

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order 05-04-11

Issued at Nome, Alaska
January 19, 2011

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
January 20, 2011

Expiration Date: June 30, 2011

EXPLANATION:

This Emergency Order closes the State of Alaska subsistence registration hunting season for bull muskox by registration permit RX099 in the Kuzitritin River drainage portion of Unit 22(D) at 11:59 p.m. on January 20, 2011. In this hunt area, the harvest quota of 17 muskox (up to 6 cows) is expected to be reached by the closure date of this announcement and no further harvest is warranted. The cow hunt portion of this hunt area was closed by emergency order on January 13, 2011 at 11:59 p.m. This emergency closure does not affect hunting by registration permit RX099 in Unit 22D Southwest where the season for muskox remains open.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5 AAC 85.050 (a) (2), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MUSKOX**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting muskox in Unit 22(D) Kuzitritin River drainage:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(2)		
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Unit 22(D) that portion within the Kuzitritin River drainage, including the Pilgrim River and Kougarok River drainages.		
1 cow by registration permit only; or	Jan. 1 – Jan. 13 (Subsistence hunt only)	No open season

1 bull by registration
permit only

Jan. 1 – **Jan. 19**
(Subsistence hunt only)

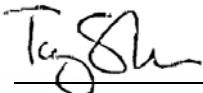
No open season.

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All other muskox hunting regulations in Unit 22 remain unchanged by this emergency order.

Cora Campbell
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Tony Gorn
Area Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The department set an overall 6% harvest rate for muskox in this area with a 2% harvest rate for cow muskox. The harvest rates allow a quota of 17 muskox (up to 6 cows) based on the 2010 population estimate of 285 muskox. The cow hunt portion of this hunt area was closed by emergency order on January 13, 2011 at 11:59 p.m. Fifteen muskox have been harvested and the harvest quota is expected to be reached by the closure date of this announcement. This emergency order closes all muskox hunting by registration permit RX099 in the Kuzitrin River drainage portion of Unit 22(D).

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