Focus Questions
Furbearer BMP Public Meeting – November 29, 2022

Name: _____ Town: _____

1. **As per Act 159, the overall objective of this endeavor has been to modernize trapping practices to improve animal welfare and selectivity. This legislation charged the Department with implementing Best Management Practices for trapping based on the decades long scientific research effort conducted by the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. Given that context, are there any suggestions that you want the Department to consider when preparing recommendations to the Fish and Wildlife Board?**

2. **What are your comments on the Department's recommendation to improve animal welfare and trap selectivity through the implementation of Best Management Practices for trapping?**

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3. **What are your comments on the Department's recommendation to minimize the capture of non-target animals through the requirement to conceal all meat-based baits used in conjunction with trapping?**

4. **What are your comments on the Department's recommendations to minimize the potential capture of domestic pets through restrictions on the baiting and use of body-gripping traps on land?**

5. **What are your comments on the Department's recommendations to maximize human safety and minimize the potential capture of domestic pets through the implementation of trapping setbacks on roads and trails on state-owned lands?**