

Proposal 82

Changes the timing of when locking tags are required to be locked on the animal after harvest from immediately to before leaving the kill site

- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Background

Proposal 82

...persons shall immediately affix the tag to the portion of the animal required to be salvaged...

- Hunters are concerned with what is “immediate” and want to remain in compliance with the intent of the regulation

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- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Proposal 83

Eliminate the use of harvest tickets in any hunt requiring a metal locking tag

- Department: Opposed
- Public Proposal

Proposal 83

Proposal 83

- Metal locking tags are required for nonresidents and nonresident aliens participating in hunts managed by general season harvest tickets
- Increases the potential to lose basic hunt information – participation, success rates, and effort
- Added level of complication in the different treatment of residents and nonresidents

Proposal 83

Eliminate the use of harvest tickets in any hunt requiring a metal locking tag

- Department: Opposed
- Public Proposal

Proposal 84

Clarify and limit the inspection requirements for licenses, harvest tickets, and permits

- Department: Neutral
- Fairbanks AC

Background

Proposal 84

- Received little, if any, complaints about field contacts
- Contacts mainly done by AWT
- Existing regulation similar to other states

Background

Proposal 84

Current:

Upon request from an employee of the department or a peace officer of the state, a person may not refuse to present for inspection any license, harvest ticket, permit, tag, or bowhunter certification card, any game, or any apparatus designed to be, and capable of being, used to take game.

Proposed:

All persons engaged in the act of hunting, trapping or in possession of game may not refuse to present the appropriate license, tag, permit, stamp or game in possession upon request from a peace officer of the state or designated employee of the department. Peace officers of the state and designated employees of the department may also inspect shotguns for compliance with waterfowl regulations.

Proposal 84

Clarify and limit the inspection requirements for licenses, harvest tickets, and permits

- Department: Neutral
- Fairbanks AC

Proposal 87

Change the Board's policy on ORV restrictions –
ORV use may not be restricted based on
perceived declines in hunt quality

- Department: Neutral
- Alaska Outdoor Council

Proposal 87

Background

- 5 AAC 92.004. Policy for off-road vehicle use for hunting and transporting game.
 - (a)... the board ... may take action to avoid or minimize...
 - (4) Chronic conflicts with other user groups leading to a decline in quality of the outdoor experience
- Proposed addition to the policy:
 - The board may not restrict off-road vehicles used to harvest or transport identified big game populations due to a perceived decline in the quality of the outdoor experience.

Proposal 87

Change the Board's policy on ORV restrictions –
ORV use may not be restricted based on
perceived declines in hunt quality

- Department: Neutral
- Alaska Outdoor Council

Proposal 88

Adds sugar gliders to the Clean List

- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Background

Proposal 88

- Sugar gliders are small marsupials native to Australia, Indonesia, and Papua-New Guinea.
- They are omnivorous, nocturnal creatures.
- They are capable of entering torpor for >13 hours/day and group together to conserve heat.



Background

Proposal 88

- Sugar gliders are capable of carrying diseases found in other Clean List species, as well as *Streptococcus anginosus*.
- This bacteria is found in their mouths; if they bite a human, it could lead to serious health issues in that person.



Background

Proposal 88

- Sugar gliders are listed as a species of Least Concern in its native countries.
- Due to the small body size, they can be kept and maintained in good health indoors in most peoples' homes.

Proposal 88

Adds sugar gliders to the Clean List

- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Proposal 89

Adds sugar gliders to the Clean List

- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Proposal 90

Remove domestic sheep and goats from the Clean List and require a permit for their possession.

- Department: Take No Action
- Public Proposal

Background

Proposal 90

- Proposal was brought forward to protect wild sheep from diseases, not to limit ownership of domestic animals.
- BOG authority is limited to game and feral animals.

Proposal 90

Remove domestic sheep and goats from the Clean List and require a permit for their possession.

- Department: Take No Action
- Public Proposal

Proposal 91

Include cow in the definition of feral game.

- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Background

Proposal 90

- Feral cows exist in parts of the state, and the proposer would like to open a season so they may be hunted.
- It would be hard to differentiate between “feral” cattle and free range cattle on an authorized grazing lease.

Proposal 91

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- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Proposal 92

Resident and nonresident falconry harvest dates, species, and bag limits would become the same.

- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Background

Proposal 92

- In 2014, the BOG adopted regulations to allow a limited nonresident take of raptors.
- The BOG rejected nonresident eyas take due to potential of nonresident breeders seeking out unique eyas for purely propagative purposes, as well as due to the lack of a fee structure and administrative complexity.

Background

Proposal 92

- Eyas birds have not left the nest yet, and are extremely desirable.
- Eyas take requires known nest locations, which are often used across years and generations.
- Passage birds are those that have fledged migrates seasonally.
- Demand for rare species and color morphs found in Alaska can lead to substantial financial gain for people willing to share nest locations.

Background

Proposal 92

- 2015 was the first season open to nonresident hunters; 3 nonresidents were awarded permits. Two gyrfalcons were exported.
- Currently: 3 states prohibit all nonresident eyas take, 1 state prohibits all eyas take, 7 states allow eyas take if reciprocity exists in their home state.

Background

Proposal 92

- Residents: no closed season, eyas and passage take allowed, limit 2 birds per year
- The falcon and raptor population in Alaska remains healthy and able to support a small amount of nonresident take.

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- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Proposal 93

Increase nonresident falconry take to 10 permits per year, allow eyas raptors to be taken, and extend nonresident season.

- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Background

Proposal 93

- Eyaas take requires known nest locations, which are often used across years and generations.
- Demand for rare species and color morphs found in Alaska can lead to substantial financial gain for people willing to share nest locations.

Background

Proposal 93

- Current Regulation:
 - ≤ 5 permits/year
 - Passage, hatch-year birds
 - August 15-October 31
- Proposed Changes:
 - ≤ 10 permits/year
 - Eyas and passage birds
 - May 15-October 31

Proposal 93

Increase nonresident falconry take to 10 permits per year, allow eyas raptors to be taken, and extend nonresident season.

- Department: Neutral
- Public Proposal

Proposal 94

Department may not issue scientific or telemetry permits to any organization that has not agreed to fully implement the state's plans and regulations

- Department: Neutral
- Fairbanks AC

Proposal 94

Department has the authority to issue permits to take game

- Beneficial to Alaskan public (Public Safety)
 - Eliminates delays in response times
 - Reduces costs
- Advancement of science
 - Allows Department to review projects and discuss proposed activities
 - Many studies have produced peer-reviewed publications
 - Advances wildlife conservation

Proposal 94

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- Department: Neutral
- Fairbanks AC