

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order 05-05-25

Issued at Nome, Alaska
August 23, 2025

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
August 23, 2025

Expiration Date: June 30, 2026

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State resident moose hunt by registration permit RM840 in the Unit 22(D) Remainder hunt area.

The State resident fall hunting season for bull moose by registration permit RM840 in Unit 22(D) Remainder closes at 11:59 p.m. on August 23, 2025. The fall harvest quota of 17 bull moose is expected to be reached by the season closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

This closure does not affect the remaining registration permit hunt areas including Unit 22(B) West of the Darby Mountains, Unit 22(C), Unit 22(D) Kuzitrin Drainage, and Unit 22(D) Southwest. Unless additional closures are announced by emergency order, the RM840 season in Unit 22(B) West of the Darby Mountains, Unit 22(C), and Unit 22(D) Kuzitrin and Southwest is open from Sept 1 – Sept 14.

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Therefore, the following regulations in **5 AAC 85.045 (a) (20), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE**, are superseded by this emergency order and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in Unit 22(D):

Units and Bag Limits	Resident	Nonresident
	Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Open Season
(20)		
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Remainder of Unit 22(D)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull by registration permit
only; or

Aug. 10 – **Aug. 23**

1 antlered bull by registration
permit only; during the period
Jan. 1 – Jan. 31, a season may
be announced by emergency order

Jan. 1 – Jan. 31
(To be announced)

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 Alaska Board of Game established a registration permit moose hunt in Unit 22(D) Remainder during the 2020 Western and Arctic Board of Game meeting in Nome. The management objective for the area is to maintain the post hunt fall composition at or above 30 bulls:100 cows. Moose composition surveys completed in fall 2022 resulted in 23 bulls:100 cows. This survey result compared with previous results in the area suggest that the bull cow ratio has continued to persist below our management objective. With the adoption of a registration permit hunt in the area the department established a quota for the 22D Remainder hunt area of 17 bulls for the 2025-2026 regulatory year to prevent excessive bull harvest and allow for the bull:cow ratio to increase.

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