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ADF&G Extends Resident Moose Hunt in Remainder of GMU 18

BETHEL -The Alaska Board of Game approved a new regulation at the November 2011 meeting to extend the moose season in the Remainder of Unit 18. The extended season aligns the season closing date and bag limit with the hunt on the lower Yukon River allowing resident hunters to take any moose during the winter season of February 11-February 29 in the portion of Unit 18 north and west of the Kuskokwim Hunt area. This emergency order does not authorize the taking of moose on the Kuskokwim River in Unit 18. Please note that if a person has harvested a moose in the fall 2011 or winter 2012 season they are not eligible to harvest a moose in this extended season.

The moose population in this portion of GMU 18 is at least 4000 moose and the department has determined that additional hunting opportunity is warranted given recent fall and winter harvest.

Note: Moose seasons in all other portions of Unit 18 are unchanged at this time, and the extended resident moose hunting season (Feb. 11- Feb. 29 with a bag limit of one moose) only applies to "Unit 18 remainder".

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