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State Closes Moose Hunt RM840 in Unit 22C

(Nome) – The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announces an emergency order to close the State resident and nonresident moose hunt by registration permit RM840 in the Unit 22(C) hunt area.

The State resident and nonresident hunting season for bull moose by registration permit RM840 in Unit 22(C) closes at 11:59 p.m. on September 2, 2020. The fall harvest quota of 20 bulls is expected to be reached by the season closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

A conservative harvest strategy has been implemented in Unit 22(C) since 2013 in an effort to increase the bull:cow ratio. Fall trend count composition surveys completed in 2017 and 2018 found 32 bulls:100 cows and 31 bulls:100 cows, respectively.

For regulatory year 2020-2021 the department established a harvest quota of 20 bulls in Unit 22(C) to prevent over harvest, while also maintaining the bull:cow ratio at or above 30 bulls:100 cows. The fall harvest quota of 20 bulls is expected to be reached by the season closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

This closure does not affect the remaining registration permit hunt RM840 hunt areas: Unit 22(B) West of the Darby Mountains, Unit 22(D) Remainder, Unit 22(D) Kuzitrin Drainage, and Unit 22(D) Southwest.

All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 22 remain unchanged by this emergency order.

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