

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order 05-10-11

Issued at Nome, Alaska
September 17, 2011

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
September 17, 2011

Expiration Date: June 30, 2012

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska season for antlered bull moose by registration permit hunt RM841 in Central Unit 22(A) at 11:59 p.m. on September 17, 2011. The hunt area covered by this closure includes the Unalakleet River drainage and all drainages flowing into Norton Sound north of the Golsovia River drainage and south of the Tagoomenik and Shaktoolik River drainages. The harvest quota of 14 antlered bulls is expected to be reached by the season closing date announced in this emergency order. No further harvest is warranted.

All other moose seasons and bag limits in Unit 22(A) remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5 AAC 85.045 (a) (20) HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE** and **Emergency Order 05-09-11** are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in a portion of Unit 22(A):

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
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Unit 22(A), that portion in the Unalakleet River drainage and all drainages flowing into Norton Sound north of the Golsovia River drainage and south of the Tagoomenik and Shaktoolik River drainages

1 antlered bull by registration permit only

Sept. 1–Sept. 17

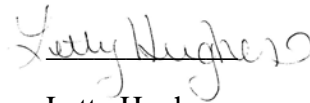
No open season

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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 22 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Cora Campbell
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Letty Hughes
Assistant Area Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Moose seasons in the central portion of Unit 22(A) were closed in 2005 because of a declining trend in the area's moose populations since 1989. A stratified moose census completed in March 2007 estimated 339 moose in the area, and beginning in 2008 the Alaska Board of Game adopted a registration moose hunt regulation with harvest quotas to prevent over harvest. The department set a harvest quota of 14 antlered bull moose in this portion of Unit 22(A) for regulatory year 2011-2012. At the time of this announcement, the total harvest from the hunt is 12 antlered bulls. At current rates, the harvest quota of 14 antlered bulls is expected to be reached by the season closing date announced in this emergency order.

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