The Board of Game does not have authority to create migratory bird hunting zones due to the US Fish and Wildlife Service federal framework for waterfowl hunting zones.

## PROPOSAL 196

Create a new migratory bird hunting zone consisting of the waters of Kachemak Bay and its drainages. This would allow for regulations addressing specific conservation concerns, and open the possibility of changing season dates for cranes, geese, and ducks to allow for later season hunting for ducks, and possibly a specific earlier season to increase opportunities for crane hunters.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Kachemak Bay is a unique ecosystem and it is difficult to manage discrete populations of wintering sea ducks when any adapted regulation would affect the entire Gulf Coast migratory bird hunting zone.

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