

PROPOSAL 122

5 AAC 92.011. Taking of game by proxy.

Allow proxy hunting for plains bison statewide as follows:

- (k) Proxy hunting under this section is only allowed for
 - (1) caribou;
 - (2) deer;
 - (3) moose in Tier II hunts, any-bull hunts, antlered-bull hunts without antler restrictions, and antlerless moose hunts;
 - (4) emperor geese;
 - (5) muskoxen in Tier II hunts; **and**
 - (6) plains bison.**

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? At the 2024 Interior and Eastern Arctic Region Board of Game meeting in Fairbanks, the board passed a proposal to allow plains bison to be proxy hunted in that region. To reduce regulatory complexity the Department of Fish and Game proposes to allow proxy hunting for plains bison statewide. There are two plains bison populations outside of the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region (the Chitina herd in Unit 11, and the Copper River herd in Units 11 and 13D) and hunting opportunity for these populations is offered by drawing permit only, when a harvestable surplus exists.

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