

Unit 1A Area Overview

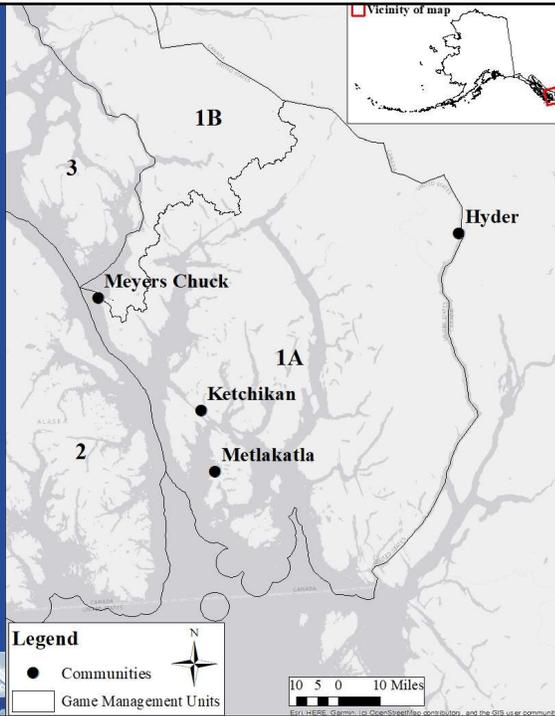


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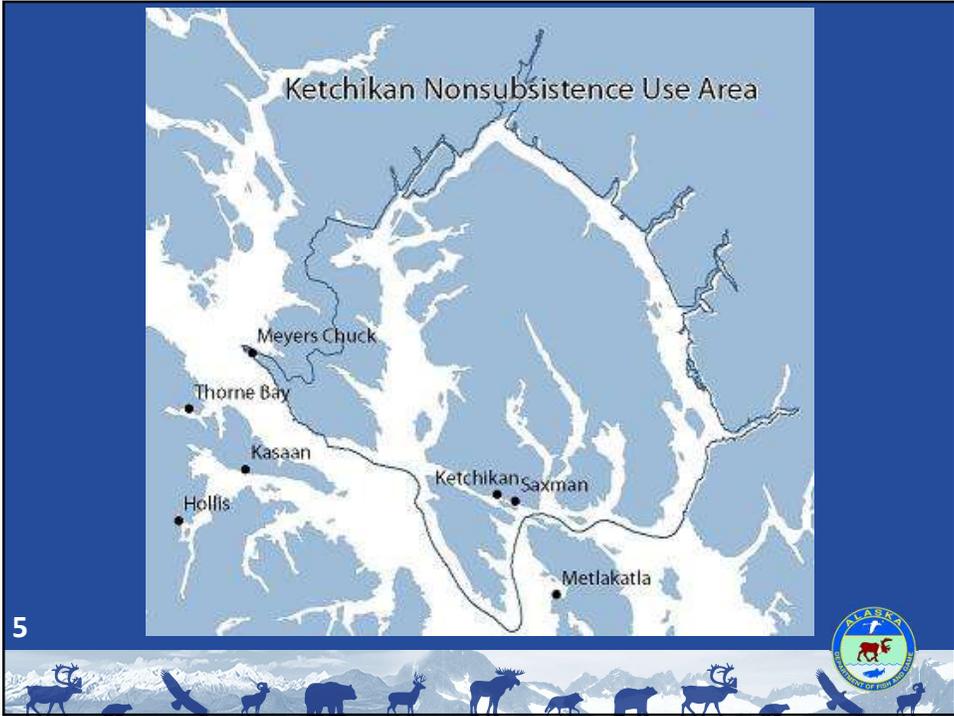
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Deer

