunters from taking a sow or hesitate shooting a boar?**

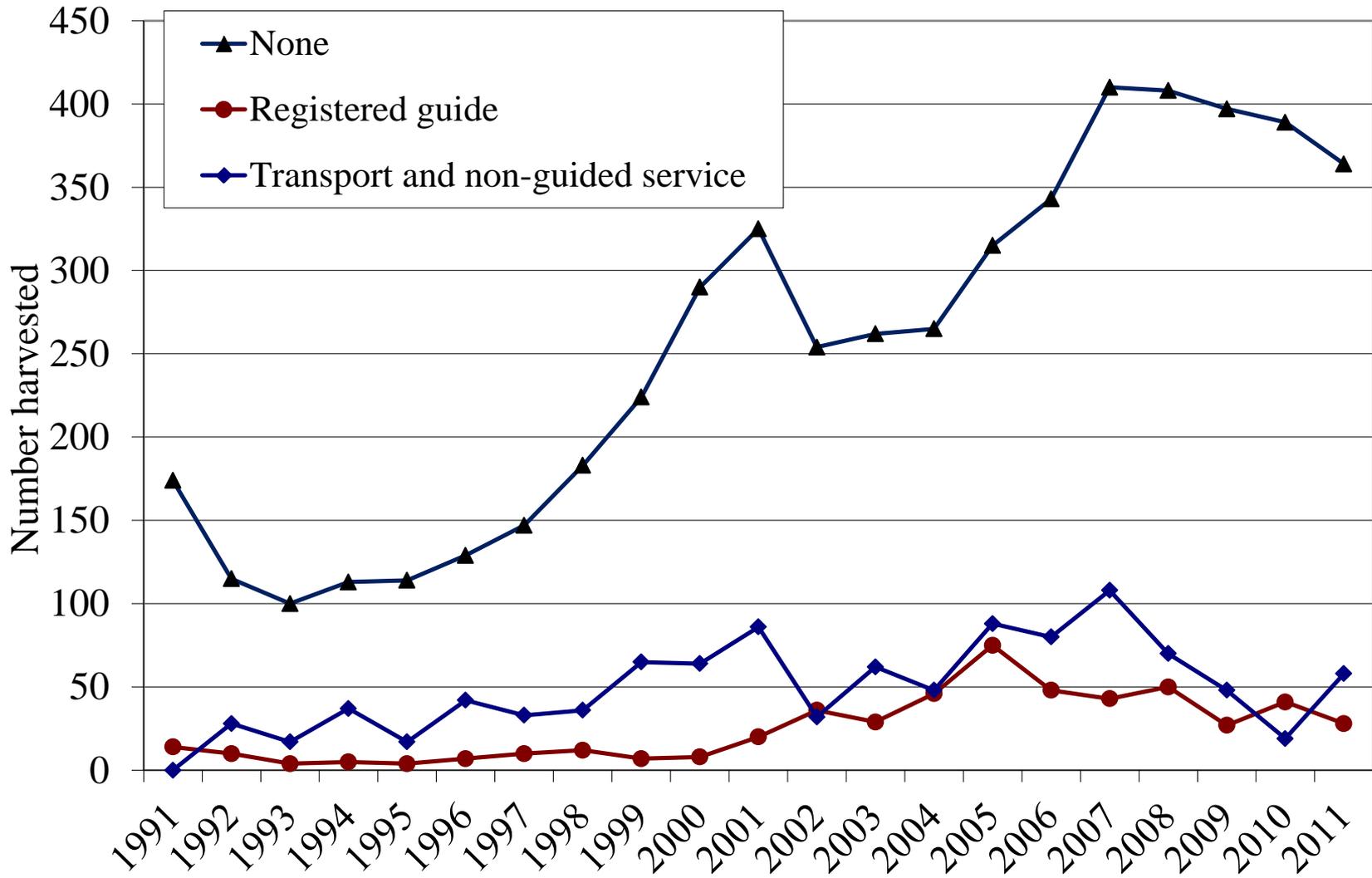
# Management Actions, Unit 6D Black Bears

