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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **State Closes Moose Hunt in Unit 22D Southwest and Kuzitrin**

(Nome) – The State resident season for bull moose by registration permit RM840 in hunt areas Unit 22(D) Southwest and Unit 22(D) within the Kuzitrin River drainage closes at 11:59 p.m. on September 8, 2014. After 11:59 p.m. on September 8, 2014 all RM840 hunt areas are closed to moose hunting.

The fall harvest quota of 37 bull moose is expected to be reached by the season closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

A fall moose composition survey completed during November 2013 found a decline in the areas bull: cow ratio. The management objective for the area is 30B: 100C and the 2013 survey found 23B: 100C. Similar surveys completed in 2008 and 2011 found 33B: 100C and 28B: 100C respectively. For regulatory year 2014-2015, the department established a harvest quota of 37 bulls to prevent excessive harvest and to improve the bull:cow ratio.

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

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