

**PROPOSAL 73**

**5 AAC 84.270(14). Furbearer trapping.**

Extend the wolverine trapping season in Unit 13 as follows:

Extend wolverine trapping season in Unit 13 to end at the end of February.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Currently wolverine trapping season ends February 15. We would like to extend the trapping season for wolverine to the end of February, to match other trapping seasons in Unit 13. Federal Subsistence trapping season ends on February 28 and we would like to match that (going to end of February due to leap years).

There is a good chance of incidental catch with other sets still out that wolverines could get into. Many rivers in Unit 13 are not freezing up until January/February now so access to areas is later in the season and thus does not give much time to trap wolverine. You can shoot wolverine in Unit 12 until the end of March. There is no biological reason not to extend the season a couple more weeks to the end of February.

**PROPOSED BY:** Copper Basin Advisory Committee

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