

# Hunting and Trapping

## Emergency Order

Alaska Department  
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 04-09-17

Issued at King Salmon, Alaska  
September 15, 2017

**Effective Date:** 12:00 a.m.  
September 21, 2016

**Expiration Date:** June 30, 2018  
unless superseded by  
subsequent emergency order

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order extends hunt TC505 in Game Management Units 9C and 9E for the Northern Alaska Peninsula caribou herd (NAP), which will closed by regulation on September 20. This EO will extend the season until October 10, 2017. The bag limit for the extended season is one caribou for TC505 permit holders who have not yet harvested a caribou. Only five hunters have reported harvesting caribou out of 200 permittees. Residents of Ugashik and Pilot Point have expressed concern, through calls to the King Salmon office and Board of Game Proposal 125, that caribou may move into the area near villages for a limited time in late September through early October but normally do not winter in the area during the late season hunt. The late season hunt period for TC505 will remain as scheduled from November 1 through April 30 for Unit 9E and November 15 through February 28 for Unit 9C.

All other caribou regulations for Unit 9 caribou remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

### REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.025(3), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Caribou**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence General Hunts)</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
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Remainder of Unit 9(C)		No open season.

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by Tier II permit only; provided that the harvestable surplus, in combination with Unit 9(E), is 1,200 caribou or less, up to 1,500 permits may be issued

Aug. 10—**Oct. 10**  
(Subsistence hunt only)  
Nov. 15—Feb. 28  
(Subsistence hunt only)

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Unit 9E

No open season

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by Tier II permit only; provided that the harvestable surplus, in combination with Unit 9(C), is 1,200 caribou or less, up to 1,500 permits may be issued

Aug. 10—**Oct. 10**  
(Subsistence hunt only)  
Nov. 1—Apr. 30  
(Subsistence hunt only)

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Sam Cotten  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

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Dave Crowley  
King Salmon Area Wildlife Biologist

**JUSTIFICATION:**

The Alaska Board of Game and Federal Subsistence Board authorized a limited Tier II caribou hunt on the NAP for local residents of Units 9C and 9E. As of September 14, only five caribou have been harvested and there is concern over lost opportunity, particularly by residents of northern Unit 9E where seasonal movements of caribou into the area have not yet occurred. This season extension could benefit local residents should caribou make a tardy arrival into traditional hunting areas before the onset of the rut.

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