Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 04-07-14

Issued at Glennallen, Alaska August 30, 2014

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m.

Sunday

August 31, 2014

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m.

June 30, 2015, unless superseded by subsequent

emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order changes the bag limit for the Moose Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt (CM300) in Game Management Unit 13D, from one bull moose, to one bull moose with spike-fork antlers, or 50 inch antlers, or antlers with four or more brow tines on one side.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the provisions of **5AAC 85.045** (11), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and
General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

(11)

Unit 13

1 moose per regulatory year, only as follows:

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

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1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side per harvest report by community harvest Aug. 14 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

permit only in Unit 13A; or

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side per harvest report by community harvest permit only in Unit 13E; or Aug. 15 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side per harvest report by community harvest permit only in Unit 13B; or Aug. 26 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side per harvest report by community harvest permit only in Unit 13D; or Aug. 31 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

1 bull per harvest report by community harvest permit only in Unit 13C;

however, no more than 100 bulls that do not meet antler restrictions for other resident hunts in the same area may be taken in the entire community harvest area; or Aug. 10 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

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Cora Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:

Frank Robbins Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Prior to the hunt, a quota of eleven bull moose that do not conform with the general season antler restrictions was established for the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt (CM300) in Game Management Unit 13D. The quota for bulls that do not meet the general season restrictions in Unit 13D was met on Saturday, August 30, 2014.

Copper Basin community moose hunters can still hunt moose in Units 13A, 13B, 13D, and 13E through the end of the regularly scheduled season (September 20), however all bulls taken must conform to the general hunt antler restrictions (spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with four or more brow tines on one side). Bulls that do not meet the general season antler restrictions can still be taken in Unit 13C.

The Board of Game allocated up to 100 moose that do not conform to general season antler restrictions to the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt. The cumulative quota for the 2014-15 season was set at 90 moose due to the low bull:cow ratio observed in Unit 13A West. The following table lists the quotas for each hunt area and the general season antler restrictions.

This emergency order changes only the bag limit in Unit 13D. All other state hunting regulations still apply in Unit 13, including the closure to the taking of big game in the Paxson Closed Area.

CM300 Quota of Bulls That Do Not Meet General Season Requirements	Hunt Area	General Season Antler Restriction for all other resident hunters
0	Open portion of GMU 12	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
0	GMU 13A West	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
6	GMU 13A East	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
26	GMU 13B	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
16	GMU 13C	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
11	GMU 13D	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
21	GMU 13E	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
10	GMU 11	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 3 or more brow tines

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