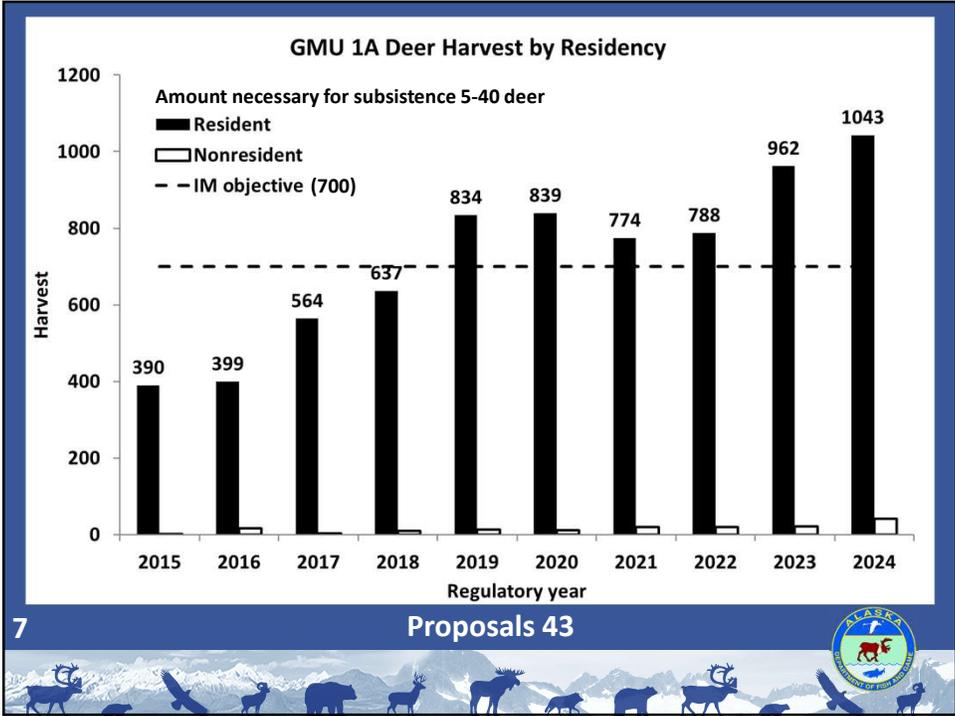


- General season harvest ticket hunt
- High harvest during RY2024
- Camera trap deer population monitoring project
- Positive customary and traditional use finding

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Black Bears

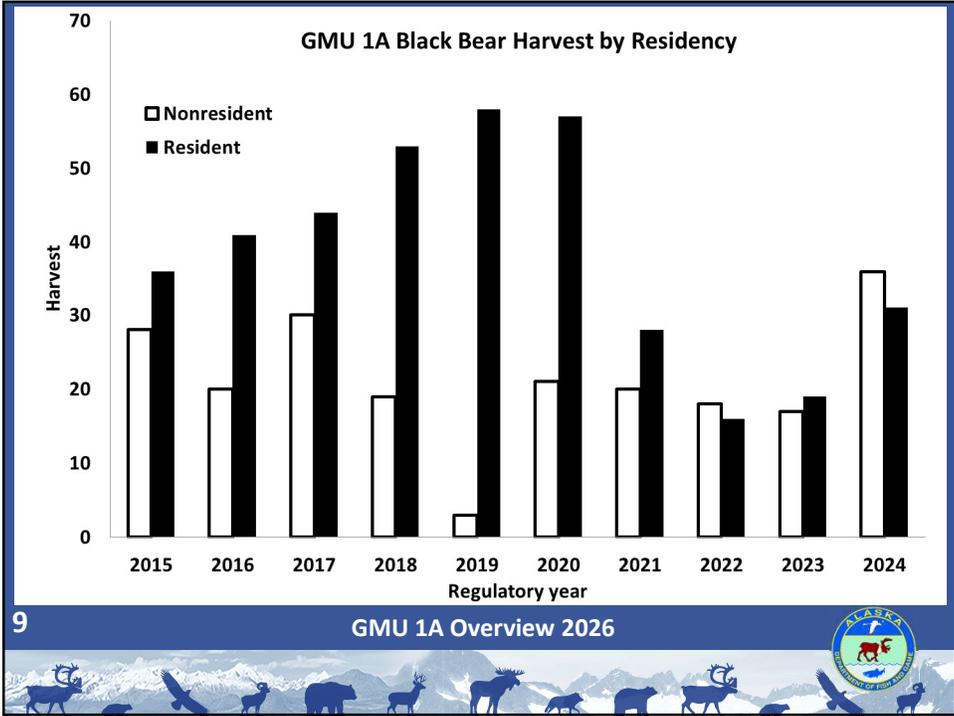


- Harvest ticket for residents and non-residents
- Spring hunting along road system and shoreline
- Positive customary and traditional finding
- ANS = 5-10

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Bear calls

- Working with AWT, KPD, KIC, and landfill managers
- Record information on all wildlife calls
- Hazing device and electric fence loaner program




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Brown Bear

- Registration permits RB062 and RB072
- Estimated population 150-300
- Positive customary and traditional finding, ANS 2-3 bears