- ▶ Shooting from boats prohibited, 2003
  - ▶ Season shortened by 20 days, 2005
  - ▶ Season delayed by 10 days, 2009
  
  - ▶ Began monitoring age structure of harvest, 2004
  - ▶ Bear baiting clinic required to hunt over bait, 2005
  - ▶ Bear baiting closure of bays heavily used for spring recreation, 2005
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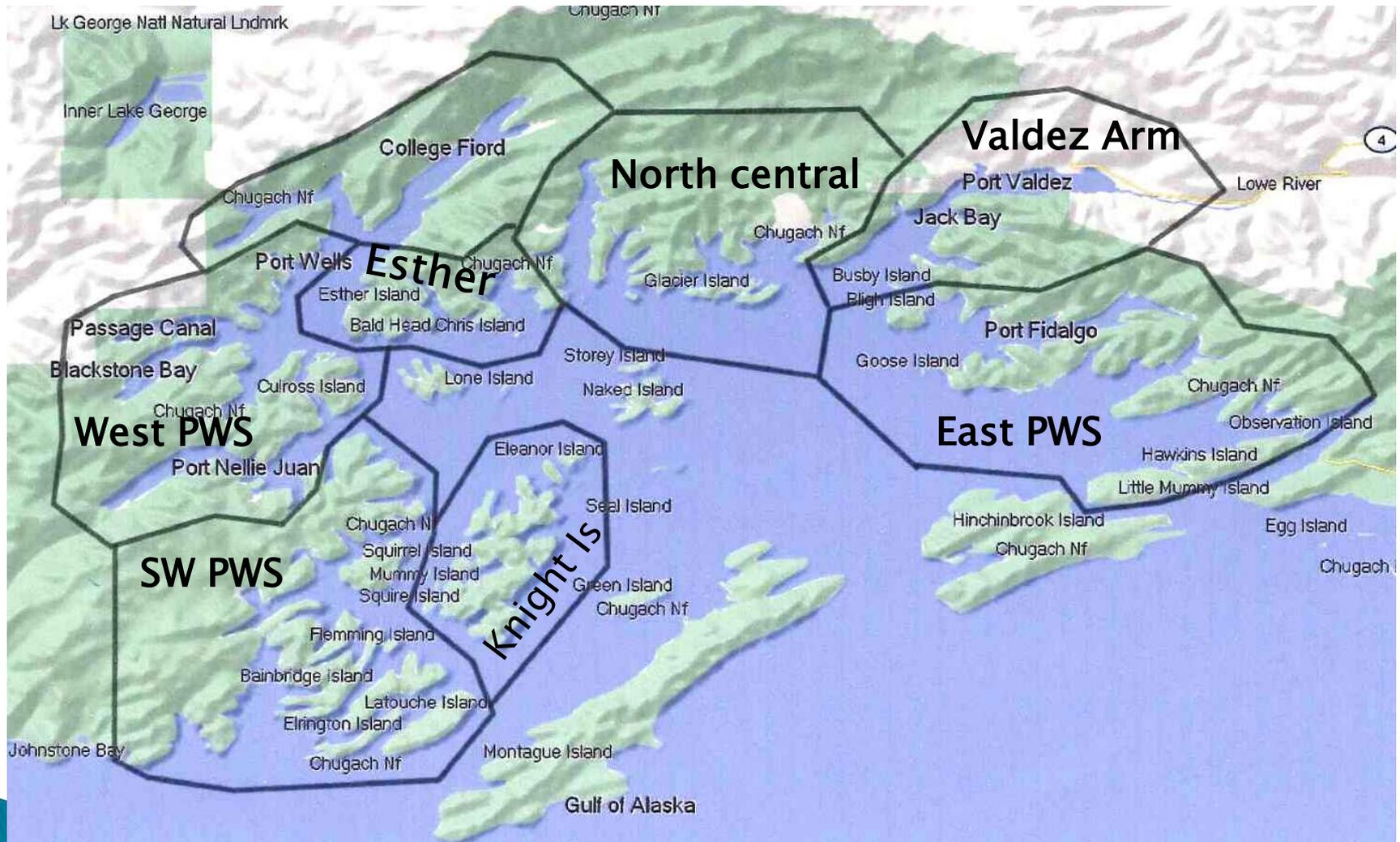
# Unit 6D Black Bear Harvest



