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State Opens Unit 18 Goodnews River Drainage Moose Season (RM621)

(Bethel) – The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announces the opening of the Goodnews River drainage winter moose hunt (RM621). The Goodnews River drainage hunt area (that portion that drains into Kuskokwim Bay south of the Carter Bay Drainage (59.180 N 162.003 W) has fall (September 1- 30) moose hunting opportunity that was extended through October 15 in 2025. In addition, a winter (to be announced) moose hunting opportunity may be announced as needed. The combined quota for fall and winter seasons is 40 moose. Six antlered bulls were harvested during the fall hunt. The season will allow hunting from January 1, 2026, through March 31, 2026, with a bag limit of one (1) moose. The season will be closed by emergency order prior to March 31, 2026, if the winter harvest quota of 34 moose is reached. Permits are available in Platinum, Goodnews Bay, and online.

Successful hunters should report their harvest within 5 days to the Bethel ADF&G office at (907) 543-2839 or (907) 543-1678. Unsuccessful hunters and hunters that did not hunt should report by April 15, 2026. Hunters that have already harvested a moose during this regulatory year (after July 1, 2025) are not eligible to participate in this hunt.

All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 18 remain unchanged by this advisory announcement.

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