

Federal Wildlife Proposal

Proponent

Southcentral Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council

Issue

Change the brown bear harvest limit from one bear to two bears to match the recently changed State harvest limit.

Current Federal regulation:

Unit 13- Brown Bear

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Aug 10–May31

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Justification

The Alaska Board of Game recently adopted Proposal 57 to increase the brown bear harvest limit in Unit 13 under State regulations. This proposal would keep Federal and State regulations aligned, provide additional subsistence harvest opportunity, and prevent Federal regulations from being more restrictive than State regulations.