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## **Advisory Announcement**

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### **Antlerless Moose Hunt Closes in Minto Flats**

### RM785 Minto Flats Management Area to Close

(Fairbanks) – Antlerless moose hunting in the Minto Flats Management Area portion of Game Management Unit 20B (RM785) will close at 11:59 pm on Sunday night, November 22, 2020.

As of Wednesday, hunter reports indicated that 8 cow moose had been taken since the season opened on October 15. The harvest quota for the registration permit hunt is 15 cow moose.

Fairbanks Area Biologist Tony Hollis said that mild weather and good snow depth has allowed the harvest to be steady over the last week. "I anticipate that hunters will have taken 15 cows by Sunday night," said Hollis.

Regulations require hunters to return their harvest reports within two days of harvesting a moose. Hunters may report on the internet at <a href="http://hunt.alaska.gov">http://hunt.alaska.gov</a>, or in person or by phone to the Fairbanks ADF&G office (459-7206). Hunters who report by phone must also mail their permit reports or drop them off at an ADF&G office. Unsuccessful hunters must return their reports within 15 days of the close of the season. Hunters who fail to return reports, even if they did not harvest a moose, face losing the opportunity to receive any hunting permits the next season and may be cited for a violation of the Alaska hunting regulations.

"I encourage hunters to return harvest reports now to make sure their reports don't get lost or forgotten," Hollis said.

The Board of Game authorized the department to open registration permit hunt RM785 for antlerless moose in Unit 20B between October 15 and February 28, and close it by emergency order when the quota is met.