

Federal Wildlife Proposal

Proponent:

Northwest Arctic Regional Advisory Council

Issue:

Increase the harvest limit and extend season to match the State regulations for ptarmigan in Unit 23

Existing Federal Regulation:

Unit 23— Ptarmigan (rock, willow, and white-tailed)

Unit 23— 20 per day, 40 in possession.

Aug. 10-Apr. 30

Proposed Federal Regulation:

Unit 23— Ptarmigan (rock, willow, and white-tailed)

Unit 23— 50 per day, 100 in possession.

Aug. 10-June 15.

Why Should this regulation be changed?

With the loss of caribou and salmon, users have needed to depend on other species in order meet their subsistence needs. Aligning the Federal ptarmigan hunt to match the State hunt will help reduce confusion and increase opportunity. Hunters have indicated an increased ptarmigan population in Unit 23.