

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 03-04-12

Issued at: Fairbanks, Alaska
March 28, 2012

Effective Date: 12:01 AM
April 2, 2012

Expiration Date: June 30, 2012
unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order announces the opening of the general moose season in Unit 26B, excluding the Canning River drainage, for April 2–15. A hunter must possess a 2012 hunting license and a 2011–2012 general moose harvest ticket, available at ADF&G offices and other vendors. The bag limit is 1 bull moose per regulatory year. Any hunter who has killed a moose anywhere in Alaska since July 1, 2011, under either state or federal regulations, is not eligible to hunt.

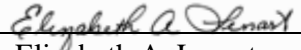
REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.045(a)(24), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose: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
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Unit 26(B), excluding the Canning River drainage		
RESIDENT HUNTERS:	Sept. 1–Sept. 14	
1 bull by drawing permit only; up to 30 permits may be issued; or		
1 bull	April 2–April 15	
NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:		No open season.
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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 26 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Cora Campbell
Commissioner

By delegation to: 
Elizabeth A. Lenart
Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Board of Game authorized the Division of Wildlife Conservation to open a general moose season for up to 14 days when hunting conditions are favorable during the period February 15–April 15 in Unit 26B, excluding the Canning River drainage. We expect favorable conditions will occur during the first two weeks of April. Persistent snow cover and frozen rivers should provide good traveling conditions and temperatures should be more moderate than in February or March. The population of approximately 450 moose in Unit 26B can sustain the 2011–2012 harvest quota of 14 bull moose, including 10 that may be harvested in this hunt.

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