

Proposal 116 was deferred by the Board of Game from the March 2024 Interior and Eastern Arctic Region meeting. It was previously published as Proposal 90.

PROPOSAL 116

5 AAC 85.055. Hunting seasons and bag limits for Dall sheep.

Reopen the late season resident only subsistence sheep registration hunt RS380 in Unit 19C as follows:

Reinstate RS380 Dall sheep hunt.

5 AAC 85.055 Unit 19C Sheep

Residents: One ram with 3/4 curl horn or smaller; excluding rams with both tips broken; by permit available online at <http://hunt.alaska.gov>, or in person in McGrath and Nikolai beginning Sept 26; check in/out required due to small quota; aircraft prohibited. (no open season)

RS380

Oct 1-Apr 30

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Reauthorize RS380. One ram with 3/4 curl horn or smaller; excluding rams with both tips broken; by permit available online at <http://hunt.alaska.gov>, or in person in McGrath and Nikolai beginning September 26; check in/out required due to small quota; aircraft prohibited. Contact McGrath at (907) 524-3323.

The Alaska Department of Fish & Game advised the Board of Game in March of 2023 that there is no biological reason to close this hunt as well as the general season hunt for Dall sheep. Reopening this hunt will allow LOCAL residents to traditionally harvest sheep for subsistence needs. Historical use and harvest of RS380 is low with an average of two sheep taken a year. This is an important cultural hunt for the local hunters on the upper Kuskokwim to hunt without competition. The low harvest has no detrimental effects on the overall sheep population.

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