Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order 05-11-11

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. October 11, 2011 **Issued at** Nome, Alaska October 10, 2011

Expiration Date: June 30, 2012

EXPLANATION:

This Emergency Order closes the State of Alaska subsistence registration hunting season for muskox by registration permit RX104 in the Remainder of Unit 22(D) at 11:59 p.m. on October 11, 2011. In this hunt area, the harvest quota of 16 muskox (up to 10 cows) has been reached and no further harvest is warranted. This emergency closure does not affect hunting by registration permit RX104 in Unit 22(E) where the season for muskox remains open.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in 5 AAC 85.050 (a) (2), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MUSKOX, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting muskox in the Remainder of Unit 22(D):

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(2)		
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Remainder of Unit 22(D), that portion excluding the Kuzitrin River drainage and excluding Unit 22(D) Southwest		
1 bull by registration permit only; or	Aug. 1 – Oct. 11 (Subsistence hunt only)	No open season.
1 bull by drawing permit only	Aug.1- Mar. 15	Aug.1- Mar. 15

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

Cora Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:

Tony Gorn

Area Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The department set an overall 4% harvest rate for muskox in this area with a 2% harvest rate for cow muskox. The harvest rates allow a quota of 16 muskox (up to 10 cows) based on the 2010 population estimate of 481 muskox in the hunt area. In this hunt area, the harvest quota of 16 muskox has been reached. No further harvest of bull or cow muskox by registration permit is warranted.

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