Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order 05-01-22

Issued at Nome, Alaska January 7, 2022

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. **Expiration Date:** June 30, 2022

January 8, 2022

EXPLANATION:

This Emergency Order closes the State of Alaska resident winter season for antlered bull moose by registration permit hunt RM843 in Unit 22(B), that portion west of the Darby Mountains, at 11:59 p.m. on January 8, 2022 (Note: this area is identified as the Remainder of Unit 22(B) in the Regulation Section, below). The harvest quota of 9 antlered bulls is expected be met by the closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in 5 AAC 85.045 (a) (20), HUNTING SEASONS AND **BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE** are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in the Remainder of Unit 22(B):

Units and Bag Limits (20)	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
Remainder of Unit 22(B)		
RESIDENT HUNTERS:		

1 bull by registration Sept. 1 - Sept. 10 permit only; or

1 antlered bull by Jan. 1 - Jan 8

registration permit only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS: No open season.

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

Doug Vincent-Lang

Commissioner

By delegation to:

Bill Dunker Area Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The moose population in Unit 22(B) West has remained stable at a low density with recruitment rates at or below 10% between 1999 and 2013. A survey completed in the spring of 2016 resulted in an abundance estimate of 728 observable moose (609-847 at 90% C.I.), and a recruitment rate of 14%. The Alaska Board of Game established a moose registration permit hunt in Unit 22(B) West which is administered with a quota to prevent overharvest. The department set an annual harvest quota of 34 bulls for regulatory year 2021-2022 based on the results of the 2016 spring abundance survey. The fall season closed Sept. 10, 2021 with a reported harvest of 25 bull moose. The winter season, RM843, opened January 1, 2022 with a harvest quota of 9 antlered bulls. The harvest is expected to be met by the closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

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