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Temporary Special Action Request WSA17-05 for Unit 12 Remainder Caribou Harvest Limit Increase Withdrawn by Proponent

Temporary Special Action request WSA17-05, submitted by the Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge, requested that the harvest limit be increased from 1 caribou to “up to 2 caribou” and that the Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge Manager, in consultation with the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve Superintendent, Alaska Department of Fish and Game area biologists, and Chairs of the Eastern Interior Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council and Upper Tanana/Fortymile Fish and Game Advisory Committee, be delegated authority to set the harvest limit for the to-be-announced winter caribou season in Unit 12 remainder for the 2017/18 regulatory year. This request targeted the Nelchina caribou herd, which currently exceeds State population objectives.

Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge withdrew this request on November 27, 2017, stating that they were no longer interested in pursuing the requested action after reviewing comments from the Eastern Interior Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council and the State, along with the analysis from the Office of Subsistence Management.

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