

PROPOSAL 138

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Create a fall archery and muzzleloader hunt for moose in Unit 20B Remainder as follows:

Option one:

Unit 20B Remainder; residents only; one bull by bow and arrow or muzzleloader only by harvest ticket; season dates September 16 – September 20.

Option two:

Unit 20B Remainder; residents only; one bull by bow and arrow or muzzleloader only by registration permit of which applications available in Fairbanks beginning July 20; season dates September 16 – September 20.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Add a weapons restricted hunting option for Unit 20B remainder for September 16 - 20 for residents allowing bow and arrow and muzzleloader. This would allow residents additional moose hunting opportunities during the most productive time of the season.

Potential opposition: This would increase the number of moose harvested in a year where the population is less than average years. However, by making it a short weapons restricted hunt the harvest would be lower than a non-weapon restricted hunt.

To further control the number of moose harvested, this could be a registration hunt in order to keep harvest number within management goals.

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