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5 AAC 85.030. Hunting seasons and bag limits for deer.

Decrease the nonresident bag limit for deer in Unit 2 as follows:

The limit for nonresident deer will be restricted to two buck deer annually.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Lower nonresident deer harvest to two antlered deer annually in Unit 2. The deer population is declining, so limiting the nonresident harvest will help some.

The advisory committee considered lowering the resident bag limit, but because of federal subsistence bag limits, it would result in inconsistent limits between state, private, and federal lands.

In consideration of other states' nonresident deer bag limits, we felt that a four-deer bag limit for nonresidents is excessive. Looking to the future, having such a high bag limit for nonresidents burdens resident harvesters of the resource in the end. We believe that current guiding operations would not suffer due to lowering the nonresident bag limit from four to two bucks.

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