

**PROPOSAL 69**

**5 AAC 85.045. Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose.**

Shorten the season for the Tier II moose hunt in Unit 16B as follows:

TM565, TM567, and TM569 season: December 15th to February 28<sup>th</sup>

We would like to eliminate March from the Tier II season in Unit 16B.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Harassment of winter stressed moose in March. The Tier II moose hunt was extended into March when the season start date was pushed back to December 15th to curtail trophy hunting of winter moose under the guise of subsistence. The season prior to this change ended February 28th. We feel that two and half months is plenty of time for a dilligent subsistence hunter to harvest a better quality animal and the later period just leads to more harassment determining legality as antler shed spots grow darker and unnecessary stressing of already winter stressed moose.

**Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local fish and game advisory committee?** This was discussed and recommended by the Mt. Yenlo Advisory Committee.

**PROPOSED BY:** Mt. Yenlo Fish and Game Advisory Committee (EG-F24-019)

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