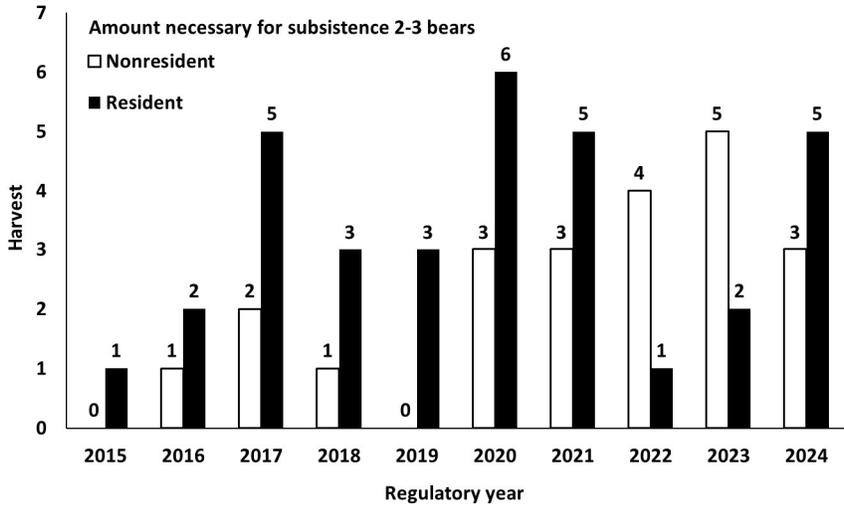
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GMU 1A Brown Bear Harvest by Residency



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GMU 1A Mountain Goats



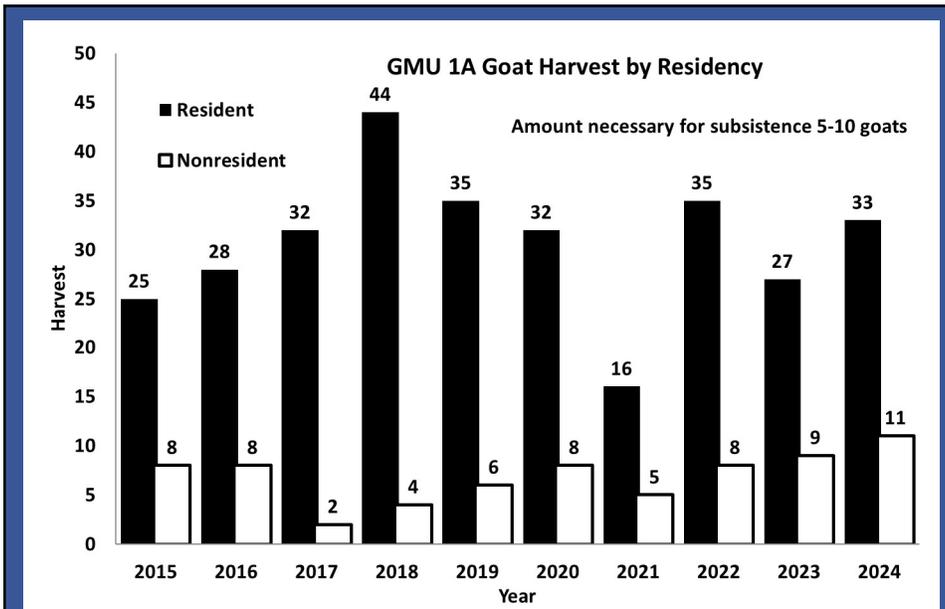
- Draw (DG005, DG006, DG008), registration (RG001/RG002), and governors permit (SG056) hunts in Unit 1A
- Introduced goats on Revilla Island abundant
- World record class goats
- Positive customary and traditional finding

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Unit 1A Moose



- Issue 40-70 registration permits (RM022) annually
- Harvest averaged 3 bulls annually from RY2015-RY2024 (any bull hunt)
- Negative customary and traditional use finding

