

**PROPOSAL 37**

**5 AAC 85.045. Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose.**

Close the nonresident moose hunt in Unit 22C as follows:

**Residents:**

One bull by permit available online at <http://hunt.alaska.gov> or in person in Nome or at a license vendors in Teller, White Mountain and Golovin beginning July 24. Harvest quota to be announced. Season will be closed by emergency order when quota is reached. RM840. Sept. 1 – Sept 14.

**Nonresidents:**

**No open season**

[ONE BULL WITH 50-INCH ANTLERS WITH 4 OR MORE BROW TINES ON AT LEAST ONE SIDE BY PERMIT AVAILABLE ONLINE AT [HTTP://HUNT.ALASKA.GOV](http://HUNT.ALASKA.GOV) OR IN PERON IN NOME BEGINNING JULY 24. HARVEST QUOTA TO BE ANNOUNCED. SEASON WILL BE CLOSED BY EMERGENCY ORDER WHEN QUOTA IS REACHED. RM 840. SEPT 1 – SEPT 14]

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Eliminate the nonresident moose hunt in Unit 22C. Moose populations in Unit 22C have declined since the mid to late '90's and they have had a difficult time bouncing back. The moose harvest in Unit 22C has been and currently still is under a very strict quota hunt with a reporting time of 24 hours. In previous years the quota has been as low as nine. In 2018 the quota was 16. This shared quota is for approximately 3-400 hunters mostly from the Seward Peninsula. This very strict quota has local residents asking why this hunt open to nonresidents when this particular moose population is so low. Hunters who reside in region are the most dependent upon this resource to fill freezers for the long winter. AS 16.05.258 clearly states that subsistence use is first priority above all else including commercial and sport use.

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