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### Emergency Order Changes Moose Bag Limit for the Community Hunt in Unit 13A

(Glennallen) – The bag limit for moose in the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt (CM300) in Game Management Unit 13A East is scheduled to change by emergency order from one bull moose to one bull moose with spike-fork antlers, or 50-inch antlers, or antlers with four or more brow tines on at least one side. This change will take effect at 12:01 a.m., Thursday, August 14, 2014. Because the western portion of Unit 13A has a quota of zero bulls that do not conform to general season antler restrictions, the new bag limit applies to all portions of Unit 13A.

Prior to the hunt, six bulls not meeting general season antler restrictions were assigned to the Unit 13A East quota for the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt (CM300) based on sustainable harvest principles and current population estimates. Zero bulls were assigned to the Unit 13A West quota because of low bull ratios observed in that area last fall. The 2014 quota of bulls has been exceeded for Unit 13A with four bulls taken in Unit 13A East and six bulls taken in Unit 13A West.

Copper Basin community moose hunters may still hunt in Unit 13A through the end of the regularly scheduled season (September 20), however, all bulls taken must meet state general hunt antler restrictions (spike-fork antlers, or 50-inch antlers, or antlers with four or more brow tines on one side). Community moose hunters are required to follow all established salvage requirements for the community harvest hunts through the end of the season.

Hunters with CM300 permits can still take moose that do not conform to general season antler restrictions in Units 11, 13B, 13C, 13D, and 13E, however, hunters must have a locking tag in possession to shoot a moose that does not meet the general season restrictions and the locking tag must be affixed to the moose's antlers immediately after it is taken.

Community hunters are encouraged to check the Community Subsistence Harvest hunt hotline (822-6789) for information about the status of quotas in other portions of the community hunt area and on any additional emergency orders issued.

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