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Wolves



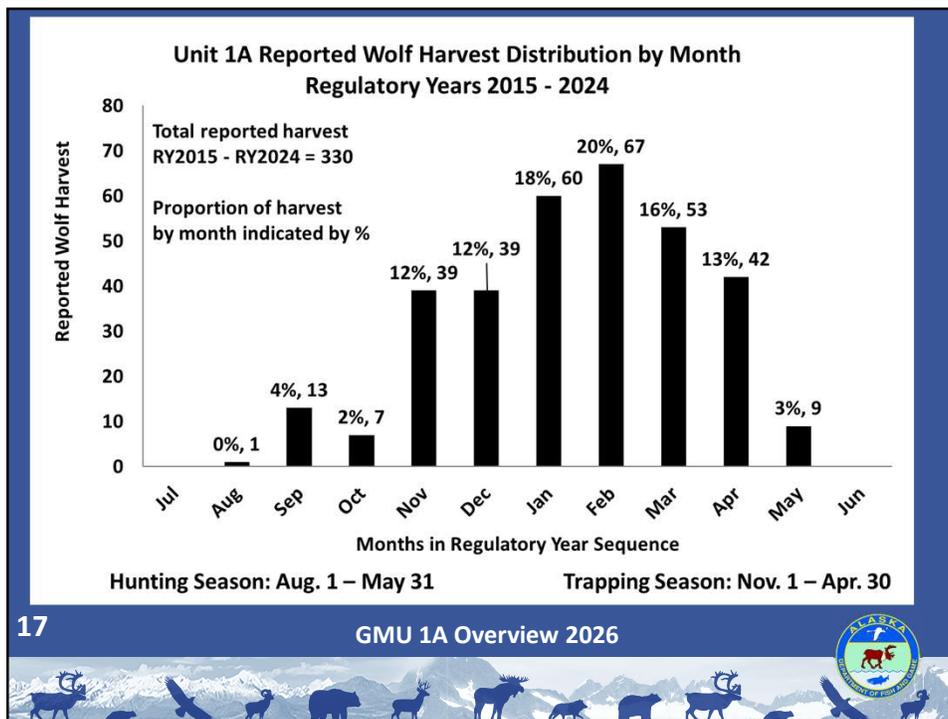
- Wolf population appears stable
- Positive customary and traditional finding, ANS = 90% of the harvestable portion

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Furbearers



Average Harvest 2015 – 2024

- Beaver 42 (range = 16-66)
- Marten 219 (range = 128-316)
- Northern river otter 37 (range = 19-51)
- Wolverine 3 (range = 0-7)

Positive customary and traditional use finding,
ANS = 90% of the harvestable portion

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Small Game



- Sooty Grouse
- Ptarmigan
- Waterfowl
- Red Squirrel

No customary and traditional use findings

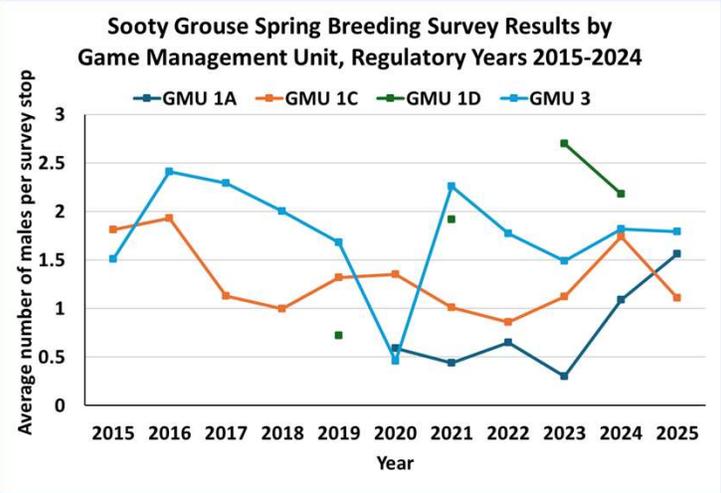
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Sooty Grouse



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Unit 2 Area Overview



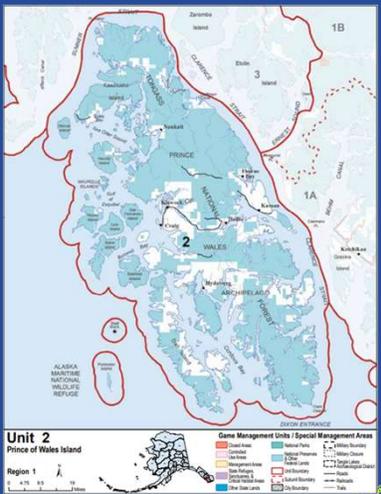
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Game Management Unit 2



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Unit 2 Overview

- ~3,600 square miles
- 12 communities
- ~3,500 residents
- Major employment
 - Commercial fisheries
 - Government
 - Tourism
 - Logging



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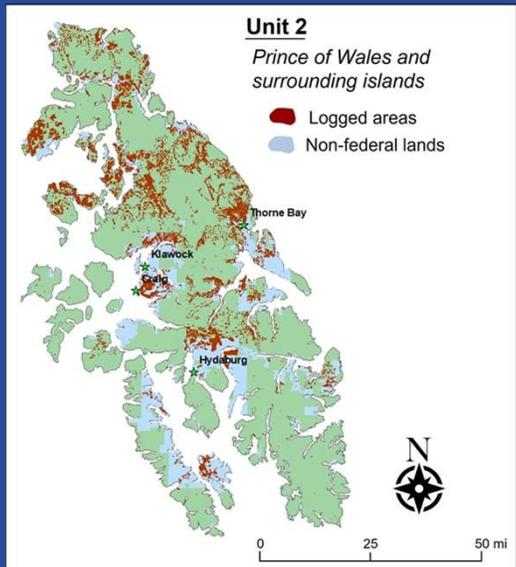
Timber Harvest

