PROPOSAL 77

5 AAC 85.065. Hunting seasons and bag limits for small game.

Open a youth only hunt for ptarmigan in Unit 13, August 10-24 as follows:

Ptarmigan – Unit 13B: 10 per day; 20 in possession. Hunters under 16 (youth): August 10 – February 15

Hunters greater than 16: August 25 – February 15

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Ptarmigan seasons in Unit 13B. Ptarmigan season begins August 10 and goes through February 15. Ptarmigan hatch late in Unit 13B. The young birds are too small to eat – lots of waste in early birds. Opening the season later would help mitigate that.

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