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## NEWS

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### **Antlerless Moose Hunt Closes in Minto Flats**

#### **RM785 Minto Flats Management Area to Close**

Antlerless moose hunting in the Minto Flats Management Area portion of Unit 20B (RM785) will close at 11:59 pm on Wednesday night, December 11, 2013.

As of Monday, hunter reports indicated that 70 cow moose had been taken since the season opened October 15. The harvest quota for the registration permit hunt is 80-100 cow moose.

Fairbanks Assistant Area Biologist Tony Hollis said that recent warm weather and snow has allowed many hunters to take part in the hunt. "There were quite a few hunters in the area this past weekend, but we haven't gotten their reports yet," Hollis said.

Regulations require hunters to return their harvest report cards within five days of harvesting a moose, or by March 15. Hunters who fail to return reports, even if they didn't harvest a moose, face losing the opportunity to receive any hunting permits the next season.

"I'd encourage hunters to return harvest reports now to make sure the report cards don't get lost or forgotten," Hollis said.

The Board of Game authorized the Department to open registration permit hunt RM785 for antlerless moose in Unit 20B between October 15 and February 28, and close it by emergency order when the quota is met.

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