# Hunting and Trapping

## **Emergency Order**

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

**Emergency Order** 05-01-12

**Issued at** Nome, Alaska January 02, 2012

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.

January 2, 2012

### **Expiration Date:** June 30, 2012

#### **EXPLANATION:**

This Emergency Order closes the State of Alaska subsistence registration hunting season for muskox by registration permit RX099 in the Kuzitrin River drainage portion of Unit 22(D) at 11:59 p.m. on January 02, 2012. In this hunt area, the harvest quota of 9 muskox (up to 5 cows) has been reached by the closure date of this announcement and no further harvest is warranted. (This emergency closure does not affect hunting by registration permit RX099 in Unit 22D Southwest 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Therefore, the following regulations in **5 AAC 85.050** (a) (2), **HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MUSKOX**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting muskox in Unit 22(D) Kuzitrin River drainage:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(2)		
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Unit 22(D) that portion within the Kuzitrin River drainage, including the Pilgrim River and Kougarok River drainages.		
1 cow by registration permit only; or	Jan. 1 – <b>Jan. 02</b> (Subsistence hunt only)	No open season
1 bull by registration	Jan. 1 – <b>Jan. 02</b>	No open season.

permit only

(Subsistence hunt only)

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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 9 muskox (up to 5 cows) based on the 2010 population estimate of 237 muskox. The harvest quota has been met and no further harvest is warranted at this time. This emergency order closes all muskox hunting by registration permit RX099 in the Kuzitrin River drainage portion of Unit 22(D).

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