

**PROPOSAL 55**

**5 AAC 85.040. Hunting seasons and bag limits for goat.**

Open a registration goat hunt for residents in Unit 13 as follows:

Create a goat registration hunt for Unit 13A from **August 10th to November 15th** [NO OPEN SEASON].

Harvest limit: (1) billy or nanny without kids.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Create a goat registration hunt for Unit 13A from August 10th to November 15th .

Goats cross the Matanuska River from the Chugach Range on an abnormal and inconsistent basis. For this reason, they are not able to successfully create any legitimate herds that could be considered a natural range. There have been populations that have succeeded in establishing themselves in the past but have not been able to maintain any natural consistency.

With this, I feel it would be appropriate to offer a registration hunt for billies and nannies without kids. It is known that goats and sheep do not naturally co-habitat well together, therefore it would seem reasonable to harvest these particular goats that do not have a natural range or herd.

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