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I want to express my support of this regulation change and glad that the State is being proactive in adopting a requirement for the testing of domestic sheep and goats for Movi. I do know that this proposal has taken several years to get to the change implemented. Public testimony clearly supports the importance of protecting Alaska's wildlife such as Dall Sheep, Mountain Goats, and Caribou against the Movi virus. As a 38 year hunting resident, I know Alaska has been very fortunate in avoiding any deadly infectious diseases that could have devastated those animals. Implementation of this regulation change will ensure that there is protection of these herds for both hunters and non-hunters to see and enjoy. Thank you!