Highest rate in Region 1

- Northern POW old-growth deer habitat reduced by 46%
- Southern POW old-growth deer habitat reduced by 18%

Current logging

- Young-growth and old growth harvest on state and federal land



Map by D. Gregovich, ADFG

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Advisory Committees

Craig



Klawock



East POW



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Sitka Black-tailed Deer



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Sitka Black-tailed Deer

- Population Monitoring
 - Historically used:
 - Deer pellet surveys
 - Aerial alpine surveys
 - Now testing:
 - Camera methods
 - Currently using:
 - Trends in harvest



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Sitka Black-Tailed Deer

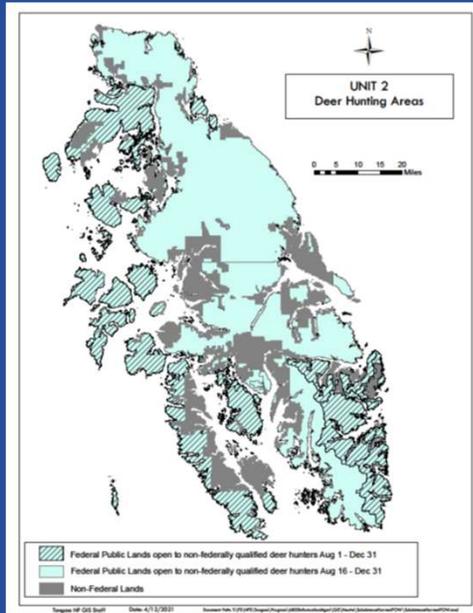
- State
 - Bag Limit: 4 bucks
 - Season: August 1st to December 31st
- Federal
 - Bag Limit: 5 deer, 1 may be a doe
 - Season: July 24th to January 31st
- Additional NFQ restrictions:
 - Bag Limit: 2 bucks on federal land (since 2018)
 - Most federal land closed Aug 1st to Aug 15th

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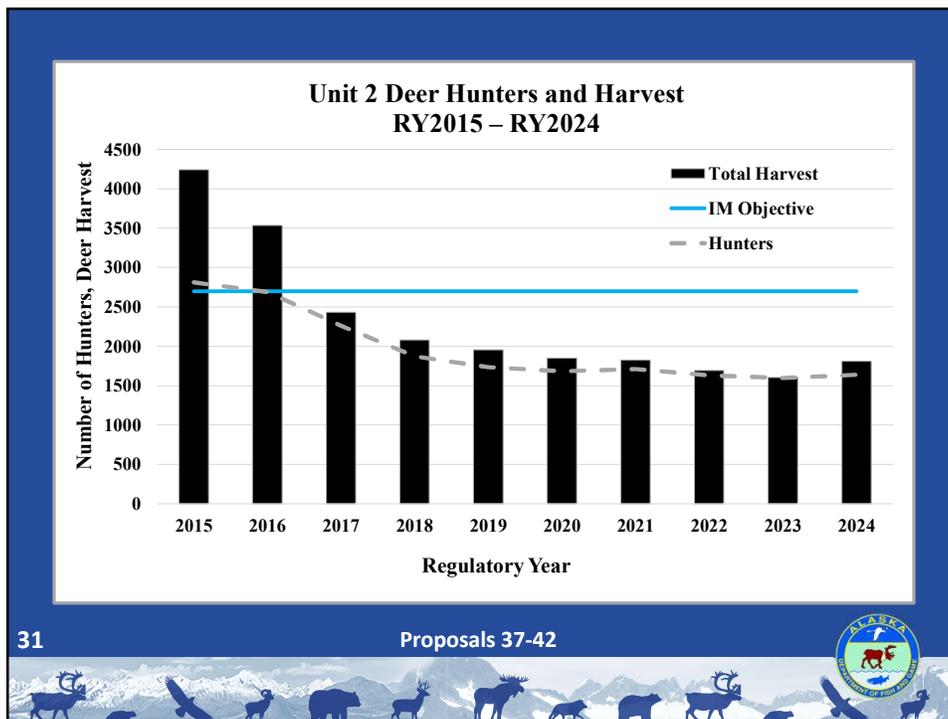
- ▨ NFQ Season: Aug 1 – Dec 31
- NFQ Season: Aug 16 – Dec 31

