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We are requesting a bag limit change from 1 caribou by Federal registration permit to 2 caribou by State registration permit for Unit 9C, that portion within Katmai National Preserve. The caribou present on Katmai National Preserve have increased over the previous 5 years to a population size they can now sustain a limited harvest. Calf to cow and bull to cow ratios are high and the herd is increasing at a faster rate than anticipated. ADF&G is planning to open a state registration hunt on the surrounding state lands with a bag limit of 2 caribou for state residents 1 December 2026–31 March 2027, or until closed by emergency order when the harvest quota is met. If growth of the herd is left unchecked, habitat degradation is possible to a point the caribou will decrease in population size. Harvesting a limited number of caribou will help ensure the population continues to be viable and allow for subsistence use of the resource. Growth of the herd will be more challenging to slow if left to increase for additional years. Aligning bag limits to be the same on state and federal lands will lessen confusion by hunters and increase subsistence use of the resource.