

WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE

Q: Dall sheep is apparently the big attraction for the commercial hunting guides, their clients, and some other sport hunters with airplanes. But a recent National Park Service/ ADF&G study determined that 81% of the sheep are already in the Preserve.

Doesn't further massive reductions in the Park for the sheep hunters seem a little extreme?

Q: Your proposal removes even more of the Park (3.1 million acres) than S. 49 ( 2.3 million). Why?

A: ?

Q: If 81% of the Dall Sheep are already in the Preserve, what would be the percentages under S.49 and the administration proposals?

A: Mr. Horn will have to research this one.

Q: Where has subsistence hunting traditionally taken place in the Park?

A: Only in the three small road-accessible park portions, not in the remote sheep country that the guides and hunters fly into. ( Subsistence hunters in the bulk of the Wrangells cannot use airplanes for hunting).

Q; Since the vast bulk of the park acreage that would be opened by the administration and S. 49 is not used by subsistence hunters, can the "equity argument" be used to justify opening these un hunted park areas to the trophy hunters?