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Permits Available for Nunivak cow muskox hunt.

(Bethel) Registration permits for cow muskox on Nunivak Alaska RX060 will be issued on a first come—first served basis to hunters at the Bethel Fish and Game office beginning 8:00 am Alaska time on August 28, 2017. Only Five permits will be given out. Tag fees will apply for this hunt. One muskox may be harvested per person. The season for this hunt is September 1 - 30, 2017.

Access for this hunt can be difficult and expensive and hunters should understand accessibility and other limitations before getting a permit. Specific information for these hunts can be found at Fish and Game offices, or online at www.hunt.alaska.gov.

Survey results show that the Nunivak Island muskox population is above management objectives. Surveys completed in June 2015 revealed the Nunivak Island population of 740 muskoxen, a level above the management objective of 500–550 muskoxen. The department is issuing permits to reduce this population to management objectives over a multi-year period.

Hunters with questions about this hunt should call (907) 543-2839.

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