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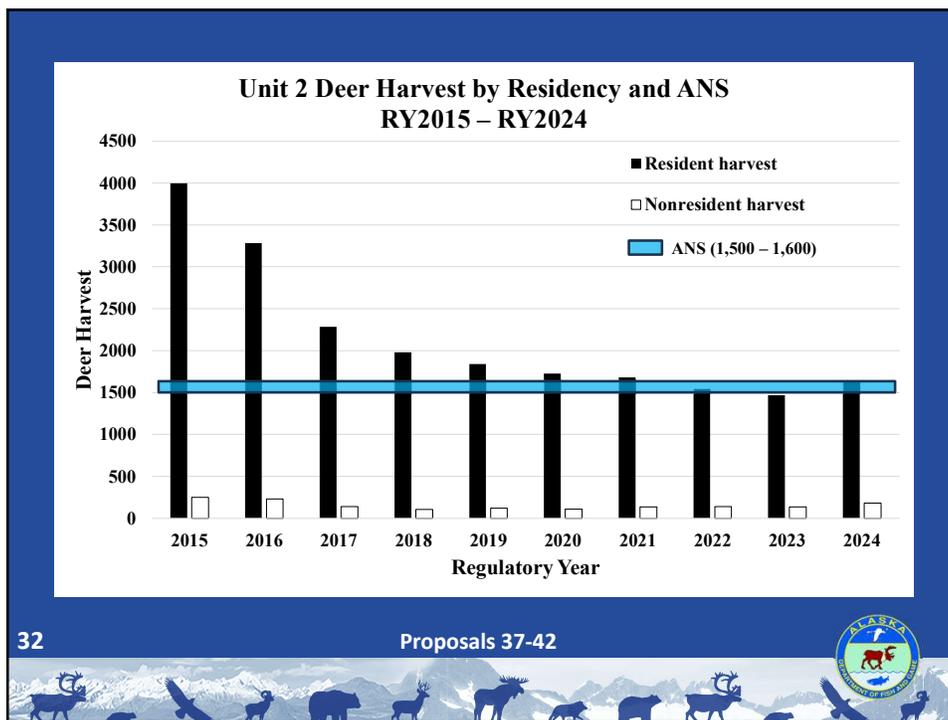
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Wolf

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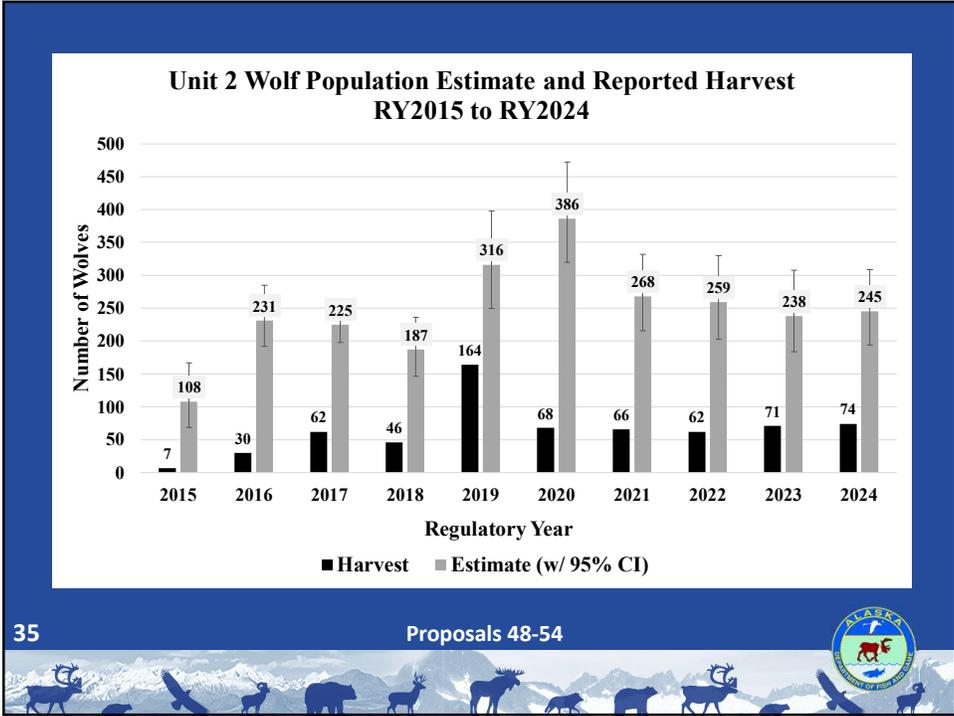
Wolf Management Strategy

- Pop. Objective:
 - 150-200 wolves
- Harvest Rates
 - 2.4 wolves/day (2019 to Present)

