

**PROPOSAL 101**

**5 AAC 92.540. Controlled use areas.**

Remove the horsepower restriction in the Holitna-Hoholitna Controlled Use Area in Unit 19A as follows:

The Unit 19A registration hunt gives the Department of Fish and Game many tools to limit the number of hunters and/or keep harvest at sustainable levels without the 40-horsepower restriction on big game hunters. Because the 40-horsepower economically discriminates against hunters and serves no other purpose, I recommend it be removed. If the department has concerns about the number of hunters on the Holitna and Hoholitna Rivers they can limit the number of registration permits issued.

**CURRENT LANGUAGE:**

**5AAC 92.540(7)(B)**

[(B) the Holitna-Hoholitna Controlled Use Area

- (i) the area consists of water of the Holitna River downstream from Kashegelok, the Titnuk River downstream from Fuller Mountain and the Hoholitna River downstream from the confluence of the South Fork and main Hoholitna River.
- (ii) the area is closed to the use of any boat equipped with an inboard or outboard motor with an aggregate horsepower in excess of the manufacturer's rating of 40 horsepower for hunting big game, including the transportation of big game hunters, their hunting gear, or parts of big game, from August 1 through November 1; however this provision does not prohibit the transportation into the area of game meat that has been processed for human consumption;]

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** I would like to remove the 40-horsepower restriction on big game hunters in Unit 19A.

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