# Hunting and Trapping

**Emergency Order** 

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 03-09-18

**Issued at:** Fairbanks, Alaska October 31, 2018

Effective Date: 12:01 AM

**Expiration Date:** June 30, 2019 unless superseded by subsequent

November 1, 2018

emergency order

# **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order opens targeted hunt, AM751, in Game Management Units 20A and 20B. This hunt was established by the Alaska Board of Game in the spring of 2014. Interested hunters sign up during October 1–31 in a format similar to a registration hunt, with a finite application period. The list of hunters is randomized and hunters' names are drawn, during the winter months, to harvest specific nuisance or injured moose as the need arises. The lottery drawing selects hunters to respond to these nuisance or injured moose on short notice.

This emergency order opens the AM751 targeted hunt for winter 2018–2019 by allowing hunters who have pre-registered during October 1–31 and are randomly drawn, to take specific moose within Units 20A or 20B that a) have created a nuisance and/or hazardous situation for residents; or b) have created a dangerous situation near roads where moose–vehicle collisions are known to occur. In addition to this emergency order, the targeted hunt is printed in the 2018–2019 Hunting Regulation Book No. 59.

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Therefore, the following regulations in 5AAC 85.045(a)(18), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are in effect for hunting moose:

Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits (18)

Unit 20(A), the Ferry Trail Management Area, Wood River Controlled Use Area, and the Yanert Controlled Use Area

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1 moose by targeted permit only; by shotgun, crossbow or bow and arrow only; up to 100 permits may be issued Nov. 1-Apr. 15

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Remainder of Unit 20(A)

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1 moose by targeted permit only; by shotgun, crossbow or bow and arrow only; up to 100 permits may be issued Nov. 1–Apr. 15

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Unit 20(B), remainder of the Fairbanks Management Area

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1 moose by targeted permit only; by shotgun, crossbow or bow and arrow only; up to 100 permits may be issued Nov. 1–Apr. 15

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Unit 20(B), that portion southeast of the Moose Creek dike within one-half mile of each side of the Richardson Highway

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**Units and Bag Limits** 

1 moose by targeted permit only; by shotgun, crossbow or bow and arrow only; up to 100 permits may be issued

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Remainder of Unit 20(B)

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1 moose by targeted permit only; by shotgun, crossbow or bow and arrow only; up to 100 permits may be issued

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Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts) Nov. 1–Apr. 15

Nonresident Open Season

Nov. 1-Apr. 15

All other moose hunting regulations in Units 20A and 20B remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten Commissioner

By delegation to:

Tony Hollis
Wildlife Biologist

#### **JUSTIFICATION:**

Units 20A and 20B have a combined population of approximately 25,000 moose. Within these healthy populations of moose are urban centers and road systems with many residents and vehicles. Moose interactions in these urban and semi-urban environments can lead to dangerous conflicts between people and moose or result in severely injured moose that must be put down. Nuisance and injured moose are common within these areas and the Department of Fish and Game responds to many situations regarding these animals. It is also common for moose to inhabit areas near roadways, creating hazards during the dark winter months. Under this emergency order, hunters who receive the AM751 permit will be authorized to take a specific moose that causes a safety concern or to hunt a specific area where a safety concern may be eminent. This allows the hunters to alleviate the area of the problem or nuisance moose and at the same time put moose meat in their freezers.

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