

PROPOSAL 106

5 AAC 92.123. Intensive Management Plans VII.

Expand the predation control area for bear in Unit 19A as follows:

- Expand the bear predator control area that exists in Unit 19A to an area within the Lime Village Management Area, (LVMA), along the Stony River, between the mouth of Can Creek and the mouth of Stink Creek.
- The current bear predator control program in Unit 19A authorizes its application to 800 square miles. So far, and at this time it is being applied to 540 square miles. The program allows for bear predator control on another 260 square miles.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? There are too many bears in the LVMA, including the village itself. The effects include:

- There have been multiple incidents of both black and brown bears within Lime Village. These incidents have been increasing in number during recent years.
- Destruction of nets and smokehouses, loss of fish, and danger to humans have become common in the village.
- Local residents have had limited success harvesting these bears, due to bears becoming savvy to the sounds of people walking and ATVs.

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