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Winter Moose Hunt extended in Game Management Unit 17A

(DILLINGHAM) – The Alaska Department of Fish and Game and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Togiak National Wildlife Refuge, are announcing an extension to the winter moose hunt in Game Management Unit 17A. The season, which was scheduled to close on January 31, will be extended to February 28.

To keep harvest within sustainable limits, the cow season will be closed by emergency order and federal special action when a quota of 10 cows is reached. The bull harvest will be closed by similar action when the quota of 15 bulls is reached. As of Thursday, January 29, only four cows and one bull have been harvested.

To participate, hunters must possess a valid Alaska state hunting license and at least one state registration permit (RM575 and/or RM576). Hunters will be allowed to shoot one bull if they have registration permit RM575 in possession and/or one cow if they have permit RM576. Hunters are required to have both permits to shoot two moose (one bull and one cow). Hunters who already took a moose during the 2014 fall season can only shoot one additional moose.

Registration permits will be available at the Dillingham ADF&G office and Togiak Traditional Council office. Successful hunters are required to report to the Dillingham ADF&G office (phone: 907-842-2334) or the Togiak Traditional Council (phone: 907-493-5003) within 24 hours of killing a moose. All permit reports must be returned to ADF&G by March 15, 2015.

For additional information contact: Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Dillingham (phone: 907-842-2334), or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Togiak National Wildlife Refuge (phone: 907-842-1063).

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