

PROPOSAL 198

5 AAC 92.044. Permit for hunting bear with the use of bait or scent lures.

Eliminate bear baiting or prohibit bait stations within 50 miles of cabins as follows:

No bear baiting would be my solution. If not completely, 50 miles from nearest cabin.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Bear baiting. As someone who lives in Unit 13 without road access or electricity and walks approximately half a mile to reach my cabin, I feel bear baiting puts me in danger of bear attacks more than it protects me from them. Over the last 38 years I've had several close encounters with black bear and brown bear. Last summer was the first time I've experienced brown bear coming back after encountering them. I'm sure it's mostly due to more stupid people being in the area. I have a suspicion that more bait stations are also around. Most of the people in my subdivision don't even know where my cabin is, so how are they supposed to bait a mile away? And a mile? You have got to be kidding What's that, a five-minute walk for a bear? Anyway, I propose we do away with bear baiting. If I find a bait station that I feel threatens me and my family, I will act accordingly. Thanks for your time.

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