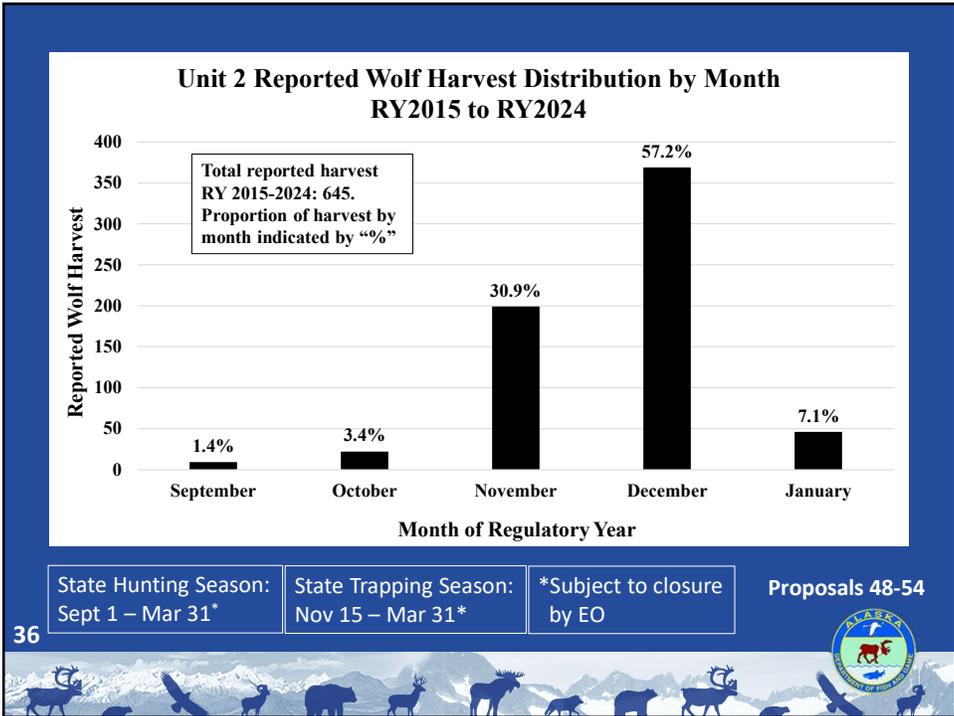
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Wolf

- Positive C&T finding for furbearers
- ANS: 90% of harvestable portion

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Black Bear



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Black Bear Management

- Residents: 2-bear bag limit by harvest ticket
- Nonresidents:
 - 1-bear bag limit by draw permit (DL027 – Fall, 60 permits; DL028 – Spring, 200 permits)
 - OR by harvest ticket when hunting with resident relatives within the second degree of kindred
- Popular DIY hunt for nonresident hunters
- US Forest Service issues guide permits

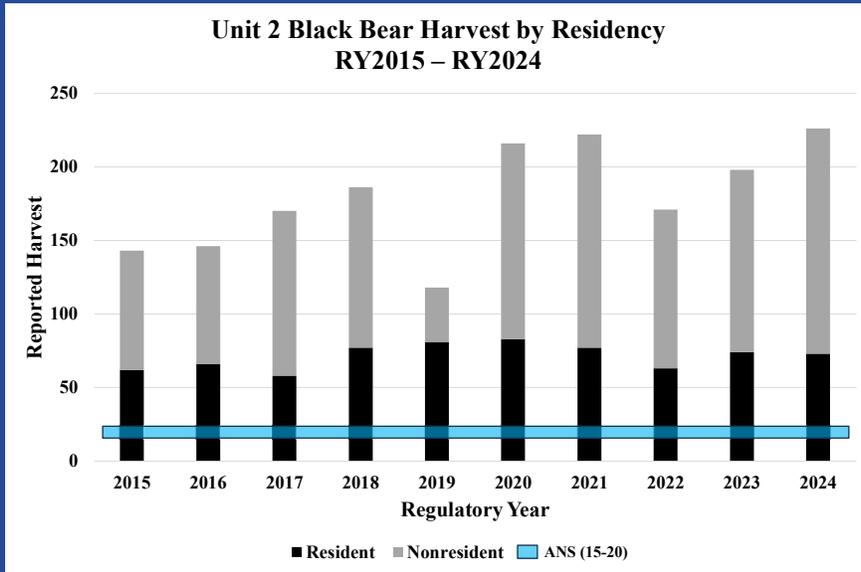
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Unit 2 Black Bear Harvest by Residency
RY2015 – RY2024

