Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order 05-10-14

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. September 8, 2014 **Issued at** Nome, Alaska September 8, 2014

Expiration Date: June 30, 2015

EXPLANATION:

This Emergency Order closes the bull moose season in hunt areas Unit 22(D) Southwest and Unit 22(D) within the Kuzitrin River drainage covered under registration permit hunt RM840.

The State resident season for bull moose by registration permit Hunt RM840 closes at 11:59 p.m. on September 8, 2014. The fall harvest quota of 37 bull moose is expected to be reached by the season closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

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Therefore, the following regulations in 5 AAC 85.045 (a) (20), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE, are superseded by this emergency order and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in Unit 22(D):

Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Unit 22(D), that portion within the Kougarok, Kuzitrin, and Pilgrim River drainages

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RESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull by registration permit only; or	Sept. 1 – Sept. 8	
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. 3 (To be announced)	
NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:		No open season.
Unit 22(D) Southwest, that portion west of the Tisuk River drainage, west of the west bank of the unnamed creek originating at the unit boundary opposite the headwaters of McAdam's Creek to its confluence with Canyon Creek, and west of the west bank of Canyon Creek to its confluence with Tuksuk Channel		
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NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:		No open season.
All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 22 remain unchanged by this emergency order.		
	Cora Campbell Commissioner	

By delegation to:

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Tony Gorn Unit 22 Area Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Alaska Board of Game established a registration moose hunt in Unit 22(D) Southwest and Unit 22(D) that portion within the Kuzitrin River drainage. A fall moose composition survey completed during November 2013 found a decline in the areas bull: cow ratio. The management objective for the area is 30B: 100C and the 2013 survey found 23B: 100C. Similar surveys completed in 2008 and 2011 found 33B: 100C and 28B: 100C respectively. For regulatory year 2014-2015, the department established a harvest quota of 37 bulls to prevent excessive harvest and to improve the bull:cow ratio.

The fall combined harvest quota of 37 bull moose is expected to be reached by the season closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

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