

# Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department  
of Fish and Game

**Emergency Order 05-01-23**

**Issued at Nome, Alaska  
January 6, 2023**

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.  
January 7, 2023

**Expiration Date:** June 30, 2023

## **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 7, 2023 (*Note: this area is identified as the Remainder of Unit 22(B) in the Regulation Section, below*). The harvest quota of 6 antlered bulls is expected to 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Therefore, the following regulations in **5 AAC 85.045 (a) (20), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE** are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in the Remainder of Unit 22(B):

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
(20)		
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Remainder of Unit 22(B)		
<b>RESIDENT HUNTERS:</b>		
1 bull by registration permit only; or	Sept. 1 - Sept. 7 Sept. 30 - Oct. 9	
1 antlered bull by	<b>Jan. 1 – Jan 7</b>	

registration permit only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

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

Doug Vincent-Lang  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

  
Alicia Carson  
Assistant Area Biologist

**JUSTIFICATION:**

The moose population in the combined Unit 22(C) and Unit 22(B) survey area increased at a rate of 5% annually between 2016 and 2022. The department set an annual harvest quota of 40 bulls for regulatory year 2022-2023 based on the results of the 2022 spring abundance survey. 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 fall season closed Sept. 7, 2022 with a reported harvest of 29 bull moose. An additional fall season was reopened by emergency order on September 30, 2022 and closed on October 9, 2022 to provide additional opportunity to harvest bull moose in response to damage and losses sustained within the area during Typhoon Merbok, an additional 5 bull moose were harvested. The winter season, RM843, opened January 1, 2023 with a harvest quota of 6 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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