# Hunting and Trapping

# **Emergency Order**

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

**Emergency Order** 05-02-13

**Issued at** Nome, Alaska September 2, 2013

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.

September 2, 2013

Expiration Date: June 30, 2014

### **EXPLANATION:**

This Emergency Order closes the moose season in hunt area Unit 22(C) covered under registration permit hunt RM840.

The State resident and nonresident season for bull moose by registration permit hunt RM840 in Unit 22(C) closes at 11:59 p.m. on September 2, 2013. The fall harvest quota of 9 bulls has been reached and no further harvest is warranted.

The season closure does not affect the remaining hunt areas assigned to registration permit hunt RM840: the portion of Unit 22B West of the Darby Mountains, Unit 22D Kuzitrin Drainage, and Unit 22D Southwest.

#### **REGULATION:**

Therefore, the following regulations in **5 AAC 85.045** (a) (20), **HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE**, are superseded by this emergency order and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in Unit 22(C):

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and
General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

**Units and Bag Limits** 

(20)

Unit 22(C)

**RESIDENT HUNTERS:** 

1 bull by registration permit only; or

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1 antlerless moose by registration permit; or

No open season

1 antlered bull by registration permit only; during the period Jan. 1—Jan. 31, a season may be announced by emergency order

Jan. 1 – Jan. 31 (To be announced)

#### NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by registration permit **Sept. 1 – Sept. 2** 

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

Cora Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:

Assistant Area Biologist

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#### **JUSTIFICATION:**

Following a record harvest in 2004 of 52 bull moose in Unit 22(C), fall composition surveys found the bull:cow ratio had declined to 11 bulls per 100 cows. Annual fall surveys completed between 2005 and 2012 found an average of 16 bulls per 100 cows. For regulatory year 2013-2014, the department established a harvest quota of 9 bulls in Unit 22(C) to prevent excessive harvest and to improve the bull:cow ratio. The fall harvest quota of 9 bulls has been reached and no further harvest is warranted.

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