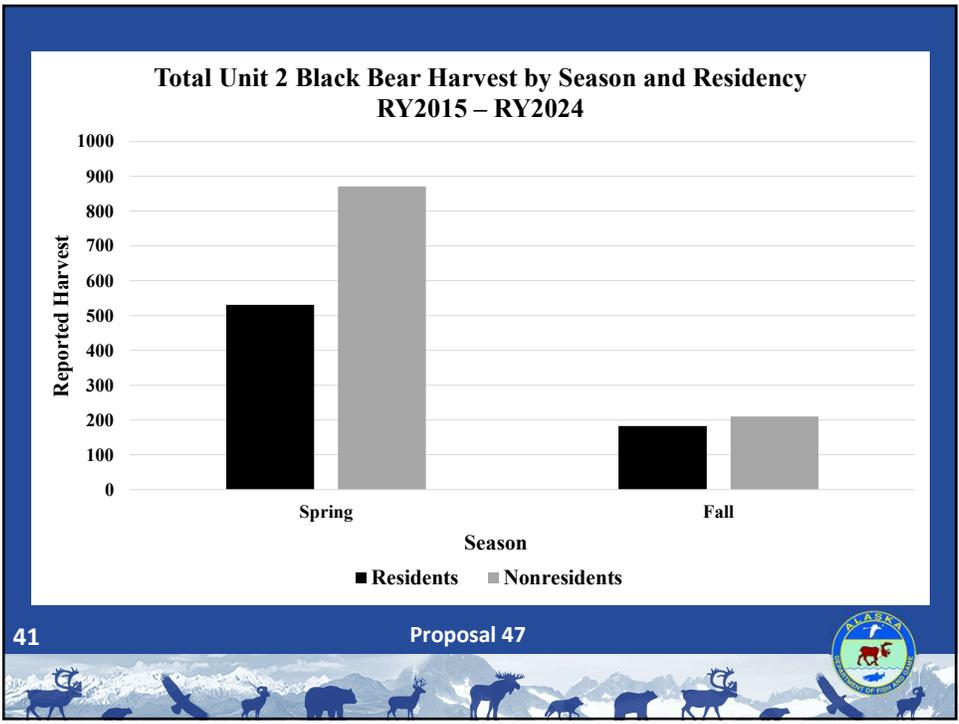


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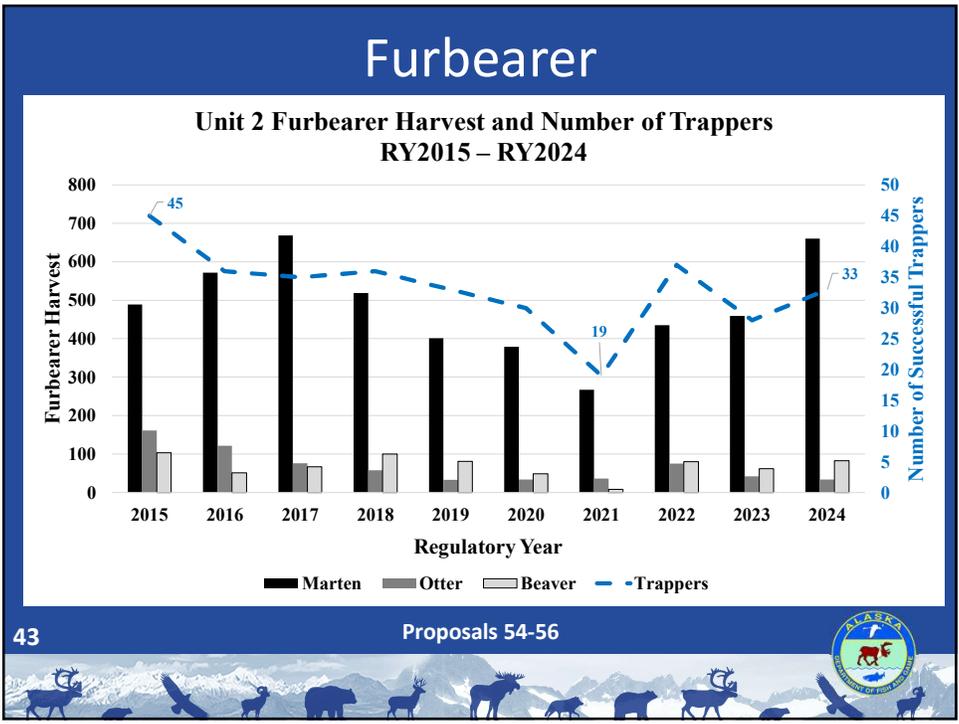
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Franklin's Spruce Grouse

- Subspecies of spruce grouse
- Endemic to Prince of Wales Island
- Relatively little information available
- Developing and implementing future surveys

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