FINDING OF EMERGENCY #96-96- BOG

The Alaska Board of Game finds that an emergency exists and the attached regulations are necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety or general welfare. The facts constituting the emergency include the following:

In Game Management Unit 16B, Subunit "Remainder of 16B," there is an unexpected resource situation where a biologically allowable moose harvest would be precluded by delayed regulatory action and such delay would be significantly burdensome to the petitioners because the resource would be unavailable in the future.

The biologically allowable moose harvest in this subunit is 35. To date, the harvest has been 6, due largely to unfavorable weather conditions which has kept moose in areas largely inaccessible to hunters. There is, therefore, a biologically allowable harvest remaining of 29 animals even after hunting seasons closed.

This is a Tier II hunt. Every available moose is important to subsistence users. Local subsistence users have petitioned the board to allow them additional opportunity to hunt moose. Previously, the board had determined that, due to lack of snow, any further action they took would be unavailing. Due to recent snowfall, the situation has changed markedly, and moose are likely to move into areas where hunting traditionally occurs.

Accordingly, the Board of Game finds that weather conditions for this season, to date, have been unexpected. The board also finds that the biologically allowable harvest of 29 moose continues to exist. Additionally, if regulatory action is delayed, opportunity for subsistence hunters will not exist. It is necessary to extend the Tier II moose season by emergency order.

DATE: Feb 14, 1995

VOTE: 5-0-2

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