

PROPOSAL 44 – 5 AAC 92.011. Taking of game by proxy. Allow the take of moose by proxy in moose hunts having antler restrictions as follows:

Allow proxy hunting for antler restricted bull moose hunts statewide.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The statewide elimination of proxy hunting for antler restricted bull moose hunts has had the unintended consequence of eliminating an important Alaskan cultural tradition of harvesting game for family and friends that need assistance. While proxy hunting may not be right for all antler restricted bull moose hunts, it would be very helpful in some units where the majority of moose are taken in antler restricted general season hunts. In particular, if proxy hunting were once again allowed in the Unit 13 general season moose hunt, there would be significantly less interest in the community hunt structure which allows open designated hunting amongst community members.

The statewide regulation should be changed back to allow for proxy hunting in all antler restricted bull moose hunts. If proxy hunting is not wanted in some units or regions, it should be eliminated on a unit by unit basis.

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