

ACR #2 – Allow the use of large bore, high-powered air rifles for taking big game statewide.

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CITE THE REGULATION THAT WILL BE CHANGED IF THIS ACR IS HEARD.

5 AAC 92.085. Unlawful methods of taking big game; exceptions.

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM YOU WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO ADDRESS? STATE IN DETAIL THE NATURE OF THE CURRENT PROBLEM.

Amend existing regulatory language to allow for air gun use for all big game species in Alaska.

WHAT SOLUTION DO YOU PREFER?

5 AAC 92.085 (19) ...allowed for the take of deer and caribou; and remaining big game species may be taken by air gun of at least .457 caliber.

STATE IN DETAIL HOW THIS ACR MEETS THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

A. To correct an error in regulation.

Not applicable.

B. To correct an effect of a regulation that was unforeseen when a regulation was adopted.

All big game species should have ben included in the air gun regulation.

C. Does the request identify a biological concern for the population or a threat to meeting objectives for the population?

Not applicable.

D. Does the request identify an unforeseen, unexpected event or effect that would otherwise restrict or reduce a reasonable opportunity for customary and traditional wildlife uses, as defined in AS 16.05.258(f)?

Not applicable.

E. Does the request identify an unforeseen, unexpected resource situation where a biologically allowable resource harvest would be precluded by delayed regulatory action and such delay would be significantly burdensome because the resource would be unavailable in the future?

Not applicable.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THIS PROBLEM IS NOT SOLVED PRIOR TO THE REGULAR CYCLE?

Opportunity to take game with an air gun will be missed for more than a year.

STATE WHY YOUR ACR IS NOT PREDOMINANTLY ALLOCATIVE.

This ACR does not seek special air gun seasons, or areas. Air guns could be used in an non-weapons restricted hunts.

IF THIS REQUEST IS ALLOCATIVE, STATE THE NEW INFORMATION THAT COMPELS THE BOARD TO CONSIDER AN ALLOCATIVE PROPOSAL OUTSIDE OF THE REGULAR CYCLE.

Not applicable.

STATE YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN THE ISSUE THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS ACR.

Promoter of air gun hunting and shooting sports. Proprietor of Alaska Shooting Specialties/Alaska Air Guns.

STATE WHETHER THIS ACR HAS BEEN CONSIDERED BEFORE, EITHER AS A PROPOSAL OR AS AN ACR, AND IF SO, DURING WHICH BOARD OF GAME MEETING.

This ACR has not been submitted or considered before.