Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-04-17

Issued at Cordova, Alaska October 2, 2017

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.

October 3, 2017

Expiration Date: June 30, 2018 unless superseded by

subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state registration permit hunt RM160 for bull moose in the western portion of Game Management Unit 6(A). 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Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.045(4)**, **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Unit 6 (A), all drainages into the Gulf of Alaska, from Cape Suckling to Palm Point

Resident Hunters:

1 bull moose by registration permit only; up to 20 antlered moose may be taken; Sept. 1—Oct. 3

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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 2017 moose population point estimate for Unit 6A West, drainages between Cape Suckling to Palm Point, is 269 moose (90% CI 207-331). The department set a maximum allowable harvest of 20 bulls shared between the drawing hunt (DM160) and the registration hunt (RM160). Five drawing permits were issued and two have been harvested. The current registration harvest is 19 bulls and hunters currently remain in the field. In order to prevent overharvest, RM160 will be closed on October 3, 2017 at 11:59 p.m.

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