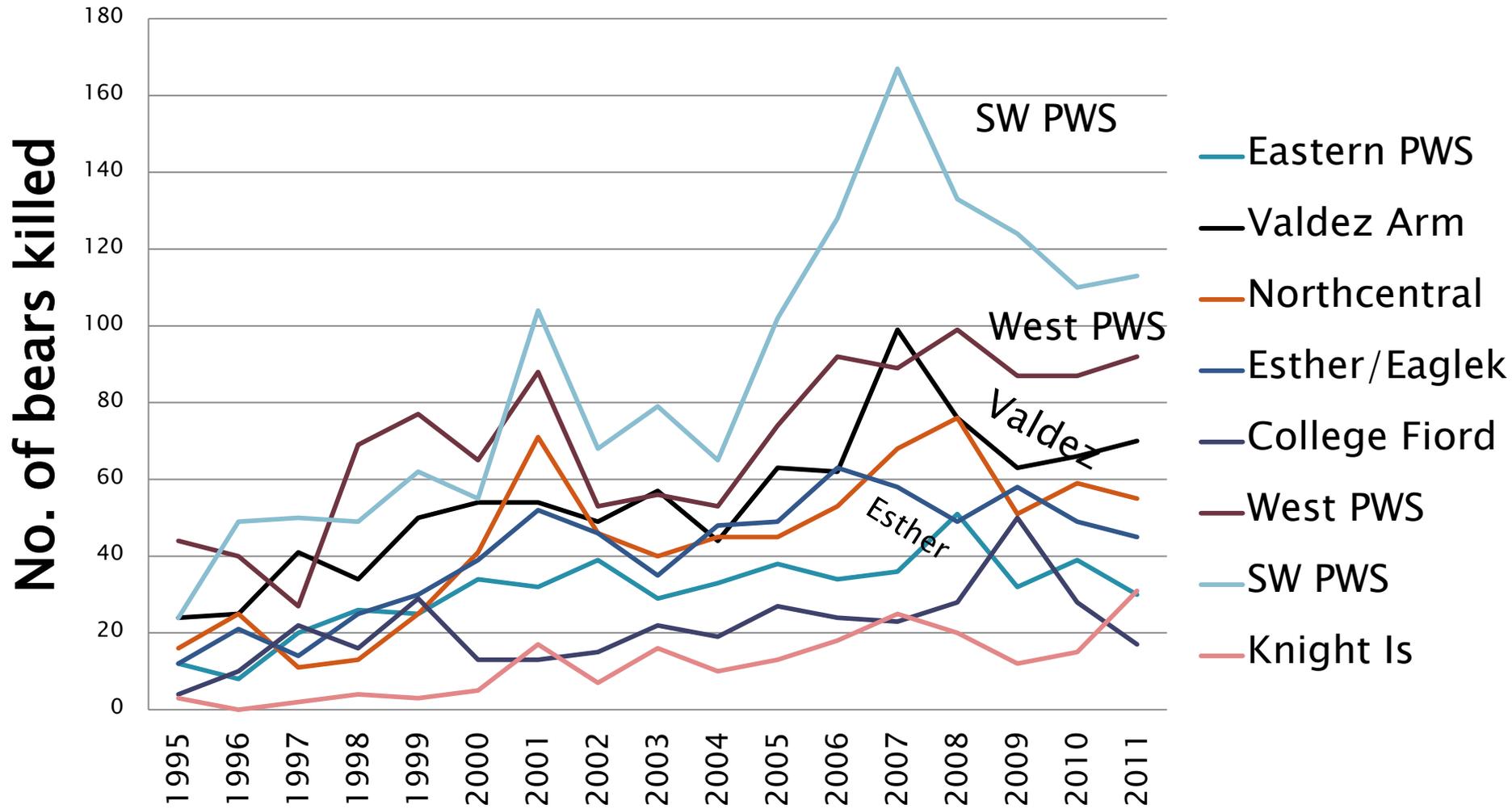
# Black bear harvest and commercial services



