Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-04-15

Issued at Cordova, Alaska September 9, 2015

Effective Date: 11:59 pm

September 10, 2015

Expiration Date: June 30, 2016

unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state registration permit hunt RM164 for antlered moose in Game Management Unit 6(B). All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 6 are unaffected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.045(4)**, **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(4)		
<u>Unit 6 (B)</u> 1 moose per regulatory year, only as follows:		
1 antlered moose by registration permit only; up to 20 antlered moose may be taken;	Sept. 1—Sept. 10	No open season
1 antlerless moose by drawing permit only; up to 20 drawing permits may be issued for antlerless moose;	No open season (General hunt only)	No open season
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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 6 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten Commissioner

By delegation to:

Charlotte Westing Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The most recent population point estimate for Unit 6B, east of the Copper River Delta and including the Martin River Valley, is 227 moose (90% CI 177-278). The Department set a maximum allowable harvest of 20 bulls. The current harvest is 19 bulls and hunters are currently in the field. In order to prevent overharvest, RM164 will be closed on 10 September 2015 at 11:59 pm.

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