

Questions for LNUKs/or RNUK:

1. If the LNUK of a Hudson Strait community (your own community or others) chose to delay the opening of November beluga hunting by 1 week (as an example) to avoid EHB migration, would a December 1st closure be reasonable?

A 1: Yes, it will be, it's reasonable in Quaqtaq

A2: No, They're already making them wait with the October closure.

2. Do beluga ever migrate through your hunting area in high numbers in December? Is the 2nd, larger migration (as indicated by Inuit Knowledge observations) ever still occurring in December?

A: No

3. If the closure were in place, and during December or January beluga are found by hunters in an ice entrapment, would it be reasonable and possible for hunters to submit an application to DFO to harvest those whales?

A: Yes, it would be reasonable.

*Quartamiut don't mind either way since it does not affect us, as long as it does not affect other communities.