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March Moose Hunt Opens in a Portion of Unit 21D

February 20, 2019 (Fairbanks) – The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announces an any-moose registration hunt (RM831) that will open on Friday, March 1, 2019. The Board of Game authorized this new hunting season at its January 2019 meeting.

The hunt will occur in the part of Unit 21D south of the south bank of the Yukon River, downstream of the up-river entrance of Kala Slough and west of Kala Creek. This area includes the Kaiyuh Flats, where the moose population was estimated to be 1,900–2,500 in 2011 but increased to 4,000–4,500 moose by 2018.

“We’ve been watching the moose abundance increase in this area for several years, and we’re pleased to be able to offer this additional harvest opportunity,” said Galena Area Biologist Glenn Stout.

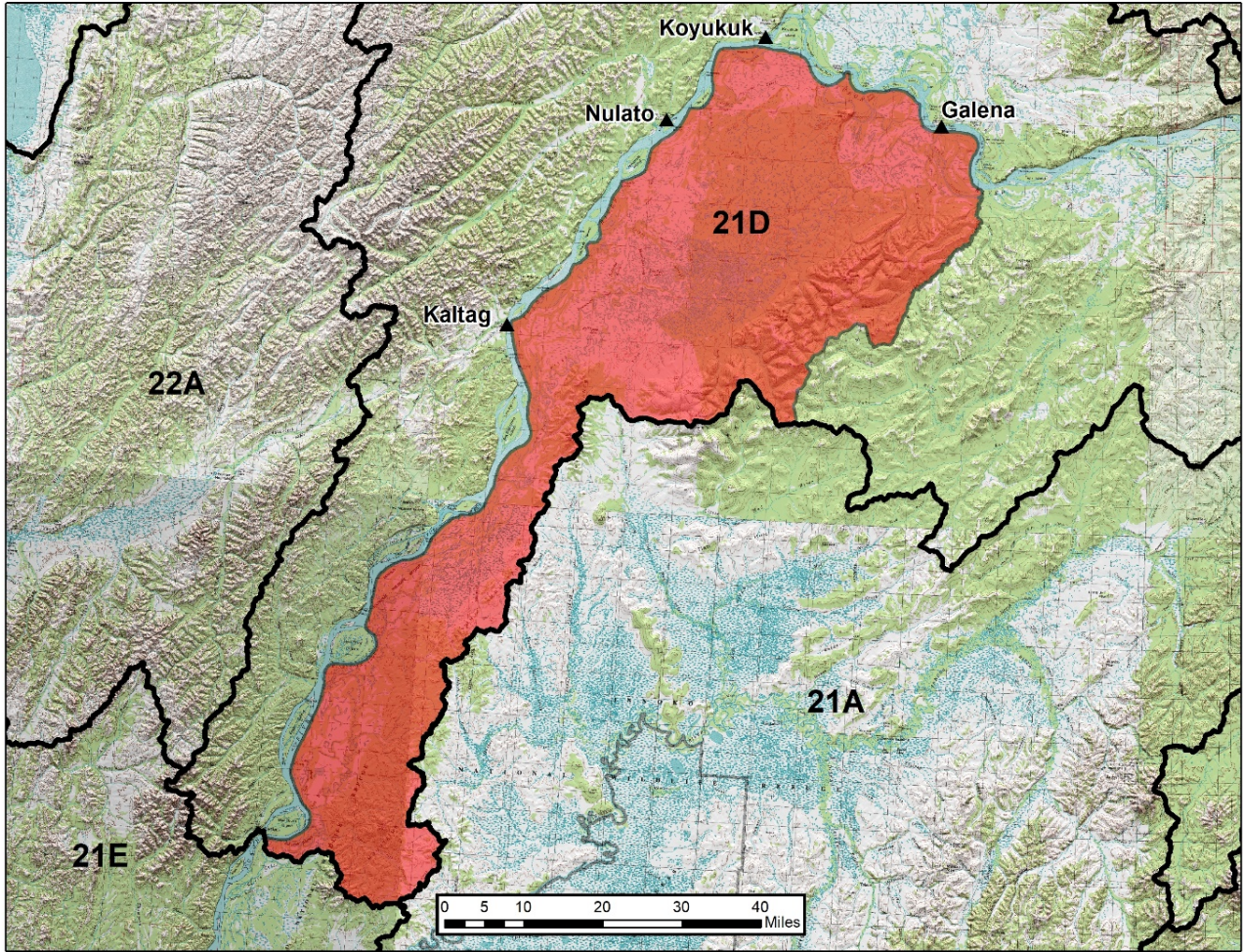
The season for the RM831 hunt is scheduled to run from March 1 through March 15; however the Department has established a quota of 25 moose with no more than 20 cows. If either quota is met before March 15, then the season will be closed by Emergency Order. Hunters are prohibited from shooting a cow accompanied by a calf.

“Because this is a new hunt and the demand is uncertain, hunters are required to report harvested moose within 2 days,” said Stout.

Permits are available on-line, the Galena ADF&G office, and license vendors in Nulato and Kaltag. Only Alaska residents who have not harvested a moose since July 1, 2018 may participate in this hunt.

Successful hunters may report either on the internet at <http://hunt.alaska.gov>, or in person or by phone to the Galena ADF&G office (656-1345) or the Fairbanks office (459-7206). Hunters who report by phone must also mail their permit reports within 15 days of the close of the season. Unsuccessful hunters must report within 15 days of the close of the season on the internet at <http://hunt.alaska.gov>, or by mailing their report.

Hunters are urged to obtain a receipt when they turn in their hunt reports or to mail them by delivery confirmation receipt. Hunters who fail to return reports, even if they do not harvest a moose, face losing the opportunity to receive any registration, drawing, or tier I and II permits next year and may be cited for a violation of the Alaska hunting regulations.



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