

PROPOSAL 91

5 AAC 85.015. Hunting seasons and bag limits for black bear.

5 AAC 92.530. Management areas.

Add bow and arrow to the legal means of take for the DL455 black bear hunt in Unit 14C, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson as follows:

DL455

Unit 14C, portions of Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Management Area (former Fort Richardson portion)

One bear by shotgun **or bow and arrow** only by permit Sept. 1-June 15

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Drawing permit hunt DL455 already allows the take of one black bear by shotgun only. Archery is a step down in weapon efficacy and should be considered as a means of take for this hunt. There are currently multiple archery hunts that already take place on the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson (JBER) and there is no reason DL455 should exclude archery equipment. If this regulation change were to be adopted, hunters who draw this permit would be able to hunt with either a shotgun or a bow rather than only being limited to using a shotgun.

PROPOSED BY: Alaskan Bowhunters Association

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