

PROPOSAL 118

5 AAC 85.045. Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose.

Change the general season, resident bag limit for moose in Unit 15 to include bulls with fork antlers as follows:

One bull with spike-fork antlers on at least one side or 50-inch antlers, or antlers with three or more brow tines on at least one side.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The issue I would like the board to address is to look at including fork antlered moose becoming a legal bull again in all of Unit 15, during the general hunting season.

Why: The moose population on the Kenai Peninsula west of the Kenai Mountains is increasing nicely. The increase is largely because of fires, brown bear hunting seasons which in some areas include baiting and a series of relatively easy winters. By including the fork bull as a legal animal, it would bring Unit 15 in line with the Alaska Constitution management plan of sustainable yield basis. It would also open another opportunity for Alaska families to provide food for the dinner table. Having the fork antlers back would make Unit 15 the same as all other units with spike-fork regulations.

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