Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order Alaska Departme

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 03-07-18

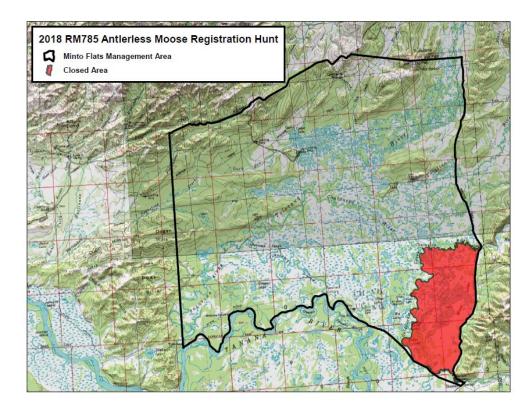
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Expiration Date: June 30, 2019 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes that portion of the state registration permit hunt RM785 south of the south bank of the Chatanika River from the Dunbar trail to Goldstream Creek, east and north of the east and north banks of Goldstream Creek from the Chatanika River to the Dunbar trail, and west of the Dunbar trail from Goldstream Creek to the Chatanika River to the taking of antlerless moose in the Minto Flats Management Area in Game Management Unit 20B. All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 20B are unaffected by this emergency order.



REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in 5AAC 85.045(a)(18), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are in effect for hunting moose:

Units and Ba	g Limits
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Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

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Unit 20(B), that portion within the Minto Flats Management Area south of the south bank of the Chatanika River from its intersection with the east side of the Winter Cat Trail (Dunbar trail), then west along the south bank of the Chatanika River to the confluence with Goldstream Creek, then southerly along the east and north bank of Goldstream Creek to the east side of the Dunbar trail, then north along the east side of the Dunbar trail to the south bank of the Chatanika River.

RESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull; or

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by drawing permit only; up to 8 permits may be issued

Unit 20(B), the remainder of that portion within the Minto Flats Management Area

Aug, 21- Aug. 27 (Subsistence hunt only)

Sept. 8–Sept. 25

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Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
RESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull; or	Aug. 21–Aug. 27 (Subsistence hunt only)	
1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side; or	Sept. 8–Sept. 25	
1 antlerless moose by registration permit only	Oct. 15–Feb. 28 (Subsistence hunt only)	
NONRESIDENT HUNTERS 1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by drawing permit only; up to 8 permits may be issued		Sept. 8-Sept. 25

All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 20(B) remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten Commissioner

By delegation to: Im

Tony Hollis Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

In 2012, the Board of Game authorized an antlerless moose registration hunt in this portion of Game Management Unit 20B during October 15 through February 28, unless closed by Emergency Order. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game set a quota of 21 cow moose for the 2018–2019 winter hunt (RM785). This is the second year of this closure. Prior to the 2017–2018 season, a majority of the harvest had been taken in this region of Minto Flats and this closure is implemented to avoid localized overharvest in this area and spread the harvest to other portions of Minto Flats that continue to have high densities of moose.

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