Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. R4-4-25

Issued at: Dillingham September 11, 2025

Effective Date: 12:00 a.m.

September 16, 2025

Expiration Date: June 30, 2025

unless superseded by

subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order extends the State of Alaska registration moose permit RM583 hunting season for moose in Game Management Unit 17B & 17C by six days from September 15 to September 21, 2025. The bag limit for the fall season in Unit 17B & 17C is one bull. Hunters are allowed to harvest one antlered bull moose with a RM583 registration permit.

Hunters who have already harvested a moose during the current regulatory year are ineligible to participate in this hunt.

This emergency order does not affect any other moose hunting regulations in Unit 17.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.045(15)**, **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Resident Open Season (Subsistence General Hunts)

Units and Bag Limits

(15)

Nonresident Open Season

Unit 17(B)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull by registration permit only; however during the period of Sept. 1 – Sept. 15, spikefork bulls and bulls with 50-inch antlers or antlers Aug.20–**Sept. 21** (Subsistence Hunt only)

with 3 or more brow tines on one side may be taken with a harvest ticket.

Unit 17(C) RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Aug.20 – <u>Sept. 21</u> (Subsistence Hunt only)

1 bull by registration permit only; however during the period of Sept. 1 – Sept 15, spikefork bulls and bulls with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side may be taken with a harvest ticket.

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All other moose regulations remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

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Dillingham Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Alaska Board of Game and Federal Subsistence Board authorized a registration moose hunt for Units 17B & 17C. A February 2023 aerial survey in Unit 17 resulted in an estimate of 3,629 moose, (±347), above our population objective of 2,800–3,500 moose in this unit. The last composition surveys identified an estimated 51 bulls and 23 calves per 100 cows, which indicates surplus bulls available for harvest. Allowing additional harvest of antlered bulls is important to meet subsistence needs and will aid in meeting harvest objectives.

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