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(4) ALASKA'S INTENSIVE MOOSE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

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Abstract: The State of Alaska has a statutory mandate to identify moose, caribou, and deer populations important for high levels of consumptive use and manage them for elevated harvest. This legislation requires that the Alaska Department of Fish and Game implement feasible predator and/or habitat management if needed to achieve population and harvest objectives. ADF&G currently has several active intensive management programs for moose. The department strives for an adaptive approach to learn while implementing these programs in accordance with an intensive management protocol that specifies feasibility assessments, operational plans which include adaptive and explicit decision frameworks, and transparent semi-annual reporting that includes administrative and operational costs. The structure, details, and results of these programs designed to enhance high levels of consumptive use of moose are discussed along with future goals and challenges.

