

PROPOSAL 170

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

Close the RM445 moose hunt in Unit 14C to nonresidents as follows:

What solution do you recommend? In other words, if the board adopted your solution, what would the new regulation say?

R: RM445 One bull by Bow and Arrow only (Resident hunters only)

N: No open season

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?

The RM445 is increasingly one of the best opportunities for Southcentral Alaska hunters to hunt moose with archery equipment without having to worry about the safety hazards of hunting in open rifle areas during the general season. In most years the average moose killed are young bulls indicating that this is primarily a meat focused hunt that is easy access to major population centers. The hunt is usually closed when a harvest goal of about six bulls is achieved and almost every year in recent history at least one of the moose harvested has been by a nonresident. It is important for nonresidents to have hunting opportunities but with upwards of 100 local hunters vying for meat in this area each year, this is not the appropriate place for nonresident hunting opportunities.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local fish and game advisory committee?

No.

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