Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 04-08-20

Issued at: Glennallen, Alaska September 16, 2020

Effective Date: 12:00 a.m. Friday, September 18, 2020

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. June 30, 2021 unless superseded by subsequent

emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order changes the bag limit for the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Moose Hunt (CM300) in Game Management Subunit 13A-East, from one bull moose to one bull moose with spike-fork antlers, or 50-inch antlers, or antlers with four or more brow tines on at least one side.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the provisions of **5AAC 85.045** (11), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective: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

(11) Unit 13

1 moose per regulatory year, only as follows:

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

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Unit 13A, that portion west of the Lake Louise Road, Lake Louise, Lake Susitna, Lake Tyone, and Tyone River 1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side per harvest report by community harvest permit only; or Aug. 20 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

Unit 13A, remainder

1 bull per harvest report by
community harvest permit only
that does not meet antler restrictions
for other resident hunts in the
same area; or

Aug. 20 – September 17 (Subsistence hunt only)

1 bull with spike-fork
antlers or 50-inch antlers or
antlers with 4 or more brow
tines on one side per harvest
report by community harvest
permit only; or

Aug. 20 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

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Unit 13E

1 bull per harvest report by community harvest permit only that does not meet antler restrictions for other resident hunts in the same area; or Aug. 20 – Aug. 30 (Subsistence hunt only)

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side per harvest report by community harvest permit only; or Aug. 20 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

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Remainder of Unit 13

1 bull per harvest report by community harvest permit only however, no more than 100 bulls that do not meet antler restrictions Aug. 20 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

for other resident hunts in the same area may be taken in the entire community harvest area; or

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All other moose hunting regulations remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

Heidi Hatcher

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Glennallen Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Prior to the hunt, a quota of five bull moose that do not conform to the general season antler restrictions (any-bulls) was established for the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt (CM300) in Game Management Unit 13A-East. The quota in Unit 13A-East, based on sustainable harvest principles and current population estimates, has been reached.

Copper Basin community moose hunters may still hunt in subunit 13A through the end of the regularly scheduled season (September 20), however all bulls taken beginning Friday, September 18th, with a community harvest ticket must conform to the general hunt antler restrictions (spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with four or more brow tines on at least one side).

The Board of Game allocated up to 100 moose that do not conform to general season antler restrictions to the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt. The cumulative total for quotas for the 2020–21 season is 100 moose. Quotas for each hunt area and the general season antler restrictions are listed here:

CM300 Quota of Any-	Hunt Area	General Season Antler Restriction for all
bulls		other resident hunters
0	Open portion of GMU 12	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more
		brow tines
0	GMU 13A West	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more
		brow tines
5	GMU 13A East	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more
		brow tines
34	GMU 13B	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more
		brow tines

18	GMU 13C	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more
		brow tines
16	GMU 13D	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more
		brow tines
25	GMU 13E	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more
		brow tines
2	GMU 11	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 3 or more
		brow tines

This emergency order changes only the bag limit in Unit 13A. All other state hunting regulations still apply, including the closure of the take of all big game in the Paxson Closed Area.

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