

PROPOSAL 95

5 AAC 85.020. Hunting seasons and bag limits for brown bear.

Lengthen the brown bear season in Unit 16B for residents and nonresidents as follows:

Brown bear season dates for residents and nonresidents, Unit 16B: August 10 - June 30. Made effective by emergency order for spring 2021.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? ? In 2018 the brown bear season in Unit 16B was changed from "No Closed Season" to August 10 - June 15. Most of Unit 16B has an extremely high snow pack and is difficult access during the month of May. June is the prime time for hunting bears in most of the unit and the season now closes June 15. With the loss of the nonresident brown bear season during April and May of 2020, there will be a surplus of bears in 2021. I believe it is important to lengthen the season through the end of June and make it effective immediately.

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