

HUNTING-TRAPPING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH AND GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. R1-10-26

Issued at Douglas, Alaska
October 4, 2026

Effective Date: October 5, 2026

Expiration Date: 30 June 2027
(unless superseded by a subsequent
emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state of Alaska resident TM059 Tier II moose hunting season in Game Management Unit 1(D). This order takes effect at 11:59pm, October 5, 2026.

REGULATORY TEXT:

Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in Unit 1(D):

Unit and Bag Limit	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(1) ...		
Unit 1(D) (Subsistence hunt only) 1 bull with spike-fork or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side by Tier II subsistence hunting permit only; up to 250 permits may be issued.	Sept. 15 – Oct. 5	No open season

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Hannah Manninen
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Wildlife Biologist II

JUSTIFICATION:

The current management objective for the GMU 1D moose population is a harvest guideline level (HGL) of 20-25 bull moose with legal antler configuration of: spike/fork, 3 brow tines on at least one antler, or a 50-inch antler spread. As of October 3rd, 2026, 24 bulls have been harvested. Of the 24 moose harvested, 9 moose had a spike/fork antler configuration, 9 moose had 3 or more brow tines on one side, 5 moose had at least a 50-inch antler spread, and 1 moose was sublegal. Additional hunters remain in the field, and it is likely that the upper limit of the management objective has been met or exceeded. To prevent overharvest and ensure sustainable future hunting opportunity, this emergency order (R1-10-26) is being issued.

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