

# Board: Transplant Musk Ox

**JUNEAU** — The Alaska Board of Fish and Game wants the Nunivak Island musk ox herd managed to produce the

maximum number of animals for transplanting.

A provisional musk ox policy adopted by the board at its spring meeting in Juneau states that transplants to historic Alaskan ranges probably would have the best chance for success and should be given preference.

When surplus and nonproductive animals are selected by the Department of Fish and Game for removal, the musk oxen or their meat, hides,

horns or hair may be auctioned or otherwise disposed of to provide the greatest monetary return.

Local residents are to be given first preference for meat obtained from these animals and disposal methods may also include the sale of big game tags for musk ox hunts.

Residents of areas involved in musk ox transplants will be consulted on the proposed moves and their desires will be considered by the board.