

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order R5-07-26

Issued at Nome, Alaska Sept 3, 2026

Effective Date: 12:01 am Sept 3, 2026

Expiration Date: June 30, 2027

EXPLANATION

This Emergency Order closes the state resident moose hunt by registration permit RM840 in the Unit 22D Kuzitrin Drainage and Unit 22D Southwest hunt areas. The state resident hunting season for bull moose by registration permit RM840 in Unit 22D Kuzitrin Drainage and Unit 22D Southwest will close at 11:59 p.m. on September 3, 2026. The harvest quota of 27 bulls is expected to be met by the season closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

This closure in the Unit 22D Kuzitrin Drainage and Unit 22D Southwest hunt area is additive to the RM840 season closures previously announced for Unit 22D Remainder and Unit 22C. This closure does not affect the remaining registration permit hunt RM840 in the Unit 22B West of the Darby Mountains hunt area.

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Therefore, the following regulations in **5 AAC 85.045 (a) (20), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE**, are superseded by this emergency order and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in Unit 22D Kuzitrin and Unit 22D Southwest:

Units and Bag Limits

Resident Open Season

Nonresident Open

(Subsistence and General Hunts) Season

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Unit 22(D), that portion within
the Kougarok, Kuzitrin, and
Pilgrim River drainages

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull by registration permit only Sept. 1 – **Sept. 3**

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS

No open season.

Unit 22(D) Southwest, that
portion west of the Tisuk River
drainage, west of the west bank of
the unnamed creek originating at
the unit boundary opposite the
headwaters of McAdam's Creek
to its confluence with Canyon
Creek, and west of the west bank
of Canyon Creek to its confluence
with Tuksuk Channel

RESIDENT HUNTERS

1 bull by registration permit only; Sept. 1 – **Sept. 3**

or

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS

No open season.

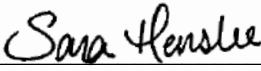
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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 22 remain unchanged by this emergency order.

JUSTIFICATION

The Alaska Board of Game established a moose registration permit hunt RM840 in Unit 22D within the Kuzitrin River drainage and Unit 22D Southwest. For regulatory year 2026 – 2027, the Department established a quota of 27 bulls to maintain the bull:cow ratio at or above the management objective. The harvest quota is expected to be reached by the season closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

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Commissioner

By delegation to: 
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