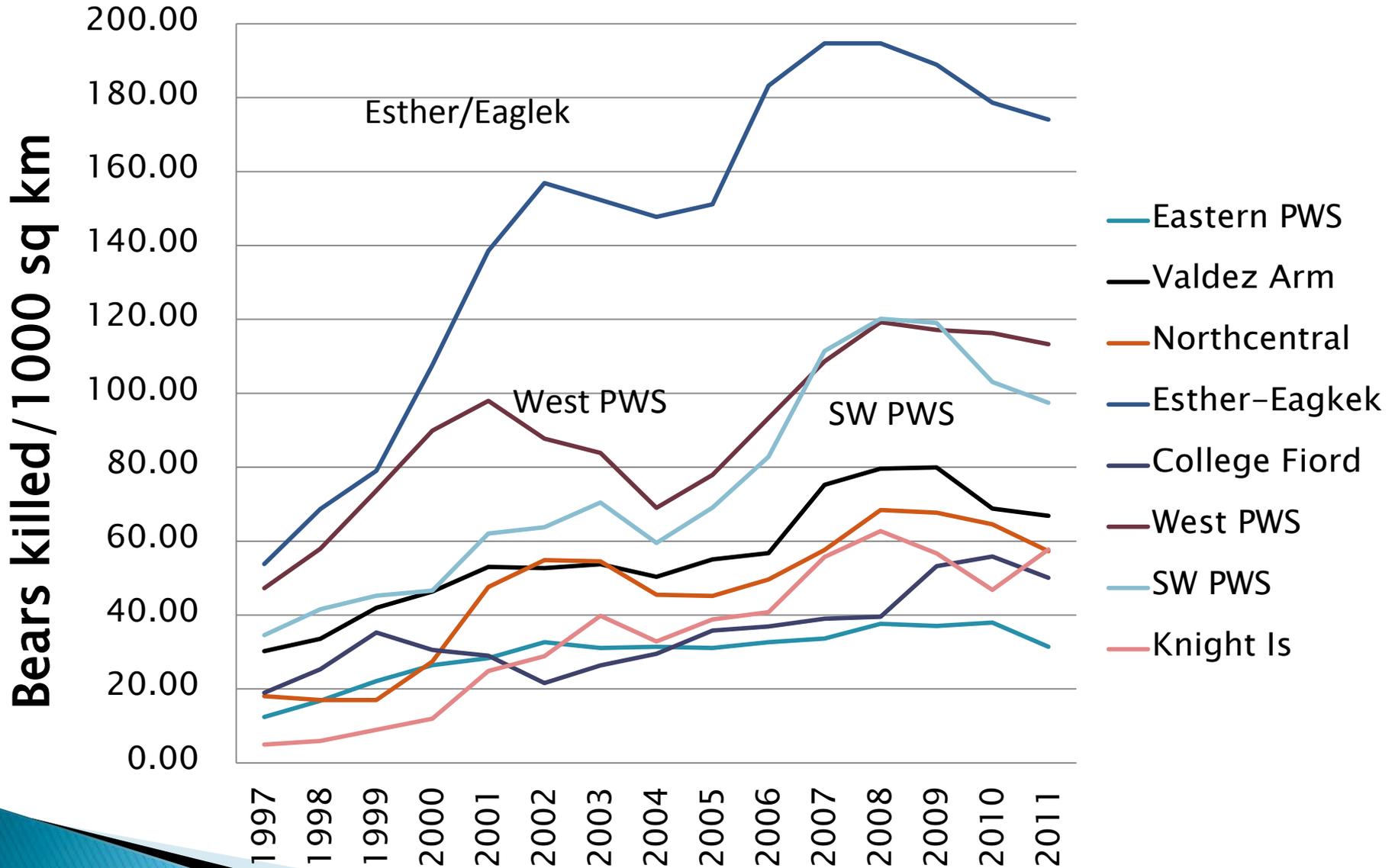
# 8 black bear hunt zones in Unit 6D



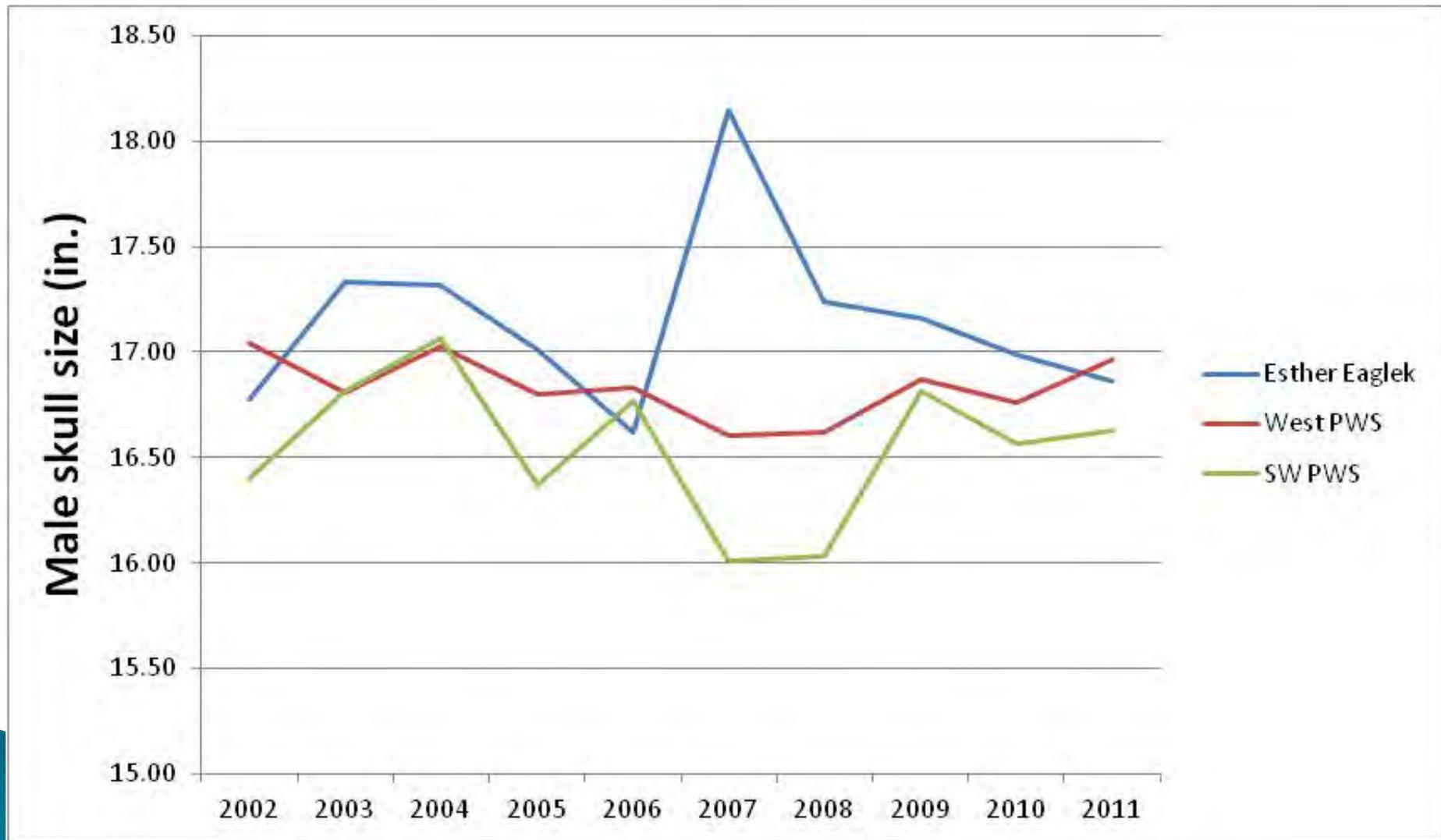
# Black bear harvest in Unit 6D by hunt area



# Black bear harvest density, 3-year rolling average



# Mean male skull size in 6D harvest



# Black Bear Harvest by Residency

