ALASKA Public Opinion

March 2023

Survey conducted March 9 through March 12, 2023. 820 likely 2024 General Election voters participated in the survey. Survey weighted to match expected turnout demographics for the 2024 General Election. Margin of Error is +/-3.4% with a 95% level of confidence. Totals do not always equal 100% due to rounding.
Q1: Do you support or oppose allowing trophy hunters and trappers to kill wolf and coyote parents, siblings and pups at their den sites on the National Park Service’s national preserves in Alaska?

Support: 21%
Oppose: 69%
Don’t know: 10%

Q2: Do you support or oppose trophy hunters killing hibernating black bear mothers and their cubs in their dens with the aid of artificial lights, such as headlamps, on the National Park Service’s national preserves in Alaska?

Support: 17%
Oppose: 80%
Don’t know: 3%

Q3a: Trophy hunters and hunting guides bait bears with pet food, grease, rotting game or fish and other high calorie foods. Baiting bears accustoms them to a certain location, making it easier for a trophy hunter to shoot them.

Do you support or oppose trophy hunters and hunting guides baiting brown bears and black bears on the National Park Service’s national preserves in Alaska?

Support: 21%
Oppose: 75%
Don’t know: 4%

Q3b: Trophy hunters and hunting guides place bear baits that concentrate wildlife in one place and lead to larger bears preying on smaller bears.

Do you support or oppose trophy hunters and hunting guides baiting brown bears and black bears on the National Park Service’s national preserves in Alaska?

Support: 20%
Oppose: 75%
Don’t know: 5%
Q4: Trophy hunters and hunting guides often place bear bait sites near hiking trails and other access points for recreationists, increasing the chances that visitors may encounter a bear who is feeding or defending its food source.

Knowing this, do you support or oppose trophy hunters and hunting guides baiting brown bears and black bears on the National Park Service’s national preserves in Alaska?

Support: 18%
Oppose: 78%
Don’t know: 4%

Q5: Do you support or oppose trophy hunters’ use of radio-collared hounds to chase and corner black bears in trees for an easier kill on the National Park Service’s national preserves in Alaska?

Support: 17%
Oppose: 75%
Don’t know: 8%