

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 04-07-16

Issued at Glennallen, Alaska
September 2, 2016

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
Sunday, September 4, 2016

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m.
June 30, 2017, unless
superseded by subsequent
emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order changes the bag limit for the Moose Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt (CM300) in Game Management Subunits 13B and 13D, from one bull moose to one bull moose with spike-fork antlers, or 50-inch antlers, or antlers with four or more brow tines on one side.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the provisions of **5AAC 85.045 (11), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
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(11)
Unit 13

1 moose per regulatory year,
only as follows:

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Units 13B and 13D

1 bull per harvest report by
community harvest permit only
that does not meet antler restrictions
for other resident hunts in the
same area may be taken in the

Aug. 20 – Sept. 4
(Subsistence hunt
only)

entire community harvest area; or

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side per harvest report by community harvest permit only; or

Aug. 20 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

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Unit 13E

1 bull per harvest report by community harvest permit only that does not meet antler restrictions for other resident hunts in the same area may be taken in the entire community harvest area; or

Aug. 20 – Aug. 25 (Subsistence hunt only)

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side per harvest report by community harvest permit only; or

Aug. 20 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

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Remainder of Unit 13

1 bull per harvest report by community harvest permit only however, no more than 100 bulls that do not meet antler restrictions for other resident hunts in the same area may be taken in the entire community harvest area; or

Aug. 20 – Sept. 20 (Subsistence hunt only)

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Sam Cotten
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Frank Robbins

Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Prior to the hunt, a quota of 30 bull moose that do not conform with the general season antler restrictions was established for the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt (CM300) in Game Management Unit 13B. A quota of 14 bull moose that do not conform with the general season antler restrictions was established for the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt (CM300) in Game Management Unit 13D. The quotas, based on sustainable harvest principles and current population estimates, are expected to be reached in Units 13B and 13D over the holiday weekend.

Copper Basin community moose hunters may still hunt in subunits 13B, 13D, and 13E through the end of the regularly scheduled season (September 20), however all bulls taken with a community harvest ticket must conform to the general hunt antler restrictions (spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with four or more brow tines on one side).

The Board of Game allocated up to 100 moose that do not conform to general season antler restrictions to the Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Hunt. The cumulative total for quotas for the 2016-17 season is 100 moose. The table below lists the quotas for each hunt area and the general season antler restrictions.

This emergency order changes only the bag limits in Units 13B and 13D. Bulls that do not meet the general season antler restrictions can still be taken in Units 13A East, 13C, and Unit 11 by hunters with CM300 permits. All other state hunting regulations still apply, including the closure of the take of all big game in the Paxson Closed Area.

This Emergency order does not affect the unit 13 general season (green harvest ticket) hunt for moose.

CM300 Quota of Bulls That Do Not Meet General Season Requirements	Hunt Area	General Season Antler Restriction for all other resident hunters
0	Open portion of GMU 12	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
0	GMU 13A West	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
10	GMU 13A East	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
30	GMU 13B	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
18	GMU 13C	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
14	GMU 13D	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
26	GMU 13E	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines
2	GMU 11	Spike/fork, or 50" antlers, or 3 or more brow tines

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