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## Advisory Announcement

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## Nelchina Caribou Draw Hunt DC485 Season Closure

(Glennallen) – The season for the Nelchina caribou draw hunt DC485 will close at midnight on Sunday, January 10, 2021. The majority of the Nelchina caribou herd is currently overwintering in Unit 13, which has resulted in steady harvest among DC485, CC001, RC561, and RC562 hunters since the hunts reopened on October 21st. At that time, a winter quota of 1,100 animals was established for RC561, RC562, and DC485 combined. CC001 is managed under a separate cap. To date, DC485 hunters have reported 320 caribou harvested during the winter season. Cumulative winter harvest for DC485, RC561, and RC562 is quickly approaching the quota. The DC485 season will close to allow the subsistence hunts to harvest the remainder of the quota.

Successful hunters can provide wildlife managers the information they need to closely track in-season harvest by filing hunt reports online at hunt.alaska.gov, by phone at (907) 822-3461 (24/7), or in person at the Glennallen or Palmer Fish and Game offices. Reporting is required within 3 days of kill for DC485, RC561, and RC562 permitholders. Reporting is required within 5 days of kill for CC001 permitholders. Unsuccessful hunters and those who did not hunt must report within 15 days of the season end.

For hunt updates and additional information call the Nelchina Hotline at (907)-267-2304 or contact the Glennallen ADF&G office at (907) 822-3461.

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