

Proposal 119

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

Reduce Season to Sept 1 – Sept 15 for Moose Permit RM653 as follows:

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

Moose 19C west of the South Fork Kuskokwim, East of the Windy Fork Kuskokwim and north of a line between 62° 24' N, 154° 7' W and 62° 30' N, 153° 32' W (Farewell Area), Permit RM653, Reduce Season to Sept 1 – Sept 15.

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

Over the past 5 years the department has issued an unlimited number of RM653 permits. Beginning in 2024, the BOG significantly reduced nonresident hunters in the Farewell area from approximately 100 hunters to 20 hunters. This BOG action was taken in an effort to both improve the bull cow ratio and to reduce user conflicts. After two seasons of reduced hunting effort the, bull cow ratio continues to decline below ADFG population objective.

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

Consulted several Alaska residents who hunt in the unit. Most agree a shorter season could help reduce take allowing the population to recover from over harvest.

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