

Federal Wildlife Proposal

Proponent

Southcentral Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council

Issue

Change the possession limit and season dates for beaver hunting in Unit 6.

Current Federal regulation:

Unit 6- Beaver

Beaver: 1 beaver per day, 1 in possession.

May 1-Oct. 31.

Proposed Federal regulation:

Unit 6- Beaver

*Beaver: 1 beaver per day, ~~1~~ **3** in possession.*

~~*May 1-Oct. 31.*~~

July 1– June 30

Justification

This proposal would increase the possession limit of beaver in Unit 6 and extend the season to a year-round season. Subsistence practices are opportunistic in nature, and this change would allow for opportunistic beaver harvest under a hunting license. It also enables users to target larger beavers, rather than the indiscriminate harvest that occurs with trapping.