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State Closes Subsistence Registration Muskox Hunt RX099 In Unit 22(D) Southwest

Nome – The State of Alaska subsistence hunting season for muskox by registration permit RX099 in Unit 22(D) Southwest will close by emergency order announcement on January 29, 2012 at 11:59 p.m.

The department set an overall 6% harvest rate for muskox in Unit 22(D) Southwest with a 2% harvest rate for cow muskox. The harvest rates allow a quota of 5 muskox (up to 3 cows) based on the 2010 population estimate of 160 muskox in this area. Due to a high level of hunter success in recent hunts, the harvest quota is expected to be reached by the closure date of this announcement and no further harvest is warranted.

Hunters should note that this emergency order closes all muskox hunting by subsistence registration permit RX099 in Unit 22(D) Southwest.

All other muskox hunting regulations in Unit 22 remain unchanged by this emergency order.

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