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5 AAC 85.045. Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose.

Extend by two days the current bow and arrow only general moose season in Units 14A, 14B, and 16A as follows:

Unit 14A: One moose per regulatory year, only as follows: One bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with three or more brow tines on one side, by bow and arrow only, August 10 - August 19 [17].

Unit 14B: One moose per regulatory year, only as follows: One bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with three or more brow tines on one side, by bow and arrow only August 10 - August 19 [17].

Unit 16A: One moose per regulatory year, only as follows: One bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with three or more brown tines on at least one side, by bow and arrow only; August 10 – 19 [17].

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Extending the current bow and arrow only hunt for moose will allow hunters who choose to begin hunting during the early season to continue right on into the general season. From 2014 to 2018, only 5% of moose harvested during the general season in Units 14A, 14B, and 16A were taken in the bow and arrow only time frame. An additional two days of hunting with bow and arrow will not have any negative affect on the resource.

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