

Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-12-18

Issued at: Anchorage, Alaska
October 30, 2018

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
October 31, 2018

Expiration Date: June 30, 2019
unless superseded by
subsequent emergency
order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state registration permit hunt RM435 for moose in Unit 14C, in the upper Ship Creek drainage. All other moose hunting seasons in Unit 14 are unaffected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in 5AAC 85.045(12), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose:


Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(12) ...		
Unit 14(C), that portion of the Ship Creek drainage upstream of the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson (JBER) Management Area ...		
1 bull by registration permit only	October 25-October 31 (General hunt only)	October 25- October 31

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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 14 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Dave Battle
Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Ship Creek drainage moose population is estimated at 199 individuals, based on an aerial survey conducted in November 2013. In order to maintain the appropriate bull:cow ratio and the overall population objective for this area, the department has determined the harvest from this area should not exceed 15 bulls. Seven bulls were harvested in the fall drawing permit hunts (DM446 and DM447) and an additional seven bulls were reported harvested in RM435 as of October 30 and additional hunters remain in the field; therefore, no further harvest is warranted from this hunt.

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